



Senior Circle

The November Senior Circle gathering is Wednesday, November 16, 2022.

Change Bucket

The November Change Bucket is for Heifer International (#982532). This program allows people to share their knowledge, resources, skills and their animals' offspring with others, in order to expand and create a network of hope, dignity and self reliance that reaches 128 countries. *"Ending poverty begins with agriculture. We're on a mission to end hunger and poverty in a sustainable way by supporting and investing alongside local farmers and their communities."*

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Front Yards, Turquoise Tables, Free Markets, Plank Chapel BBQ

You may wonder what the connection is between these things. You may even think one is not like the other, yet each one is about connecting to community. Jesus taught his disciples about connecting to communities when he sent them out into the world. He had them bring very little to sustain themselves. They were to rely on the people in the towns they entered to provide shelter and food. Jesus was clear, some would open doors and others would not. When hospitality was not offered, they were to dust their feet and move on.

As the body of Christ we are tasked with making connections between the people in our community and Christ so that they can be saved. Events like the Free Market and the BBQ provide us with opportunities to make those connections. We offer more than clothing or dishes, or hot plates of BBQ, we offer them a warm welcome and show a genuine interest in who they are. Some keep coming back. It is for more than the food or the stuff, it is for a place where they can be comfortable and safe.

Our struggle is the next step, how to deepen the relationship and the connection so that they see our front yard as their front yard and enter into the sanctuary to worship with us and feast at the table of the Lord. Is it time to consider our opening doors for community meals?

If you look up to the cross on our steeple, you might notice the turquoise tint as the sun hits it.

Praying with you,
Pastor Carolyn





The Bible Year 2022

November readings go from Acts to 1 Thessalonians. The letters of Paul will dominate your readings. The daily readings on are on the calendar. Read daily - or as your schedule allows.

- Journal if you are able
- Facebook Group - Bible Year where you can leave comments, questions, blessings, struggles

FLOWERS - 2023



Do you have special dates you would like to remember through flowers on the altar for worship? Contact Judy Wilson at judith9563@gmail.com, or 252-492-0624. If you would like a note in the bulletin about the flowers contact Pastor Carolyn's secretary at cnbroy@nccumc.org. She will place in the bulletin that flowers were given to the glory of God and in honor or memory of...All calendar dates are open at this time - except for the poinsettia days and Easter lilies.

Charge Conference

Forms are due November 2nd. Actually Charge Conference is November 16 at 6 pm (zoom) in the Fellowship Hall.



The "heart hug" was created by artist, Scott Erickson.

"Do you remember?"

Has there ever been a moment that you wish could've last forever? I invite you to think of a moment like this. Perhaps, you've had several of these moments in your life.

A moment for me that stands out has happened in several different ways. I realize that this probably sounds confusing, so let me explain.

This kind of moment that I'm thinking of has happened to me while gardening in my grandmother's yard in the hot, Florida sun; I remember my need to stand and stretch out the aches my body had been holding and to attempt to ease the fatigue that continually grew working in the garden, and then, a cool breeze rushed over me.

Again, another moment like this is when I've gone hiking. I remember the weight of carrying my hiking pack on my hips and shoulders as I dug my heels into the ground to push me up a steep hill, beads of sweat rolling down my face, and then, a breeze rushed over me.

And another, I remember moments of heartbreak where I felt vulnerable and inwardly ached; I remember tears streaming down my face, onto my glasses and clothes, and then, a loving hug of embrace shared between me and a loved one.

I wish these moments of immediate relief and peace could last forever, but these kinds of moments happen in a split second. What comes after these moments is further growth.

As I think about this month of November, and the days and seasons that we are approaching (Christ the King Sunday, Thanksgiving, and the Advent Season) I encourage us all to turn our focus to the One who brings us life. However, it's not simply "life"; it's through death that God brings us new life. It's the end and the beginning. Jesus says to his disciples on the night he was betrayed, "This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me" (Luke 22:19, NRSV). Then Jesus "took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, saying, "Drink from this all of you, for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins" (Matthew 26:27-28, NRSV). Jesus' sacrifice through death and resurrection was done because of the love God has for us. This love isn't just a moment. God's love for us is always.

Do you remember?

With love,
Katherine Varnson

Sunday School

Adult Bible Studies Fall

Theme: Freedom

The lessons explore the concept of salvation and God's gracious acts in redeeming us.

Unit 3

Faithful Conversations

We increasingly find ourselves living in communities and working with people from diverse backgrounds. While we may not agree with the beliefs of others, we seek peaceable and neighborly relationships. The lessons in this unit explore the models for neighborly conversations with people of various faith traditions.

Scriptures: Acts 17:16-31; 2 Kings 5:1-19; Exodus 18:1, 13-27; Romans 14:13-19

Spiritual Practice: Listening

November Meetings & Opportunities

November 13 — 3:00 p.m. — Outward Witness Team Meeting

November 16 — 6:00 p.m. — Charge Conference (Zoom)

Members of Charge Conference: Rev. Dr. Carolyn Roy, Tim Smith, Mike Raney, Mac Wilson, Bob Kemp, Susan Sears, Sally Coghill, Lori Litton, Peggy Hernandez, Lorraine Abbott, Judy Wilson, Darlene Raney, Scott Ritchey, Thomas Beckham, Donald Rose McGhee, Matthew Denton, Scott Ritchey, John Rogers, Patricia Rogers

November 22 — 6:00 p.m. — Men's Shelter Meal

November 27 — 3:00 p.m. — PPRC Meeting

Members include: Lori Litton, Tim Smith, Michelle Denton, Danielle Nugent, Susan Sears, John Abbott, Jamie Abbott

Kittrell Community Watch - Intending to meet in November, when the date and program are verified - the Plank Chapel Google Calendar will be updated and information sent.



