

Opportunities to Worship, Fellowship and Serve

MEETINGS NEXT SUNDAY — Lay Leadership Committee (nominations), 3 p.m. in the Conference Room (first floor); Program Committee, 4 p.m. in the Billy Raley Classroom; Trustees, 6 p.m. in the Conference Room.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP — August 18 is the next Wednesday Night Fellowship supper. Mark your calendar and plan to be with us for a great evening of fellowship.

SUMMER CHANCEL CHOIR — The Summer Chancel Choir continues to reinforce our worship experiences each Sunday. Join us on Sunday mornings at 10:30 to rehearse that morning's anthem, and to enjoy singing with the choir during the summer months.

CHURCH WEBSITE — Log on to www.BennettsvilleFUMC.net to keep in touch with your church throughout the week. Share the site with someone!

ALTAR FLOWERS NEEDED — August 22; September 19, 26; October 10, 17, 24, 31. Call or email the church office to reserve a Sunday. All 2010 available dates are posted on the church website.

Participating in Worship Today

Crucifer—Lawren Black; **Acolyte**—Ariel Moody;

Ushers—Ricky Sheets, Chuck Black, Hub Meggs, Dick Lail;

Nursery Volunteers—Amy Thomas, Ashley Cassidy, Denise Jones (SS and Worship);

Greeters—The Billy Raley Class; **Altar Guild**—Anna Margaret Hartis, Theo Odom

Invitation

*The Marion District Committee
on the District Superintendency*

invites you to attend

A Drop-In Reception

to welcome our district parsonage family

The Reverend Richard H. "Dickie" and Mrs. Brenda Knight

Sunday, August 1, 2010, 5-7 p.m.

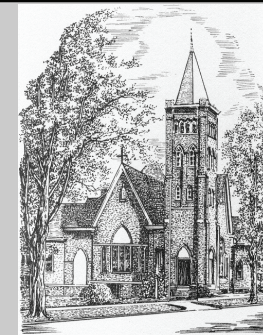
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First United Methodist Church Bennettsville, South Carolina

The Tenth Sunday in Kingdomtide

August 1, 2010



The Church in Worship

WELCOME AND PARISH CONCERNS

Please sign the attendance folder and pass it down the pew for each person to sign. As the folder is returned, note the names of others in your pew. Extend a welcome to our guests!

OPENING VOLUNTARY

"Adagio in E Major"

Frank Bridge

The opening voluntary is as a veil between our everyday life and this sacred hour of worship.

Please be silent in this time and prepare your hearts for worship.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Come into God's presence with thanksgiving and praise.

Seeking God, we come to find new life and joy.

Come into God's presence with hunger and thirst.

Seeking God, we hunger for mercy and love.

Come into God's presence with confidence and hope.

For in seeking, we will find.

In hungering, we will be fed.

In loving, we will be loved.

In treasuring, we will be treasured.

Come into God's presence, for you are God's greatest delight!

*HYMN OF PRAISE 160 "Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart"

MARION

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

Brothers and sisters in Christ:

Through the Sacrament of Baptism we are initiated into Christ's holy church.

We are incorporated into God's mighty acts of salvation

and given new birth through water and the Spirit.

All this is God's gift, offered to us without price.

PRESENTATION OF JULIANA TAYLOR MOON FOR BAPTISM

What name is given this child?

RENUNCIATION OF SIN AND PROFESSION OF FAITH

The pastor addresses the parents:

On behalf of the whole church, I ask you:

Do you renounce the spiritual forces of wickedness,

reject the evil powers of this world,

and repent of your sin?

I do.

Do you accept the freedom and power God gives you
to resist evil, injustice, and oppression in whatever forms they present themselves?

I do.

Do you confess Jesus Christ as your Savior, put your whole trust in His grace,
and promise to serve Him as your Lord, in union with the church
which Christ has opened to people of all ages, nations, and races?

I do.

Will you nurture Juliana in Christ's holy church,
that by your teaching and example she may be guided to accept God's grace for herself,
to profess her faith openly and to lead a Christian life?

I will.

The pastor addresses the congregation:

Do you, as Christ's body, the church,
reaffirm both your rejection of sin and your commitment to Christ?

We do.

Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and include Juliana,
now before you, in your care?

**With God's help we will proclaim the good news
and live according to the example of Christ.**

**We will surround Juliana with a community of love and forgiveness,
that she may grow in her service to others.**

**We will pray for her, that she may be a true disciple
who walks in the way that leads to life.**

Let us join together in professing the Christian faith
as contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments.

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

**I believe in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord [who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;
the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right
hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the
dead.]**

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in the Holy Spirit [the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the
forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

BAPTISM WITH LAYING ON OF HANDS

The pastor says:

Juliana, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Holy Spirit work within you, that being born through water and the Spirit
you may be a faithful disciple of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

***CHORAL RESPONSE**

STUTT GART

"Child of Blessing, Child of Promise"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Hosea 1

Merciful God, warm us with Your compassion.

Forgive us, when we turn away from Your love.

Gather us closer, when we pull away from You.

Clothe us with Your grace, when we surround ourselves with worldly desires and passions.

**Renew our zeal to follow You when You see us pursue values that destroy our lives
and the lives of others around us.**

**Roar with mighty love, dear God, that we might hear Your voice and heed Your call.
In Christ's name, we pray. Amen.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the words of the Most High: "How can I give you up? How can I hand you over?
My compassion grows warm and tender. I will not execute my anger or destroy my beloved.
I am the God of steadfast love and I will clothe you in compassion and mercy.
In the name of Christ, you are my beloved and forgiven children!"

THE PRAYERS OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Silent Prayer and Pastoral Prayer with The Lord's Prayer in Unison

THE OFFERING OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERTORY VOLUNTARY "The Lord's My Shepherd"

Robert Elmore

***OFFERTORY RESPONSE 95**

OLD HUNDREDT H

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;

praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

(TEXT BY THOMAS KEN, 1674; MUSIC ATTRIBUTED TO LOUIS BOURGEOIS, 1551)

THE ANTHEM

"Bought with a Price"

Natalie Sleeth

The Summer Chancel Choir

You were blessed by the Word, Born of the Spirit, Called by the Power divine. You were led by
the light, Washed with the water, Marked by a sacred sign. You are part of the chosen people,
You are children of Abraham. You were bought with a price, Spared by a sorrow, Saved by the
blood of the Lamb! So what, then, does God require of you? Nothing in truth you cannot do:
This, this alone your whole life through, But to walk in the way of the Lord! You were claimed by
a cross, Graced by a glory, Loved by the Lord on high. You were fed by the faith, Filled from the
fountain, Destined to testify!

***SCRIPTURE LESSON**

Colossians 3: 1-11, pg. 190 NT

THE MESSAGE

"A New You"

Rev. Dr. Gafford

***HYMN OF DEDICATION 370 "Victory in Jesus"**

HARTFORD

***BENEDICTION**

***CONGREGATIONAL BENEDICTION 666**

SOMOS DEL SEÑOR

"Shalom to You"

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

"God of Grace"

arr. Paul Manz

*Those who are able are invited to stand.

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in honor of Juliana Taylor Moon, given by
her parents, Charles and Mollie Moon.

We welcome all who worship with us today! Whether you are a member of this congregation,
or a visitor, you are not meant to be a stranger. Let us extend a hand of friendship to one
another. Please join us in worship any time you are able!

An infant and toddler nursery is provided during the worship service. It is located on the first
floor of the Christian Education Building, and the elevator is available to access the nursery.

Personal hearing devices are available for those who have difficulty in hearing the service.