

Prayers of the People

John & Fran Kinlaw, Cheryl Fruits, Rachel Broome,
Cameron Dennis, Dusty Drum, Sue Auten,
students and staff returning to school

Wednesday CONNECT eat + gather + worship

Wednesdays, August 30 through November 8
Thanksgiving Meal & Worship on November 15

5:15p - 6:15p | EAT

Before we CONNECT in small groups, spend time connecting with friends in the Christian Fellowship Center (CFC). Menus vary from week to week and feature foods we have all come to know and love. A salad bar is always available as are PBJ sandwiches. Make a standing reservation or make your reservation each Sunday via the Connection Card in Sunday's bulletin or by calling the church office at 704-864-3222. A suggested donation of \$6 for adults and \$3 for children over 2 is appreciated.

5:30-6:45p Nursery for infants and toddlers.

5:45-6:15p | GATHER

PK | CONNECT 3 & 4 year olds

Preschoolers are invited to CONNECT with their friends through fun and interactive experiences that involve all types of activities. Parents can pick up after their program or children will be taken to the Nursery for the CONNECT Worship until 6:45pm.

KIDS | CONNECT Elementary ages

Elementary Children will CONNECT with their peers for a time of learning, praying for each other and the world, and having fun. They will gather on the 3rd floor of the Education building. The Elementary Children will meet their parents in the Sanctuary for worship at 6:15pm.

YOUTH | CONNECT 6th -12th grades

The Youth will CONNECT in the Youth Lounge each Wednesday for CORE, a student-led time of devotion. Experience the difference Jesus can make in your life as you reconnect with God and friends in the Youth Lounge. This is a great opportunity for youth to invite friends to join them and recharge their batteries from a hard week at school. Youth will gather in the Sanctuary at 6:15pm for worship.

ADULTS | CONNECT

Young Adults E-105 Upper Room Study CFC-106

Prayer Focus Group Prayer Room

PLOW: Parenting, Life Or Work E-07

Knit for Christ 6 to 7pm, Parlor

Looking for a small group? Contact Connie Elzey, Director of Christian Education, dce@myersmemorialumc.com, 704-864-3222 ext. 105

6:15-6:45p | WORSHIP

A time to worship during the midst of a busy week. Gather for a homily, communion and music as we CONNECT as the body of Christ.

This Week at Myers Memorial UMC

Sunday, August 27

Christian Education Sunday
Blessing of the Backpacks
Bible Presentation

9a Focus Prayer Group, Tower

9:15a Coffee Fellowship, CFC

9:45a Sunday School for all Ages

10:50a Worship, Sanctuary

2p Weekday Preschool Open House

5p Youth Back to School Blast

Tuesday, August 29

11a Al-Anon, Asbury

6:30p Divorce Care/DivorceCare4Kids

Wednesday, August 30

5:15p CONNECT | Eat, CFC

5:30p Childcare

5:45p CONNECT | Gather

Children, Nursery, 3rd Floor

Youth, Youth Lounge

Young Adults, E-105

Upper Room Study, CFC-106

Focus Prayer Group, Prayer Rm.

PLOW, E-07

Sunday Servants

Head Usher: Louisa Suggs **Acolytes:** Marie Kalinoski, Andrew Walker

Crucifer: Jillian Medlin **Scripture Reader:** Lathan Flake

Nursery: Jacklyn Tant, Katie Carpenter, Sydney Shugart, Christina Carpenter

Coffee Hosts Next Week: Drifters Class

A Record of Our Faithfulness

Sunday, August 20, 2017 Worship: 232 Sunday School: 108

Last Sunday's Offering: \$6,256 Year to Date Giving \$388,021



September 3: Moriah

September 10: Bethel

September 17: Peniel

September 24: The Pumpkin Patch

October 1: Massah & Meribah

October 8: Ebenezer

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Myers Memorial United Methodist Church



Welcome to Myers Memorial United Methodist Church

Our vision is to be Christ Inspired...People Centered...Service Driven.

We hope you are moved by the Spirit to love one another as Christ loves us! In this bulletin you will find a Connection Card that can be used to share information with the pastor and church office. You can also use it to express interest in events, activities, ministries, reserve your spot for Wednesday Evening Fellowship Meal, share prayer concerns or comments. Please use it to note your attendance in worship today and return it during the offering as a way of offering yourself to God this week.

Additionally, if you have any prayer concerns or celebrations that you would like shared during worship, please write clearly on the prayer card found in the pew and bring it to the railing at the front of the Sanctuary during the first hymn.

Children are always welcome in this place! There are 'busy bags' at each entrance to the sanctuary for children to use and return. There is also age appropriate nursery care for infants, toddlers and preschoolers should they wish to play. All children are invited to participate in worship and the older Nursery children will join us for the Children's Message. Please ask any member or usher to guide you to the Nursery area.

Should you need a restroom, the closest is just outside the rear of the sanctuary, women's room is to the right as you exit and the men's room to the left. A changing table is located just inside in the women's restroom.

