

First UCC Focus

August 2022



Sundays at 11:00
In-Person and Online Worship

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Although we tried to send a combined newsletter for July and August, there have been some updates and changes. Here is an abbreviated newsletter with updates for August.

AUGUST SCRIPTURES

August 7

Isaiah 1:1, 10-20
Psalm 50:1-8, 22-23
Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16
Luke 12:32-40

August 14

Isaiah 5:1-7
Psalm 80:1-2, 8-19
Hebrews 11:29-12:2
Luke 12:49-56

August 21

Jeremiah 1:4-10
Psalm 71:1-6
Hebrews 12:18-29
Luke 13:10-17

August 28

Leviticus 19:17-18
Mark 12:28-36



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ONLINE

WWW.1STUCC.ORG

Our Website contains links to Bulletins and Newsletters, a link to send your offering to the Church through PayPal and other useful information.

Although you may be worshipping with us online, your offering can be dropped off at the Church during the week or sent to the Church at:

First United Church of Christ
207 W. Horah St.
Salisbury, NC 28144

There is a link on our website to donate online to UCC or you may donate directly through PayPal.



You may also scan this QR Code with your camera to donate to First UCC



**YOUR GIVING
MATTERS!**



Please join us for online or in-person worship each Sunday at 11:00 a.m

If you are new to our services, **WELCOME**,

If you are returning, **WELCOME BACK!** We've missed you!



There will be a congregational meeting on **August 7** after worship to discuss and vote on air conditioning for the Church. You will find the proposal on page 3 of this Newsletter.
Mail in votes must be received by August 7.



- 2** 6:30 p.m. Circle 6 Meeting
- 7** 11:00 a.m. Online & In Person Worship with Communion and Congregational Meeting
- 8** 5:00 p.m. Families First
- 9** 10:30 a.m. Meals on Wheels Deliveries
- 11** 11:30 a.m. Primetimers Luncheon
5:30 p.m. Church Women Board Mtg.
6:00 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting
7:00 p.m. Mission Committee Meeting
- 12** Foundation Applications Due
- 13** 7:00 p.m. Rowan Helping Ministries Meal at the Night Shelter (Volunteers Needed)
- 14** 11:00 a.m. Online & In Person Worship with Back Pack & School Supply Dedication
4:00 p.m. Property Committee Meeting
- 15** 5:00 p.m. Families First
- 16** 1:00 p.m. Bless These Stitches
- 17** 5:30 p.m. EC Board Meeting
- 21** 11:00 a.m. Online & In-Person Worship with Rev. Larry Bolick
12:30 p.m. Church Council Meeting
5:00 p.m. Foundation Meeting
- 22** 5:00 p.m. Families First
- 23** 10:30 a.m. Meals on Wheels Deliveries
- 25** 6:00 p.m. PFLAG Meeting
- 28** 11:00 a.m. Online & In-Person Worship with Rev. Kenneth Clapp
- 29** 5:00 p.m. Families First

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Michael, Avery and Ian Artz, Brenda Bernhardt, Tyler Bernhardt, Nancy Baker Blackwell (friend of Shirley McNeil), Steve Bowles, Rev. Warren Casiday, Gerri D. Crummett (Donna Odrosky's sister), Betty Diehl, Gary Hauze (no visits or phone calls, please), Nancy Hipp, Anne Kennedy, Jasmine Kirby and son Noah (Don Whitfield's niece and great-nephew), Jim Lyerty, Eddie Meeker, Megan Meredith, Dan Morgan (friend of Steve Bowles), Joseph Najarian (son of Dena & David Najarian), Pat Norris, Veronika Poliakova, Patsy Paxton, Mark Shuping, Sarah Shuping, Claire Skinner, David & Barbara Waller, Waylon Ward. ***If you know of anyone who should be added or removed from our prayer list, be sure and let the office know. If you have prayer concerns, please text, call or email Pastor Carol.***

Prayers for those recently impacted by violence throughout our country and the world

Pray for members of our community who experience food insufficiency and high costs of living as well as folks suffering from mental illness and health issues.

Continue to keep the people of Ukraine and Russia in your prayers.



From Calendar Sponsored by Circle 2

August 2	Lynn Bernhardt
August 3	Betsy Brown
August 6	Linda Britt
August 8	T. J. Roy Pat Shoe
August 9	Chandler Shirley
August 11	Faith Tierney
August 13	Katie Appenheimer Colin Barber
August 21	Larry Bolick
August 23	Pastor Carol Hallman
August 26	Millie Campbell
August 29	Rebecca Blossey
August 30	Lydia Price



FIVE-ALIVE HELPING FAMILIES IN OUR COMMUNITY

Water Assistance!!

