## Prayers of the People

## Rachel Broome, Jackie Gross, Lois Carnes, Sue Auten, Frances Woodyard, Brenda Taylor, Betsy Noblett, Veterans

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.

Girls Night Out to benefit the Weekday Preschool Ministry Get away for a few hours to shop on Thursday, November 16 from 6p to 8p. A variety of direct sales and craft vendors will be present for your shopping pleasure! This is a free event to come and shop! The vendors' fees will benefit the Weekday Preschool.

Eat, Worship & Be Thankful! Let us gather on Wednesday, November 15th for our Annual Thanksgiving Feast at 5pm filled with Evelyn's delicious food! You'll want to be in line early and additional donations would be greatly appreciated to offset the extra cost of our Feast. Following the Feast we'll gather for Worship at 6pm in the Sanctuary. Please bring canned food items as an offering at Worship to be donated to Crisis Assistance Ministry (CAM). At the request of CAM, please no canned corn or green beans, they are currently overwhelmed.

UMW to Host Soup Luncheon & Cake Auction ~ November 19<sup>th</sup> Immediately following worship everyone is invited to come and sample fantastic soups, bid on delicious cakes just in time for Thanksgiving and learn more about our Weekend Backpack Food Ministry. The proceeds from this fundraiser will benefit to the Backpack ministry.

Rake & Run! Sunday, November 19 from 1pm to 4pm. Everyone is invited for this fun way to serve our community! It's a secret where we're going! Bring a change of clothes to church that day, warm up with some soup at the UMW luncheon before we load up and head out! We'll return to the church by 4pm.

You are Invited During our regular coffee time, you're invited to greet the newlyweds Anthony & Anna (Elzey) Blake (Daughter & Son-in-law of David & Connie Elzey) Sunday, November 19, 9:30am in the Christian Fellowship Center. Hosted by Phyllis Windham, Brenda Carothers, Gypsy Lowry, Eleanor Sinyard, Ann Gates, Patricia Steagall. No gifts, please.

Myers 60+ Fellowship Group will meet Thursday, November 16 ~ We're headed to visit the Mint Museum on Randolph Road in Charlotte on November 16th. We will depart the church parking lot at 12:15p. Please eat lunch before we depart. Our self guided tour of this outstanding museum is from 1p to 3p and the cost is \$9 per person. Please make your reservation by Monday, November 13.

Join the Thanksgiving CAM Can Challenge! Can we collect 301 nonperishable items before Thanksgiving? Canned Soup Boxes of Crackers Canned Fruit Rice Instant Potatoes Mac & Cheese PB&J Spaghetti Noodles & Sauce Dried Milk Cereal Canned Vegetables Corn Muffin Mix Biscuit Mix Household/Personal Care Items (green beans & corn will be donated but won't count in our goal!)

# This Week at Myers Memorial UMC

## Sunday, November 12

9a Trinity Ringers
9a Focus Prayer Group, *Tower*9:30a Coffee Fellowship, *CFC*9:45a Sunday School for all Ages
10a Pastries with the Pastors, *CFC*10:50a Worship, *Sanctuary*5:30p Sunday Night Live
Disciple 1 Fast Track, *E-105*Child Care, Preschool Choir &
Worship Arts, Elementary Choirs
Youth Main Event
6p Elementary Worship Arts
6:30p Elementary Open Gym/
Childcare
7p SoulFire, *Music Suite* 

### Monday, November 13

Program Staff Away for Planning 6:30p Koinonia, Panera 6:30p Disciple II, Asbury 6:30p Cub/Boy Scouts, Scout Hut

## Tuesday, November 14

10a GriefShare, *Parlor*11a Al-Anon, *Asbury*3p Weekend Backpack Food Program
6p Girl Scouts, *First Floor*6p Men's Basketball, *CFC*6:30p Chancel Hand Bells, *Music Suite*6:30p Disciple IV, *E-105*6:30p Divorce Care/DC4Kids

Wednesday Connect Menu: Thanksgiving Feast

## Wednesday, November 15

December Newsletter Deadline
9:15a Women's Bible Study, Asbury
10a Staff Meeting, Parlor
5p CONNECT | Eat, CFC
6p Knit for Christ, Parlor
6p CONNECT | Worship, Sanctuary
7p Chancel Choir, MusicSuite

## Thursday, November 16

12:15p Myers 60+6p Girls Night Out, *CFC*6p Aldersgate Ringers, *Music Suite*8p Narcotics Anonymous, *Downstairs* 

