

Prayers of the People

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To share confidential or community prayer, please make a note on the Connection Card in your bulletin and place it in the offering plate. You may also use the Connection Card to indicate your desire to receive the Myers Prayer Chain.

2018 Vacation Bible School is in just over a month! We are looking forward to an interactive and energizing Bible based program for all ages July 15-18! It all starts with a family dinner at 5:30p and then move into age level groups beginning at 6p. VBS is for infants through adults! Won't you join in the adventure and go deeper on this Rip Roaring Adventure in Faith? Register you or your child today at www.MyersMemorialUMC.org and click on the Rolling River Rampage VBS logo.



Sanctuary Clean Up Crew Volunteers Did you know the Chesebros have volunteered their time for over a year to clean up and straighten the sanctuary after each Sunday and special event? We give thanks for their time and energy in keeping the sanctuary straightened. While they spend the summer months out of town, we need one or two or more volunteers to help straighten the pews. Now, we can all do our part by recycling our bulletins and returning the hymnals to their proper spaces. Yet, we're looking for willing workers to ensure the sanctuary is prepared for worship each week. If you are willing to volunteer once or repeatedly, please note your willingness on today's Connection Card.

Fire Drill! No, there isn't a Fire Drill being planned today, however, one never knows when that bell will go off! Be prepared! And at the First Annual Myers Memorial UMC Music Camp, the kids will learn exactly what to do in a fire drill as well as learn some important lessons from the Bible. Music Camp is July 30-August 3 from 9a to 2p each day. Then, on Friday, August 3, the performance will be at 6p in the Sanctuary. You won't want to miss these kids sharing their faith through drama and music!

Western North Carolina Annual Conference will be held this week at Lake Junaluska. This is the annual gathering of the United Methodist Churches (laity and clergy) in Western North Carolina. There will be gatherings for worship and business. In addition we will ordain and commission new pastors as well as celebrate the lives well lived in both retirement and memorial. You are invited to follow along at www.wnccumc.org/ac2018 and hold this gathering in your prayers. Myers Memorial UMC delegates are Rev. Sally Queen, Rev. Sarah Watkins Davis and laity delegates: Mike & Jennifer Rhodes.

Walk for Justice Thanks You! Thank you to the supporters of the 2018 Walk for Justice in memory of Rev. Henry Justice. Over \$3,000 was raised for Cancer Services of Gaston County. Thank you to Hannah Black and the Myers Health Cabinet for creating this fundraiser that also promotes health and wellness for all.

This Week at Myers Memorial UMC

Sunday, June 17 Father's Day

9a Focus Prayer Group, *Tower*
9:30a Coffee Fellowship, *CFC*
9:45a Sunday School for all Ages
10:50a Worship, *Sanctuary*

Monday, June 18

9a Weekday Preschool Summer Camp
6p Community Book Study, *Asbury*
7p HalfTime, *Youth Lounge*

Tuesday, June 19

9a Weekday Preschool Summer Camp
10a Grief Share, *Parlor*
11a AI-Anon, *Asbury*
6p Trustees
6p Girl Scouts Leader's Meeting,
Asbury

Wednesday, June 20

9a Weekday Preschool Summer Camp
6p Knit for Christ, *Parlor*
7p Chancel Choir, *Music Suite*

Thursday, June 21

WNC Annual Conference, *Lake Junaluska*
9a Weekday Preschool Summer Camp
9:30a 60+ Fellowship departs
6p Men's Basketball, *CFC*
8p Narcotics Anonymous, *Downstairs*

Friday, June 22

WNC Annual Conference, *Lake Junaluska*
7:15a Prayer & Devotion, *Parlor*
9a Weekday Preschool Summer Camp

Saturday, June 23

WNC Annual Conference, *Lake Junaluska*

Sunday, June 24

WNC Annual Conference, *Lake Junaluska*
9a Focus Prayer Group, *Tower*
9:30a Coffee Fellowship, *CFC*
9:45a Sunday School for all Ages
10:50a Worship, *Sanctuary*
5:30p Youth Group, *Youth Lounge*

Sunday Servants

Head Usher: John Crain
Scripture Reader: Sydney Shugart
Crucifer: Kathleen Sharp
Acolytes: Brock Davis @ Andrew Walker
Nursery: Tresca McSwain, Jaclyn Tant,
Jennifer Stroupe, Angelica Brown
June Coffee Time Hosts: Contemporary
Class

A Record of Our Faithfulness

Sunday, June 10, 2018
Sunday School: 104 Worship: 204
Online Worship: 9
Offering Received last Sunday: \$8,024

Going DEEP A Summer Study of 1 John

What does it mean when we say we want to "go deeper" in our faith? How can we live deeper in Christ? Join us as we dive deep in the words of 1st John.

June 17 ~ Deep Walk ~ 1 John 15-7; 2:3-6; 3:7-10

July 1 ~ Deep Clean ~ 1 John 18-2:2

July 8 ~ Deep Desire ~ 1 John 2:12-17

July 15 ~ Deep Truth ~ 1 John 2:22; 4:1-3, 9-10

July 22 ~ Deep Hope ~ 1 John 2:28-3:2

July 29 ~ Deep Love ~ 1 John 2:9-11; 3:16-18; 4:7-21

August 5: ~ Deep Creativity ~ 1 John 5:11-20

Myers Memorial United Methodist Church

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a study of 1 John

June 17, 2018

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 church meals, share prayer concerns or comments. Please use it as a way to note your attendance in worship today and return it during the offering as an act of offering yourself to God this week.

