

2/9- Attendance -116 Sunday School -53

Pray for Members: David Lowe, Linda Shields, Linda Smith, Mary Robinson, Emily Childs, Peggy Lippard, Daniel Denapoli, CB Wolfe, Donna Parker, Sarah Lantz, Virginia Myrick, Larry Garner, Brenda Ballard, Doris Lail, Jim Lail, Mike Pittman, Kay Polhill, Bobbie Robinson, Sloan Robinson, Ken Mace, Grace Johnson, Kay Marks, Ken Marks, Don Rudisill, Jr., Rosie Modlin, Kathy Dellinger Kirksey, Sharina Komen, Suzette Holbrooks.

Shut In List: Hazel Robinson, Jo Huss, Donna Conner Morris, Nancy Boulware, Carolyn Dellinger, Verna Rufini.

This Week at FUMC

Sun. 10:00 am - WOW Choir rehearsal, 9:45 am –Sunday School, 11:00 am-Worship, **Youth- 5:00pm**

Mon. 7:00 pm- Scouts, 7:00 pm - Seek & Find Bible Study

Tues. 5:45 pm-Spiritual Yoga, 6:00 pm -Girl Scouts, 6:30 pm-Prison Ministry

Wed. 9:30am-Prayer group-Annex, 6:00 pm- Handbell Choir, 7:00 pm– Choir Practice

February 26 – Ash Wednesday-Lenten Lunches begin.

March 1- Crock Pot Café after worship in the Fellowship Hall.

Members of the Jill Owen Circle served the meal at Hased House on Friday, Feb. 14. We were blessed to see a woman and 3 children (ages 8, 7, and 5) leaving the house and going into their own home. As you can imagine, there are many needs. When I visited her on Sunday, I found she had already been provided some items by Denver UMC and Hased House staff. The family is in need of additional beds, dressers or chest of drawers, end tables, side chairs, and a TV table. If you could help obtain any of these items, please contact me at 704-472-7600. Thank you, Wanda Lutz

Acolytes	Children’s Sermon	Greeters	Altar Guild
Feb 23 Megan Carroll	Pastor Tony		Kay Lowe
Mar 1 Lucas Demofonte	Steve Herman	Bobbie Robinson, Joann Parke	
Liturgist	Pewkeeper(s)	Safe Sanctuary Rover	Valet
Feb 23 Sherry Reinhardt	Betty Ann Oppelt	Kathy Dedmond	Carl Henline
Mar 1	Kathy Valentine	Beverly Beal	Steve Cain

Ushers: Sam Ausband, Jennings Benfield. Johnny Lineberger, Joann Parker, Vickie Andrews, Steve Herman

FUMC CONTACT INFORMATION

Pastor: Rev. Tony H. Matthews Pastor’s Cell 704-918-3585 Church Office: 704-735-7489

Church website: www.fumclincolnton.com: *Visit the website for the newsletter, bulletin and church activities. Online giving is also available on the church website.*

Meet the staff

Rev. Tony Matthews	Senior Pastor	Mrs. Joanna Underwood	Music Director
Rev. Phillip Cole	Pastor Emeritus	Mr. Neil Underwood	Organist
Mr. Robbie Combs	Director of Ministries	Mrs. Kelly L. Kinard	Children’s Choir
Mrs. Christie Sain	Office	Mrs. Letha R. Owen	Financial Assistant
Mr. Steve Herman	Property Superintendent	Mrs. Betty Parker	Parish Nurse
Mrs. Patty Ferris	Nursery Attendant	Ms. Samantha Ferris	Nursery Attendant
Mrs. Elizabeth Demonfonte	Nursery Attendant		

First United Methodist Church

Lincolnton, NC

February 23rd, 2020



Welcome!

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH LINCOLNTON

Transfiguration Sunday

Eleven O'Clock A.M.

February 23rd, 2020

GATHERING AND GREETING

(Please use this time to greet those around you, sign and pass the pew pads)

Welcome and Announcements

Presentation of the Flag

Recognition of Boy Scout Ministry

Teddy Reed

A TIME TO PREPARE OUR HEARTS FOR WORSHIP

Chiming of the Holy Trinity

Prelude and Lighting of the Candles

Choral Call to Worship

*Call to Worship

Leader: As God called to Moses from the mountain,

People: **we are called to be God's people.**

Leader: As Jesus called the disciples to climb with him to the peak of another mountain,

People: **we are called to follow wherever he leads.**

Leader: As the disciples stood in awe at the sound of God's voice,

People: **we are called to worship in wonder and praise.**

* Opening Hymn

"I Stand Amazed in the Presence"

UMH # 371

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Selections from Romans 8:35, 37-39

Sherry Reinhardt

Leader: Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation or distress, or persecution or famine, or nakedness or peril or sword?

People: **No! In all things we are more than conquerors through the One who loved us. We are sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Thanks be to God! Amen**

*Glory Be to the Father

Children's Time

UMH # 71

Pastor Tony

A TIME OF PRAYER AND PRAISE

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Prayer Response

Old Testament Lesson

Anthem

Congregation

Chancel Choir

Sherry Reinhardt

A TIME OF JOY AND GIVING

Invitation to Offering:

As we share our gifts today, we celebrate God's love and abundance in the world. In our generosity, we recognize that we are all part of God's family. In our giving, we dare to imagine that God will use our gifts in the world to do great things; more than we can imagine! Let us give generously.

Amen

The Offertory

(Giving our tithes, and contemplation of how God has blessed us.)

*Doxology

"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

UMH # 94

A TIME OF PROCLAIMING THE GOOD NEWS

Gospel Lesson

Luke 9: 28-36

Message

"Camped Out in the Past"

Rev. Tony Matthews

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

God of glory and light, forgive us when we are complacent and comfortable with keeping the riches of your love to ourselves. Keep calling us down from our mountain of privilege. Keep expecting more of us as your disciples. Keep reminding us to listen to your son, in whose name we prayer.

Amen

Assurance of Grace

Pastor: Whether we hear a voice from the heavens or a still small voice in our hearts. Listen carefully for the love of God. Believe and accept God's love and live in God's freedom

All: **We believe! Thanks be to God!**

*Closing Hymn

"Open My Eyes, That I May See"

UMH # 454

A TIME TO GO FORTH AS THE CHURCH

*Benediction

Choral Response

SENT FORTH, READY TO SERVE

*Postlude

Organist

*Stand as you are able