

## 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.

## Announcements

*Disciple* Bible Study Today we recognize those in our congregation and community who have completed the 2017-18 *Disciple* Bible Study Series. *Disciple* Bible study is program of intensive, disciplined Bible Study. *Disciple I*, the prerequisite for all other *Disciple* Bible Studies, covers the entire Biblical story, from Genesis to Revelation. Subsequent studies go deeper into selected portions of scripture. The next series of *Disciple* classes will begin September, 2018. If you are interested, please mark today's Connection Card.

*Disciple I Fast Track* ~ Sally Queen, facilitator. Allison Evanoff, Kelly Zukaitis, Isabel Anderson, Frances Lathan, Renee Justice, Susan Allen, Tracey Farris, Beth Suber, Melissa Mantooth, Becky Bridges.

*Disciple II Fast Track* ~ Gary Lutz, facilitator. Brent Alman, Shelly Alman, Jennifer Gross, Bob McCullen, Sr., Elizabeth Williams, Alice Sweazy, Jennifer Wilbanks, Dave Kirlin, Marsha Wright, Mike Rhodes, Kelly Brown, Marty Brown

*Disciple IV* ~ David Elzey, Facilitator. Steve Carrick\*, Karen Carrick\*, Jenny McMillian\*, Peggy Rogers, Lousia Suggs\*, Laurie Knight, Jerry Gates, Ann Gates, Sue Shellman, Mark Shellman, Tanya Martin, Marcella Calvert, Bill Bradley\*, Jamie Hester\*, Jodi Baker\*. (\*have completed Disciple, I, II, III, & IV)

Myers Meals in May Our church is situated among some of Gastonia's most popular dining establishments and we have an opportunity to witness to our faith as we gather together for a meal around the tables on Wednesdays in May at 5:30p. Please join us and invite others to join you around the table too! Participants will pay for their own meals. A dinner host from Myers Memorial UMC will be present to help facilitate conversation yet it is each of our responsibilities to welcome all who wish to join the fellowship.

Half-Time: The Blessing of Mid Life Gather with others that are coping with mid-life to discuss this part of life. Rev. Eddie Ingram, Pastoral Psychotherapist will guide our discussion tomorrow, May 21 at 7 pm in the Youth Lounge. Half-Time themed snacks will be served!

VBS Volunteer & Leaders Meeting, Wednesday, May 30, 6:30p, CFC It's time to finalize the adventure of a lifetime with God! Along the river we'll discover (and remember) that life with God is an adventure full of wonder and surprise, and that we can trust God to be us through anything. Want to join the fun as a volunteer or a participant?

In}Between is getting messy TODAY from 3p to 4p! 3rd - 7th graders are invited to join Tresca in the Pumpkin Patch! Wear clothes you don't mind ruining and bring a towel or plastic for the car ride home!

Youth Family Cook Out Today at 5:30pm in the Gathering Garden (in the CFC if rain). Families are asked to bring sides and desserts to share as we gather for burgers and hotdogs with our families. We'll enjoy tailgate games as well as fun friend family competitions.

## This Week at Myers Memorial UMC

### Sunday, May 20 ~ Pentecost

Confirmation Sunday  
9a Focus Prayer Group, Tower  
9:30a Coffee Fellowship, CFC  
9:45a Sunday School for all Ages  
10a Confirmation Brunch, CFC  
10:50a Worship, Sanctuary  
3p In}Between, Pumpkin Patch  
5:30p Youth|Family Cook Out, Gathering Garden  
7p Church Council, Asbury

### Monday, May 21

4:30p Supper Club, The Shelter  
6p Community Book Study, Asbury  
6:30p Cub Scouts, CFC  
6:30p Boy Scouts, Scout Hut  
7p HalfTime, Youth Lounge

### Tuesday, May 22

10a Grief Share, Parlor  
11a AI-Anon, Asbury  
6p Girl Scouts, First Floor

### Wednesday, May 23

11a Preschool Family Picnic, CFC  
5:30p Myers Meals, Jackson's, Red Lobster, Taco Bell  
6p Knit for Christ, Parlor  
6p Men's Upper Room Study, Asbury  
7p Chancel Choir, Music Suite

### Thursday, May 24

6p Men's Basketball, CFC  
8p Narcotics Anonymous, Downstairs

### Friday, May 25

Last Day of Weekday Preschool  
7:15a Prayer & Devotion, Parlor  
10a Weekday Preschool Graduation

### Sunday, May 27

9a Focus Prayer Group, Tower  
9:30a Coffee Fellowship, CFC  
9:45a Sunday School for all Ages  
10:50a Worship, Sanctuary  
2p Ashley Lowry Recital, Sanctuary

Monday, May 28 ~ Church Office Closed

Myers Meals This Week ~ May 23 ~ 5:30p  
Jackson's Cafeteria, Akers Center  
Red Lobster, 200 N. New Hope Rd.  
Taco Bell, 1329 E. Franklin Blvd.

