

Highlights at CUMC

Prayer List

Melissa Dean
Mimi Gossett
Ronald Cleveland
Eric and Annabelle Carter
David Friedman
The Family of Rodney Gallimore

Kitty Thompson
Mary Overman
Edna Todd
Judy Childers
Louise Bradley
Linda Wilson

ADULT DISCIPLESHIP

For more information on Sunday School Classes and Cell Groups, scan the QR code or visit our website at www.clemsonumc.org/adult-small-groups.
For more information, contact Meg Wilkes, Minister of Discipleship, at meg@clemsonumc.org or 803-622-1315.

Sunday School Classes

The Zoom Room Discussion Class
8:30 am, via Zoom

New Spirit Class
9:45 am, Office Building, 115

11th Hour Community Group
11:00 am, Christian Life Center, 402

As You Are
1:30 pm, Office Building, 116

Faith Friends Sunday School Class
11:00 am, Office Building, 106

United Methodist Men's Breakfast
Tuesday, October 20, 8:30 am, Christian Life Center, Rm. 402
Guest Speakers: Representatives from Upstate Rebuild will be speaking. Presenting an overview of the organization, its mission, and the ways it serves the local community.
RSVP to Leah at administrator@clemsonumc.org.

CUMC Playground Renovation Update
Our playground project started on Monday, October 12th. The CUMC roundabout will be an active construction site for the duration of the renovation (approximately 4 weeks). Please use caution when navigating that area.
The congregation is asked to alert CUMC Staff if any suspicious activity regarding materials or equipment during odd hours is noticed. CUMC is responsible for surveillance of the area during the project.

Boy Scout Troop #161
Annual Christmas Wreath Fundraiser
The Boy Scout Troop #161 is having its annual Christmas Wreath Fundraiser. Please stop by the tables outside each Worship Center before and after each worship service and place your order for wreaths, centerpieces, swags, and garland. The Boy Scouts will be selling their wreaths every Sunday from now until November 1st.

2026 Financial Update

Weekly Budget Report	Year-to-Date
Needed: \$21,538.37	Expenses: \$691,898.45
Received: \$25,001.16	Revenues: \$658,657.28
\$3,462.79	(\$33,241.17)

Thank you for your generosity and support of Clemson UMC.

CUMC Linktree  Online Giving Link 

This Week at CUMC

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18	8:30am, Traditional Worship Service, Worship Center 8:30am, The Zoom Room Discussion Class, Zoom 9:45am, The Vine Worship Service, Christian Life Center 9:45am, The Vine Kids, Christian Life Center 9:45am, New Spirit Sunday School Class, Office Building, 115 11:00am, Traditional Worship Service, Worship Center 11:00am, The 11 th Hour Community Group, CLC, 402 11:00am, Faith Friends Sunday School Class, Office Building, 106 1:30pm, As You Are Class, Office Building, 116 5:00pm, Youth Fellowship, Christian Life Center
MONDAY, OCTOBER 19	9:00am, LLLC Music, Office Building, 115/116 10:30am, Rotary Board Meeting, Christian Life Center, 402 12:00pm, Clemson Rotary, Christian Life Center 1:30pm, Full Staff Meeting, Office Building, 106 4:00pm, Monday Discussion Group, Office Building, 106 5:30pm, LLLC Board Meeting, Office Building, 115/116 5:30pm Healing Bridges Meeting, Office Building, 106 6:30pm, #Adulting, Christian Life Center, Game Room
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20	8:00am, LLLC Family Breakfast, Christian Life Center, Gym 8:30am, Men's Breakfast, Christian Life Center, 402 9:00am, LLLC Dance, Office Building, 116 10:00am, Nurture Committee Meeting, Worship Center, Overflow 3:00pm, Finance Committee Meeting, Office Building, 106 6:30pm, SPRC Meeting, Christian Life Center, 402
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21	5:30pm, Celebration Ringers Rehearsal, Worship Center 6:00pm, Trunk-or-Treat, Christian Life Center, Gym and Parking Lot 6:00pm, Epworth's Fostering Families Support Group, Christian Life Center 7:00pm, Chancel Choir Rehearsal, Worship Center, Choir Room
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22	7:15am, Youth Breakfast, Christian Life Center 9:30am, LLLC Chapel Time, Worship Center 9:30am, The Golden Guild, Season's Restaurant & Flat Rock Playhouse 6:30pm, The Vine Band Practice, Christian Life Center, Gym
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23	8:00am, LLLC Amazing Athletes, Parking Lot
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24	
Sermon Series on the Lost and Found Today: Polishing the Inside, Matthew 23:23-26 10/25: The Lost Treasure, Matthew 13:44	
HOW TO BECOME A MEMBER OF CUMC: Please complete the new member form at www.clemsonumc.org/new-member-interest-form or scan the QR code. If you are interested in knowing more about CUMC, visit the website at http://www.clemsonumc.org . If you desire to meet with the Pastor or become a member of the church, schedule a baptism, or have more questions, email Rev. Tommy Wilkes at tommy@clemsonumc.org or contact the church office at 864-654-5547. We would love for you to make CUMC your church home!	



