

eat + gather + worship

connect

Wednesdays through November 8

We seek to CONNECT through
dinner fellowship + small groups + worship

Thanksgiving Meal & Worship on November 15

5:15p - 6:15p | EAT

EAT Spend time connecting with friends and making new ones around the tables in the Christian Fellowship Center (CFC). 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.

5:45-6:15p | GATHER

NURSERY (infants - 3 year olds) A nursery will be available each Wednesday evening from 5:30 to 7p to provide constant care for children of leaders and participants.

PK | CONNECT **YOUTH | CONNECT**
KIDS | CONNECT **ADULTS | CONNECT**

Young Adults E-105
Upper Room Study CFC-106
Prayer Focus Group Prayer Room
PLOW E-07
Knit for Christ 6 to 7p, Parlor

6:15-6:45p | WORSHIP

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.

SNL

Sunday Night Live

bringing faith alive
kicking off september 10

5p Youth Open Gym, CFC

5:30-7p Childcare for infant/toddlers

5:30-7p Disciple I, Asbury Room

5:30-6p Youth Dinner, Youth Lounge

5:30-6:30p Preschool Choir &

Worship Arts, 3rd Floor

Musik Makers (3 & 4 year olds)

5:30-6p Elementary Choirs, 3rd Floor

Spirit Singers (K-2 grades)

Cantate Choir (3-5 grades)

6 to 7p Youth Group, Youth Lounge

6p to 6:30p Elementary Worship Arts,

Handbells or Drama, 3rd Floor

6:30p Children's Open Gym/Childcare

7p Youth Choir, Music Suite



ADULT MINISTRIES

Connie Elzey, Director of Christian Education
dce@MyersMemorialUMC.com, 704-864-3222 ext. 105

Myers 60+

Thursday, September 7 ~ Yiasou Greek Festival
Meet at the church at 10:30a then head to Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Cathedral (600 East Blvd.) Contact Connie to reserve your spot on the bus and save yourself the hassle of finding a parking spot!

Grief Share

New Series begins Tuesday, September 5, 10am, Parlor For those who have recently lost a loved one, it may be hard to feel optimistic about the future right now, and you've probably found that there are not many people who understand the deep hurt you feel. That's the reason for GriefShare, a special seminar and support group for people grieving the loss of someone close. This group is sponsored by people who understand what you are experiencing and want to offer you comfort and encouragement during this difficult time.

Each one of GriefShare's 13 sessions include a DVD session and discussion with people who have experienced losses like yours, as well as small group discussion about what you've seen on the video. You are welcome to begin attending the group at any session. Each session is "self-contained" so you don't have to attend in sequence.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Dylan Cooper 9/2	Glynn Ziehm 9/11
Caroline Newton 9/2	Betsy Noblett 9/12
Lois Rhyne 9/2	Cindy Smith 9/12
Zach Suggs 9/2	Cindy Dey 9/13
Sydney Dotterer Poteate 9/3	Robert King 9/14
Jeanna Hyland 9/3	David Pearson Jr. 9/14
Richie Lindner 9/3	Olivia Welsh 9/15
Gary Stout 9/3	Rev. Jesse Bone 9/16
Lauren Bumgardner 9/4	Bill Hager 9/16
Slayton Fletcher 9/4	Phyllis Wilson 9/16
Matthew Wilcox 9/4	Easton Gragg 9/18
Tonya Kerr 9/6	Megan Henry 9/18
Amie Rodgers 9/6	Walter Rabb Jr. 9/18
Jean Campbell 9/7	Claudia Steffey 9/18
Christina Carpenter 9/8	Shelly Alman 9/19
Jill Smarr 9/8	Tori McLean 9/19
Phyllis Windham 9/10	Matthew Walker 9/19
Allen Reese 9/11	Allison Drennan 9/20
	Jennifer Ford 9/20

Pasta with the Pastors

Are you interested in knowing more about Myers Memorial UMC and maybe how you can live out your faith here beyond Worship?

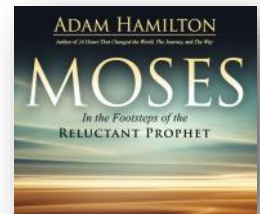
Curious about what it means to be a member?

Join Pastors Sally and Sarah for lunch on September 17th immediately following worship. We'll fellowship around the table, share more about Myers Memorial UMC and answer any questions you may have.

