



- ◆ Weekly—Choir Practice Wednesday—7 pm—Children and Youth—Sunday—12:30
- ◆ Monthly—3rd Sunday—UMM—8 am UMW-3 pm 3rd Wed—Senior Circle at 10:00

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Eastertide

You may be wondering what exactly is Eastertide. It is a part of the rhythm of the Christian calendar. It is that time between the resurrection of Jesus through his ascension and on to that Pentecost moment in Jerusalem. During the 50 days between his resurrection and ascension, there were sightings of Jesus and encounters with Jesus. Yet, those who followed him were now on Jerusalem's most wanted list. They were meeting in upper rooms with doors closed and a look out to protect them. When Jesus would appear in their midst, they were so awestruck, his words were, "Do not be afraid."

"Do not be afraid." What is it we fear as a community? Is it change? Is it our budget? Is it our future? We do not need

Pastor's corner

to fear change. We do not need to fear our future. We do not need to fear our current deficit. The Lord tells us through his prophet Jeremiah "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." (Jer 29:11 NIV)

What Christ asks of us is to step out in faith and believe in the future God has planned for us, to step out in faith as we financially give towards that future, and to step into the changes God is calling us to make as a community of faith.

Are we prepared to do this? Never. We can build momentum for this future through our worship, our study, and our action. Coming this fall is a program to help us build momentum. It begins with a 6 week study created by Michael Slaughter enti-

tled Momentum for Life. He uses the anacronym DRIVE; "D" – Devotion to God, "R" – Readiness for Lifelong Learning, "I" – Investing in Key Relationships, "V" – Visioning for the Future, "E" – Eating and Exercising for Life. From this leaping off point we will work on continuing the practices we learn. As we practice these Holy Habits, the Lord will lead us into our future.

It is Eastertide, a time when we hear the stories of Jesus Christ showing his hands and his feet to his disciples that they might believe and how he tells them of us, who will not see yet believe. After his appearances, the momentum began to build and the movement grew. My prayer is that we who believe will feel the power of the Holy Spirit at Plank Chapel and step into the movement of the spirit and feel the momentum building here as well.

Come with me into the future God is calling us to,
Pastor Carolyn



Day Camp Kerr Lake Ministries

Day Camp is coming soon! Kerr Lake Ministries is excited to offer Day Camp for this year from July 18-22, 2011. We will have it at the GLASS HOUSE at SATTERWHITE POINT (you will be given a pass for camp to drop off kids or to work at camp.) There will be no charge to enter the park for day camp. We need your support in recruiting campers and volunteers. Campers ages

run from 5 years old to May 1st to 12 years of age. Youth counselors are from age 13-18. Camp training will be on June 25 at 12:00 AM and on July 9 at 10:00 AM at Spring Valley UMC. SAFE SANCTUARIES TRAINING will be held on JUNE 25 from 9AM until 12 noon. All who wish to volunteer must attend ONE CAMP TRAINING, and take or have SAFE

SANCTUARIES TRAINING. We have financial assistance for 10 camperships. Please either e-mail Melanie Gutherie or call and let her know what days you can assist, or if you have any questions (252) 430-8941, e-mail: fmb1234@embarqmail.com. See Joe Sears for forms for the camp. Please return them by May 1, 2011. Early registration is from

May 1st until May 15. Cost for campers registering at that time will be \$35.00. May 15th through May 31st will be \$45.00. After the 31st of May until camp week all applicants will have to pay \$50.00 for the week. Applicants for a campership must be received by May 31st and must be approved by the board.

MISSIONS

Love for Liberia

The following are kits we can gather to assist this mission:

Secondary School YES (Youth Essential Supplies) Kit:

4 pens
1 solar calculator
1 ruler or protractor
4 notebooks (8 1.2x11
1 NIV or RSV Bible
Place all items in a 2 gallon Zip-lock bag as one kit.

New Elementary YES kit: for K-5 students)

4 pencils, 1 eraser, 1 hand held pencil sharpener, 1 box 24 crayons, 2 notebooks,

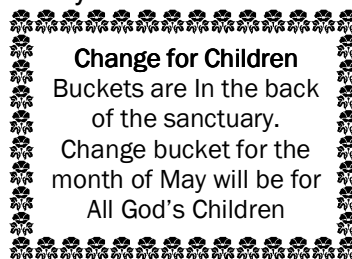
1 ruler, 1 pr blunt scissors, 12 sheets construction paper (varied colors) Religious coloring book, Good News New Testament in a 2 gallon zip lock bag.

ET (Essentials for Teachers) Kit

1 chalkboard eraser, 2 boxes white chalk, 3 notebooks (8 1/2 x11), 6 pencils, 6 pens, 4 red pens or marking pencils, 1 hand held pencil sharpener, 1 lesson plan book, 1 class record book, 4 magic markers, 1 NIC or RSV Bible
Place all items in 2 gallon zip-lock bag.