As a United Methodist congregation, Clemson UMC lovingly welcomes and affirms all people as beloved by God, serving together in the fellowship, ministry, and mission of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.



Twenty-first Sunday
after Pentecost
October 18, 2026



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Making Disciples of Jesus Christ for the Transformation of the World
by Building Relationships with God and All of God's Children!

9:45 The Vine Worship Service
Christian Life Center

We Gather Together

⌘=Please Stand As You Are Able

⌘GATHERING	Instrument	The Vine Band
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS		Rev. Simoneaux
LIGHTING OF THE UNITY CANDLE		
⌘PASSING OF THE PEACE		
⌘SONG	Take My Life and Let It Be	The Vine Band
CHILDREN'S TIME		Rev. Wilkes
RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS		William 'Bill' Miller
SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM		Brooks Ransom Rita
	Parents: Zac and Cary Rita	

We Hear the Word

PASTORAL PRAYER		Rev. Simoneaux
⌘GOSPEL READING	Matthew 23:25-28	Rev. Wilkes
SERMON	Polishing the Inside	Rev. Wilkes
GIVING		
⌘SONG	Nothing Else	The Vine Band

We Feast at the Table

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION	Rev. Wilkes
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We Go into the World

⌘SONG	Wonderful	The Vine Band
⌘BENEDICTION & DISMISSAL		Rev. Wilkes

Children's Ministry News

- **No Kids' Club** on Wednesday, October 21: Trunk-or-Treat at 6pm will take the place of Kids' Club.
- **Kids' Club** has received enough socks! All we need now is **TOILETRIES** to fill the socks.
Bins are located in the Narthex of the Worship Center and the Lobby of the CLC.

****We are still seeking volunteers for all areas of our Children's Ministry. If you are interested, please let Candice know or call the church office at 864-654-5547.**

For more information about our Children's Ministry, contact Candice at candice@clemsnumc.org.

Youth News

- Today, Youth Fellowship, Christian Life Center, 5:00 pm
- October 22, Youth Breakfast, 7:15 am, Christian Life Center

Scan the QR code to sign up to help with Sunday Night Youth Dinners.



****We are seeking people who feel called and would love to serve our youth! If you feel this could be you, please contact Brauer.**

For more information on Youth, contact Brauer at youth@clemsnumc.org.

8:30 & 11:00 Traditional Worship Service
Worship Center

We Gather in the Name of God

⌘=Please Stand As You Are Able

GATHERING	Festive Gloria	Aaron David Miller
WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS		Rev. Wilkes
PRELUDE	Elegy	G. Thalben-Ball
⌘CALL TO WORSHIP		Terry Long (8:30) Debra Sparacino (11:00)

Leader: We do not come today to perform for the crowd, nor to polish an image for human eyes.

People: We come before the One who sees the hidden places of the heart.

Leader: Let our words match our walk, and our worship match our life.

People: Teach us true justice, deep mercy, and quiet faithfulness.

All: Lord, strip away our pretense, and lead us in the humble way of Jesus.

⌘HYMN	Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart	UMH 160
⌘PRAYER OF CONFESSION		Liturgist

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: We confess how easily we slip into the ways of the Pharisees-caring more about how we appear to others than who we actually are before You.

People: Forgive us for the times our prayers have been a performance and our piety a mask.

Leader: Humble our hearts, reorder our priorities, and make us servants of Your kingdom rather than seekers of our own status.

All: Grant us the grace to practice what we profess, that our lives may point to others not to us, but to Christ Jesus our Lord, Amen.

⌘AFFIRMATION OF FAITH		UMH 883
	A Statement of Faith of the United Church of Canada	

⌘GLORIA PATRI	Glory Be to the Father	UMH 71
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⌘PASSING OF THE PEACE

CHILDREN'S TIME		Rev. Wilkes
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We Proclaim and Respond to God's Word

ANTHEM (11:00)	With Songs of Rejoicing	J. S. Bach
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⌘HYMN	Make Me a Channel of Your Peace	On Screen
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8:30 & 11:00

⌘GOSPEL READING	Matthew 23:25-28	Rev. Wilkes
SERMON	Polishing the Inside	Rev. Wilkes
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE		Rev. Wilkes
THE LORD'S PRAYER		
OFFERING OURSELVES & OUR GIFTS TO GOD		Rev. Wilkes
OFFERTORY	Siciliana	J. S. Bach
⌘DOXOLOGY	Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow	UMH 95

We Go Forth to Serve

⌘HYMN	Be Thou My Vision	UMH 451
⌘BENEDICTION		Rev. Wilkes
POSTLUDE	Allegro Maestoso	G. F. Handel



Pastor's Coffee

 **Sunday, October 18**

 **4:00 pm**

 **Christian Life Center
Room 402**

For all new comers, visitors, or if you'd just like to sit in a more intimate setting and talk with your pastor over coffee...

You're Welcome!

We love to see you there!



We Now Have STUDENT PARKING Available!

Using the Church Parking Lot

 LIMITED SPACE AVAILABLE We only have 20 spaces.	 Members of CUMC and Wesley Students \$85 a month	 All Other Students \$100 a month	 CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE AT 864-654-5547 if you are interested in reserving a spot.
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