

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 _____



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.**

April 5-6

30 Hour Famine event to raise awareness
of hunger related issues and experience
a bit of sacrifice as we sleep outside in
cardboard boxes and fast for 24-30 hours

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



KIDS FOR CHRIST CONTINUES

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

April 3: Journey with Jesus:
Last Supper / Foot Washing

For more information, please contact
deacons Shannon@firstnewton.org

A LOOK AHEAD . . .

Thursday, April 11 at 7 p.m.

Hickory Rings Spring Concert
in the Sanctuary

Thursday, April 18 at 7 p.m.

Holy Thursday Worship Service
in the Sanctuary

Easter Sunday, April 21

8:30 Contemporary Worship in the Garden
10:30 Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary

FIRST CHURCH STAFF

Lara "Willis" Greene, Pastor

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

Brandy Burnette, Church Administrator

John Coffey, Organist

Ron Sinclair, Director of Music

Michael Roberts, Praise Team

Kristi Spencer, Communications

Melissa Ervin, Nursery Director

Kristi Harvell, Preschool Director

PO Box 926 Newton, NC 28658

Phone: 828-464-8422

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

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

www.firstnewton.org

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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

MARCH 31, 2019 • 10:30 A.M.

WE GATHER

Gathering Time - *We welcome everyone! Greet your neighbors with the peace of Christ and take a moment to get to know those around you.*

Prelude

Serenade by Franz Liszt

Sandro Gagea

Welcome & Opportunities for Ministry

Call to Worship

Leader: Come, all who are hungry and thirsty.

People: The Lord will provide for our needs.

Leader: Come this day to the house of the Lord.

People: Here we will find welcome and grace.

Leader: Come to this time of gathering and praise.

**People: Lord, we come with open hearts and spirits
to receive your gracious gift of love.**

*Hymn, No. 358

Dear Lord and Father of Mankind

*Affirmation of Faith, No. 881

The Apostles' Creed

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

*The Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost as it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

Ministry Moment

Girl Scout Troop # 02013

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

WE HEAR & RESPOND TO THE WORD

A Time for All Ages

Congregational Prayer & The Lord's Prayer (The Passion Translation)

All throughout scripture we are reminded that God gives us our daily bread – God gives us everything we need. So in our prayer this morning, we share various scriptures to give thanks to God ...

God we pray for those in need:

for those who are suffering, **we pray for your peace**

for those who are weak, **we pray for your strength**

for those who are lost, **we pray you show them the way**

for those who are struggling, we pray for your guidance

for those who are broken hearted, **we pray you restore hope.**

We give thanks for your provision, and especially for giving us your son, Jesus, who taught us to pray, saying:

Our Father, dwelling in the heavenly realms, may the glory of your name be the center on which our lives turn. Manifest your kingdom realm, and cause your every purpose to be fulfilled on earth, just as it is fulfilled in heaven. We acknowledge you as our Provider of all we need each day. Forgive us the wrongs we have done as we ourselves release forgiveness to those who have wronged us. Rescue us every time we face tribulation and set us free from evil. For you are the King who rules with power and glory forever. Amen.

Anthem *I Surrender All* arr: Benjamin Harlan

Scripture Matthew 6:11

Message *The Lord's Prayer:* Rev. Lara "Willis" Greene
Give us this day our daily bread . . .

Service of Giving

*Doxology Hymn, No. 95

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.

During the season of Lent, we will sing an Alleluia-free version of the doxology. The discipline of "burying the Alleluia" until its renewing reappearance on Easter has been practiced by Christians since the Middle Ages.

Prayer of Dedication

WE GO OUT TO SERVE

*Hymn, No. 496 *Sweet Hour of Prayer*

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

*Benediction

*Benediction Response, *The Faith We Sing*, No. 2262 **Bind Us Together**

**Bind us together, Lord, bind us together, with cords that cannot be broken.
Bind us together, Lord, bind us together, Lord, bind us together in love.**

**There is only one God, there is only one King;
There is only one body, that is why we sing.**

**Bind us together, Lord, bind us together with cords that cannot be broken.
Bind us together, Lord, bind us together. Lord, bind us together in love.**

*Chimes of the Trinity

*Postlude

Thank You to Today's Ministry Servants:

Chance Smith (Acolyte), and Hospitality Team: Girl Scout Troop #02013

Sandro Gagea, our guest pianist this morning, is the 13 year old son of Adina and John Gagea. He is an 8th grader at Arndt middle school. He has been studying piano since he was 6 years old, and has been a student of Rick Setzer's since September 2014.

PRAYER CONCERNS: The family of Polly Kelly, Marlene Timbs

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



METHODIST WOMEN MEETING TOMORROW

The Methodist Women's Meeting is tomorrow at 2 p.m. in the Gomedela Room. For more information about the group, please contact Martha Sowers at 828-464-6954.



EASTER CARDS & ENCOURAGEMENT

Easter is a wonderful time to remember our homebound members with a note or letter. Our Kids 4 Christ assembled Easter gift boxes for each homebound member, on display in the breezeway along with a list of names of those homebound. Simply pick up a list, label your cards, and **return them to the church by Sunday, April 14.**

GENERAL CONFERENCE UPDATE WITH BISHOP LEELAND

Bishop Paul Leeland will hold a meeting for the Catawba Valley & Appalachian Districts TODAY at 3 p.m. at St. Luke's UMC in Hickory to discuss the outcome of the Special General Conference session. This event is open to clergy and laity.

NEW MEMBER'S CLASS

SUNDAY, APRIL 7 AT 11:45 A.M.

Are you interested in joining First Newton? Do you have questions about Methodism?

Christianity? What church membership means? You are invited to our New Member Class (AND FREE LUNCH) where we will discuss all of this and MORE!

Please RSVP by 4/4 firstnewton.org/rsvp or call the Church Office: 828-464-8422 **OR** place this form in the offering plate.

Name: _____

Email or Ph: _____

attending: _____

NEW DATE & Time!

Community Easter Egg Hunt

This **FREE** family-friendly event is for children of all ages!

**Sunday, April 14
@ 2 p.m. (rain or shine)**