Reservations are not required, yet helpful, so not to overburden a restaurant. Please let us know via today's Connection Card or by contacting the church office.

### Sunday Servants

Head Usher: John Crain  
Scripture Reader: Sydney Shugart  
Crucifer: Jillian Medlin  
Acolytes: Adam Anderson & Ella Queen  
Nursery: Angie & Victoria Flake, Katie Carpenter, Carrie Allen, Jennifer Gross, Paige Falls  
May Coffee Time Hosts: Drifters

### A Record of Our Faithfulness

Sunday, May 13, 2018  
Sunday School: 150 Worship: 252  
Online Worship: 13  
Offering Received last Sunday: \$14,985

Wednesday, May 16, 2018  
Myers Meals: 49

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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 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 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.

May 20, 2018 Ken Stroupe, 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

Disciple Bible Study Recognition

#### \* Passing the Peace of Christ

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

#### Chiming of the Hour

Prelude *We Now Implore the Holy Ghost* Buxtehude

#### \* Call to Worship

Leader: Rushing Wind of the Spirit, breathe new life into us!

**People: Blazing Flame of the Spirit, burn away our fears!**

Leader: Comforting Presence of the Spirit, heal our wounds

**People: Let us be prepared to worship and praise you O Holy Spirit.**

Leader: Spirit of God, come upon us this day and fill us with your love.

**People: Make us people who will proclaim God's good news in all that we do. Amen.**

\* Opening Hymn *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise* UMH #103

#### \* Opening Prayer (in unison)

**Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And you shall renew the face of the earth. O God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit, we may be truly wise and ever enjoy His consolations, Through Christ our Lord, Amen.**

Children's Time Pastor Sally

#### Call to Prayer ☺ Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer UMH #895

**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 Lift High the Cross Arr. Tucker  
Brass Ensemble

\* Doxology UMH #94

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
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 John 14:25-27 Sydney Shugart  
New Testament, page 109

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

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Anthem *A Jubilant Song* Pote  
Chancel Choir

*Sing to the Lord a jubilant song. Rejoice and sing and let the earth be glad, Let the heavens be filled with joy. and a jubliant song. Sing alleluia to the Lord, alleluia, alleluia; Tell of His salvation from day to day. Shout His marvelous works among the people, For great is the Lord, great is the Lord and greatly to be praised. Lord, you have been out refuge from one generation to another. Before the mountains were made, or the land and the sea were born, From age to age you are God, and we pray for the coming of your Kingdom. We shall rejoice, we shall be glad all the days of our lives*

Scripture Lesson Acts 2:1-21 NT, p. 119

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

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon Filled with the Spirit Rev. Sally W. Queen

Baptism, Confirmation ☺ New Members UMH#33

Do you, as Christ's body, the church, reaffirm both your rejection of sin, and your commitment to Christ? **We do.**

Will you nurture one another in the Christian faith and life and include these persons now before you in your care?

**With God's help we will proclaim the good news and live according to the example of Christ.**

**We will surround these persons with a community of love ☺ forgiveness, that they may grow in their trust of God, and be found faithful in their service to others.**

**We will pray for them, that they may be a true disciple who walks in the way that leads to life.**

\* Profession of Faith UMH #35

*Let us join together in professing the Christian faith as contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments. Please stand as you are able.*

*Do you believe in God the Father?*

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

*Do you believe in Jesus Christ?*

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of the Father, and will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

*Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?*

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

Baptism ☺ Confirmation

Reception of New Members UMH #38

*Members of the household of God, I commend these persons to your love and care. Do all in your power to increase their faith, confirm their hope, and perfect them in love.*

Congregation:

**We give thanks for all that God has already given you and we welcome you in Christian love.**

**As members together with you in the body of Christ and in this congregation of The United Methodist Church, we renew our covenant faithfully to participate in the ministries of the church by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service and our witness, that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ.**

\* Closing Hymn *O Spirit of the Living God* UMH #539

#### \* Benediction

\* Benediction Response *Benediction* John Ness Beck

#### \* Chimes of the Trinity

\* Postlude *Gigue Fugue* Buxtehude



### 2017-18 Confirmation Class of Myers Memorial UMC

Ashley Alyssa Fehrs

Jacob McClincy Hoskins

Marie Carolyn Kalinoski

Dawson Michael Moore

Sydney Lee Shugart

Samuel Matthew Walker

Mallory Jean Wolfe