



**First Reformed United Church of Christ
Lexington, NC**

*We are an Open and Affirming Congregation of the United Church of Christ.
No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.*

APRIL 2019

Dear First Reformed Family,

I am excited to share we will work with St. Stephen UMC to **"adopt" Charles England Elementary School** through the end of the 2019-2020 academic year.

HERE'S A LITTLE BACKGROUND:

Last month Cathy Waitman and I attended a breakfast at the Lexington City Schools Administrative Office entitled, "Rallying Our Village to Save our Students." The focus was to connect school principals with local pastors. It was eye-opening to hear school leaders describe so many needs of their students. Due to high poverty in the district, **hunger and hygiene concerns** are an everyday occurrence. This can contribute greatly to poor academic performance.

Also greatly lacking is the presence of enough safe, positive adult influences. Simply put, many students need encouraging, interested adults to be involved and to care.

So many basic needs...for which there are no line items in the budget.

THIS IS WHERE FIRST REFORMED CAN HELP:

The church address is in the attendance zone for Charles England Elementary, which means these students and their families are *literally our neighbors*. Their principal spoke with us about specific needs, such as underwear and socks. Cathy and I began to conspire with Rev. Arnetta Beverly to adopt this school and seek to show love for our "littlest" neighbors. I was surprised that **approximately 90% of the children at the school live at or below the poverty level.**

WHAT CAN WE DO RIGHT NOW?

- Immediately, you can pray for this school by name. Lift up to God's ears the students, teachers, and parents. Ask God's guidance in this ministry as we move forward.
- Visit their website. Here is the link: [Charles England Elem School](http://CharlesEnglandElemSchool.org)
- Drive by the school to see the physical building where future citizens and leaders are learning. (111 Cornelia St, Lexington, NC 27292)
- Begin to think of these students as "our kids."

VOLUNTEER

Wouldn't it be great if we could have a group of First Reformers to volunteer together? It can fit your schedule and no special or high-level academic experience is necessary! Just a willingness to give 20 -30 minutes (biweekly or even monthly) to:

- read to a child, or let a child read to you.
- hold flashcards to help with vocabulary or math skills.
- eat lunch with a student who needs an encourager.

Belinda Yates and I already volunteer once a month with "Rubies and Pearls" for 5th grade girls.

Let me know by MONDAY, APRIL 8 if you have questions or an interest in volunteering on any level. The city school system conducts a background check on all volunteers. Plenty of time still remains before school ends to be a blessing to a child.

~Elizabeth



WELCOMING STATEMENT

If you are searching for a place to experience God's wondrous and inclusive love, we invite you to join us at First Reformed United Church of Christ in Lexington, NC.

Following the example of Jesus, we believe that God's love, Christ's church, and the power of the Holy Spirit are for all people. We believe our unity as one body in Christ transcends worldly differences. No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.

First Reformed United Church of Christ is an Open and Affirming congregation. This means we welcome into the full life and ministry of the church all people, regardless of ability, age, education, ethnicity, family or marital status, gender identity or expression, income, nationality, political affiliation, race, sexual orientation, or any other distinction. At the baptismal font and at the communion table, from the nursery cribs to the church leadership, whether you were raised in a church or have never before attended one, you are welcome here.

We affirm and celebrate the diversity of God's children as a blessing. We welcome you to First Reformed United Church of Christ.

~MARCH MEMORIALS~

REV. HAROLD HOLSTE

CLIFF & PAULA LOPP

BILL & CAROLYN ROBBINS

JERRY & AURELIA SMITH

RUTH FRITTS

BECKY POETZINGER & BOB OATES

~MARCH HONORARIUMS~

MIKE BROWN

JOHN POTTS & JANETTE NEAL

JOHN POTTS

JANETTE NEAL

Order Your Easter Lilies by April 4!



Easter Lily
ORDERS

**Use the form on page 12 of
this newsletter**

or

**the form in the March 31
Sunday bulletin**

or

**simply contact the office
no later than NOON on
April 4!**

(336-248-2617)



TOUCHING DAVIDSON COUNTY WITH LOVE

**You may volunteer to help until
April 13!**

You may contact Jerry by email
(plovell53@yahoo.com) or by phone (336-746-6493
or 336-309-9302) if you have questions.

