

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. Our location changes so check this issue for January's schedule.

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. On special holidays they remember the teachers of Zeb Vance. All women are welcome. Please join us.



God's Garden

As we are blown into March by the strong winds of time, my prayer is that we have begun to see the world as God's Garden. With all gardening metaphors, there comes that moment when we wonder are we growing in the garden or are we the gardeners tending the fields and harvesting the yield. The simple answer is yes, we are both.

It is a strong wind that continues to push us towards Jerusalem and the cross. It takes deep roots to remain strong in our faith when the winds of the world swirl around us creating chaos. Lent is a time to strengthen those roots through our spiritual disciplines of prayer, fasting, studying scripture, and worship. The Holy Spirit is our gardener working within us to cultivate a bountiful harvest.

Jesus' journey did not stop at the cross. His resurrection conquered death. When we come to the foot of the cross and accept that gift of new life in Christ, we become caretakers in God's garden. The Holy Spirit works through us as we share the Good News





Active United Methodist Women

The United Methodist Women of Plank Chapel hosted the sub-district training event so that women taking on leadership roles in their local circles would know their responsibilities.

In March, our UMW unit will be traveling to Liberty Christian Church to participate in a World Day of Prayer on March 4 at 7:00 p.m. You do not have to be a UMW member, or a woman to come to the World Day of Prayer.

On March 19, the Heritage District Units will gather in Oxford for a day of Spiritual Enrichment led by Rev. Matthew Robinson and Rev. Carolyn Roy. Registration begins at 9:30. There will be music, fellowship, food, and a time to reflect on the gifts of creation!

Mission U is a time to grow in Mission and is offered during July at Methodist University!



with others. How we share that Good News is unique to the gifts and graces God has given us. These are our gardening tools. Some of us mentor a family, some of us grow vegetables, some of us cook food for others, some of us teach children, some of us hang out with our youth, some of us care for the church building, some of us provide funding for mission and ministry around the world, and some of us open space for



our aging population to fellowship. Some of our gardeners are in their teens and others are in their eighties, there is no age restriction for gardeners.

God is working in God's garden every moment of every day. Are we prepared to take up the tools we have been given and get dirty?

Pastor Carolyn

Flowers for the Cross

On Easter morning, the purple cloth over the cross is removed and flowers from our own gardens make it a reminder that Love Wins! When you come from sunrise service or pancake breakfast, bring your flowers!



Cemetery Committee

The Cemetery Committee met in February to discuss the care of our loved ones' final resting place. As we move towards Easter and Spring, we realize that many will come and place arrangements on the grave markers. Please remember to periodically check to see that those flowers or arrangements are still where you placed them. Remember to place a grave marker over your loved ones remains. There may be a day when those who visit the graves will not know where their relatives lie unless the site is marked.

BASIC UMYF

March 6 we meet at Rehoboth and finalize our Steak Dinner plans!!!! 4:00 p.m.

March 19 - 3:00 p.m. arrive at Plank Chapel UMC to begin preparing dinner for our guests - Remember to ask for cakes for the auction and invite guests to our dinner.

March 25 is Good Friday - it is also WinterJam. As a group we will not be attending WinterJam but others may want to do so.

Conference Youth Events - have you signed up yet?

K-Scope - April 8-10 - Middle School only at Camp Don Lee - 4 Holy Habits. Deadline March 25

Breakaway - June 20-25 - Both Middle School and High School at NC Wesleyan - Theme comes out of the Chronicles of Narnia. Deadline June 6 (or until full)

Trail Hike - July 11-16 - Senior High only on the Appalachian Trail. Deadline June 27

ACS - July 18-23 - Senior High only at Methodist University. The Galactic Senate (legislative affairs) will convene and light sabres (pens) will be used to transform the world. Deadline July 4



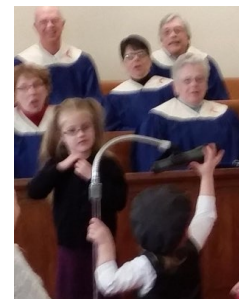
Scholarships are available for these events and mission trips.

**Pilgrimage...
November
11-13**

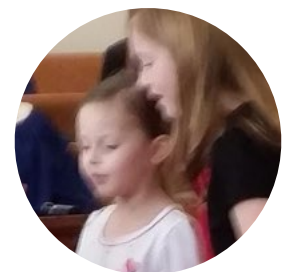


BASIC UMYF
requests your presence
at our annual
Steak Dinner and Cake Auction
\$10.00 per plate
Steak, salad, potato, bread,
dessert, beverage
options available for children

Bake a cake for the auction and
join in the fun!



Growing
in
God's
Garden




Rebuilding Hope

is a non-profit family centered organization serving the tai-county area for many years repairing homes for the needy. We have been blessed to be the instrument to do home improvements for those in need at no cost to them, but have always had a facility need to house the materials, supplies and volunteer training. We are relocating to the old Coca-Cola Building on Raleigh Road in Henderson. This move requires additional funding and we are seeking partners to be part of our mission to improve this community and people's lives. We are asking for donations and seeking 1000 teams of one or more who will donate \$250.00 - it will put us in the winner's bracket

"From Chaperon to Youth Leader"
Saturday, March 5, 9:00am-11:00am
at City Road UMC
903 N Garnett St, Henderson, NC
Refreshments will be provided.
Cost: Free!!!

