

CHAPEL CHATTER



Wide open doors...wide open hearts!

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.

Opening our doors wide in the midst of our summer meant that we welcomed in the children and leaders of our shared communities for Vacation Bible School. It also meant that a group of riders from American Legion Riders Post 187 traveled up from Wake Forest for a Blessing of the Bikes. This year eleven riders came north. Each one grateful that a church would open space for them to pray and thank the Lord for safe travels upon the road.



These riders are a group of retired service men and women who have given countless years of their lives in service to their nation. Now they ride for those who have been left behind. They ride for those who have come home and those who have gone home to be with their Lord and Savior. They also ride for charity. You will find them as road guards for various 5K and 10K

racers. You will find them finding a cause and a winding road, combining their love of the ride and their desire to continue to serve.

Our summer events reminded me of Paul's words to the people of Corinth. He spoke of how the many become one in Christ and each of us are important to the body, "Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; ... But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body... Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it." (1 Cor 12:1-4, 18-21, 27) We joined with other parts of the body this summer and became stronger and able to serve and reach more for the cause of Christ.

As the roar of the engines dimmed and the riders headed out onto the open road, I realized that these riders were also part of the body and now know that there is a place where they are welcome and connected, a connection that goes in both directions. Wherever they serve and minister, we are with them in spirit as we are all parts of the same body, the body of Christ.

A New Year

It seems we can celebrate the beginning of a new year over multiple times throughout the year. The chronological calendar has the new year begin on 1 January. The revised common lectionary begins a new year on the 1st Sunday of Advent. For children who attend school, the new year begins on that first day of school. Now that once was the same date for everyone. Can you remember when it was the Tuesday after Labor Day? Now it differs depending on school schedules and whether or not you are in year round school or not. Here at Plank Chapel we honor the beginning of a new school year in August. We honor this with the gift of



supplies. Our collection goes to Zeb Vance Elementary School. On Sunday, August 16 bring to the altar: Pencils, erasers, pens, crayons, markers, lined notebook paper, composition books, spiral notebooks, computer paper, backpacks, tissue boxes, hand sanitizers, rulers, and calculators. At that worship hour we will call forward those who will be starting a new school year, including those who are on year round school and may have already started. We will pray over our students, our teachers, and others who work with children throughout the school year.

Pastor Carolyn

Community in Prayer

For... Brandi Dickerson, Alice Finch, Hilma Smith, David Driver, Fred Beckham, Faye Young, Frances Fuller, Bryson Jackson, James Rowland, Stephen Bowers, Geneva Hawley, Jane Owen, Gerald Woodlief

For...healing and reconciliation	For...those facing medical procedures
For...those grieving	For...those without food, jobs and shelter
For...the lost and afraid	For...Henderson, Vance County
For...Plank Chapel	For...our leaders, our teachers, our volunteers
For...Our children and youth	For...our aging and shut ins
For...Our military, families, and veterans	For...all in harms way
For...peace in our nation	For...peace in the world

IN MISSION WITH

Local Mission Opportunities

Ruin Creek Animal Rescue Needs:

nonclumping cat litter, blankets, towels, puppy pads, and volunteers. The Shelter is open 8:30-4 most weekdays. Funding for veterinarian visits for abandoned animals in need of care is always needed.

Greater Ransom Way of the Cross Temple

Food Pantry: Open 1st and 3rd Saturdays from 10 am - 12 pm. Volunteers serve from 8 am - 12 pm.

ACTS: Open daily, serving mid day meal as well as a having a food pantry available

Cokesbury UMC Food Pantry:

Open 1st and 3rd Wednesday.

Community Partners of Hope:

They will soon be gearing up for the winter shelter months of November through March. They are always looking for volunteers to serve as supervisors and for volunteers to prepare meals. Last year we prepared meals once a month for all 5 months.

World Mission Opportunities:

Youth Trip to Haiti

Seeking youth and adult volunteers for a mission trip to Haiti. If interested please contact Pastor Carolyn as soon as possible as the trip is in planning stages through our Heritage District Youth Coordinator.

Return to Rotifunk

Return to Rotifunk Hospital in Sierra Leone in November 2015. Team member applications are being accepted for two teams: a medical team and a general spiritual/social team focused on building relationships. Teams will be limited to seven persons each. Ask Pastor Carolyn for more information.

Imagine No Malaria

We have not yet met the goal of \$1,000,000.00 for Imagine No Malaria. One net that saves one life costs \$10.00. Consider giving \$10.00 for that one life.

Change to Change the World - August's bucket money goes to Kerr Lake Ministries Day Camp - this year this camp has reached over 60 children and youth! 10 years of Day Camp for those who cannot afford residential camps. Your change can make the difference in a young person's life

AROUND THE CONFERENCE

SALT - Youth Ministry Leadership Training Opportunity
Sunday, August 16 4-7 PM
White Plains UMC
Cost is \$10 per person.

SALT is youth ministry leadership training event designed for youth and the adults who work with them. It is hosted by Well-Seasoned Youth Ministry and the Raleigh Area YOWO (Youthworkers) group. Bring your youth officers and adult volunteers for an afternoon of inspiration and equipping. All Sessions are open to youth or adults and include: Games with a Purpose, Youth Leadership, Communications/Social Media, Youth Culture, Counseling Basics, Listening to Youth, Personal Discipleship, (New This Year) Open Space – an open conversation where you set the agenda.