**Touching Davidson County with Love
is also assisting local agencies in need.**

There will be collection boxes in the Narthex
until **April 13** for the following:

DSS Adult Services:

**Shampoo, deodorant, body wash &
toothpaste**

ARC of Davidson County:

**toilet paper, paper towels, tissues &
garbage bags.**

~ THANK YOU NOTES ~

An acknowledgement has been received for our contribution of \$400.00 to:

Charles England Elementary School

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Dear Church Family,

I deeply appreciate the scholarship fund that I have been awarded. It will be used for books and also partial tuition. It really takes a lot of financial stress off of me and my parents. Again, thank you.

Matt Johnson

Dave Fulton and Evangelism Board,

I deeply appreciate the new DVD player. I will be able to enjoy the worship services and feel a part of the congregation. This is another example of how the Evangelism Board reaches out to include all members of the FRUCC family.

Peace,  
Rita Tussey

Dear FRUCC Youth,

Thank you for the Valentine treat bag. It was a kind and thoughtful gesture. I'm sorry I was away from my room and missed a visit with you. Please come again!

Peace,  
Rita Tussey

Dear Cathy and Youth,

Open Hands would like to thank the youth group of First Reformed for their donation of purses filled with such wonderful items. We know a lot of hard work went into putting these purses together. Our less fortunate ladies will be so happy to receive these purses, which are not only filled with nice things, but also love. Again, thank you.

Sincerely,  
Open Hands of Davidson County



The church donated \$206.53 on Sunday, March 3 toward the Girl Scouts Silver Award project for the sleeping bags. **Thank you for your generosity!**

Girl Scout Troop 2160

### MANY THANKS!

\$444.00 was collected for the Ash Wednesday offering to benefit Davidson County Crisis Assistance Fund (DCCAF), formerly the GLAMA Crisis Fund.



### MARCH COMMUNION

Members of the Board of Worship and Sacrament prepared Communion for worship service on March 10th. Following the service Deanna Michael, Lindsay & Linda Sink and Clifton & Harriette Murphy delivered and shared Communion with four of our homebound members who had confirmed with Rev. Horton their desire to receive the sacrament at home. Thank you to all who helped prepare and serve this day!

Raeann Allred and Deanna Michael

### Llamas for Lent



Thank you for your generous silent offering to the Heifer Project. We have enough money for **TWO** llamas! We will have one more silent offering in April and use it to buy some smaller animals!

### OPEN FLOWER DATE!



April 28 is an open Sunday for altar flowers in our sanctuary. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Betty Link at [jll@ptmc.net](mailto:jll@ptmc.net) or 336-956-2507.



# News from The Board of Spiritual Growth and Renewal

~ Cathy Waitman ~



## READY FOR Spring?



Spring is here! After a long, wet winter it is wonderful to see the bright sunshine, watch the bare trees fill out, smell the gorgeous flowers, and hear the beautiful song birds.

## MARCH...

was a month full of ministries and activities. The list included...



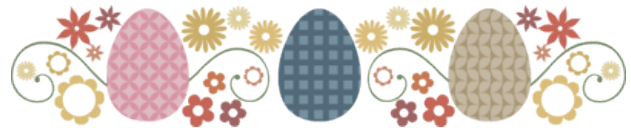
- burned last year's palm branches for Ash Wednesday
- met with the congregation of St. Stephen for the Ash Wednesday service
- "stuffed" 36 purses with toiletries and jewelry for Open Hands to distribute to homeless women
- began the adult book study, "Love Wins," led by Walter Hoffman
- Women's Life Fellowship and Men's Brotherhood donated money to Charles England Elementary School for underwear and socks for their students
- began our "Llamas for Lent" project to purchase animals with a silent offering
- Kids Club planted potatoes in the Community Garden for Pastor's Pantry
- Children's Church continued working on the Twenty-third Psalm
- met with June Grubb to discuss adult spiritual growth



## APRIL...

will be even busier, according to the church calendar. Here are some of our plans...

- join the youth at Grace Episcopal Church for TAIZE Prayer Service and dinner on April 3 (**RSVP to Cathy by April 1**)
- make Easter treats for Meals on Wheels recipients (Kids' Club)



- Touching Davidson County with Love projects including Kiwanis Kiddie Camp
- learn a new song and process with palm branches for Palm Sunday (children
- Palm Sunday service on the square following worship
- foot washing, meal and communion for Maundy Thursday
- Easter morning breakfast
- Easter Egg Hunt (all children through fifth grade)
- make cookies for firefighters (Youth Service Project)



## CAMP NEWS

We have several youth who are interested in attending Johns River Valley Camp this summer. If you are interested in helping sponsor our "Send a Kid to Camp" project, please donate in the offering plate.