Drop off in the Parlor

May 1st: Pencils
May 8th: Notebooks
8 1/2 x 11
May 15th: Pens
May 22nd: Crayons
May 29th: Rulers



Change for Children
Buckets are in the back of the sanctuary.
Change bucket for the month of May will be for All God's Children

MERCI has informed United Methodist Women that there is a great need for baby items for the tornado victims of last weekend.

UMW has been organizing to be able to help with this need. The baby supplies

most needed would be diapers, wipes, formula and baby food. Perhaps even baby bottles and furniture. Clothing could be needed and anything would be appreciated.

We have arranged for 2 dropoff points and transport of the items directly to Sanford District where they are needed most. Rougemont UMC fellowship hall is one drop off place in northern Durham County. They are located at 501 North and Red Mountain Road, Rougemont, NC 27572

The other dropoff place is in Roxboro at Roseville Grocery, on 49 S next to the highway patrol station in Roxboro.



Volunteers and Missions

Butch Huffman, who came to share with us lost his brother, Donald on April 11th. If you would like to send him an email the information is: butchhuffman@bydasea.net
Conference response to tornadoes:
The MERCI Center will coordinate all requests

for assistance as well as requests from volunteer teams to come and assist. <http://merciumc.org/>
Our Disaster Relief Coordinator, Bud Budzinski, will meet tomorrow with all district coordinators. In the meantime, Steve Taylor, Conference Outreach Ministry Team coordinator, is working with Bud and other leaders to set into action

several plans that are already underway.

National Day of Prayer

Thursday May 5, 2011

Sponsored by:

MINISTERS IN COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

- 1, Maria Parham Medical Center Flagpole
2. *City Hall Council

- Chambers
3. County Courthouse Courtyard 12:00 to 12:30pm
 4. Kittrell Job Corp. Flag Pole 11:30-1:00 pm
 5. *Southern Vance Stadium Prayer Rally 7:00 pm—8:00 pm
- * Aired Live on WIZS

Summer Reading List

It may still be Spring but time to consider your Summer Reading List – see Pastor Carolyn as she has these in her office at the Parsonage

Children – “Old Turtle” and “Old Turtle and the Broken Truth” by Douglas Wood

“You are Special,” “Best of All,” and “A Hat for Ivan by Max

Lucado

Teens – The Chronicles of Narnia by C.S. Lewis



Adults – “The Hole in our Gospel” by Richard Stearns

“In the Grip of Grace,” “The Great House of God” by Max Lucado

“Provocative Grace: The Challenge in Jesus’ Words” by Robert Corin Morris

“The Shack” by William P Young

Offering requested for support of tornado victims

A special offering is being requested in local churches as soon as possible, on an appropriate Sunday, for NC Storm Response. One hundred percent of the offering will be used for relief and support of victims of the tornadoes in North Carolina. The check should be designated for NC Storm Response - Advance #S-00176

C.H.A.O.S.—Plans and Changes

May 1st – Serving the Seniors as we appreciate all they have done for us

May 8th – Regular Meeting at 12:30 – preparing for Youth Sunday and games

May 15th- Regular meeting at 12:30 – preparing for Youth Sunday and lessons

May 22nd – Youth Sunday – Final meeting with celebration lunch

May 29th – No Meeting

For youth – Conference Events

Breakaway – June 20th – 25th – Applications need to be mailed TODAY (This event has limited numbers and

fills up fast) – Both Middle School and Senior High can apply

Annual Conference Session for youth happens in July, Senior High only

Applications are available in the Youth room on the desks.

Crayon recycling Program

14180 SW 30th St RD
Ocala, FL 34481

Please bring crayons to the fellowship hall or mail Directly.





Opportunities to Serve

- A.C.T.S.
- Volunteer at the YMCA
- Rebuilding Hope
- Volunteer at a Long Term Care Facility
- Volunteer at school
- Lifeline
- Volunteer at church
- District or Conference Ministry
- Volunteer at the Library
- Help at a pet shelter
- Habitat for Humanity
- Vacation Bible School
- Shake it Up Café!

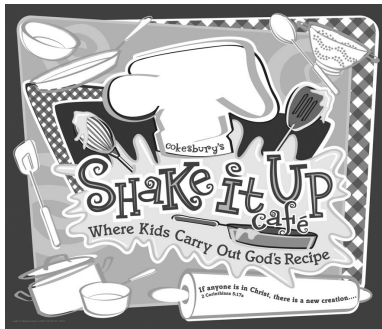
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Beverly Newman or any member of the Education Committee

Supply Needs will be

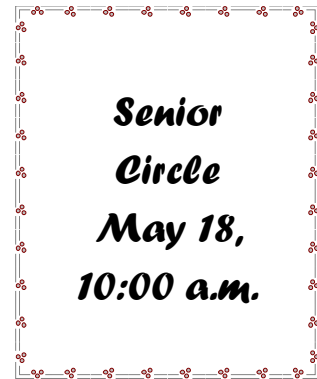
coming soon

Dates to be announced soon!



Office Copier News

Please remember when you use the copier in the office to take the paper out of the tray and return it to a zip-lock bag, remove the air from the bag before sealing. This prevents moisture from causing the paper to curl and creating jams in the copier. If the copier jams, please let someone (a Trustee, or Pastor Carolyn)



Save the Environment and Help our Schools & Others!!!



