



# CHAPEL CHATTER

Open Hearts | Open Minds | Wide Open Doors!

## Methodist Men

Meet on the third Sunday of the month at 8:00 a.m. for fellowship, breakfast, and seek opportunities for mission work in the community.

## Methodist Women

Meet on the third Sunday of the month at 3:00 p.m. The meetings include a program and missional planning for the months ahead. Zeb Vance Elementary School is one of their mission fields.

## Senior Circle

Meets on the third Wednesday of the month. The meetings include a program and a light lunch. Any community member over 50 years of age is welcome at Senior Circle.

## BASIC UMYF

Meet biweekly at 4:00 p.m. and location changes each month. BASIC stands for Brothers And Sisters In Christ and youth from Rehoboth UMC and Plank Chapel UMC gather to grow in discipleship.

## Chosen Choices

I have been off and on with Weight Watchers since the mid 1990's. Each time I join, the program has changed as the organization continues to study and learn about healthy lifestyle patterns and how the interplay of food and activity can determine successful changes to health. The one constant in the program is that we have choices. The work is to shift from regretting the last choice to seeing the next choice as an opportunity to change. We always have the next choice to make.

In the lectionary readings for the last Sunday of 2018, the Epistle reading was Colossians 3:12-17. This is a good word for us as we enter into 2019. As God's chosen ones we will have choices to make for our personal lives and our life in community.

*<sup>12</sup>As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. <sup>13</sup>Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. <sup>14</sup>Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. <sup>15</sup>And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. <sup>16</sup>Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. <sup>17</sup>And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.*

In baptism we become part of the chosen ones of God and make a vow to participate in the life of our local church with our prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness. When you look into the coming year and make commitments for yourself and your family, consider what commitment you will make to the Lord

## Meetings in January

### 7th - Church Council - 7:00

**p.m.** - Our first meeting of 2019 will include a review of 2018 and our plans for 2019.

### 13th - Worship Committee -

**3:00 p.m.** - Worship

Committee will review the moments in 2018 as we plan for Lent and Easter. Other matters will include a Wedding/Funeral policy as well as floral inventory.

### 14th - Trustees - 7:00 p.m. -

In the 1st meeting of the 2019 the Trustees will prioritize the work for the care of the church.

### 28th - Outward Witness

**Committee - 7:00 p.m.** - This meeting will be setting the missional and outreach goals for 2019.

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IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL  
AND SANCTUARY  
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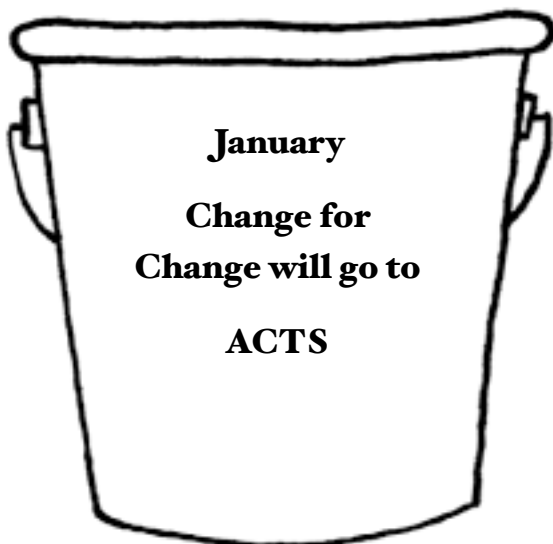
through your life in community at Plank Chapel. A Baptismal Commitment Form will be in the bulletin on the last Sunday of 2018 and the first Sunday of 2019. Consider how the choices offered on the form provide opportunities for you to live into Paul's instructions in Colossians. Baptismal vows, marriage vows, confirmation all are made within community. It is not just a public witness of private vows but the gathered community commits to the ones who make their vows. On January 13 we will have a renewal of our baptismal vows as we celebrate in worship the baptism of our Lord. On that Sunday offer your commitment to God by placing your form in the offering plate.

God has a plan and a promise for our lives and our life in community. We can spend our days regretting choices we made in the past or we can look to our next choice and give thanks to the Lord for what is before us. On New Year's Eve we have an opportunity in worship to release our regrets to God and offer our hopes for the coming year. Watch Night Worship is at 7:00 p.m.

The world is in need of the Gospel message and we the ones who know are called to share it as we are led by the Spirit of the Lord! We are God's chosen ones and the choice is before us to love the world as God loves us. Loving is hard and sometimes takes us to unknown places. We will not go alone, Christ goes before us.