Be sure to designate "JRVC" on the check or envelope.

Join with us in these ministries to serve our church and community as we learn and grow together in our faith of Jesus Christ.



## **WOMEN'S LIFE FELLOWSHIP**

*~submitted by Glenyce Fulton*

Members of WLF prepared and served dinner to Crisis Ministry Homeless Shelter on March 11. The menu included baked ham, potato casserole, green beans and corn, rolls, dessert and tea. Thanks to all those who volunteered their time and prepared the food. A special thanks goes to Mike Brown, who cooked the hams. Approximately 65 people were served. The residents were grateful for the wonderful meal.

A request was made to help support Charles England Elementary School, our sponsored school through Partners in Education, by donating money to help purchase socks and underwear for students in need. A donation of \$200 was unanimously approved.

On April 3, WLF will help with the meal for the Community Lenten Service at First United Methodist Church. Again thanks to those who are helping, as well as recruiting their husbands to assist.

We will meet Tuesday, April 9 at 6:00pm with the Men's Brotherhood for dinner followed by our WLF meeting in the parlor.

## **MORNING GLORY CIRCLE**

*~submitted by Rita Lohr*

The Morning Glory Circle met on Wednesday, March 6 and traveled to Piedmont Crossing in Thomasville. We visited Mary Berrier, one of our circle members.

Our next meeting will be Wednesday, April 3. We will have a brief meeting and attend the Community Lenten Service at First United Methodist Church.



## **Men's Brotherhood**

*~submitted by Cliff Lopp*

The Men's Brotherhood met Tuesday, March 12. The Men's Bible Class provided oysters for a delicious stew prepared by Mike Brown and crew.

The men were reminded of the upcoming Touching Davidson County with Love to be held Saturday, April 13 and encouraged to sign up for the many projects.

In response to a recent meeting of Principals and Faith leaders to help build bridges and share resources, the men were made aware of an immediate need of socks and underwear at the school our church will partner with, Charles England Elementary School. An offering was taken and \$200 will be donated toward this need.

The Men's Brotherhood and Women's Life Fellowship will join together for dinner Tuesday, April 9 at 6:00pm and then break into separate meetings. Everyone is encouraged to attend.

## **FRIENDSHIP CLUB**

*~submitted by Glenyce Fulton*

The Friendship Club met February 27 for a delicious covered dish luncheon. Those who had birthdays in January and February were recognized and celebrated.

Tad Kepley, Lexington Native and former Lexington Police Chief, presented a program on wood carving. The presentation was most informative. Tad said he had only been carving about a year and his interest is in carving spoons and ladles, utilitarian pieces. He demonstrated his technique and had a large collection on display of items he had made.

On March 27 the Friendship Club attended the Community Lenten Service at First UMC. Our next meeting will be April 17th at 12:00pm. We will have lunch at Yarborough's and Mitzi Hayden and Angela Daniels from Piedmont Crossing will have the program.

## **KIDS CLUB ~ submitted by Alice Gray**

Kids Club met on Sunday, March 24. Under the guidance of Edgar Miller and Sylvia Walser, the children and teens were taught the proper way to plant potatoes. It was a beautiful day to be outside planting food that will nourish others in the near future.

# John's River Valley Camp

## 2019 Summer Camp Schedule

Johns River Valley Camp seeks to provide, in an outdoor setting, opportunities for persons to experience the presence of God, to discover personal wholeness, and to participate amidst Christian community.

Registration for 2019 has already begun!

To find out more about each camp, **CONTROL & CLICK THE HEADING FOR EACH CAMP TO CONNECT TO THE WEBPAGE** or go to <https://www.jrvc.org/shop>



