

# THE FIRST WORD

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2019-2 First United Methodist Church – 109 West College Street – Winnsboro, SC 2019-2

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James Tiberius Cook arrived after a very long labor at 5:40 pm on January 12, 2019. "Jimmy T" weighed 8lbs 7oz and was 21.5 inches. Pastor Meg, John and baby are doing great! Please continue to keep the Cook family in your prayers as they navigate their new normal.



Children Are a Gift From the  
Lord

They Are a Reward From Him

Psalm 127:3



First United Methodist Church Family welcomes  
James Tiberius Cook  
"Jimmy"



**TO MEMBERS OF  
OUR CHURCH  
FAMILY WITH  
BIRTHDAYS IN  
*February***

**If you do not see  
your birthday on the list, please let us know!**

**February**

Feb. 1, Sandi Humphries  
Feb. 20, William G. Stevenson

***OUR MINISTRY FOR FEBRUARY***

**USHERS: Bob McMaster and Johnny Porter**

**COUNTERS:**

**Mary Jim Gunter and Patsy Black  
Sallie Kate and Donnie Laird  
Jane Hinnant and Steve McDonald  
Roy Barnett and Jim Baughman**

**Acolytes: Carson Taylor and Grant Taylor  
Owen Wilson and Sidney Wilson  
Mary Margaret Swearingen,  
Walker Blackwelder, and ILenna Derrick**

**Liturgists: Sarah McMaster, Grant Taylor,  
Margaret DuBard, Sarah Bryant, Eddie Watford,  
and Robert Pemberton**

**When you can, remember to send a card, call or visit:**

**Evon Estes** The Crossings, Villa Room 240  
2300 Clemson Road Columbia, SC 29229

**David Barr, NHC, Room 504B, 1501 E. Greenville  
Street, Anderson, SC 29621**

**Win McMaster** 5301 Creedmoor Road Apt. 418  
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**Doris Myfelt** 3195 Rio Dosa Drive #2103, Lexington,  
KY 40509 (859)309-9284

**Dot Yon** Goodwin House Apt. #401, 3440 S. Jefferson  
Street Falls Church, VA 22041

**Lisa Lewis Meyer** The Heritage at Lowman, PO Box 444  
White Rock, SC 29177

**Mabel Ward** 320 Seven Farm Drive, The Summit  
Place/Daniel Island, Charleston, SC 29452

***Please, remember in prayer those serving our country in  
our armed forces both at home and overseas.***



Jonathan Bankhead, Brad Caulder,  
Brayden Marshall, Paisley Marshall,  
Lenora Bundy, Marion Robinson, Dot  
Porter, Herb Smith, Dean Gaddy, Zan Leevy, Jane Culp,  
Mitzie Renwick, Bob and Phyllis Sweeney, Judy  
Ridgeway, Marie Wood, Lola Dove, Frank Martin,  
Brent Dorrier, Kenny Martin, Lynne Moore and Dr. and  
Mrs. Von Taylor.

***People will stay on the prayer list one month. If after  
their four weeks you would like the person to stay on  
the prayer list, please call the church office.***

**Shoes4Water.org** The women of the church  
continue to accept shoes for this very worthwhile  
project. There is a container in the hallway behind  
the sanctuary and also under the stairwell leading to  
the children's classrooms. Be sure to tie the shoes  
together, put them in a bag or box, or simply put a  
rubberband around them. Thank you!



**A little humor to brighten your day!**





10-1010 welcome, gathering, offering and prayers  
1010-1025 older in Music/younger in Bible story and activity  
1025-1040 switch groups  
1040-1055 all in Music and closing prayer

Interested in helping teach? Talk to Pastor Meg or Margaret Richardson, our Sunday School Superintendent.

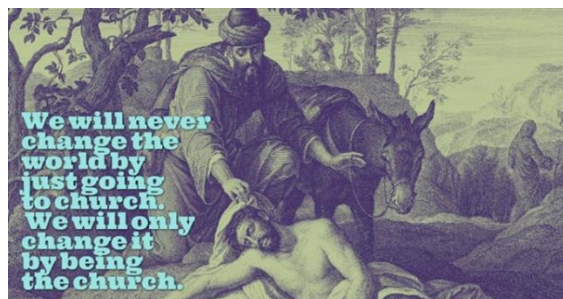


A special thanks to Rev. Lex McDonald for filling our pulpit while Pastor Meg and John welcome the birth of James T. Cook "Jimmy T."



We look forward to hearing the gospel from Pastor Lex during the upcoming weeks.

Loving God, we thank you for sending this faithful pastor to be among us during this special time in the life of our church. And we ask that you would empower *him* with your Holy Spirit that *his* preaching and teaching may show forth your living presence, that *his* counsel might be blessed with wisdom and insight, and that all our work together may witness to the love of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen







Look who was crowned King of Epiphany for the year!  
Congratulations to Sidney Wilson for finding the golden coin in the cake that everyone enjoyed after the Epiphany service.



### **Love to Crochet? Join a Crochet Ministry.**

Margaret Richardson and Julie Barfield crochet baby blankets, hats, and booties. They crochet lots and lots of baby blankets, hats, and booties! Their work goes directly to two agencies, Birthright and Young Lives.