## Friday, November 17

7:15a Prayer & Devotion, Parlor

## Sunday, November 19

New Member Sunday

9a Trinity Ringers

9a Focus Prayer Group, Tower

9:30a Coffee Fellowship, CFC

9:45a Sunday School for all Ages

10:50a Worship, Sanctuary

12p UMW Soup Lunch & Cake Sale

1p Rake & Run

5:30p Sunday Night Live

Disciple 1 Fast Track, E-105

Child Care, Preschool Choir &

Worship Arts, Elementary Choirs

6p Elementary Worship Arts

6:30p Elementary Open Gym

7p SoulFire, Music Suite

## Sunday Servants

Head Usher: Debbie Brown Crucifer: Katie Carpenter

Acolytes: Rhett Buchanan ⊕ Brianna Lambert

Nursery: Elizabeth Lanier, Jennifer Gross, Chris McCullen, Matthew

McCullen, Sydney Shugart

Coffee Time Hosts Next Sunday: Special Hosts

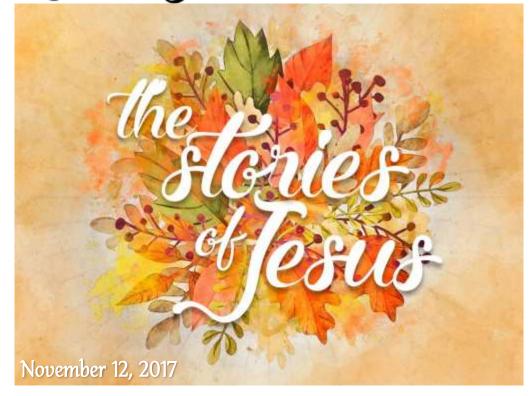
## A Record of Our Faithfulness

Sunday, November 5, 2017 Worship:286 Online Worship: 15 Sunday School: 149 Wednesday CONNECT Worship 11/1: 48 Last Sunday's Offering: \$10,588 Year to Date Giving: \$514,574

## Myers Memorial United Methodist Church

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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 the for Wednesday Connect Meals, 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

## 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

## Recognition of Veterans

\* 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 "Manoah"

Call to Worship (responsively) Leader: As a shepherd seeks a lost sheep,

People: so God seeks and saves the lost.

Leader: Like a woman who searches for a lost coin until it is found,

People: so God rejoices over one soul restored to wholeness. Leader: As a father receives a returning wayward son,

People: so God welcomes us, and lets the past be the past.

Leader: Therefore let us praise God in thanksgiving that we are received.

People: Let us receive and welcome and rejoice over one another

in the name of Jesus Christ.

When Morning Gilds the Skies \* Opening Hymn

UMH #185

Ashford

\* Opening Prayer (in unison)

Bless us, O God, with a reverent sense of your presence, that we may be at peace and may worship you with all our mind and spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

### Second Sunday Sing

Musik Makers, Spirit Singers, Cantate Ringers, Myers Drama Troope

Choral Call to Prayer

Breathe on Me Breath of God

Chance

Chancel Choir

Rev. Sarah Davis

## The Lord's Prayer

Pastoral 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.

Offertory

Offering

Holy Spirit, Faithful Guide

Hughes

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

Matthew 19:13-15

New Testament, page 21

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem

You are Welcome Here Cantante Singers, Soulfire

Caroline Suber. soloist

Am I welcome here? Am I safe to sing or laugh or shed a tear? Will I be loved the way I am? Will friends be near? Am I welcome here? You are welcome here. You are safe to sing or laugh or shed a tear. We love you just the way you are, so have no fear. You are welcome here. This is the place, of peace and grace, where all God's children have home. God's reign will come, God's will be done when all are loved and no one stands alone! All are welcome here. All are safe to sing and laugh or shed a tear.

Scripture Lesson

Matthew 25:1-13

God loves you just the way you are, so have no fear. All are welcome here. I am welcome here.

NT. 28

Burrows

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Rev. Sally Queen

\* Closing Hymn Keep Your Lamps Trimmed & Burning

Printed

\* Benediction

\* Response Benediction Hymn

arr. Dean McIntyre O Lord, now let your servants depart in peace, according to your gracious word. Our eyes have seen the glory of salvation prepared for all the people of the world. Now may the Lord bless you and keep you and make his face to shine upon you; and may God lift his countenance upon you and give you blessed peace for now and evermore.

\* Chimes of the Trinity

\* Postlude Lift Up Songs of Praise

Saint-Saens



## The Flowers in the Sanctuary

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