If you have questions contact Rob Phillips Rob@wpumc.com or Lee Barnes wellseasonedym@gmail.com.

JULY IN PICTURES



Homecoming 2015

On July 19 we worshipped, we sang, we celebrated being the church!

A very big thank you to all who made this a very special day! Great food, great fellowship and then there were the three who served and prepared our space so that we felt we had come home for dinner.

BASIC UMYF

As summer comes to an end, we begin to plan for the coming year together. Come out on July 26th at 4:30 pm so that we can set the date!

July 31 is the date for the Fish Fry - we need help on the 31st and the days leading up to that date - over 300 plates have been sold - hands and feet needed!

Coming up this year: Hall of Martyred Saints, Country Bumpkin Dinner, Pilgrimage, and more.

Sole Hope was a mission project this year at ACS. Their purpose is to provide close toed shoes for children in Africa. Disease and Jiggers get into the feet of children because they do not have shoes. We can host a shoe cutting party, we just need old jeans and milk jugs. See solehope.org for more information.

Other mission opportunities: Haiti next summer, Community Partners of Hope this winter, and Rebuilding Hope when we get a team together!

Heritage District Summer Youth Event

Camp Kerr Lake
3111 Flemington Road
Middleburg, NC 27556

August 22 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Hamburgers, chips and drinks will be provided for lunch

We will be collecting school supplies for middle and high school students for the Robeson County Community Center. The items we will be collecting are: Number 2 pencils, Notebook paper , Spiral notebooks, Protractors, Rulers, Texas Instruments TI84 Calculator (One per church if possible- they cost a little over \$100)

If you are on Social Media, Please "like" our Heritage District UMC Youth Facebook page or follow our Twitter feed @ncheritageyouth!!

Please contact Vicki Lawrence, Heritage District Youth Coordinator at vickijo3@gmail.com or 919-210-8072 for questions.

IN HIS SERVICE

August Ushers

Freddie McGhee, Jamie Abbott
Henry Finch, Ben Brown

August Altar Guild

Pat Edwards and
Donald Rose McGhee

Flowers

2 - Communion
9 - Faye Woodlief
16 - Natalie Gonzalez
23 - Lora Young
30 - Karin & Katherine Driver

Lay Readers

2 - Donald Rose McGhee, *Ephesians 4:1-16*
9 - Pat Edwards, *John 6:35, 41-51*
16 - Sally Coghill, *John 6:51-58*
23 - Darlene Ranes, *Ephesians 6:10-20*
30 - Various

Greeters

2 - Austyn Abbott
9 - Chase Thompson
16 - Darlene Ranes
23 - Bob and Olivia Kemp
30 - Kim and Freddie Oettinger

Nursery Workers

2 - Kim and Laci Oettinger
9 - Judy Eaves and Arianna Fuller-Bell
16 - Lora Young and Midge Smith
23 - Judy Wilson and Laurie Miller
30 - Roxie Kearney and Lizzie Driver

Acolytes

2 - Matthew Denton
9 - Jasper Denton
16 - CT Thompson
23 - Arianna Fuller-Bell
30 - Taylor Shepardson

Outreach Team

2 - John and Patricia Rogers
9 - Joe Weaver and Henry Finch
16 - Mac Wilson and Richard Coghill
23 - Debra and Bruce Newman
30 - Karin Driver and Carolyn Roy

Thank you, thank you, thank you! The children and volunteers of Kerr Lake Ministries Day Camp would like to thank the United Methodist Women of Plank Chapel for assistance in the purchase of Bibles for our campers. Special thanks to Henry and Ann Finch for the materials, labor and love for our “well” project, Mrs. Donald Rose McGhee for KLM pens, and Wayne Finch for our daily snack chips.





New Teacher Bag Donations

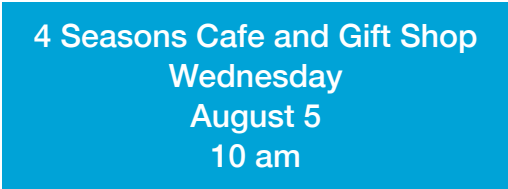
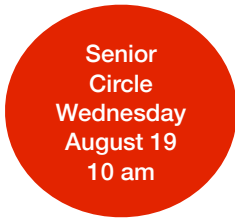
We need your help to welcome new teachers to Vance County!

Snacks, gum, candy, water bottles, notepads, pens, pencils, coupons etc. are just a few of the things we need to pack in the bags.

We will need enough items to pack 140 bags. These bags will be distributed to new teachers at all Vance County Public schools, Kerr-Vance Academy, Henderson Collegiate, Vance Charter, and Crossroads Christian.

If you would like to make a donation, please contact Melanie Mann at [252-438-8414](tel:252-438-8414) or info@hendersonvance.org.

Deadline for donations is August 5th.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:30 AM Early Worship 10:00 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship 4:30 PM BASIC UMYF 	27	28	29 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5:30 PM Faith and Fitness 7:00 PM Nominations 	30	31 Fish Fry Fundraiser 	1
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16 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:00 AM UMM 10:00 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship 4:00 PM SALT 	17	18 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:00 AM Senior Circle 5:30 PM Faith and Fitness 6:30 PM Choir Practice 	19 1:30 PM Keeping Holy Time Bible Study	20	21	22 8:00 AM Heritage District Youth Event
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