Questions or RSVP to Rev. Sarah Watkins Davis, churchoffice@myersmemorialumc.com, 704-864-3222

Women's Bible Study Resumes

The Wednesday morning Women's Bible Study resumes Wednesday, September 6th at 9:15a in the Asbury Class. This fall begins with the study of Moses and will utilize Adam Hamilton's book. Copies are available for purchase at the church office.



The Women's Retreat originally scheduled for September has been shifted to the spring so that we may be fully present in our time together! We will still use Present over Perfect as the framework for our discussion.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Lisa Purvis 9/20	John & Mary Leigh Crain 9/2
Lee Ramseur 9/20	Walter & Sallie Rabb Jr. 9/5
Susan Carnes 9/21	Mark & Becky Bridges 9/9
Morgan Brown 9/22	Glenn & Alma Lou Shaw 9/9
Alyson Flint 9/23	Mark & Susan Arney 9/10
Angie Flake 9/24	Lee & Kate Ramseur 9/10
Andrew Fraser 9/24	Bryan & Nikki Stacy 9/11
Patty Trantham 9/25	David & Paula Phillips 9/12
Beckett Farmer 9/26	Mark & Lori Taylor 9/12
Donna Fletcher 9/26	Tim & Nancy Smith 9/14
Sam Horn 9/26	Brad & Pat Rivers 9/15
Stephanie Lowry 9/27	Buddy & Angie Flake III 9/20
Gary Foltz 9/28	Lloyd & Sue Pyles 9/21
Caroline Carpenter 9/29	Richard & Millie Little 9/23
Patty Fayssoux 9/29	David & Katie Spurrier 9/23
April Martin 9/29	Julian & Vivien Timmons 9/29
Maia Black 9/30	
Jamie Hester 9/30	

from the Health Cabinet

Know Your Numbers Meet Health Cabinet volunteers in the CFC on the first Sunday of each month to check your Blood Pressure and Blood Sugar!

Jump Start Your Weight Loss! Find out more about this 12 week weight loss program that uses weekly lifestyle lessons, group exercise and group discussion to help you set & achieve realistic weight loss goals by attending an information session on September 7, 12:30-1:30p or 5:30p-6:30p at CaroMont Health & Fitness Center. Call 704-834-3787 to reserve your spot.

Walk to End Alzheimer's on Saturday, September 9, Rotary Pavilion. Register at alz.org/walk.

Discover more health related news on the bulletin board outside the CFC.

Congregational Care

Nancy Westbrook ~ Abernathy Laurels
565 Shuford Circle Dr. Newton NC 28658

Marjorie Foy ~ Covenant Village
1351 Robinwood Rd. Gastonia NC 28054

Jane Ramsey ~ Brookdale Union Rd
1717 Union Road, Gastonia NC 28054

Charley Gage ~ Brookdale Robinwood Rd
1750 Robinwood Rd. Gastonia, NC 28054

Stephen Walls ~ Highland Apartments
401 N Highland St. Mailbox #39, Gastonia, 28052

Sue Auten ~ Peak Resources
1101 N. Morgan St. Shelby, NC 28150

Lena Gunn ~ Peak Resources
7651 Dallas Cherryville Hwy. Cherryville, NC 28021

Joyce Stowe ~ Terrace Ridge
1251 E. Hudson Blvd. Gastonia, NC 28054

Kimberly Sarvis ~ Holy Angels
6600 E. Wilkinson Blvd. Belmont, NC 28012

Ann Teague ~ Salem Square
1550 Babcock Dr. #7223 Winston Salem, NC 27106

Philip Wade
526 Cameron Point Lane, Belmont, NC 28012

Ruby Voigt
518 Thomas Trail, Gastonia, NC 28054

Albert Huffstetler
503 Frances Street, Gastonia, NC 28054

Joanne Young
3525 W. Franklin Blvd. Gastonia, NC 28052

It's Pumpkin Time!

Pumpkin Sunday is September 24

Join us for Youth Led Worship at 10:50a followed by a light lunch and the fun, church wide tradition of unloading the 18-wheeler full of beautiful pumpkins for the annual pumpkin patch!

Everyone is invited to help and there is a job for everyone! Even if you are not able to do the physical work, we need cheerleaders!! Immediately following the unloading, the Pumpkin Patch is open for business!


The Pumpkin Patch not only serves as the Youth's main fundraiser, it's a wonderful way to get to know our Gastonia Community as they shop in the Pumpkin Patch each fall! Volunteer to work in the patch this fall by signing up in the church office or at <https://tinyurl.com/MyersPumpkins>

On Pumpkin Sunday you're invited to wear your pumpkin shirt or simply wear orange to worship!