Please recycle this bulletin by taking it with you and use the information throughout the week or by placing it in the blue recycle bins located outside the Sanctuary

August 27, 2017

Thomas Rhodes, Liturgist

10:50am

Choral Call to Prayer

Come and See
Chancel Choir

Houser

Order of Worship

Gathering for Worship

Parish Notices

When you see the asterisks [*], please stand as you are able.
Bold print is used for congregational responses.
UMH = United Methodist Hymnal, the navy hardbound book in the pew
TFWS = The Faith We Sing, the black softback songbook in the pew
WS = Worship @ Song, the green softback songbook in the pew.

Welcome @ Announcements

* Passing the Peace of Christ

Offer signs of greeting in the name of Jesus to those seated around you.

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude *Prelude on SLANE* Gilbert Martin

* Call to Worship (responsively)

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made;
People: **Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

* Opening Hymn *Go, Make of All Disciples* UMH #571

During the hymn, you are invited to bring your school supplies to the front of the sanctuary.

* Prayer for Sunday School Teachers (in unison) Connie Elzey

Eternal God, You have entrusted us with the message of your power, grace, justice and love. Provide for us your guidance, that we may be teachers and learners together. Believing that you are in our midst, we set apart those who would serve in our Sunday School. May they serve you in nurturing the spiritual growth of all who are entrusted in their care. Bless each one gathered before us, enabling them to be channels of your grace. We pray through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

Presentation of Bibles Connie Elzey

Rhett Cannie Buchanan Nicholas Connelly
Evan Falls Lilian Nicole Ramseur
Violet Leighann Ramseur Nolan Michael Taylor

Leader to Bible Recipients: Today we celebrate the presentation of Bibles to you. The Bible is a very special book because it holds our church history; it holds the story of God and persons who loved and followed God. We are proud to present you with this Bible. We believe you are important to our church and we hope you will read and study your Bible regularly.

Congregation: As a congregation, we too, rejoice in this special day for you. We pray God will guide you, your family and us as you use your Bible in your home, in your Sunday School Class and in worship. We will learn together and grow in our love for God's word.

Leader: The word of God is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Outstanding Service to Christian Education April Proctor

Children's Time Pastor Sally

All children are invited to come to the front with their backpacks/school bags.

Blessing of the Backpacks

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us,
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Offering

Offertory *O God, We Praise Thee and Confess* Smith

* Doxology *Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;* UMH #95

*praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above,
ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

* Prayer of Thanksgiving

Scripture Lesson Matthew 11:25-30 Lathan Flake

NT, page 12

Leader: The Word of God for us, the People of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem *How Can I Keep from Singing* Arr. J. Honore

Chancel Choir

My life flows on in endless song; above earth's lamentation, I catch the sweet, though far-off hymn that hails a new creation. No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that Rock I'm clinging. Since Love is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing? Through all the tumult and the strife, I hear that music ringing. It sounds and echoes in my soul. No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that Rock I'm clinging. Since Love is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing? The peace of Christ makes fresh my heart, a fountain ever springing, All things are mine since I am his! How can I keep from singing? No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that Rock I'm clinging. Since Love is Lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?

Scripture Lesson Galatians 6:1-10 NT, page 191

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Sermon Back to the Basics: Caring for Each Other Rev. Sally Queen

* Closing Hymn *Father, We Have Heard You Calling* WS #3150

* Benediction

* Response *Go in the Grace of the Lord* James Barnard

* Chimes of the Trinity

* Postlude *Postlude in G* Christian Rinck

The Flowers in the Sanctuary

are given to the Glory of God by Bob Neely
in loving memory of Sylvia "Sissy" Neely
on the occasion of what would have been her 70th birthday.

The Flowers in the Education Building

are given to the Glory of God
in honor of the Myers Memorial United Methodist Church
Weekday Preschool Open House



Christian Education in its simplest terms is the nurture of persons in the faith. Christian nurture is that process through which persons are nourished spiritually and mentally in the pattern of Christ. This is the purpose of the education ministry of this church.

All persons are a part of the work of Christian Education. Some faces are young, others old, some sad and some happy; all should have the concern and care necessary for Christian living.

Today, let us be reminded that the most important moments in life of a person can become occasions of possible growth in the faith. Moments of confrontation, struggle and pain are as much a part of faith development as are moments of joy, progress and accomplishment. All of these are opportunities for Christian Nurture.

Myers Memorial UMC Sunday School Teachers @ Leaders 2017-2018

Sunday School Officers: Buddy Flake and Jim Lutz

Children

Infants: Donna Lutz, Judy Seay, Annie Oliver
1's @ 2's: Christina @ Glenn Carpenter
3's @ 4's: Jane Rivelle, Jaclyn Tant, Jerri Lynn Boggess
K-2nd grades: Tanya Martin, April Proctor, Mark Taylor, Justine Snyder
3rd-5th grades: Kelly @ Marty Brown, Jen Butler, Jennifer Gross

Youth

Kevin Queen @ Confirmation Leaders

Adults

Asbury Class: Jim Windham, Johnsie Burchfield, Renee Justice, Gene Ratchford, Rev. Jesse Bone, Marty Brown
Builders Class: David Spurrier, Louisa Suggs, Kimberly Stone, Mike Rhodes
Contemporary Class: Angie Flake
Drifters: Gary Lutz
New Life: Sam @ Gail Horn, Jeff Jimison, Dan Suggs, Phil Winter, Chris McCullen
Rejoicers: Debbie Brown
College Class: Mike @ Jennifer Rhodes
Young Adult Class: Tresca McSwain, David Elzey