

May 23, 2021

Be Sure to Join Us In-Person at 10:00 am or Online for Worship
9:00 Pre-recorded service on PUMC's Website (pumcfortmill.org)
10:00 Live Streaming on Facebook



Acts 2:1-12

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?'

Sermon Title: The Ability to Speak

### **Graduation Celebration**



Please join us this Sunday, May 23rd at 11:00 am as we celebrate our High School and College Graduates. You will have an opportunity to congratulate the Graduates after the Worship Service outside near the portico.



## <u>"Farewell Event" and "Love Offering"</u> to be held for Pastor Becky and Richard

Sunday, June 6th will be the last PUMC service officiated by Pastor Becky. A "Farewell Event" will also be held June 6th from 2pm to 4pm in the Fellowship Hall to give people a chance to express gratitude and say goodbye to Pastor Becky and Richard in person. Thank you Linda Honeycutt for leading this effort! Please consider giving to our "love

offering" for Pastor Becky and Richard by donating online or by check with "love offering" in the memo section. Your consideration and generosity are greatly appreciated.

A Love Box will be located outside the sanctuary each Sunday until June  $6^{th}$ . Please place in this box any notes, cards, or small monetary gifts that you'd like to leave for Pastor Becky and Richard. There will also be a Memory Book that we'd love you to sign, before or during the event on the  $6^{th}$ .

In order to make it a safe and organized event, we ask the following:

- Families wishing to participate in the event should sign up by Sunday, May 31st.
- We will send out an RSVP through Mailchimp, as we do for Worship Services, Memorials, etc. You may also sign-up in the Narthex by scanning the QR code on the bulletin board outside the sanctuary during the next few weeks.
- Families with last names starting with (A K) visit the church between 2pm to 3pm and families with last names starting with (L Z) visit between 3pm to 4pm.
- Masks and social distancing will be required.
- Beverages, finger foods and dessert will be available.

# We are Hiring!

#### Two Staff Positions Available at PUMC

Philadelphia now has 2 open positions on our staff for Contemporary Worship Leader and Coordinator of Audio Visual Technology. If you are interested or know someone with experience in these areas, contact Jenifer Jay, SPRC Chairperson, (jenejay5@gmail.com).



Vacation Bible School 2021
August 2nd-5th, Monday-Thursday 9:30 - 11:45am
Mark your calendars! Rocky Railway VBS 2021 is still on track for this year, where Jesus' power pulls us through.

### Rocky Railway VBS 2021 Survey

(Aug 2<sup>nd</sup> thru 5<sup>th</sup> from 9:30am-11:45am) We want to hear from you. Scan the QR code to fill out

# SC Annual Conference Convenes

Laity and Pastors from across the state will gather on-line, June 6th & 7th for the SC Annual Conference. Our elected lay members Jim Lowder, Maggie Justus, Bill Hildebrand and Kevin Hawver along with Pastor Becky Shirley will attend the sessions on Zoom. The Annual Conference hears reports of statewide ministries and approves budgetary support of these ministries for the upcoming year. Our Congregation joins other churches in paying its fair share of this budget (apportionments).



### **RISING 6TH GRADERS**

It was wonderful to have you as part of our Children's Ministry. As you continue your faith journey into middle school and the Youth Ministry, we want to give you something to take

with you to your next pasture: Mini Shawn the Sheep. Parents, if you have a 5th Grader going into 6th this Fall, contact <a href="mailto:nicolas@pumcfortmill.org">nicolas@pumcfortmill.org</a> to get him or her a Mini Shawn the Sheep. With it you will receive information about how to get your middle schooler involved with Youth ministries.

## **Garden Party This Week**

Saturday, May 22nd at 11:30 am

The Disciples and Logos Sunday School classes are having a Garden Party at the home of Caroline Helms, 2210 Gold Hill Road, Fort Mill, SC 29708. The event will be outside and lunch will be served. For more information contact Caroline Helms <a href="mailto:cdhelms1@yahoo.com">cdhelms1@yahoo.com</a>.