Need a Myers' Pumpkin shirt?

There's an order form in the Church office or call Cindy Gillespie at 704-930-3984

If you have a pumpkin t-shirt that you or your children have outgrown ~ donate or exchange it in Tresca's office.



Myers Memorial Youth Pumpkin Patch Tshirts

Orders due by Sept. 10
Orange Gildan 100% Cotton Tshirts

Order Form in the Lobby
or call: **Cindy Gillespie 704.930.9384**

Short Sleeve - \$10.00
Long Sleeve - \$15.00
(add \$2.50 for 2XL & 3XL)

Youth Small to Adult 3XL

Pick up shirts in Tresca's office on Sunday, Sept. 17th
make Checks payable to: Myers Memorial Youth

HELP SPONSOR OUR YOUTH!

United Methodist Men will not have the regularly scheduled meeting on the first Sunday of September. Instead, they are helping to host the First Responders Appreciation Breakfast on Sunday, September 10.

Stewardship Report

Prayers, Presence, Gifts, Service, Witness

Worship Offerings & Attendance

	Worship Attendance	Sunday School Attendance	Offering Received
July 30	207	90	\$10,769
August 6	200	102	\$11,122
August 13	203	100	\$10,358
August 20	232	108	\$6,256

Gifts Given

in Memory of

Hugh Jolly
Sarah Warnock
Leon Ledford
Victor Flake

in Honor of

Louisa Suggs

Sympathy to

Glenn & Christina Carpenter and family on the death of Glenn's father, *Clyde Carpenter* on July 25.

Jim Warnock & Family on the death of his mother, *Sarah Warnock* who passed away August 10.

The Family & Friends of *Eunice White* who passed away August 13.

Congratulations to

Michael & Brittany Overcash
on the birth of **Everett Daniel** born July 28th.

Addison and Kimberly Dickson
who will be married September 16th in Mooresville by Pastor Sally Queen.

Welcome to New Members

**Freida Pendleton, Becky Garner,
Susan Marshall**

Our next Pasta with the Pastors will be September 17 immediately following Worship.

Living out & Living into our Faith

Youth & Children Leading in Worship

	Scripture Reader	Crucifer
Sept. 3	Ashley Lowry	Jillian Medlin
Sept. 10	Victoria Flake	Jake Hoskins
Sept. 17	Chloe Jordan	Andy Lowry
Sept. 24	Megan Farris	Lauren Snyder

Acolytes

Sept. 3	Brock Davis & Mattie Queen
Sept. 10	Ella Queen & Rhett Buchanan
Sept. 17	Adam Anderson & Evan Falls
Sept. 24	Brianna Lambert & Andrew Walker

Sunday Morning Nursery Volunteers

Christina Carpenter, Nursery Coordinator
(704) 214-1380

Sept. 3	Chris McCullen, Lauren Snyder
Sept. 10	Elizabeth Lanier, Jennifer Gross, Tresca McSwain, Victoria Flake, Angie Flake
Sept. 17	Allison Buchanan, Carrie Allen, Karen Carrick, Jennifer Stroupe, Katie Carpenter
Sept. 24	Jaelyn Tant, Paige Falls, Linsy Aul, Christina Carpenter, Glenn Carpenter

Sunday Morning Coffee Fellowship Hosts

Sept. 3	Drifters Class
Sept. 10	New Life Class
Sept. 17	New Life Class
Sept. 24	Dreamers & Builders



Weekly Head Ushers

Sept. 3	Ken Avery
Sept. 10	Debbie Brown
Sept. 17	Susan Martello
Sept. 24	Louisa Suggs

