



Chapel Chatter

Promise Island Vacation Bible School

Sharing God's promises with children and youth in the community. A village gathered to train up our young in the ways of the Lord.



As June ended, the Education Building was filled with children, youth, and adults who were learning about God's promises together. What made this event unique is that not only were the children from various churches, but also our

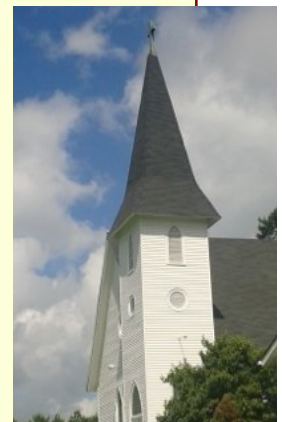
volunteers. We joined with Mount Carmel UMC and Spring Valley UMC to create a safe place for children to learn about God's promises. The children witnessed how communities come together to meet the needs of those they serve. We are truly grateful to all the volunteers, those who traveled from their home church to Plank Chapel and those who call Plank Chapel home. God did meet our needs, answered our prayers, showed how He cares about us, and was with us throughout the week as we learned how He saved us.

Plank Chapel United Methodist Church

To all who are lonely and need a friend, to all who are sick and seek Christ's healing power, to all who sin and need a Savior, this church opens wide its doors, and in the name of Christ our Savior, bids you welcome.

Join us for
worship, at
8:30 am or
11:00 am,
church school
at 10:00 am.

UMM - 3rd
Sunday 8:00 am
UMW - 3rd
Sunday 3:00 pm
See BASIC Youth for youth
schedule for the month



GETTING IN TOUCH

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PASTOR'S REFLECTIONS

Last month I asked you to pray for God to reveal the greatest need in our neighborhood, community, or world? What has God revealed? Does it feel impossible, if so you are on the right path. God will provide for us all we need to accomplish what feels impossible to us. God will bring partners to work beside us and make the load lighter through shared efforts.

June was a month of travel for me and at each spot, what I learned was the importance of being in a connectional community. My first stop was Annual Conference. This year we



focused on thriving. I learned that to thrive requires physical well being, spiritual health, and emotional strength.

Workshops focused on how together we can enhance the physical well being of our communities and in that process spiritual health is enhanced. We become emotionally stronger through our connections. Without community we will all experience a failure to thrive.

My next stop was Breakaway. At Breakaway 300 youth were learning what it means to be child of God. The stories of depression and suicide were eclipsed by their witness to healing through connections with their brothers and sisters in Christ, whether their conference family, their local church family, or their immediate family. God works through community and connection.

The last week of June was here at Plank Chapel with the VBS



volunteers, children, and youth. In this setting I experienced God's great web of connection as we celebrated His promises for us. Together we are stronger, faster, and equipped to meet the greatest needs before us.

God has been at work in this place and we are being transformed and changed into His disciples. Change is difficult, sometimes we want it to be faster, sometimes slower, and sometimes not at all. We can become bound by our fear. Jesus said, "Unbind him!" when Lazarus came out of the tomb. My prayer this month is that we are freed from what binds us so that we can be open to the changes God has planned for us.

Praying, Pastor Carolyn

MISSION MOMENT - IMAGINE NO MORE MALARIA

Imagine No Malaria is a vision to wipe out the deadly disease of malaria in Central Africa. The North Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church has joined in the effort by making a commitment to raise \$1 million in the Conference year 2014-2015. The project, which is a part of the Global Health Fund of the United Nations and the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) has already reduced the death rate of this terrible disease by 50% in central Africa. **Ten dollars saves a life. Our effort in the North Carolina Conference will save 100,000 lives.** What better way could there be to celebrate the birth of our Lord and the hope of the world than to be involved with truly saving lives?



