

# CHAPEL CHATTER

Open Hearts | Open Minds | Wide Open Doors

## BASIC UMYF

BASIC UMYF meets the first and third Sunday of most months. Youth from four sister churches gather for fellowship, fun, food, and to grow as disciples of Jesus Christ. November meetings will be at Plank Chapel UMC.

## UMM

The United Methodist Men of Plank Chapel meet on the third Sunday of each month at 8:00 a.m. After sharing a breakfast together, this group of men focus on ways they can serve the community through their time, talent, and treasure. Join in on this opportunity for fellowship and service.

## UMW

The United Methodist Women of Plank Chapel meet at 3:00 pm on the third Sunday of the month. These mission minded women share a program and discuss where they are needed to serve. All women are welcome. Please join us.

## Giving Thanks

Each breath we take is an opportunity to give thanks to God for the gift of life. So much in our cluttered lives distracts us from the presence of God indwelling in every moment. Other moments capture us as God's presence is so tangible we are enveloped by His love.

This November it is my prayer that we will celebrate Thanksgiving daily. We have so much to be thankful for and November 24 cannot possibly hold all our gratitude. We may find that the daily spiritual discipline of giving thanks will transform our lives as we begin to see God's generosity in the midst of our schedules and circumstances.

I know I am grateful to God for the gift of community that is Plank Chapel UMC. Your generosity is overwhelming. When you know of a need, you respond. You have given food, funds, and your time not only to me and my extended family but to one another. You have reached out into the community through your offerings to Rebuilding Hope, Community Partners of Hope, Kerr Lake Ministries, Cokesbury's food pantry, ACTS, and more that remain unknown by me. You reach beyond our community into the world as you have filled our change bucket for missional ministries.

There are not enough words to capture the gratitude I feel for the sister and brothers that I serve alongside of at Plank Chapel United Methodist Church.

Bishop Hope Morgan Ward has chosen "Generosity in All Seasons" as our quadrennial theme. We serve a generous God who seeks only our love in return. May we be generous in our gratitude in all seasons.

Praying with you,  
Pastor Carolyn

*2 Corinthians 9:11-12 "You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us; for the rendering of this ministry not only supplies the needs of the saints but also overflows with many thanksgivings to God."*

## Remembering



All Saints Sunday we will be remembering the saints of our church. We will light candles for those who went to their eternal home this past year. We will celebrate Holy Communion as we remember the one who gave His life that we may have eternal life and a hope for the transformation of the world.

This year we are also remembering our non human companions who lost their lives. On November 1st at 7:00 p.m. we will be in the sanctuary for a service of celebration and remembering.

On October 31st we will gather in the Fellowship Hall at 7:00 p.m. as we prepare to go over to the cemetery and light the night as we remember our loved ones buried there.



## UMCOR Disaster Response - #901670

UMCOR responds to natural or civil disasters of such magnitude that they overwhelm a community's ability to recover on its own. Through UMCOR, United Methodists extend loving care to



people within the [United States](#), as well as [internationally](#): in Africa, Asia, Central and South America, and the Caribbean. These beneficiaries are seen as partners, not victims, and UMCOR works to empower them. Wherever possible, UMCOR cooperates with other aid organizations to extend its reach.

In its holistic response to disasters, UMCOR:

- Offers disaster preparedness [training](#).
- Provides essential [supplies](#) and care—both physical and psychological—in the immediate aftermath of a disaster.
- Supports long-term rebuilding efforts and assists communities as they adapt.

To donate for disaster response please place a check in your local United Methodist Church offering plate and designate the Advance name & number on the memo line

NCC Advance Numbers - in addition to what our change bucket will offer

- 500176 – NC Storm Emergency Response
- 500276 – Humanitarian/Health Outreach Shipping
- 500213 – MERCI Flood Buckets

UMCOR Advance Numbers for purchase of emergency response and disaster relief supplies:

- 901670 - Disaster Response, United States
- 901440 - Material Resources Advance

For Hurricane Matthew Relief in Haiti:

- 982450 – International Disaster Response

## Community Partners of Hope

We are providing meals for the Men's Temporary Shelter in Henderson on November 22nd. Each month it will be on the 4th Tuesday of every month the shelter is open. The dates are: Dec 27, Jan 24, Feb 28, and March 28. If you would like to contribute to the menu, please let Susan Sears know. The shelter always needs volunteers. You can find the schedule on their website: <https://sites.google.com/site/cpohope/>. There are two shifts, the intake shift and the overnight shift. The shelter supervisors will be there during intake and at the transition to overnight to let volunteers know any particular instructions. The overnight shift requires two volunteers and women are not permitted to serve during that shift. The following is a list of other items that may be donated: Men's tube socks, men's underwear and long underwear (remember larger sizes as well), breakfast bars, hand warmers, flip top single serving cans of food, and instant oatmeal. **There are other open dates for meals should your group or family wish to prepare a meal.** Meals are prepared for 13 guests and staff combined. We also bring a gallon of milk for the morning and sweet tea for the evening meal. Do not bring food in containers you wish to keep or have returned. Thank you for your generosity to the homeless men in our community. We are also looking for mentors to help these men transition from homeless to active members of the community.

## Other Missional Opportunities

**ACTS** (Area Christians Together in Service) serves a hot meal Monday through Friday from 11:00 a.m. through 12:00 p.m. If you wish to volunteer to help prep, serve, and clean up contact Lee Anne Peoples at 252-492-8231. ACTS continues to provide food boxes for families in need and backpack buddies for children in our elementary schools. Our Thanksgiving Offering of produce and goods will go out to local families and the remainder to ACTS.