## In-person Adult Sunday School

We will resume in-person Disciples and Logos classes on Sunday, May 30th at 11:00 following Worship Service. Covid safety according to the latest guidelines will be followed. The class will meet in the Disciples classroom. Contact Bill Ray (billnoneray@yahoo.com) for more information.

# Ways We Are Continuing to Serve in Love



# TODAY WE GIVE TO THE EPWORTH WORK DAY OFFERING!

We ask everyone to help support the children who call Epworth their home. This offering is our opportunity to support this vital ministry. Give generously by selecting Epworth, if giving online; denote "Epworth" on the "For" line of checks; or use one of the pink envelopes located at the reservation tables in the Narthex.



### Blood Drive This Week May 23rd, 9:00am - 1:00pm

Help us save lives!

A bus will be near the Fellowship Hall.

Open this link to make an appointment

https://donor.oneblood.org/donor/schedules/drive\_schedule/1062338

One Blood will be offering a car sunshade (perfect for keeping that steering wheel cool this summer) and a \$10 eGift card.

**Thank you to everyone** for sharing the love of Christ at our Shred Event! We welcomed many new faces on Saturday and saw familiar friends as well. It certainly felt like the Holy Spirit was among us as Becky writes about in the newsletter. Thanks be to God!



## **Community Outreach**

We are collecting items for the Fort Mill Care Center. Fort Mill Care Center can use Jelly, Cereal, Canned Vegetables, Juice, Macaroni and Cheese, Instant Potatoes, Toothpaste, and Individually wrapped toothbrushes (not multipacks). Bring items with you to worship and place in shopping cart located on the walkway.

If you have donations and would like for someone to come by and do porch pick-up to deliver to Fort Mill Care Center, contact

Jim & Pat Broome at 704.763.8344 or pfbroome@comporium.net or Ron & Linda Jacoby at 301.964.5073 or barklin@aol.com.



# **Prayer Requests This Week**

Alex Austin, Homer Bethea, Doris Bevil, Thelma Butler, Doris Coltharp, Eunice Faulkenbury, Helen & Jesse Ford, Gene Hoover, Holly Johnson, Debra Lowder, June Masek, Julia McCall, Polly Merritt, Lollie Rea, Carolyn Ressler, Lois Ryder, Tom Smythe, Alice Sumner, Dorothye Young

To Submit prayer requests, contact Eve Chapman at prayer@pumcfortmill.org or 803.207.2391

### **REMINDER: New Mailing Address for PUMC**

PLEASE NOTE: If you are currently mailing your contribution or having it mailed from your bank institution, please use our new mailing address. If you have questions, please contact the church office at 803.548.0102.

Philadelphia United Methodist Church 2764 Pleasant Road Suite A PMB 11804 Fort Mill, SC 29708

### Weekly Stewardship Report

Last Week N	May 16th		
<u>Last week</u>			
General & Building Fund Giving Goal \$ 14,072 \$	281,445		
Gifts Received towards Goal 6,822	219,034		
Other Special Gifts Received 7,829	15,067		
Statement of Financial Position Year to Date - Through April 2021			
General & Building Fund Cash Balance January 1st, 2021 \$	123,038		
plus General Fund Contributions	188,980		
plus Building Fund Contributions	4,932		
minus Expenses	128,584		
minus Loan Payments	40,498		
General & Building Fund Cash Balance April 30th \$	147,868		
Building & Parsonage Loan Balances \$	1,058,631		

### Thank you for your generous support of the Missions and Ministries at PUMC!

Ways to GIVE to PUMC: 1) Visit us at <a href="https://pumcfortmill.org/give/">https://pumcfortmill.org/give/</a>.

- 2) Text to Give Text 844-281-2004 with the amount you want to donate.
- 3) Download the GivePlus app to make one-time or recurring contributions.
- 4) Mail checks to our NEW secure mailbox address. Please DO NOT mail checks to PUMC's physical address.
- 2764 Pleasant Road Suite A PMB 11804, Fort Mill, SC 29708.

Questions about giving options, please contact PUMC's Finance Associate, Stefanie Hill. at Stefanie@pumcfortmill.org.

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