Save Campbell Soup Labels Used Postage Stamps Plastic Bottle Tops



RX for Extra Help

This is a registration event for those on Social Security and need help with RX drug costs. This is an income-sensitive assistance for those who are in need of help with the cost of their medications issued through their doctors. Bring: Medicare Card and all medications to have them checked by a pharmacist. Light refreshments will be served and everything is free: All Vance County residents are invited to join in on this

event!

Saturday, May 21,
2011
11 am-3pm
Vance County Office
of Aging/Senior Center
26 S. Garnett Street
Henderson, NC



Thank You

Thank you for your hard work, donations, and support for our yard sale. We made over \$700 in profit! We couldn't have done it without you!

Your generosity to Life Line was greatly appreciated! CHAOS

From the family of Sumner Forest "Dub" Smith: Dear Hospitality Committee; Please accept this as a thank you to each person

who so generously supplied the food for the reception when Dub passed. I heard many nice compliments on the looks of the table, the food and the people helping to serve.

I was so proud of my church showing their love and concern for the family and to see that we had the opportunity to speak and visit with friends. May God bless each of you!
Love, Hilma and family

Pentecost Sunday

June 12th is Pentecost Sunday...A Great Day to add to our numbers

If you feel the Holy Spirit calling you to join Plank Chapel United Methodist Church, contact Pastor Carolyn and let her know your intentions. During the Hymn of Commitment you can always come forward and ask to join. From there, depending on the situation, letters of transfer may need to be written, a meeting to share information of the way United Methodists are organized, and for some we may talk about a first time commitment to Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. Praise the Lord!

Clean-up Day

Clean-up Day is Coming – June 4th

We are setting aside a Saturday to Spring Clean the Church and Education Building. The Trustees will assign us tasks and sections. Wear your cleaning clothes; bring your cleaning tools, and servant spirit.



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Happy Spring, everyone!

As this new season begins and I walk around the yard, I am in complete awe with all the new birth around me. I actually planted a garden this year. Haven't quite grasped the growing seasons here as yet, but I'm learning. Today I noticed my purple potatoes popping up, along with my garlic and onions. You'll find as you get to know me, I don't tackle the easy stuff first! Watching my seeds germinate, grow into seedlings., how quickly they all change. It reminds me of how we grow as Christians. Baby steps. Accepting Christ as our savior.... Growing....being nurtured by those around me. It's an exciting adventure that God carries us through. I can't imagine life without Him being there! May your Spring fill your hearts and lives with the joy that comes with the new birth in Jesus!

Blessings to you and yours!

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OPEN HEARTS.
OPEN MINDS.
OPEN DOORS.

EDUCATION COMMITTEE

NEEDS TO KNOW:
Who is Graduating so they can be honored on Youth Sunday
Contact: Joe Sears with names/degrees/diplomas as well as dates/school



Senior Appreciation Sunday

May 1st

12:30—?

Chicken salad, spiral baked ham, jello salad, Watergate salad, fruit, & veggies

In His Service this Month

Flowers:

- 1—Jeannette Weaver & Ann Finch
- 8—United Methodist Men
- 15—Kay Deans
- 22—Angie Rowland
- 29—Midge Smith

Lay Readers:

- 1—Kay Deans
- 8—Donald Rose McGhee
- 15—Pat Edwards
- 22—various readers
- 29—various readers

Guild:

- Laurie Miller
- Judy Wilson

Ushers:

- Ben Brown
- Scott Ritchey
- Ryan Rowland
- Mike Ranes

Greeters:

- 1—Jamie & Lorraine Abbott
- 8—Daryl & Christine Dexter
- 15—Michelle & Mathew Denton
- 22—Judy Eaves & Gwen Ritchey
- 29—Thomas & Jodi Beckham


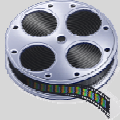

Outreach:

- 1—Marilove Spencer & Jane Owen
- 8—Joe & Susan Sears
- 15—Pat Edwards & Donald Rose McGhee
- 22—Judy Wilson & Faye Woodlief
- 29—John Rogers & Joyce Edwards





MAY 2011

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 Senior Celebration 12:30	2	3	4 Choir 7pm	5 Bible Study 1:30 National Day of Prayer—Events in Henderson all day	6	7
8 Happy Mother's Day!	9	10	11 Choir 7 pm	12 No Bible Study, Pastor gone	13	14
	Pastor away from May 9th through 12th for National workshops on Christian Unity					
15 Methodist Men 8 am Education Committee 2 pm Methodist Women 3 pm	16	17 Senior Circle	18 Choir 7 pm	19 Bible Study 1:30	20	21 Movie night "Mamma Mia 7-?" At the Parsonage 
22 Youth Sunday Missions Committee 3pm	23	24	25 Choir 7 pm	26 Bible Study 1:30	27	28
29 Song Service 	30	31				
					WORSHIP 11:00 A.M.	CHURCH SCHOOL 10:00 A.M.