

PRAYER CONCERNS: Lynn Blackwelder and Treva Sweezy, Robert Christopher, Ruth Richardson & Family, Terri Strickland, Katie Foster

OUR MILITARY: Scott Beal, Taylor Bean, Ethan Branton, Michael Howard, Todd Houtz, Tai Orange, David Parker, Camaron Sills, President Trump

SIGN UP FOR THE WEEKLY EMAIL PRAYER LIST

Would you like to receive the pray requests each week by email so that you may include them in your daily prayers? If so, please email kristispencer@firstnewton.org. You'll be added to a weekly email sent out each Monday.



MARTY BURROWS MEMORIAL SERVICE NEXT SUNDAY

A memorial service celebrating the life of Martin Burrows will take place here in the Sanctuary at First Newton UMC next Sunday, May 26 immediately following the 10:30 am worship service.



NURSERY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

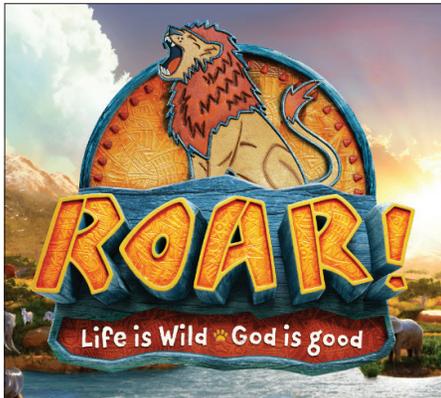
Are you available to help in the nursery on June 23 or July 14 from 10:15 - 11:45 a.m.? If you can help with these dates OR if you would like to join the Nursery volunteer list, please contact Megan Johnson, our Nursery Coordinator at 828-381-8973.

Tim Hayes is putting together a **CPR/AED Class** for the church. We must have 10 people committed to taking the class before we can schedule. The class will be scheduled for a weekday evening. Please contact the Church Office by email: office@firstnewton.org) or by phone 828-464-8422 if you are interested in participating. Thank you!



VBS SATURDAY, JULY 20 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Our next VBS planning meeting will take place on Sunday, June 2 immediately following the 10:30 am worship service. We will meet in the Gomedela Room and lunch will be provided. Come learn, ask questions, be a part of this wonderful event! All are welcome!



Nursery: For children up to 4 years
8:15 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. on Level 1

Sunday School: For children 3 years - 5th
Grade from 9:30 - 10:15 a.m. on Level 1.

Children's Worship Bags:
Located at the entrances of the
Sanctuary & Fellowship Hall.



All 6th -12th graders are welcome to join
First Newton's Youth for worship & fun.

- TODAY: Hiking & Pizza, Noon - 3:30 p.m.
- June 2: Graduation Breakfast
- June 9: Pentecost Party/Bonfire
- June 30: Youth helping lead
Brunch Worship in Fellowship Hall at
10:30 a.m.

Contact Deacon Shannon for more info:
DeaconShannon@firstnewton.org



k4C is an after school ministry for children
in Kindergarten - 6th Grade that meets on
Wednesdays from 3:00-5:30 p.m.

May 22: Last day for K4C - Party with
games and a bounce house!

For more information, please contact
deaconshannon@firstnewton.org

*"Whoever
receives
one child in
My name,
receives Me"*

-- Matthew 18:5



FOSTER CARE SUNDAY

May 19, 2019

THE FACTS:

- There are now over 340 children in foster care in Catawba County, which is 20% more than this time last year.
- There are only 65 licensed foster and adoptive families in the county.
- 30+ children are waiting to be adopted.
- If one family in each church agreed to become a foster family, there would be no shortage of foster families.

The above facts clearly illustrate our great need for foster and adoptive families in Catawba County.

To learn more or to get involved, contact
Megan Hildebran Burns 828-695-4553
mburns@catawbacountync.gov
or visit: fostercatawba.com

**Please help us care for
OUR CHILDREN!**

Welcome

WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

Date: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

- I am a Visitor
- I am interested in membership
- I would like to visit with a pastor
- Please note my change of address

PRAYER REQUEST

(Place in the Offering Plate or give to the Pastor.)

I ask your prayers for:

Prayer Request: _____

May we send this person a note of encouragement? ___ yes ___ no

If yes, please include their address: _____

May we include this in the prayer list for next week's bulletin and email prayer list? _____

Person making request _____

Phone _____

A LOOK AHEAD . . .

Sunday, May 26

Dr. Jonathan LeMaster-Smith Preaching

Monday, May 27

Church Office Closed for Memorial Day

Sunday, June 2

Graduation Sunday
Rev. Bob Silber Preaching

FIRST CHURCH STAFF

Lara "Willis" Greene, Pastor*

Shannon LeMaster-Smith, Minister of Discipleship - Children, Youth & Outreach

Ron Sinclair, Director of Music

Michael Roberts, Praise Team

John Coffey, Organist / Pianist

Kristi Spencer, Communications

Megan Johnson, Nursery Coordinator

Kristi Harvell, Preschool Director

*Rev. Willis is currently on Renewal Leave focused on continuing education for ministry, professional development, & spiritual formation. She will return July 1.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Thursday 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

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First Newton

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Becoming one diverse community
Worshipping Jesus passionately
Practicing unprecedented acts of hospitality

LOVING ALL PEOPLE INTO A RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS CHRIST

MAY 19, 2019 • 8:30 A.M.



Gathering Song

Opening Prayer

Welcome & Opportunities for Praise

Rev. Shannon LeMaster-Smith

Songs of Praise

Children's Affirmation

We believe that God made the whole world and that we are all God's children. We believe that Jesus is real. We believe that Jesus sees the good in people and helps everyone. We believe that Jesus answers our prayers and can work miracles. We believe that Jesus died on the cross and came back to life. We believe that Jesus forgives us. We believe that Jesus is always with us.

Kids for Christ Sharing



Holy Communion

Pour out your Holy Spirit on us gathered here, and on these gifts of bread and wine. Make them be for us the body and blood of Christ, that we may be for the world the body of Christ, redeemed by his blood. By your Spirit

**make us one with Christ, one with each other,
and one in ministry to all the world,**

until Christ comes in final victory, and we feast at his heavenly banquet.

Service of Giving

Closing Song

Go, Tell It On the Mountain

Closing Blessing

Thank You to Today's Ministry Servants: Hospitality Team #3 ↓ led by Michelle Wayne

The Pray-Ground is located near the Praise Café and offers children 5 & under a space to quietly engage in activities while experiencing worship with their families. In addition, there are activity bags available as well as nurseries for babies & toddlers located across the breezeway in the Education Building.

**Please stand in praise of God if you are able.*