### BEGINNER CLASSIC CAMP

**Grade: 3rd July 14-17**

Director: Elizabeth Horton

Cost: \$250

### MISSION CAMP I

**Grades: 7th-12th June 9-15**

Director: Phil Hardy

Cost: \$460

### MISSION CAMP II

**Grades: 7th-12th July 21-27**

Director: Phil Hardy

Cost: \$460

### BRIDGE BUILDERS

**Grades: 7th-12th JUNE 23 - 29**

Co-Directors: Elivette Mendez Angulo  
and Phil Hardy

Cost: \$460

### PATHFINDERS

**Grades: 7th-12th July 7 - 13**

Director: Rebecca Wrights

Cost: \$440



### JUNIOR CLASSIC CAMP

**Grades: 4th-6th July 14-20**

Director: Rev. Randy Orwig

Cost: \$440

### JUNIOR

### ROUND TABLE RENDEZVOUS

**Grades: 4th-6th June 30 - July 6**

Director: Samantha Jones

Cost: \$430

### MIDDLE HIGH CLASSIC CAMP OUTPOST/CAVING

**Grades: 7th-9th July 7-13**

Directors: Elizabeth Schiemann  
and Lucy Bennett

Cost: \$460

### MIDDLE HIGH ROUND TABLE RENDEZVOUS

**Grades: 7th-9th June 30-July 6**

Director: Phil Hardy

Cost: \$460

### SENIOR HIGH CLASSIC CAMP OUTPOST/ADVENTURE CAMP

**Grades: 9th-12th July 21-27**

Director: Kevin Russell

Cost: \$500

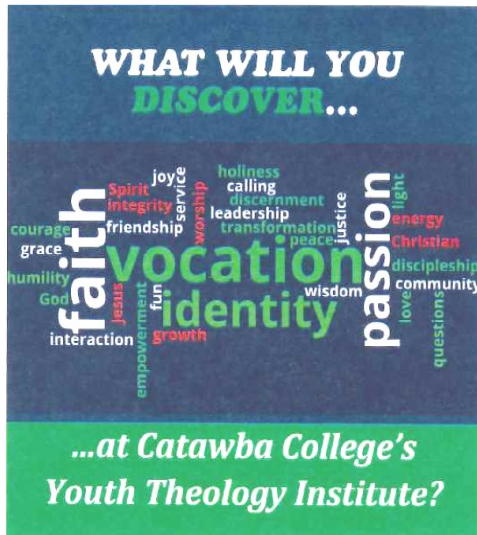
### SENIOR HIGH ROUND TABLE RENDEZVOUS

**Grades: 9-12 June 30-July 6**

Director: Jason Stump

Cost: \$460

## MORE Summer Opportunities for Youth



### ATTENTION 7th-12th GRADERS:

- Do you like to CHALLENGE yourself?
- Do you love SEEING and DOING new things?
- Do you love ADVENTURE and LEARNING?

### BE A PART OF DISCOVER!

There is **no cost** for a student to attend **Discover**. Participants are simply responsible for transportation to and from Black Lake Retreat Center. This camp is part of Catawba College's Youth Theology Institute and is sponsored by a grant from the Lily Foundation.

**Discover** is a program that challenges formative middle and high school youth with careful theological and moral reflection prior to college life. In the midst of theological reflection and activity, students will have the opportunity to:

- **discover** God in new ways, especially as incarnational and interactive;
- **discover** who they are as children of God;
- **discover** how to live out their faith;
- and **discover** what they are called to do vocationally.
- **explore** some of life's most important questions
- **grow** in faith and sense of calling as we explore each person's sacred worth as a child of God.
- **learn and engage** theological concepts alongside excellent college and graduate level faculty
- **participate** in exciting field trips to explore creation, serve others, and grow in knowledge and faith
- **challenge** themselves in activities such as water sports and zip lining
- **get to know** college-aged Teaching Fellows who will lead them through the week's programming
- **grow** in community with other participants

### 2019 DATES

**Junior High:**

July 21-26

**Senior High:**

**July 7-12**

**July 14-19**

## McCORKLE SCHOLARSHIP LUNCHEON

*~Submitted by Rev. June Grubb*

On Tuesday, March 12, 2019 Catawba College hosted the McCorkle Scholarship Luncheon in recognition of over 100 donors to the scholarship fund and in honor of the scholarship recipients. Rev. June Grubb attended as a representative of First Reformed UCC's "FIRST FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP," which we share with Second United Church of Christ.

The recipient of the First Family Scholarship is Charles D. Hines, a freshman from Waxhaw, NC. He is a student in the nursing program and also has an interest in music. He and his mother are members of the United Methodist Church in Waxhaw, where they had started a street ministry with the homeless while he was in high school. One of his favorite faculty members is the Rev. Dr. Kenneth Clapp.

Charles showed an interest in worshipping with us at First Reformed UCC. June assured him he would be warmly welcomed!





## April 28 Earth Day Celebration

Instead of traditional Sunday School, Edgar Miller will speak at 9:45 on the topic of Environmental Justice and Creation Care, in areas of clean water and pollution.