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 inside both men and women's restrooms.

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.

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June 17, 2018 Melinda Brown, Liturgist 10:50am

Order of 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 Hymnal Supplement, the black softcover book

Gathering for Worship

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 *Rejoice in God's Saints* Cherwien

* Call to Worship

Leader: Enter God's gates with thanksgiving, and God's courts with praise.

People: Give thanks to God, bless God's name.

Leader: You are truly good, O God.

People: Your steadfast love endures forever, and your faithfulness to all generations.

* Opening Hymn *Marching to Zion* UMH #733

* Opening Prayer (in unison)

**God of all times and places,
may we live by faith, walk in hope, and be renewed in love,
Until the world reflects your glory and you are all in all.
Even so, come Lord Jesus. Amen.**

Celebrating Max Erwin's 90th Birthday Jim Windham

Children's Time Pastor Sally

Choral Call to Prayer *Sweet Hour of Prayer* Bradbury
Chancel Choir

*Sweet hour of prayer! Sweet hour of prayer! That calls me from a world of care,
And bids me at my Father's throne make all my wants and wishes known. In
seasons of distress and grief, my soul has often found relief. And oft escaped the
tempters snare by thy return, sweet hour of prayer.*

Pastoral Prayer Rev. Sarah Watkins Davis

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.**

* Hymn of Thanksgiving *He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought* UMH #128

Stewardship Moment John Harrington

Offering

Offertory *Here in This Place* Honore

* Doxology *Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;* UMH #94

Praise him all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts.

Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts.

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Scripture Lesson 1 John 2:24-25 (THE MESSAGE) Sydney Shugart

"Stay with what you heard from the beginning, the original message.

Let it sink into your life. If what you heard from the beginning lives deeply in you, you will live deeply in both Son and Father."

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem *Angels Unaware* Pepper Choplin
Chancel Choir

People are around, they're around on the corner, People who have needs, who have need of care. Many who take time to be kind have been kind to angles unaware. People on the street, on the street we are walking, open up your eyes, you may see them there. Many who take time to be kind have been kind to angles unaware. Or is the strangers just a brother, just a brother of humanity? Or a sister who is tired, who is suffering inside, who needs healing in her soul. Brothers are around. Sisters are around. People are around. People are around, they're around on the corner, People who have needs, who have need of care. Many who take time to be kind have been kind to angles unaware. If we open up our eyes and we try to be kind, showing love and care, its like there are angels everywhere.

Scripture Lesson 1 John 1:5-7, 2:3-6; 3:7-10 New Testament, page 238

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Sermon Deep Walk Rev. Sally Queen

* Closing Hymn *Just a Closer Walk with Thee* TFWS #2158

* Benediction

* Congregational Response *Shalom to You* UMH#666

Shalom to you now, shalom my friends.

May God's full mercies bless you, my friends.

In all your living and through your loving,

Christ be your shalom, Christ be your shalom

* Chimes of the Trinity

* Postlude *Trumpet Tune* Laskey

The Flower Arrangements in the Sanctuary

are given to the Glory of God

in Loving Memory of Dad, Hugh "Jake" Jolly on Father's Day

and in honor of our 29th Wedding Anniversary

by David ☺ Connie Elzey



Announcements

No Youth activities tonight: make plans to celebrate the men you admire!

Youth Activity | June 24 | Game On! What's your favorite game? Spyfall? Apples to Apples? Scattergories? Come play them all for youth game night in the Youth Lounge. Bring your friends as well as snacks and drinks to share.

Next Sunday Hymn Sing! Join the Chancel Choir as they lead us in a Service of Song with music featuring American hymn composers and lyricists. Come, Sing to the Lord! Worship begins at 10:50am.

Half-Time: Blessings of Mid Life will hold their second gathering on Monday, June 18 at 7pm in the Youth Lounge. It's time we turn our attention to healthy lifestyles and we will welcome our own Lee Black as a facilitator for our conversation. Remember to save the third Monday of each month as a time to gather together.

Summer Camp Fun! The Weekday Preschool completed its first week of summer camp and it was so much fun! There are five more weeks of summer camp for infants through rising 6th graders! Elementary campers will be headed off campus for adventures each day while the younger ones will discover fun and exciting times here at church! Contact the Weekday Preschool Director, Janet Lagos (preschool@myersmemorialumc.com) to secure your child's spot!

Headed out of town? It's easy to maintain consistent financial giving to the church through online means! Simply visit the church website at MyersMemorialUMC.org & click on the "click to give online" button. You will be redirected to a secure giving page. Avoid fees by securely linking your giving to your debit/checking account. You can set up reoccurring gifts or make a one time contribution. If you have any questions about online giving, please contact Heather in the church office. You can always mail your gift to 301 S. New Hope Rd, Gastonia, NC 28054.

Now, Who Are You? Don't be the one who gets asked that question! Wear your nametag! Don't have one? Order one today. Mark your Connection Card to have one ordered. A \$7 contribution would be greatly appreciated. If you think you had one once, check the nametag board in the rear narthex to see if it's there!

Myers 60+ Fellowship Group is headed to the Billy Graham Library on June 21. Meet at the church at 9:30a to ride the bus & carpool. There will be time to take a self-guided tour, visit Ruth's Attic Bookstore and enjoy lunch onsite in the Graham Brother's Dairy Bar. You may use today's Connection Card to confirm your RSVP or let Connie know by June 18th.