The client is 77 years old. The household includes her and her spouse, age 71. The client and her husband lived in an apartment complex which has been sold and scheduled for demolition. They found a new place. In order to move to the new apartment, they needed their current water bill paid in order to transfer service. Rowan Helping Ministries assisted with this balance by issuing a voucher to the City of Salisbury to clear the debt. They were thankful that the bill was paid, and they could move to the new apartment.

Your contributions to our Five Alive Fund is always appreciated, and 100% is used to help citizens of the Salisbury/Rowan area or our Church family with unforeseen short term emergencies.



Each week we publish a smaller version of a newsletter with special messages from Pastor Carol, First UCC news, links to meetings and notices of upcoming concerts and events. If you are not already receiving Thursday Thoughts, let the Office know and your email address will be added to our distribution list.

Primetimers Summer Meeting Thursday, August 11 at 11:30 am



Primetimers will meet on Thursday, August 11 in the Fellowship Hall at 11:30 am. An anonymous donor is providing our meal, catered from College Barbecue, with Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, French Fries and all the fixings and iced tea. A dessert will also be provided. Our guest speaker will be Dr. Gary Freeze, retired professor of history of Catawba College, who will share a program on Peter Stewart Ney, who professed to be Marshall Michael Ney, who served under Napoleon Bonaparte, and whose remains are buried at Third Creed Presbyterian Church, Cleveland and recently exhumed for DNA identification.

Please call the church office to register by Wednesday, August 10 so we have adequate food.



Thanks to all who participated in the Food Drive for Rowan Helping Ministries' Food Pantry last Saturday! In case you missed it, the Mission Committee and Little Red Wagon always accepts non-perishable food for RHM's pantry. You may bring it by the Church during office hours or on Sunday morning.

Mission Committee News


The Mission Committee is sponsoring a school supplies collection through August 14, 2022 for Community In Schools of Rowan County. School supplies will be dedicated on Sunday, August 14, 2022 along with our backpack dedication. Suggestions include:

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| *Bookbags/Backpacks | *Dry Erase Markers |
| *Composition Notebooks | *Sanitizer |
| *Pencils | *Kleenex |
| *Crayons | *Markers |
| *Colored pencils | *Three-ring binders |
| *Earbuds/Head phones | *Water Bottles |

A Summer Drive By Food Drive was held on Saturday, July 30. We will include The Little Red Wagon food items with the food drive items. They will be delivered during the week of August 1. Rowan Helping Ministries is still in need of pantry items and suggests the following items: Canned vegetables, canned meats (Spam, chicken, tuna, beef stew, chicken & dumplings), canned or dry beans, canned tomatoes, canned ravioli, spaghetti, canned or boxed soups or canned chili, starches (mac & cheese, rice, potatoes), breakfast food (cereal, pop tarts, muffin mix). Easy to prepare food items are always needed as well.

The next Rowan Helping Ministries Meal at the Night Shelter will be Saturday, August 13, coordinated by Millie Campbell and volunteers. The meal is usually served at 7 pm so volunteers need to arrive by 6 pm. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Millie Campbell or the Church Office.

The next meeting for the Mission Committee will be Thursday, August 11 at 7 pm in the Fellowship Hall to plan for the next several months.



It's Up to You in 2022

Human Rights Day

"A Call to Act"

You're Invited All are Welcome!

Location Name: Millford Hills United Methodist Church

Location Address: 1630 Statesville Blvd, Salisbury, NC

Speaker: Dr. Mercedes Quersada-Embick

Date & Time: August 19, 2022 / 6:30 PM

Point of Contact: Church Representative or Betty Jo Hardy

Phone: 704-213-2827

Email: bettyjo.hardy@aol.com

"Agreed to Differ, Resolved to Love, United to Serve."

Action Focus:
School Supplies for Communities in Schools
RSVP to Flo Peck by August 10 if you plan to attend.



CALLED CONGREGATIONAL MEETING SUNDAY, AUGUST 7 AFTER WORSHIP

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

There will be a congregational meeting on **August 7** after Worship to discuss and vote on air conditioning for the Church. The Property Committee received quotes for the project and made recommendations to Church Council on July 17. The proposal for discussion and vote is as follows:

Resources for HVAC systems

Property Committee is recommending accepting quote from Aire Serve for \$36,770 for 7 units, including them performing electrical work.

Church will need 50% down payment, remainder when complete

Finance Committee is recommending allocating money from:

300.250 Bldg/Ground Maint Designated Funds - \$10,500

300.220 Living Memorial Designated Funds - \$8,270

300.002 Gen Fund MM - \$9,000

300.004 1st UCC Investments - Fdn Carolinas Balance - \$9,000

Donations accepted, but not planning a fund drive

Council recommending congregational meeting Sunday, Aug 7, 2022 to approve.

Mail in votes must be received by August 7.