UMM BBQ

November 4 we will open the doors to Plank Chapel UMC and serve the community BBQ plates! Each plate or cup is \$10.00. Join in the fun — volunteer to serve or transport. Reach out to Greg Hunt if you have orders that need to be delivered or if you are willing to deliver! This year will include an eat in option at dinner time!



**Blessing
Box News**
The
blessings
flow in and
out of our
box. Check

it periodically to see if you can provide items for our community neighbors. Consider books for adults and children as well as food. Thank you for the blessings already shared.

Thank you for all the items you have shared since January when we first began our Free Market on Fourth Saturdays. We are taking a winter break and resuming the market again in April. Time to sort out what you wish to share with the



October's Free Market



community. Volunteers have come to know the families that drop in each month with their children and grandchildren. All so grateful for the opportunity to bring home treasures.



Thanksgiving Altar — November 20th

We make a food offering in thanksgiving for the blessings of food we received this year. Fresh fruits and vegetables, grains, and breads. The canned and boxed items will be our offering to be placed in our Blessing Box. The fresh fruit and vegetables will be distributed to those who are part of our community but unable to attend — reminding them of the blessing they are to us!



Angel Tree Giving for Zeb Vance Elementary School

We are once again partnering with Zeb Vance to provide Christmas for some of the Zeb Vance families in need. As soon as we get word of the students and their list, we will place individual tags on our Angel Tree for you to select and donate. Items are not to be wrapped for Christmas. If packaged items, keep them in their original packages. We hope to get the word out soon so that you can shop.





Community Prayers

For... Tim Smith, John Rogers, Patricia Rogers, Thomas McIntyre, Randy Ross, Steven Higgins, Russell Fuller, David Driver, Martha Rowland, Tilly Hughes, Freddie McGhee, Faye Young

- For... healing, reconciliation
- For... those facing medical procedures
- For... medical professionals and first responders
- For... those grieving
- For ... those with addictions
- 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 state
- For... Our military, families, and veterans
- For... all in harms way
- For... Our nation
- For... God's world

Light the Night - Oct 30



At 5:30 p.m. we will gather and begin lighting the cemetery for our All Souls Celebration. Storms are predicted for October 31st so we are going a night earlier. We will keep the lights burning until the 1st!

Have you seen my human? During our pandemic lockdown — precious stuffed animals were shared for our children's moments. These three have been left behind and would like to be reunited with their families. Any information you may have on their human's whereabouts would be appreciated. Let Pastor Carolyn know and she will reunite them.



Each Advent we light the candles of Hope, Peace, Joy, and Love. Would you consider sharing your story or your favorite scripture and light the candle one Sunday? Let Pastor Carolyn know or you just might get voluntold to do it.

Hope:

Love: Janet Bobbitt

Joy:

Peace:

UMM Nov 20 – 8:00 a.m.
UMW Nov 20 – 3:00 p.m.

November 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Acts 15:22-17:34 8:30 AM Awakenings 10:00 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship	Halloween Acts 18:1-20:38 5:30 PM All Souls Night	First Day of... age Month Acts 21:1-23:35 5:30 PM All Souls Night - Rain Date	Acts 24:1-26:32	Acts 27:1-28:31	UMM BBQ Romans 1:2-3:20	Romans 3:1-5:21
Daylight S... Time ends Romans 6:1-8:17 8:30 AM Awakenings 10:00 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship	Romans 8:18-10:21	Election Day Romans 11:1-13:14	Romans 14:1-16:27	1 Corinthians 1:1-3:23	Veterans Day 1 Corinthians 4:1-6:20	1 Corinthians 7:1-9:27
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Galatians 3:1-4:31 8:00 AM UMM 10:00 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship 3:00 PM UMW	Galatians 5:1-6:18	Ephesians 1:1-2:22 6:20 PM Shelter Meal	Ephesians 3:1-4:32	Thanksgiving Day Ephesians 5:1-6:24	Native Am... ritage Day Philippians 1:1-2:30	Philippians 3:1-4:23
Colossians 1:1-2:23 8:30 AM Awakenings 10:00 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship 3:00 PM PPRC Meeting	Colossians 3:1-4:18	1 Thessalo... 1:1-3:13	1 Thessalo... 4:1-5:28	2 Thessalo... 1:1-3:18	1 Timothy 1:1-3:16	1 Timothy 4:1-6:21

Zeb Vance Clothing Closet

This provides students with clothes should an accident happen or they come to school without. Sizes are for boys or girls K-3rd Grade. Pants (if you buy sweat pants - can go either for boys or girls), belts, shoes (assorted sizes), coats, gloves & hats, and hygiene items (wrapped or seals intact) i.e. deodorant, shampoo, body wash, toothbrush, tooth paste.