

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

Will meet on the 4th Sunday of June (June 23) at 3:00 p.m. Taking a summer break between July and August. 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

Our final meeting for this season is June 2. Watch for a special gathering this summer. BASIC stands for Brothers And Sisters In Christ and youth from Rehoboth UMC and Plank Chapel UMC gather to grow in discipleship.

Death and Resurrection

We are in the midst of Eastertide celebrating the growth of the church after the resurrection of Jesus. The stories in ACTS remind us how the church attempted to keep up with the spreading gospel of Jesus Christ. Empowered by the Holy Spirit people proclaimed the message and thousands were added to their number.

Today we hear of worship numbers decreasing not increasing. We speak of all the reasons we can imagine for that to be happening. If we had the right programs, the right leaders, the right worship hour, or maybe the right music they would come. We seem to believe we have the right answers to the problem. Somehow we have managed to remove the power of God through the Holy Spirit to bring about transformed lives into our discussions. It could be possible we have been asking the wrong questions.

In every death there is a resurrection. God will bring about God's will for His church because God is faithful and will complete not only a good work in each of us, but a good work in God's church. I am reminded of Isaiah 43:18,19 "Forget the former things, do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland." Are we ready to step out in faith, let go of what no longer brings life and allow God to do a new thing with us?

Soon the calendar will turn and the season will be Pentecost. The Holy Spirit blowing strong across the disciples who proclaimed this message of salvation in a world that was ready to bring about each of their deaths. They did not fear because they believed! Their faith in Jesus Christ carried them out into the world to continue God's saving work in the world.

It was an exciting and treacherous time for the church. As it grew, so did opposition. As it struggled with how to organize, others plotted against them. The coliseum was often the arena of death for Christians. Either you proclaimed the emperor Lord or you died proclaiming Christ as Lord.

My summer quest will be to listen for God's guidance on this question of death and resurrection. What must die in me so that I can live more fully for Christ? What must die in our communal life in Christ so that Christ can do something new through us?

Listening to our graduates on Youth Sunday I heard how we have been a sanctuary for each of them. We have impacted more people in our life together than we can imagine. My prayer is that we continue to live vital lives of faith so that others are drawn to us like bees to honey. First though, I believe we need to take this summer to breathe. As we settle into a slower rhythm to allow the Holy Spirit to breathe into us new life while challenging us to let go of the ways that are contributing to our death.

Praying with You,

Pastor Carolyn

Some suggestions for your summer reading (many are in my lending library)

The Bible - can you read it cover it cover in the summer?

The Upper Room

The Daily Bread

The Struggle is Real by Nicole Unice

The Purpose Driven Life by Rick Warren

Heaven is for Real by Todd Burpo

A Return to Love: Reflections on the Principles of A Course in Miracles by Marianne Williamson

Tuesdays with Morrie: an old man, a young man, and life's greatest lesson by Mitch Albom

For Children and not so young children

You are Special by Max Lucado

Old Turtle by Douglas Wood

Old Turtle and the Broken Truth by Douglas Wood

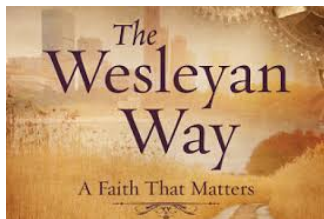


VBS
Meeting
May 28
7:00 p.m.

Formational Opportunities and Events

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 summer theme is: Living in Covenant.** Unit 1: A Fulfilled Covenant, Unit 2: A Heartfelt Covenant, Unit 3: A Personal Perspective. 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.



Small Group Study: June 2
- 9:45 a.m.

The Wesleyan Way

Session 1 - Following Christ is a Way of Life
Session 2 - Love Ultimately Wins
Session 3 - It's a Good World Issue
Session 4 - Turn Your Life Around with Grace
Session 5 - You Are Not Alone
Session 6 - Transform Yourself and the World
Session 7 - Invite Others on the Journey
Session 8 - Christ No Matter What

Class is held in the BASIC Youth room



Children's Church

BASIC UMYF

June 2 - last meeting of the year @ Rehoboth UMC at 4:00 p.m.

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/>
- **Breakaway** – June 24-29, 2019; <https://nccumc.org/youth/events/breakaway/>
- **Pilgrimage** – November 8-10, 2019; <https://nccumc.org/youth/events/pilgrimage/>
- **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](#)

UMM have given BBQ cups to our youth for raising funds for pilgrimage and other events - \$8.00/cup helps our youth grow as disciples in Christ - see a youth or a youth leader for more details or for BBQ - **Supplies are limited - pick up 2 or 3 today!**

Senior Circle
June 19
10:00 am

Outward Witness News and Opportunities

Experience NC in the NC 100-mile Challenge
Need 10 people - no age restrictions
Take up the Challenge!



prior to applying for the NC 100 Mile Grant. Your miles do not have to be logged in State Parks for the grant through PHW. Track your steps and together we can reach the goal! Tracking forms are available in the Fellowship Hall on the information table.

Outward Witness - June 17 @ 7:00 p.m.

What is the NC 100-mile challenge?

It's an initiative launched by North Carolina State Parks to encourage everyone to get outside and explore our trails and waterways. North Carolinians can walk, hike, run, bike, paddle, roll, ride or skate anywhere in the North Carolina outdoors to complete their 100 miles.

What does this have to do with Partners in Health and Wholeness (PHW)?

Physical activity is one of the cornerstones of the PHW program. We thought it would be a great idea to show support for a North Carolina resource, highlight what you can do as a congregation and provide an opportunity for churches to be eligible for a \$1,000 grant to support their health and wellness ministries.