CHANGING THE WORLD THROUGH OUR SPARE CHANGE - COSTA RICA MISSION PROJECTS (#S-00256 LANE FOUR RAINBOW COVENANT)

Wil and Yolanda Bailey work with the Methodist Church of Costa Rica to help mission work teams connect with projects of the churches in San Isidro. Contributions to CRMP help the Baileys sustain and grow this ministry. Contact - Phone: 011-506-8853-4965 Web: www.costaricamissionprojects.com Susan Sears and Martha Ann Sears are currently in Costa Rica on a work team. Pray for them and the team as they are the hands and feet of Christ in Costa Rica.

CHURCH LEADERSHIP - PLACES TO SERVE - PART TWO

Ever wonder what it means to serve on Age Level Committee? The **Age Level and Family Committee** grows us in discipleship through community forming activities for specific age groups as well as for the whole family. This committee does not have term limits or restrictions on membership. So all ages can be part of this group to help us create new and exciting ways to fellowship with each other and with our neighbors. Meetings are normally held quarterly to plan out the events for the coming Christian season. Their current activities include: Senior Appreciation, Fall Festival, Christmas Program, Easter Egg Hunt, and a Summer Social.

Missions does just that, works on identifying missions for us to engage in and respond to for the transformation of the world. In our change bucket program we have been contributing towards United Methodist missional outreach efforts throughout the world. Every penny counts. This group meets quarterly and continues to research places where

we can be the hands and feet of Christ as well as provide much needed financial support. This committee does not have term limits or restrictions on membership. If you are seeking to be a missional witness for Christ, this is a place to serve.

Outreach Committee looks to our local neighbors and reaches out to provide comfort, support, and visits. Members call, write notes, and visit church members who are sick or shut in as well as community members who are in need. They bring these needs to the Church Council for action. The Outreach Committee seeks members who have a

passion and compassion for their neighbors. This committee meets biannually and has no restrictions on membership. Outreach helps us identify where and how we can be the hands and feet of Christ locally.

Worship engages in planning worship that engages all our senses. We come together and look at how worship can be enhanced through visual changes on the altars or around the church. We discuss special worship events and music and ways to engage others in leading worship. There are no limits to membership or to length of service. Join the

Worship Committee and add your voice to how we can make disciples through worship. Meetings are held quarterly.

The **Education Committee** works with the Sunday School Superintendent on recruiting teachers, possible classes and potential curriculum. This committee also considers small group studies and other learning opportunities. We know them best for outstanding Vacation Bible Schools. This committee always welcomes new members.

There are no restrictions to

being a part of this committee or time limits. Consider serving a committee whose focus is making disciples through educational formation. Meets quarterly.

Next month we will explore what it means to be a Lay Leader, a chairperson of a committee, a Lay Member to Annual Conference and other key lay leadership roles within the church.

Are you willing to step into leadership? What is God's Big Hairy Audacious God Purpose (BHAG) in your life? How can we help you live that purpose out through the life of the church?

FISH FRY FRIDAY

AUGUST 1ST

LUNCH OR DINNER
OR BOTH

PLATES - \$7.00 IN ADVANCE

SEE A BASIC YOUTH
FOR YOUR TICKETS

MENU: FISH, SLAW, POTATOES,
HUSH PUPPIES, COOKIES

BASIC YOUTH



Acolytes
 July 6th - Austyn Abbott
 July 13th - Chase Thompson
 July 20th - C.T. Thompson
 July 27th - Taylor Shepardson

July Schedule - Summer is here and we are all scattering to various camps and activities and vacations...BUT...July is the month for selling our Fish Fry Tickets!

Fish Fry Tickets are \$7.00 each.
 Plate includes - Fish, potatoes, coleslaw, hush puppies, and cookies (brownies).

Fish Fry Friday requires volunteers to prepare food on Thursday night as well as all day Friday. Let Pastor Carolyn know when you will be serving.

Through the generosity of the United Methodist Men, all we have to purchase or bake are the cookies or brownies. Tea and lemonade and water will be served to those who eat in.

The vote was for both lunch and dinner...it is not impossible if we all pitch in and help.

Needed: cooks, servers, prep workers, clean-up crew, cookie bakers, and TICKET SELLERS!