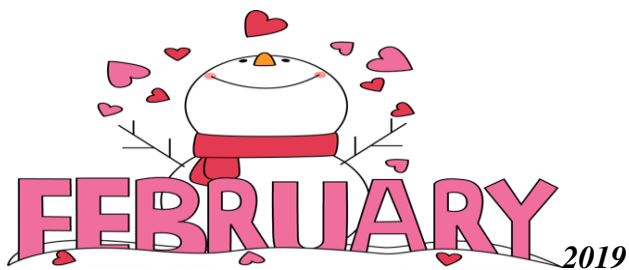
Birthright is a emergency pregnancy service offering positive help and assistance to girls and women faced with an unplanned or problem pregnancy. Birthright services are free, confidential, and available to any woman regardless of age, race, creed, economic or marital status.

We also provide baby blankets, hats and booties to Young Life. Young Life is a world class organization for kids, teens, and young adults. Working with youth allows the program the privilege of talking to them about the good news of Jesus and His love for them. Kids' lives are dramatically impacted when caring adults come alongside them, and they begin to see that their lives have great worth, meaning and purpose. A portion of this great program includes working with teen moms who are faced with the challenges of birthing and caring for infants.

If you love to crochet or knit and would like to participate, please see Julie or Margaret for more information.



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Sunday School 10:00 am  
 Children's Music Ministry – 10:30 am  
 Worship Service – 11:00 am

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
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<b>3</b> * Ilenna Derrick * **Eddie Watford	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>  Coordinating Council (Patti Wilkes) 9-5  Choir Practice 7:30	<b>7</b>  Blessing Box Distribution 9:00 am	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>10</b> Love Feast Family Night Supper 5:00 pm  *Wilson **Robert Pemberton	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> Choir Practice 7:30	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>17</b> *Blackwelder  **Sarah McMaster	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> Choir Practice 7:30	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b> *Taylor **Margaret DuBard	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> Men's Club 6:30 pm	<b>27</b> Choir Practice 7:30	<b>28</b> Blessing Box Prep Meeting 10:00 am		

\*Acolytes \*\*Liturgist

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Pastor's Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday 8:00 am-12:00 pm

Tuesday, out of office for Lectionary meetings

Visit [www.firstumcwinnsboro.com](http://www.firstumcwinnsboro.com) to see the calendar for the entire year.



On February 10th at 5:00 pm we will celebrate LOVE! Join us for a church family covered dish with games, fellowship and learn about the tradition of a love feast. In addition to bringing a dish to pass, we encourage you to also bring a non-perishable item for our local food pantry, a way for us to share some love in our community!

History: *The Love Feast, or Agape Meal, is a Christian fellowship meal recalling the meals Jesus shared with disciples during his ministry and expressing the koinonia (community, sharing, fellowship) enjoyed by the family of Christ.*

Source: <https://www.umcdiscipleship.org/resources/the-love-feast>

# ATTENTION SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS AND PARTICIPANTS!

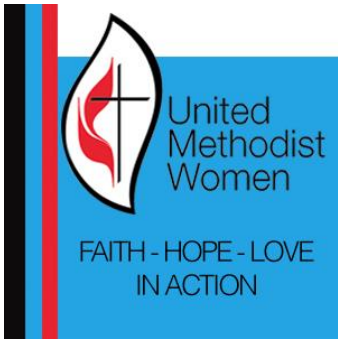
Good curriculum cost money. Did you know that our Cokesbury adult curriculum runs \$12/book? We are encouraging our participants to share books in your family or if you'd like more than one copy--help offset the cost by paying for any additional copies. We are looking at some options for our children as well, while Pastor Meg can write SOME of what we need, we need to look at purchasing some curriculum as well. We are looking at 3 options of varying costs for our Children and Youth ministries. We are in a strong place financially, but we still want to make smart choices in being good stewards of our resources....and on that note we at the office would like to thank you for your faithful support of our general budget which goes to cover costs like Sunday School materials!

Attention Sunday School teachers, Bible Study leaders and Committee chairpersons....

Did you know we, First UMC, belong to the resource library at the UMCSC conference office? We pay a nominal annual fee to have access to hundreds of Sunday School resources, Bible Studies and more. This is an economical way for us to look at providing curriculum in 2019! Interested in checking this out the library for your class? Go visit the conference center or use the online catalog!

<http://rqmweb.requestmanager.org/search.asp?q=umcsc>

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Phone: 803-786-9486, Ext. 309



Dear First Church United Methodist Women,

For several years, I have had the honor and privilege of serving as the leader of the UMW. This position has helped me to grow closer to many of you, to our church family, and to God. I sincerely appreciate all of your support and willingness to help when called upon. You are an essential part of our church and community. As Sarah McMaster fills this position in 2019, I am sure she too will be blessed by your love, friendship, and support. Again, thanks for being His hands and feet at FUMC.

Love and blessings,

Beth Caulder

Visit [www.firstumcwinnsboro.com](http://www.firstumcwinnsboro.com) to see the church calendar for the entire year.

Visit us on Facebook, too!

*Winnsboro Lions Club Rann Foster  
Pancake Supper*

Tuesday, February 5, 2019

5:30—7:30 pm

Fairfield Elementary School

*175 Medley Road, Winnsboro*

See any Winnsboro Lion for tickets or buy at the door.



**\$5 Adults**

**\$4 Children**

10 and under

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Church Office 635-4087



*Seek God, Love All People, Change the World*