MYERS MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH CALENDAR

www.MyersMemorialUMC.org/calendar 704-864-3222

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
SEPTEMBER 2017						
3 Communion Sunday 9a Health Screenings	4 Labor Day Church Office Closed	5 First Day of Preschool 10a Grief Share 6:30p Divorce Care/DC4Kids 6:30p Disciple IV	6 9:15a Women's Bible Study CONNECT 5:15 Eat 5:45 Gather 6:15 Worship	7 10:30a Myers 60+ Group to the Greek Festival	8	9
10 9:30a First Responders Appreciation Breakfast Confirmation Begins SNL Kick Off 5:30p-7p 5:30p Disciple I	11 6p UMW Koinonia Circle 6:30p Disciple II	12 10a Grief Share 6:30p Divorce Care/DC4Kids 6:30p Disciple IV	13 9:15a Women's Bible Study CONNECT 5:15 Eat 5:45 Gather 6:15 Worship	14 11:30a UMW JOY Circle	15 October Newsletter Deadline	16 Private Event in the CFC
17 12p Pasta with the Pastors 5:30-7p Sunday Night Live 5:30p Disciple I	18 6:30p Disciple II	19 10a Grief Share 6:30p Divorce Care/DC4Kids 6:30p Disciple IV	20 9:15a Women's Bible Study CONNECT 5:15 Eat 5:45 Gather 6:15 Worship	21	22	23
24 Pumpkin Sunday 12p Lunch then Unload the Pumpkins 5:30-7p Sunday Night Live 5:30p Disciple I	25 6:30p Disciple II	26 10a Grief Share 6:30p Divorce Care/DC4Kids 6:30p Disciple IV	27 9:15a Women's Bible Study CONNECT 5:15 Eat 5:45 Gather 6:15 Worship	28	29	30 Pumpkin Palooza

Church Office
(M-Th) 9p to 4p
(Fri) 9p to 12p

Weekday Preschool
M-F 9a to 12p

Meals on Wheels
(M-F) 8:30a - 12:30p

Sundays
 9a Focus Prayer Group
 9:30a Coffee
 9:30a Trinity Bells
 9:45a Sunday School
 10:50a Worship
 5p Open Gym
 5:30p Disciple I
 5:30p Sun. Night Live
 7p Soulfire

Mondays
 6:30p Boy Scouts
 6:30p Disciple II

Tuesdays
 10 a GriefShare
 11 a Al-anon
 6p Girl Scouts
 6p Men's Basketball
 6p Chancel Bells
 6p Divorce Care/DC4K
 6:30p Disciple IV

Wednesdays
 9:30a Women's Study Group
 5:15p Eat
 5:45p Gather
 6p Knit for Christ
 6:15p Worship
 7p Chancel Choir

Thursdays
 6p Aldersgate Bells
 8p NA

Friday
 7:15a Devotion

YOUTH MINISTRY

Tresca McSwain, Director of Youth & Young Adult Ministries ~ thmcswain@gmail.com 704-477-7447

Sunday Night Live starts Sept. 10

5p ~ Open Gym

5:30p to 7p ~ The Main Event: dinner & program

7p ~ Soulfire Youth Choir

The Main Event on Sunday nights will consist of dinner, games, fun, learning, service & more! Don't miss it and bring a friend!

Sept. 3 ~ Labor Day- No Youth

Sept. 10 ~ Journey

Sept. 17 ~ AOK (Acts of Kindness)

Sept. 24 ~ Pumpkin Sunday

CONNECT with CORE this Fall! Each Wednesday we will meet from 5:45-6:15 p in the Youth Lounge for student led devotional time followed by Worship in the Sanctuary.

Sunday School for youth meets each Sunday from 9:45a to 10:40a with Kevin Queen. Gather in the Youth Lounge as we explore topical & Biblical applications for our lives.

Confirmation is a time for our youth to claim their faith as their own. Our confirmation program consists of classes, mentors, trips and a retreat to help give our youth the foundation they need for making this important decision. Confirmation begins on Sunday, Sept. 10 at 9:45a with an orientation meeting for all confirmands, parents and mentors in the middle school classroom. Please contact Tresca for more information about this exciting program!

Attention College Families

We want to continue to care for the college students while they are away from home. Please be sure to update your college mailing addresses, emails and phone numbers by contacting Heather Steffey in the church office, Heather@MyersMemorialUMC.com



Weekday Preschool

Janet Lagos, Weekday Preschool Director
preschool@myersmemorialumc.com 704-864-3222

From the Director

I am very excited about our new school year! As many of you may know, this will be my first year as the Preschool Director of Myers Memorial Preschool. I can not wait to share all the things we have planned for the year. Tony Sane will teach music each week, Pastor Sally Queen will lead us in worship during weekly chapel time and I will be in the classrooms and introducing the children to the Spanish language. Parent involvement is a great way to build relationships with our teachers and it also allows you to see what your child will be learning in their classroom. I also want to thank all the parents and teachers for their patience and understanding as our preschool goes through some changes, which in the long run, it will benefit our preschool ministry as well as the children of our community.