## Earth Day

Edgar is the Executive Director of Yadkin River Keeper, Inc., a non-profit that seeks to protect and improve the Yadkin River. Edgar earned two degrees from Duke University, a Bachelor's in Botany, and a Master's in Environmental Management.



**COME JOIN US ON  
APRIL 21ST!**

**9:45-10:30**

**IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL**

**MENU: mini sausage and egg biscuits, fruit, donut holes, juice and coffee**

## ATTENTION

**ALL CHILDREN THROUGH FIFTH GRADE!**



**EASTER EGG  
HUNT**

**April 21st at  
10:00**

**Don't forget to bring your  
Easter basket!**



## PARTNERSHIP IN SCHOOLS

As part of our recent partnership with Charles England Elementary School, Men's Brotherhood and Women's Life Fellowship contributed money to help in purchasing underwear, socks and other items of clothing for students in need. Cathy Waitman and Rev. Horton hand-delivered a check for \$400.00 to Jackie Miller, Principal of the school, on March 18. The school was very grateful for our help.





## **Sunday, April 14**

### **Palm/Passion Sunday**

**9:45...Sunday School**

**11:00...Worship**

We begin Holy Week with a service that reflects the sharp contrasts of this week. We celebrate Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem and wave our palms, cheering with the crowd in singing, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!" Then we transition into the dramatic story of Jesus' passion, ending on a somber and sorrowful note.

### **Community Palm Sunday Service on the Square**

After worship we will walk together to the Square at Center and Main Streets, joining our neighboring uptown churches for a brief community service. The choirs of the uptown churches will sing together on the steps of the Old Courthouse.

Rev. Dr. Arnetta Beverly will give the meditation.

## **Thursday, April 18**

### **Maundy Thursday**

**Meal and Foot Washing at 6:00pm**

Join us in the Fellowship Hall at 6:00pm, for a light supper followed by Holy Communion, and a Foot Washing service. This will be family-friendly and accommodating to people who have physical limitations. If you have never participated in a Foot Washing service before, please come. You will be instructed, and folks of all ages can participate. Typically, folks wear shoes or sandals that are easy to remove. A handwashing station will also be available. During this time, we do as our Lord and Savior has described in John 13, *"On the evening he was betrayed, Jesus poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciples' feet with the towel that was wrapped around him."*

We will conclude the service in the sanctuary as we remember Jesus' arrest and crucifixion. Children and families are invited and welcome.

## **Sunday, April 21**

### **Easter Sunday**



**BRING FRESH FLOWERS FOR THE RESURRECTION CROSS**

**No Sunday School**

**9:45...Easter Breakfast**

**10:00...Easter Egg Hunt**

All children through 5th grade invited!

Middle and High Schoolers are needed to hide the eggs!

**11:00...Worship**

Join us as we celebrate in word and song the joy of the Resurrection and new life.

## **THANK YOU FOR SERVING**

### **Liturgists:**

**April 7th, 14th, 21st:** Brian McKerlie  
**April 28th:** Jianna Miller

**Usher Chairperson:** Jeff Hutchens

**Usher Captain:** John Gray

### **Ushers:**

Frank Callicutt, Bonita Hooper,  
John Maze, Bill Robbins, Linda Sink

### **Youth Usher:**

Mary Lloyd Callicutt

### **Plate Attendant:**

Dave Fulton

### **Sound Tech:**

Calvin Odom

### **Acolyte:**

Abbie Callicutt

### **Bible Steward:**

Annabell Callicutt

### **First Sunday Social:**

Glenyce & Dave Fulton

## **MARCH VOLUNTEERS**

### **Greeters:**

**7th:**

John & Susie Smith

**14th:**

Buddy & Rita Lohr

**21st:**

John Potts & Janette Neal

**28th:**

Dave & Glenyce Fulton

### **Nursery:**

**7th:**

Lynn Brown & Belinda Yates

**14th:**

Rita Lohr & Patti Lovell

**21st:**

Keri Hartle & Ashlee Snider

**28th:**

Jeremy Peterson

## **IN OUR THOUGHTS & PRAYERS**

To add a name to the prayer list please fill out a prayer request card located in the backs of the pews or contact the church office (336-248-2617).

