

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 June'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.

June 25

MUSIC...GAMES...FUN



Community Fun Day

On a warm Saturday afternoon in the Bobbitt community, we are welcoming in family, friends, and neighbors. Music will be played on the lawn while children play games together in the background. Kerr Lake Ministries will be selling funnel cakes as well as water to keep us hydrated. Our Outward Witness Team will be selling hot dogs, chips, and soda. Funds raised will go towards Kerr Lake Ministries Day Camp.

It is in community that we grow in our discipleship. Will you grow with us by sharing your joy of the Lord with our neighbors?

Want to help? Spread the word! Invite a neighbor! Bring a neighbor! Run a game! Bake some cookies or brownies!

On our bulletins or in our worship we proclaim that we open wide our doors...on June 25...we will do just that and may our neighbors come and experience a warm Plank Chapel welcome!



Surf Shack VBS

This summer Vacation Bible School is off site. We are traveling to Saddle Rock Farm to share the gospel with children from our community. The week of this adventure is June 26-30 from 5:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. We start Sunday night and conclude on Thursday night with the addition of a water slide to celebrate all we have done.



Five churches are coming together to teach children about God's Amazing Love. Each night a different church will be responsible for the food and the teachers. Plank Chapel will serve on Wednesday. We need teachers and cooks. If you can serve more than one night, let Pastor Carolyn know as there are some tasks that need volunteers all week. Catch the wave of God's amazing love and ride it to camp. Applications are in the Fellowship Hall.



Annual Conference 2016

We complete the quadrennial theme From Strength to Strength this year. Year Four has been GIVE. As I look back over the course of this year, I have seen the generosity of Plank Chapel. Just this past week books piled into the sanctuary and your generous response has provided for the children of Zeb Vance Elementary School.

You have given your time, your talent, your treasure, and your witness to this community through multiple avenues. We have volunteers at Food Banks. We have volunteers in school. We have outreach volunteers visiting the sick. We have volunteers organizing gatherings for fellowship and crafting. We have crafters making blankets for veterans, prayer shawls and throws for the sick, activity bags for children in the hospital, bibs for the school, and hats for cancer patients.

The giving spirit of Plank Chapel has blessed organizations with needed funds. We have given to ACTS, Rebuilding Hope, and Community Partners of Hope. These three nonprofits cannot offer hope to those in need without the necessary funds. Thank you for your generous spirits.

We gave to our youth as they delighted us with fish, steak, and cakes. Volunteers gave of their time to take these young people to conference youth events and even took them skiing.

Our conference giving earned us the Rainbow Covenant Certificate. Funds went to Stop Hunger Now, Red Bird Mission, Missionary Gary Locklear, Food Bank of Eastern and Central North Carolina, UMCOR Disaster Relief, and many more. The change buckets offering change to the world.

Nonperishable food and fresh grown produce have gone out to local food banks to help others with food insecurities.

This incomplete list of giving does not include the hours given in volunteer leadership to the care and wellbeing of the member of Plank Chapel UMC and its physical plant.

Your lay member to Annual Conference this year is Susan Sears. She will carry with her your generous spirit and funds for the two special offerings; Mission Endowment and Rotifunk Hospital. A special word about the Mission Endowment. This fund is an endowment to allow for the development of mission and ministry in our conference in years to come. It is not a fund for operational expenses of the conference but for investing funds in local churches who are doing missional work in the community in which they are planted. This investment will be an annual giving to new and innovative missional ministries that are transforming lives or have that potential. Imagine what God can do with such a generous gift.

TEACH—GROW—THRIVE—GIVE - In these four years we have done just that. Looking forward to what God has in store for the next quadrennial.

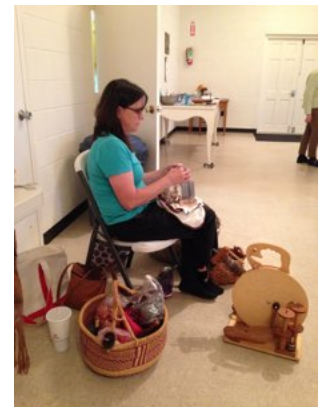
Pastor Carolyn

Community Conversation - Gatherings in the Fellowship Hall



God asked the people of Israel that when they arrived in the promised land to remember that they were once sojourners in the land of Egypt. God asked that they remember the widow, the orphan and the alien. Currently in our Fellowship Hall we have monthly gatherings that are creating a supportive community for our aging population. Could it be that these monthly gifts are part of the mission God has for us at Plank Chapel?

Wednesdays are morning gatherings that provide food, programs, and activities for the retired population. Wednesday night fitness class offers exercises to keep us balanced, fit, and flexible. Thursday nights the crafters share their love of creating. Some knit, some quilt, and some do artwork. In April this group invited a spinner to share her love of fiber. In that gathering, the group practiced spinning and we found that some of us were not gifted in that practice.



Is the physical plant that we call Plank Chapel Church the vessel through which God can transform us and the community? I am remembering the numbers who gather for UMM BBQ or the UMYF Fish Fry. Many have shared the community that gathered around the Wild Game Dinners. Are we willing to consider how the Fellowship Hall that houses our education wing can be used for God's glory?