Requirements

To be eligible for the PHW grant, each congregation will need 10 people to complete the challenge, together or individually, and be part of the PHW collaborative,





Cave Quest - VBS - June 19-22!

Join the team of youth leading children in the quest to follow Jesus. We need adult teachers, cooks, and guides. We also need CLEAN milk/water/tea/OJ gallon jugs as our plan is to build a cave out of them. Please collect them in large black trash bags and bring them to the youth room. VBS is scheduled for 3 nights and Saturday morning, June 19-22! It takes a village of all ages to teach children about Jesus and how he loves them.

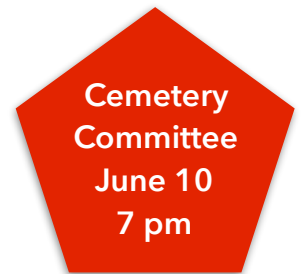


Food Pantries need us - Whether it is Cokesbury UMC or ACTS - the food pantries are bare. Families who are in crisis come in the spring, summer, fall, and winter. Provide what you can. The large plastic bucket in the narthex is where we collect for Cokesbury UMC. Consider either place, both serve those in need. Cokesbury could use people on distribution days (1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month) at 3:00 p.m. to prepare and hand out groceries. Last month over 120 families served, many are elderly.

Trustees

The parking lot is to be sealed. We will post notices when the work is to begin with parking instructions.

Event Reservations - Just a reminder that there is a Facility Use Policy on our webpage that provides guidance on what is allowed when using the facility. Safe Sanctuary policies are to be followed when children are present, a copy of that policy is shared on our webpage as well. As a courtesy, the Trustees ask that when you leave, please check all rooms and doors, even if not used for trash, lights, etc. Check the bathroom stalls and make sure the lights are out. A check list is being drafted to help all parties remember items that may be forgotten before you leave. Have someone check all doors, you never know when a door has accidentally been left unlocked before you occupied the building. Thank you for all your care of the building entrusted to us.



Trustees next meeting is July 15. We will schedule a pre-fall clean up day - decluttering and preparing for the holiday seasons.



Annual Conference 2019

<https://nccumc.org/ac2019>

Generosity in All People
June 12-15

Sessions are live
streamed

Mission Breakout Sessions include packing hygiene kits that are used locally and globally. Peggy and Cristina Hernandez are once again our lay members to annual conference. They are willing to carry what materials we collect.

Hygiene Kit Materials

- **One hand towel (15 x 25 –17 x 27 inches)**
 - No kitchen, cleaning, or microfiber towels
- **One washcloth**
 - No kitchen, cleaning, or microfiber towels
- **One comb**
 - Must be sturdy with at least 6 inches of teeth
 - No pocket combs or picks
 - Rattail and combs without handles are acceptable but must have at least 6 inches of teeth
- **One toenail or fingernail clipper**
 - No emery boards or metal nail files
- **Bath-size soap (3 oz. bar or larger)**
 - No Ivory or Jergen's soap
 - Do not remove from packaging
- **One adult toothbrush**
 - Do not remove from packaging
 - Personal advertising not acceptable
- **10 adhesive bandages (¾ by 3 inches)**
 - Common household bandages acceptable
- **One one-gallon size re-sealable bag**

Special Offerings

Youth Storm Fund - conference matches every dollar collected

Mission of Hope - Rotifunk Hospital

Laity Ministries

Central Conference Theological Endowment Fund

This year is a voting year for delegates to General Conference 2020. Decisions made at the 2019 General Conference will flow over into 2020. Please be in prayer that God's will is done in the midst of the nominating, campaigning, and voting for those who will represent our conference in 2020. Our witness to the fallen world is seen in how we conduct the business of the church. It is my prayer and I ask you to pray with me that our witness does not drive people away from the saving power of Jesus Christ. We are the hands and feet of Christ in the world and His love for this world so vast that He chose to die for it. The theme this year is "Generosity in all People," may that be lived out in Annual Conference this year. Pray a powerful Holy Spirit fill the convention center in Greenville and lives be transformed. May we see those we do not agree with as our brothers and sisters in Christ and love them as Christ loves them.

Community Prayers

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



Feeding the Community

Cokesbury Food Pantry Sundays

June 2, 16, 30

Nonperishable Goods

Baggers needed 3 and 17 at 3:00 p.m.

In His Service

Flowers

- 2 - Communion
- 9 - Pentecost
- 16 - UMW
- 23 - Sally Coghill
- 30 - Michelle Denton

Altar Guild

Pat Edwards and Janet Bobbitt

Ushers & Greeters

Ushers: Matthew Denton, Henry Finch, Todd Wilson, Mac Wilson

Greeters: L.C. Medlin

Acolytes

- 2 - Patrick Medlin
- 9 - Matthew Denton
- 16 - Laci Oettinger
- 23 - Cameron Nugent
- 30 - Avery Thomas

Lay Readers

- 2 - Tim Smith - *Luke 24:44-45*
- 9 - Darlene Ranes - *John 14:8-17, 25-27*
- 16 - Gwen Ritchey - *Psalms 8*
- 23 - Mike Ranes - *Galatians 3:23-29*
- 30 - Lorraine Abbott - *Luke 9:51-62*

Nursery Coordinator

Roxie Kearney

Children's Church Coordinator

Danielle Nugent

June

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 	Memorial Day					
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Meetings and Events

June 10 - Cemetery Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
NCCUMC Annual Conference - Greenville, NC

June 12-15

June 17 - Outward Witness - 7:00 p.m.
June 19-22 - VBS - Cave Quest