### **CHURCH MEMBERS:**

Leigh Hodges Earnhardt and Jerry & Merle Hodges, Valerie Price (Lexington Health Care), Lib Sink, Mary Berrier, Tammy Rhodes, Janelle Bunn, Margie & Vogen Everhart, Peggy Bates, Margot Everhart, Lib & Jimbo Hinkle, Marzell Crotts, Jo Hudson, Rita Tussey, Hoyle Potts, Doris Flynt, James Everhart

### **OUR FRIENDS:**

\*Jacob Little (Cynthia Crowell Little's son), Noretta Leonard (Sylvia Walser's sister-in-law), Susan Wilkerson (Carolyn Robbins' cousin), Colleen Story and *Tom and Krista Lovell (Family of Jerry and Patti Lovell)*, \*Marcia Almquist & the family of Bob Almquist (Friends of June Grubb), Laura Williams (Carolyn Robbins' mother), Virginia Hill (Cathy Waitman's mother), Alexis Faison and her baby, Amani (Friend of Renee Walsh), Judy Martin (Friend of Lisa Nelson), Sarah Vick (Sherry Bonner's neighbor), Kiana Sinz (Friend of Patti Lovell), Paisley Diane Swicegood, her parents and grandparents (Friends of Jerry & Patti Lovell)

Names with an \* indicate newly added. Names will remain on the prayer list for 4 weeks unless the church office is notified.

*"Blessed  
is the  
one  
who comes  
in the  
name  
of the  
Lord!"*

*Mark 11:9, NRSV*

# APRIL

# 2019



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|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | <b>1</b><br><b>10:00</b><br>Willing Weavers<br>{Rm #3}<br><br><b>6:30</b><br>Open Hands Ministry<br>Meal {FH}                                          | <b>2</b><br><b>6:30</b><br>Bd. of Evangelism {P}<br>Bd. of SG&R {Office}<br><br>Adult Spiritual Growth<br>Planning Meeting<br>{Rm 103}   | <b>3</b><br><b>11:00</b><br>Morning Glory<br>Circle {P}<br><br><b>12:00</b><br>Community Lenten<br>Service at 1st UMC<br><br><b>6:00</b><br>TAIZE Prayer<br>Service for ALL<br>Youth at Grace<br>Episcopal Church<br><br><b>7:00</b><br>Choir {Chapel Annex} | <b>4</b><br><div style="border: 2px solid purple; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <b>LAST DAY TO<br/>ORDER<br/>EASTER LILIES</b> </div><br><b>5:30</b><br>Yoga Class<br>{Dance Studio}<br><br><b>7:00</b><br>Square Dancing<br>{FH} |           | <b>6</b><br><b>9:00AM &amp;<br/>1:00PM</b><br>First Aid<br>Training<br>at<br>2nd UCC<br>(Only for<br>those who<br>preregistered) |
| <b>7</b><br><b>9:45</b><br><b>Sunday School</b><br>Children, Teens & Adults<br><br><b>10:30</b><br>First Sunday Social {FH}<br><br><b>11:00</b><br><b>Worship:</b><br>5th Sunday of Lent<br>Kids Club<br><br><b>CONSISTORY</b> | <b>8</b><br><b>10:00</b><br>Willing Weavers<br>{Rm #3}<br><br><b>11:00</b><br>Staff Meeting {P}<br><br><b>6:30</b><br>Open Hands Ministry<br>Meal {FH} | <b>9</b><br><b>10:00</b><br>Collaborative Ministries<br>{P}<br><br><b>6:00</b><br>Men's Brotherhood &<br>Women's Life<br>Fellowship {FH} | <b>10</b><br><b>12:00</b><br>Community Lenten<br>Service at 1st UMC<br><br><b>7:00</b><br>Choir<br>{Chapel Annex}                                                                                                                                            | <b>11</b><br><b>5:30</b><br>Yoga Class<br>{Dance Studio}<br><br><b>7:00</b><br>Square Dancing<br>{FH}                                                                                                                                   |           | <b>13</b><br><br>♥♥♥<br>Touching<br>Davidson<br>County with<br>Love<br><br>♥♥♥                                                   |
| <b>14</b><br><b>PALM SUNDAY</b><br><br><b>9:45</b><br><b>Sunday School</b><br>Children, Teens & Adults<br><br><b>11:00</b><br><b>Worship</b><br>Children's Church<br><br><b>WALK TO<br/>COURTHOUSE</b>                         | <b>15</b><br><b>10:00</b><br>Willing Weavers<br>{Rm #3}<br><br><b>6:30</b><br>Open Hands Ministry<br>Meal {FH}                                         | <b>16</b>                                                                                                                                | <b>17</b><br><b>12:00</b><br>Friendship Club<br>{Yarborough's}<br><br><b>7:00</b><br>Choir<br>{Chapel Annex}                                                                                                                                                 | <b>18</b><br><b>5:30</b><br>Yoga Class<br>{Dance Studio}<br><br><b>6:00</b><br>Maundy Thursday<br>Services<br>{see page 9}                                                                                                              | <b>19</b> | <b>20</b>                                                                                                                        |
| <b>21</b><br><b>EASTER SUNDAY</b><br><b>NO Sunday School</b><br><b>9:45</b><br>Easter Breakfast<br><br><b>10:00</b><br>Easter Egg Hunt<br><br><b>11:00</b><br><b>Worship</b>                                                   | <b>22</b><br><b>10:00</b><br>Willing Weavers<br>{Rm #3}<br><br><b>6:30</b><br>Open Hands Ministry<br>Meal {FH}                                         | <b>23</b>                                                                                                                                | <b>24</b><br><b>7:00</b><br>Choir<br>{Chapel Annex}                                                                                                                                                                                                          | <b>25</b><br><b>5:30</b><br>Yoga Class<br>{Dance Studio}<br><br><b>7:00</b><br>Square Dancing<br>{FH}<br><br><div style="border: 2px solid red; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> <b>APRIL<br/>NEWSLETTER<br/>ARTICLES DUE</b> </div> | <b>26</b> | <b>27</b>                                                                                                                        |
| <b>28 EARTH DAY!</b><br><b>9:45</b><br><b>Sunday School</b><br>Children's Service Project<br>Teens & Adults<br><br><b>11:00</b><br><b>Worship</b><br>Silent Offering:<br>Llamas for Lent                                       | <b>29</b><br><b>10:00</b><br>Willing Weavers<br>{Rm #3}<br><br><b>6:30</b><br>Open Hands Ministry<br>Meal {FH}                                         | <b>30</b>                                                                                                                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |           |                                                                                                                                  |