The workshop will be led by Lee Barnes, the Conference Youth and Family Ministries Consultant. This workshop is for any who are working with our youth or desire to work with our youth.

Senior Circle
on
March 16 at 10:00 a.m.
will provide a program by
Lisa Levine from ALZNC
She will be offering ways to have a healthy
lifestyle and
something she calls
laughter yoga



Community in Prayer

- For... Freddie McGhee, Tilly Hughes, Amy Beers, Brandi Dickerson, Alice Finch, Hilma Smith, David Driver, Faye Young, Frances Fuller, Bryson Jackson, Geneva Hawley, Jane Owen, Gerald Woodlief
- For...healing and reconciliation
- For...those grieving
- For...the lost and afraid
- For...Plank Chapel, our leaders, our teachers, our volunteers, our children, our youth, our aging
- For...Our military, families, and veterans
- For...peace in our nation
- For...those facing medical procedures
- For...those without food, jobs and shelter
- For...Henderson, Vance County
- For...all in harms way
- For...peace in the world



Change Bucket Funds - Food Bank Of Central And Eastern NC (#S-00025)
Provides food to 545,000 individuals in 34 counties in central and eastern North Carolina through more than 800 partner agencies including community-based, emergency feeding programs including food pantries, soup kitchens, shelters, elderly nutrition programs and after school programs for children. Phone: 919-875- 0707 Web: www.foodbankcenc.org

IN HIS SERVICE

March Ushers

DJ Pegram, Jamie Abbott
Thomas Beckham, Ryan Rowland

March Altar Guild

Joyce Edwards and Kim Oettinger

March Greeters

Richard Coghill

Flowers

6 - Olivia Kemp
13 - Lois Woodlief
20 - Ellen Allen
27 - Easter Lilies

Acolytes

6 - Hannah Pegram
13 - Chase Thompson
20 - Laci Oettinger
27 - Jasper Denton

Lay Readers

6 - Chase Thompson -
Psalms 126
13 - Janet Bobbitt - *John 12:1-8*
20 - Donald Rose McGhee - *Philippians 2:5-11*
24 - various
27 - Pat Edwards - *1 Corinthians 15:19-26*

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

Outreach Team

6 - Debra and Bruce Newman
13 - Darlene Ranes and Joyce Edwards
21 - Carolyn Roy and Karin Driver



Keeping Holy
Time Bible Study
Returns April 7
1:30 p.m. - 3:00
p.m.
The Prophet
Jeremiah



Palm Sunday

Covered Dish Celebration Lunch
after worship
followed by an Easter Egg Hunt

Holy Thursday

Reflections in the Upper Room
Feasting at the Lord's Table
7:00 p.m.
in the Sanctuary

Holy Saturday

Blessing of the Animals
10:00 a.m.
A time to celebrate all of creation

Easter

6:45 a.m.
Sunrise in the Cemetery

7:30 a.m.

Pancake Breakfast

10:00 a.m.

Church School





11:00 a.m.

Worshipping the Risen Lord!





**One Great Hour of Sharing
Special Offering - March 6**

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|---|---|--|---|---|--|---|
| 28 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:30 AM Early Worship 10:00 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship | 29 | 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7:00 PM Finance Committee | 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:00 AM 4 Seasons Cafe and Gift Shop 5:30 PM Faith and Fitness 6:30 PM Choir Practice | 3 | 4 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7:00 PM World Day of Prayer | 5 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:00 AM Youth Leader training |
| 6 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:30 AM Early Worship 10:00 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship 4:00 PM Youth Council 4:30 PM BASIC YOUTH <p>4TH SUNDAY IN LENT</p> | 7 | 8 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:00 PM Community Partners of Hope Dinner 7:00 PM Church Council Meeting | 9 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5:30 PM Faith and Fitness 6:30 PM Choir Practice 7:00 PM Trustees | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| 13 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:30 AM Early Worship 10:00 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship  <p>5TH SUNDAY IN LENT</p> | 14 | 15 | 16 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:00 AM Senior Circle 6:30 PM Choir Practice | 17 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7:00 PM Kittrell Community Watch  | 18 | 19 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:00 AM UMW Heritage 4:30 PM BASIC YOUTH Dinner and Cake Auction |
| 20 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:00 AM UMM 10:00 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship 12:00 PM Easter Egg Hunt and luncheon 3:00 PM UMW  | 21 | 22 | 23 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5:30 PM Faith and Fitness 6:30 PM Choir Practice | 24 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7:00 PM Holy Thursday Communion | 25 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:45 PM Winter Jam | 26 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:00 AM Blessing of the Animals |
| 27 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:45 AM Sunrise Worship 7:30 AM Pancake Breakfast 10:00 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship  | 28 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7:00 PM Outward Witness | 29 | 30 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5:30 PM Faith and Fitness 6:30 PM Choir Practice | 31 | 1 | 2 |