My prayer for us in 2019 is to boldly choose love. Praying with you,

Pastor Carolyn



## Rise Against Hunger

First UMC Henderson is hosting a meal packing event with Rise Against Hunger on Monday, January 21, 2019. Set up will begin at 9 a.m. to be followed by packing at 10 a.m. Fundraising Goal: \$3,500. We have been invited to participate. Let Pastor Carolyn know if you are available and what you are giving towards the fundraising goal.

# Formational Opportunities

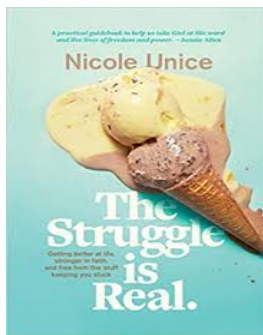
## Church School

Sunday mornings at 10:00 a.m. classes are held in the Education

wing of the Fellowship Hall. Our adults have seasonal themes in their Adult Bible Studies. The winter theme is: Our Love for God. Our church school is open to all who seek to grow in faith and if a particular subject is of interest to a small group, we can create a class on that subject.

## Six Week Study for the Sunday School Hour

Held in the BASIC Youth Room



Session 1: The Struggle is Real...and Good

Session 2: Your Struggle Matters

Session 3: Freedom in the Struggle

Session 4: Foundations

Session 5: The Rewrite

Session 6: Transitions

## Keeping Holy Time Bible Study

On Thursday, January 17 at 10:00 a.m. the study will resume. We will be studying Amos. If you have a study Bible or a favorite translation, bring your Bible with you to class. We explore the scriptures and share in the needs of the community. Our only text is the Bible and each week, new facets of our faith are explored. It is never too late to study the Bible and studying together, we grow! Join us!

*Lenten Six Week Study - "It's Hard to Dance with the Devil on Your Back" by Ray Buckley - Begins March 10*



**All ages welcome as we work a 12 circuit course, 2 minutes per station with 30 second high steps between each station.**  
**Upper body and lower body workout**  
**Work at your own pace as we move in rhythm with hymns and contemporary Christian music.**

## BASIC UMYF

Winter break ends on January 6. If you are a youth in grades 6-12 (or a “super senior”), join us. January meetings will be held at Rehoboth UMC from 4 pm - 5:30 pm. Each meeting includes worship, small group conversations and time of fellowship and planning.

Special Events coming this winter include:

Souper Bowl Sunday, our fundraiser for the Conference YSF Funds to go towards Hurricane Florence Disaster Relief

We will be selecting the date for our next fundraiser for Pilgrimage at the January 6 meeting. In our January meetings we will be making plans for some missional work this spring and summer. Bring your ideas and calendars! See you at Rehoboth on the 6th!

### Conference Youth Events

**2019 Youth Event Dates** – For more information on each event, click on the links

• **ACS** – July 22-27, 2019; <https://nccumc.org/>



[youth/events/acs/](https://nccumc.org/youth/events/acs/)

- **Breakaway** – June 24-29, 2019; <https://nccumc.org/youth/events/breakaway/>
- **CYC Retreat** – August 9-11, 2019; <https://nccumc.org/youth/events/cyc-retreat/>
- **Global Vision** – March 5-10, 2019; <https://nccumc.org/youth/events/global-vision/>
- **Kaleidoscope** – April 5-7, 2019; <https://nccumc.org/youth/events/kaleidoscope/>
- **Pilgrimage** – November 8-10, 2019; <https://nccumc.org/youth/events/pilgrimage/>
- **T.O. Takeover** – January 11-13, 2019; <https://nccumc.org/youth/events/t-o-takeover/>
- **Trail Hike** – July 14-20, 2019; <https://nccumc.org/youth/events/appalachian-trail-hike/>

If interested in any of these events - ask Pastor Carolyn or go to <https://nccumc.org/youth/> to find out more information.

Please keep in mind that there is YSF (Youth Service Fund) scholarship money available: [2018 Funding Assistance](#)

Children's Church



Hanging of the Greens



Senior Circle

## In His Service

### Flowers

- 6 - Communion
- 13 - Patricia Rogers
- 20- Gwen Ritchey
- 27 - Darlene Ranes

### Altar Guild

Mike and Darlene Ranes

### Ushers & Greeters

**Ushers:** JJ Jones, Bruce Newman, Matthew Denton, Mac Wilson

**Greeter:** Todd Wilson

### Acolytes

- 6- - Patrick Medlin
- 13 - Matthew Denton
- 20 - Laci Oettinger
- 27 - Cameron Nugent

### Lay Readers

- 6 - Donald Rose McGhee  
Isaiah 60:1-6
- 13 - Pat Edwards  
Acts 8:14-17
- 20 - UMW
- 27 - Tim Smith  
1 Corinthians 12:12-31a

### Nursery Coordinator

Roxie Kearney

### Children's Church Coordinator

Danielle Nugent



### Winter Weather Advisory

Winter weather can be unpredictable and challenging. If conditions call for us to cancel our Sunday worship schedule, we will get word out through Facebook, email, and the phone tree. Pastor Carolyn calls Faye Woodlief who begins making calls. If you feel unsafe traveling that Sunday, please stay home. If you are wondering, please call 252-438-6080 and ask.