Thank You, Janet Lagos

The Weekday Preschool operates Monday to Friday, 9a to 12p, September 5 through May 25. We will follow the Gaston County School system for all other closures.

Families are asked to use the Church Office entrance to drop off and pick up their children each day. Janet Lagos will greet families each morning and Heather Steffey will be there to receive tuition payments.

2017-18 Teachers

Christina Carpenter Jackie Berryman
Mark Taylor Carrie Allen Donna Cron

Find Out More

www.MyersMemorialUMC.org/Weekday-Preschool

SUPPORT SCHOOLS YEAR ROUND

- Connect your Harris Teeter VIC Card with one of our partner schools: Sherwood Elementary, Grier Middle or Warlick Academy, or any school for that matter! It costs you nothing!
- If you shop at Office Depot/Office Max, our schools can receive a percentage of your purchase! Go online to connect with one today!
- Clip Box Tops!. These little coupons are worth 10 cents each for participating elementary and middle schools. You are invited to bring Box Tops to the church office to be shared with Sherwood and Grier.



MUSIC MINISTRY

Tony Sane, Director of Music Ministry
tony@myersmemorialumc.com 704-864-3222 ext. 107

Now is Your Chance to Join Hand Bells!

The Myers Memorial UMC Chancel Bell choir has a bell station available!

Interested ringers must be able to read music, if interested in ringing and can rehearse on Tuesday evenings, please contact Tony Sane.



Fall 2017 Ensembles & Rehearsal Times Children

Sundays

Musik Makers (Preschool) 5:30-6:30p E201

Spirit Singers (K-2) 5:30-6p E202

Cantate Singers (3-5) 5:30-6p E208

Cantate Ringers (K-5) 6-6:30p E208

Kid's Drama Troupe (K-5) 6-6:30p E202

Youth

Sundays

Trinity Bells 9-9:30a Bell Room, Music Suite

Soulfire 7-7:30p Choir Room, Music Suite

Adults

Tuesdays

Chancel Hand Bells 6p-7p Bell Room, Music Suite

Wednesdays

Chancel Choir 7-8:30p Choir Room, Music Suite

Thursdays

Aldersgate Ringers 6-7p, Bell Room, Music Suite

Praise Team (Time TBA), Sanctuary

Notes of Thanks to the Congregation

My heart is overflowing with gratefulness for my church friends who answered the call of my urgent need of yard work. The dueling chainsaws, the precise loppers and perfect rakers / sweepers were amazing. For the caring hearts that continued to check on the status of the effort, you kept my spirits lifted. Thank you all so very much!

God Bless you all, Marsha W.

The Gross Family wants to thank the staff and our church family for providing us with cards, calls, driving and meals. We are blessed in so many ways with our church family. Thanks again for all your support!

Blessed Be, Jackie, Doug & Jennifer Gross

Dear Myers Family,

Thank you for your prayers, cards, phone calls, and visitations at the passing of my mom, Sarah Warnock. All were expressions of your love, kindness and concern for me and my family and are greatly appreciated!

We are sad at losing mom but glad to celebrate her life, her witness and her going home to be with the Lord Jesus. She always thought she would go up in the rapture before she died. I reminded her that even if she passed first, she would still be included in the rapture because the...dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air... See 1 Thessalonians 4:16-17

You are a special church family and we are blessed to be members here!

Sincerely, The Jim Warnock Family

DR. & MRS. BOBBY KENNETH McCULLEN JR.

REQUEST THE PLEASURE OF YOUR PRESENCE AT THE MARRIAGE OF THEIR DAUGHTER

Alexa Cowling

TO

William Blake Smarr

SATURDAY, THE SEVENTH OF OCTOBER TWO THOUSAND AND SEVENTEEN

AT HALF PAST FOUR IN THE AFTERNOON

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GASTONIA, NORTH CAROLINA



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First Responders Appreciation Breakfast

at Myers Memorial United Methodist Church

Sunday, September 10, 2017 at 9:45am

First Responders and their families are invited to gather for breakfast in the Christian Fellowship Center of Myers Memorial United Methodist Church. Join us at 10:50am for Worship in the Sanctuary with a special blessing and prayer for all who protect and serve our community.

Please RSVP by calling the church office at 704-864-3222 or email Heather@MyersMemorialUMC.com

Sponsored by the United Methodist Men and Boy Scout Pack #21 of Myers Memorial UMC

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SEPT 30

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301 S. NEW HOPE ROAD

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PICK YOUR PUMPKINS**