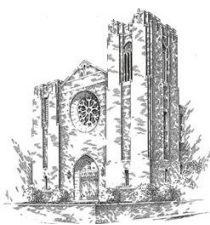


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United Church of  
Christ**

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**All Are Welcome Here!**  
**Where People Discover...**  
*The Love of God*  
*The Power to Love Others*  
*The Ability to Love Ourselves*



**NEXT COMMUNITY  
MEAL**

**Tuesday, May 28**

**5:00pm Fellowship Hall**

*First Reformed United Church of Christ*

**Minimum \$5.00 Donation  
for the Meal!**



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**Church Staff**

**Pastor:** Rev. Elizabeth Horton  
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**Minister of Pastoral Care**

Rev. June Grubb (336-248-5668)

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**Administrator**

Paula Lopp  
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**Choir Director**

Ellen Peterson

**Organist**

Lee Ann Peele

**WORSHIP  
HOURS**

Sunday School  
9:45am  
Worship  
11:00am

**Church Office Hours:**

Monday—Friday  
8:30am to 12:30pm



**BIRTHDAYS**

- 4 Larry Link
- Ashlee Snider
- 5 Caroline Hooper
- 6 Mary Berrier
- 7 Mike Brown
- 8 John Potts
- 9 Eulene Shepherd
- 11 Clifton Murphy
- 12 Kyle Winters
- 15 Chris Fulton
- Rita Tussey
- 20 Cynthia Little
- 22 Nadia Freeman
- 26 Hense Walser
- Sylvia Walser
- 28 Emma Hartle
- Pam Sink
- 29 Kay Crouse
- Katherine Skipper

**ANNIVERSARIES**

- 1 Bill & Cheryl Walser
- 10 Jeremy & Ellen Peterson
- 13 Lee & Ellen Bouchard
- 17 Mike & Laura Perry
- 21 Casey & Keri Hartle
- 22 Edgar & Kivi Miller



*Easter Lily*  
**ORDERS**

**ORDER YOUR EASTER LILIES  
BY APRIL 4th! (\$13.00 each)**

Complete the form below and place in the offering plate or  
contact the church office. (336-248-2617)

In Memory of \_\_\_\_\_

By \_\_\_\_\_

In Memory of \_\_\_\_\_

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In Honor of \_\_\_\_\_

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