**Souper Bowl Sunday**

**February 3**

**After Worship**

**“YSF Florence Disaster Relief”**

**Fundraiser**

**Goal: \$500**

**Baptismal Commitment  
Prayers, Presence, Service,  
Gifts and Witness**

We are called to be in community with God and  
with our neighbor

We are called to grow as a community  
in our relationships  
with God and with our neighbor

We are called to offer Christ to those who are lost  
and seeking community

To do this, we need to grow, we need to lead  
As we plan for our leadership and growth;  
We need YOU!

**PRAYERS**

- Daily
- Be part of a prayer Group

**PRESENCE**

- Bible Studies
- Sunday School
- Small Group
- Family Fun Nights
- Fellowship Dinners/Luncheons

**SERVICE AND WITNESS**

- Lead a small group
- Assist a teacher
- Read in Worship
- Acolyte
- Children's Choir
- United Methodist Women
- United Methodist Men
- UMYF
- Visitation Team
- Lead children/youth
- Prepare Bulletins
- Assist with children/youth
- Children's Moment
- Operate Sound System
- Teacher
- Choir
- Usher
- Praise Band
- Drama Team
- Greeter
- Play Bells
- Cook

**GIFTS – TITHES AND OFFERINGS**

\$\_\_\_\_\_ (Weekly, Monthly, Quarterly,  
Annually)



**Community Prayers**

For... Tommy Fowler, Marjorie Roy, Martha Rowland, James Deans, Susan Babicz, Joe Weaver, Ruth Hailey, Tilly Hughes, Dave Driver, Kay House, Jane Owen, Faye Young, Brandi Dickerson, David Driver

For...healing and reconciliation  
For...those facing medical procedures

For...those grieving  
For...those without food, jobs, shelter

For...the lost and afraid

For...Plank Chapel

For ...God's church

For...Our local cities and counties

For...Our military, families, and veterans

For...all in harms way

For...peace in our nation

For...peace in the world

# January

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30 ■ 8:30 AM Early Worship ■ 10:00 AM Sunday School ■ 11:00 AM Worship 	31 New Year's Eve ■ 7:00 PM Watch Night Service	1 New Year's Day 	2 ■ 10:00 AM The Gathering Place ■ 5:30 PM Faith and Fitness ■ 6:30 PM Choir Practice	3	4	5
6 ■ 8:30 AM Early Worship ■ 10:00 AM Sunday School ■ 11:00 AM Worship ■ 4:00 PM BASIC Youth mtg	7 ■ 7:00 PM Church Council Meeting	8	9 ■ 5:30 PM Faith and Fitness ■ 6:30 PM Choir Practice	10	11	12
13 ■ 8:30 AM Early Worship ■ 10:00 AM Sunday School ■ 11:00 AM Worship ■ 3:00 PM Worship Committee Meeting 	14 ■ 7:00 PM Trustees Meeting	15	16 ■ 10:00 AM Senior Circle ■ 5:30 PM Faith and Fitness ■ 6:30 PM Choir Practice	17 ■ 10:00 AM Keeping Holy Time Bible Study	18	19
20 ■ 8:00 AM UMM ■ 10:00 AM Sunday School ■ 11:00 AM Worship ■ 4:00 PM BASIC Youth mtg	21 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day ■ 9:00 AM Rise Against Hunger 	22 ■ 6:20 PM Shelter Meal	23 ■ 5:30 PM Faith and Fitness ■ 6:30 PM Choir Practice	24 ■ 10:00 AM Keeping Holy Time Bible Study	25	26
27 ■ 8:30 AM Early Worship ■ 10:00 AM Sunday School ■ 11:00 AM Worship	28 7:00 p.m. - Outward Witness Committee	29	30 ■ 5:30 PM Faith and Fitness ■ 6:30 PM Choir Practice	31 ■ 10:00 AM Keeping Holy Time Bible Study	1	2 Groundhog Day