What to tell people when you sell your tickets:
 This fundraising meal provides the youth with funds to attend conference youth events and camps that help us grow as disciples and explore how God is calling us to live out our discipleship in the world.

From Bishop Hope Morgan Ward

In these days of summer, we are engaged in wonderful ways with children and young people in our communities across the North Carolina Annual Conference.

Last week it was my great joy to be at Breakaway, with over 300 youth from churches across our Annual Conference. The theme of Breakaway was emblazoned on a large name tag, "Hello my name is _____."

"Hello, my name is child of God." We are grateful for young people and for the adults who enjoy youth ministry with them. This theme, "Hello my name is _____," enabled young people to speak about the challenges of our lives and the great gift of God in our lives. What a joyful thing to know that our name is "child of God."

In these summer months, thank you for the ways that you're engaged with children and young people through Vacation Bible schools, through youth ministry, and Volunteer-in-Mission work camps. The camps of our Annual Conference are welcoming children and youth throughout the summer.

Let us remember to pray for all who work with young people, for all who love young people, and for the young people who are a great joy in our midst.

IN HIS SERVICE

July Ushers

Freddie McGhee,
Matthew Denton,
Ben Brown, and
Taylor Abbott

July Altar Guild

Patricia and John Rogers

Flowers

6th - Joyce Edwards
13th - Donald Rose McGhee
20th - Faye Abbott
27th - Laurie Miller

Lay Readers

6th - Taylor Shepardson
13th - Janet Bobbitt
20th - Chase Thompson
27th - Peggy Hernandez

Looking for a place
to serve
ACTS is seeking
volunteers!

Greeters

6th - Mac & Judy Wilson
13th - George & Beth Heaton
20th - Richard Coghill
27th - Kay & C T Thompson

Nursery Workers

6th - Judy Wilson and Laurie Miller
13th - Kim and Laci Oettinger
20th - Frances Roberts and Arianna Fuller Bell
27th - Roxie Kearney and Jessica Lassiter

Outreach Team

6th - John and Patricia Rogers
13th - Joe Weaver and Henry Finch
20th - Mac Wilson and Richard Coghill
27th - Debra and Bruce Newman



Trustee Building Matters: Please remember to turn off lights, take out the trash, and lock the doors when leaving. During worship adults are to accompany children (which include our youth) to the Education Building
Ladies Bathroom concern: Please be respectful of our less mobile adults and those who are able use the smaller of the two stalls.

Kerr Lake Ministries Day Camp
July 14-18
Enjoy God's Big World
at Saddlerock Farm
Campers ages 5 - 12
Registration Fee: \$35.00


Community in Prayer

For... Bryce Newman, Frances Fuller, Molly Ann Hundley, Geneva Hawley, Stephen Bowers, Fred Beckham, Skeeter Pearce, James Rowland, Charles Parsons Smith, Gerald Woodlief, Jane Owen
For...those grieving,
For...those facing medical procedures this month,
For...those without food, jobs and shelter,
For...our leaders, our teachers, our volunteers,
For...Susan Sears as she travels to Costa Rica in mission
For...healing and reconciliation,
For...the lost and afraid,
For...Henderson, Vance County
For...Our children and youth
For...Plank Chapel

Sunday
Worship Opportunities
8:30 am
11:00 am



Church
School
10:00 am
Sundays

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 10:00 a.m. - 4 Seasons Cafe and Gift Shop 5:30 p.m. - Faith and Fitness 7:00 p.m. - Choir Practice	3 1:30 p.m. - Keeping Holy Time Bible Study	4 	5
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13	14	15	16 10:00 a.m. - Senior Circle	17	18	19
Kerr Lake Ministries Day Camp						
Annual Conference Session for Youth — July 13-19 @ Methodist University						
20 8:00 a.m. - UMM	21	22	23 5:30 p.m. - Faith and Fitness	24	25	26
27	28	29	30 5:30 p.m. - Faith and Fitness 7:00 p.m. - Choir Practice	31	