Food is often in the midst of the gatherings we have at Plank Chapel. How are food and fellowship part of our future work with God in the community? Are we to care for the widows, or the orphans, or the aliens in our midst? Are we to open our doors for those with food insecurities? Are we to care for the caregivers? On June 6 our Church Council will meet to engage in dialog around visioning. All are welcome to come and voice the hope you have for our future.

Pastor Carolyn

Cave Quest Update

The Inward Formation Team is looking forward to some weekend spelunking in the fall. The VBS curriculum, Cave Quest, will be unearthed over the course of two weekends. This summer the plans to begin excavation will be drafted and look for details on the upcoming adventure in the August Chapel Chatter.

Kerr Lake Ministries - Change Bucket Funds

Our mission is to provide a positive Christian influence in the lives of children and adults in need of Christ's healing powers and to know the love of Christ through us.

KLM Day Camp: Champions for Jesus

Kerr Lake Ministries is offering day camp to children for free. It will be at Camp Kerr Lake July 25 - 29. Youth Volunteers need to apply now as positions may not be available. Contact Susan Sears for more information. Applications are in the Fellowship Hall!!!

Leading the Way

Are you ready to be a leader? The difficulty in growing and moving forward is to accept the call of leadership. The Nominations and Lay Leadership Committee may be calling on you to step into leadership. Scripture says without a vision people perish. As we walk into our future, we need visionary leaders to be willing to do the work of planning and executing that plan. We can be trained in skills we need. We can be coached as we develop our plan. Be in prayer this summer for the part God is calling you to play. Service to the Lord has no age restrictions.

Community in Prayer

For... Rebecca Tackett, Mark Litton,
Hattie Raney, Freddie McGhee, Tilly
Hughes, Amy Beers, Brandi Dickerson,
Alice Finch, George Heaton, Hilma Smith,
David Driver, Faye Young, Frances Fuller,
Bryson Jackson, Geneva Hawley, Jane
Owen, Gerald Woodlief
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

**Food Pantry
Sundays**

May 29, June 12

Bring nonperishables - peanut butter,
pasta sauce, canned meats, back
pack buddy food

BASIC UMYF

Plank Chapel youth will lead worship on June 5. Grateful for each of you willing to lead and share how God has touched your lives through Plank Chapel and the adults who give of their time, talent, and treasure for your faith formation. Remember to arrive by 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, June 5 so that we can be sure that the worship experience is one that gives God glory.

June 5 at 4:00 p.m. we are gathering at the Manning's Farm for a celebration of another academic year completed. We will also be saying goodbye to Rev. Denvil Farley. Remember bathing suits, towels, and Ms. Michelle will remind you what your are bringing to share.

SUMMER LOCK-IN - July 1-2 - 7:30 p.m. - 8:30 a.m. - Bring snacks to share and sleeping bags to rest. Who knows what is in store for a summer lock-in!

Conference Youth Events - have you signed up yet?

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) - currently the registration is closed for this event - if you apply - you will be waitlisted and deposits are not refunded.

If you have been accepted please let Pastor Carolyn know so that she can bring the funds with her to Breakaway

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. There is budgeted funding for one youth to attend ACS. Any others attending will receive a BASIC UMYF scholarship
Deadline July 4

Scholarships are available for these events and mission trips.

Appreciation Breakfast is scheduled for June 19 - come between 6:30 a.m to 7:00 a.m. - the men tend to get there very early

Fish Fry Fundraiser is scheduled for July 30th

Volunteer Opportunities this Summer:

Community Fun Day - cook, organize or lead games

VBS - lead children through camp, be part of the opening skit

Kerr Lake Ministries Day Camp - Youth leader - applications in the Fellowship Hall

IN HIS SERVICE

June Ushers

Freddie McGhee, Jamie Abbott,
Jasper Denton, D.J. Pegram

June Altar Guild

Pat Edwards and Donald Rose McGhee

June Greeter

Todd Wilson

Flowers

- 5 - Communion
- 12 - Michelle Denton
- 19 - United Methodist Women
- 26 - Sally Coghill

Acolytes

- 5 - Makayla Beckham, Laci Oettinger
- 12 - CT Thompson
- 19 - Arianna Fuller-Bell
- 26 - Austyn Abbott

Lay Readers

- 5 - Chase Thompson - *1st Timothy 4:12*
- 12 - Mike Ranes - *Luke 7:36-8:3*
- 19 - Janet Bobbitt - *Galatians 3:23-39*
- 26 - Peggy Hernandez - *Galatians 5:1, 13-25*

Nursery Workers

- 5 - Joyce Edwards and Laci Oettinger
- 12 - Lora Young and Midge Smith
- 19 - Kim and Laci Oettinger
- 26 - Roxie Kearney and Lizzie Driver

Outreach Team

If you are interested in being part of an ongoing visitation team, contact John Rogers. He is scheduling a meeting for those who would like to reach out into the community.

As your gardens grow - remember those in need of fresh produce - share the bounty of God's good earth with your neighbor or a stranger!

Community FUN DAY

JUNE 25

4:00 p.m.

TO

8:00 p.m.

Music, Games

Food

Benefitting

Kerr Lake Ministries





Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:30 AM Early Worship 10:00 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship 	30	31	1 <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 	2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1:30 PM Keeping Holy Time Bible Study 	3	4
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