**Tutors Needed at City Road UMC** on Saturday mornings from 10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

## Keeping Holy Time Bible Study

Will return on **Thursday, December 1** as we study the scriptures of Advent. Our primary focus will be the Gospel of Matthew. This group meets weekly at 1:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall at Plank Chapel UMC

## Trustee Updates

All of us care for this church which has been entrusted to us through the ones who came before and as your Trustees we are working to keep the property clean, safe, warm, and welcoming. Currently we have upgrades being completed on our lighting and electrical wiring. The landscaping around the sanctuary and fellowship hall will be updated in the month of November. The youth classroom will receive fresh paint, carpeting, and some new furnishings and TV. If you have some ideas or suggestions for change, please share those with a Trustee. Going forward, any changes of a permanent nature made to classrooms, sanctuary, or fellowship hall need to be cleared through the Trustees.


# BASIC UMYF



On **October 30** we once again set out for a hay ride. The Manning's are hosting and providing the fire and the S'Mores. We will be roasting marshmallows and enjoying hot dogs while we share our dreams for the future around a fire. Hay Ride starts at Plank Chapel at 4:30 p.m.

**November 6** we meet at Plank Chapel UMC at 4:00 p.m. - it is the prePilgrimage meeting. Plans and forms are part of this meeting. Our worship focus will center on the Pilgrimage theme: Redeemed, created in God's image for good things. "For we are God's masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things he planned for us long ago." (Eph. 2:10, NLT) The time we leave for Pilgrimage on November 11 will be set on the 6th.





***Community in Prayer***

For... Sally Coghill, Stanley Wilson, Jr., Henry Finch, Skeeter Pearce, Tilly Hughes, Jamie Kearney, Kay House, Faye Young, Brandi Dickerson, Alice Finch, David Driver, Frances Fuller, Jane Owen, George Heaton

For...healing and reconciliation

For...those facing medical procedures

For...those grieving

For...those without food, jobs, shelter

For...the lost and afraid

For...Our local cities and counties

For...Plank Chapel

For...Our military, families, and veterans

For...all in harms way

For...peace in our nation

For...peace in the world

## **November 19 -**

Picnic and Partnership Mission

Opportunity - Work Day and Celebration at the Old Inborden Elementary School, Hannon Street in Enfield, NC. 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. - Cleaning supplies and outdoor tools. We will be cleaning the cafeteria and the surrounding land as we help All God's Children launch their Enfield Campus! Music, food, and serving the community!

**November 20** at 4:30 p.m. we will worship together and plan our 2017 calendar - lockins, worship, service, fundraisers, road trip to Kings Dominion!

Pray-Play-Purpose all a part of our life of faith!

## *Confirmation Classes*

Pastor Lee and Pastor Carolyn are discussing the possibility of a joint confirmation class. Let Pastor Carolyn know if you are interested in being confirmed. Schedule will be coming out soon!

# IN HIS SERVICE

## **November Ushers**

Matthew Denton, Taylor Abbott  
Freddie McGhee, Bruce Newman

## **November Altar Guild**

Patricia and John Rogers

## **November Greeter**

Ben Brown

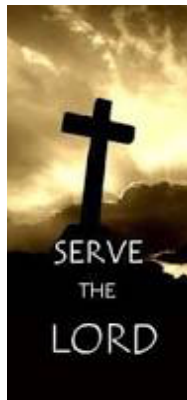


## **Flowers**

- 6 - All Saint's Communion
- 13 - Kasey Pegram
- 20 - Carolyn Roy
- 27 - Advent Angel

## **Acolytes**

- 6 - Austyn Abbott
- 13 - Makayla Beckham
- 20 - Matthew Denton
- 27 - Taylor Shepardson



## **Lay Readers**

- 6 - Chase Thompson, Luke 6:20-31
- 13 - Sally Coghill, Isaiah 12:1-6
- 20 - Peggy Hernandez, Jeremiah 23:1-6
- 27 - Various

## **Nursery Workers**

- 6 - Kim and Laci Oettinger
- 13 - Lora Young and Midge Smith
- 20 - Joyce Edwards and Laci Oettinger
- 27 - Roxie Kearney and Lizzie Driver



As we prepare for worship into Advent and Christmas, considering joining the choir and lift your voice in praise. We meet on Wednesday nights at 6:30 p.m. Add your voice as we sing to the Lord a new song!




Our Thanksgiving Offering is November 20. Bring fresh produce, grains, and fruit as we give thanks for food on our table over the past year!

Advent begins November 27 with the Hanging of the Greens worship service followed by a covered dish soup and sandwich luncheon. Slowly our sanctuary changes in color as we journey towards Christmas. Look for an Advent Study, an Advent Dinner, and ...Poinsettias!



**November 6**  
**Daylight Savings End**  
**Set Clocks Back 1 hour**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<div style="background-color: #76923c; color: white; padding: 20px; border-radius: 50%; display: inline-block;">                     Food Pantry                      Oct 30                      Nov 13                 </div>		1 7:00 PM All Saints for our Pets	2 10:00 AM 4 Seasons Cafe and Gift Shop 5:30 PM Faith and Fitness 6:30 PM Choir Practice		3 8:00 AM BBQ	
6 Daylight Saving Time ends 8:30 AM Early Worship 10:00 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship 4:00 PM Youth Council 4:30 PM BASIC YOUTH 6:00 PM The Seismic Activity of God - Shifting our World		8 Election Day	9 5:30 PM Faith and Fitness 6:30 PM Choir Practice	10 6:00 PM Thursday Night Crafters  7:00 pm - Cobblestone Community Watch	11 Veterans Day 7:00 PM Pilgrimage - Redeemed, Created in God's Image for Good Things	12 ... Pilgrimage - Redeemed, Created in God's Image for Good Things
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