

## Prayers of the People

Ginger Osborne, Linda Summers Walters, Bill Hyland, Dawson White, Lloyd & Sue Pyles, The Family of Rachel Broome, Susan Marshall, Hannah Black, Melanie Lambert, Trinity United Methodist Church

*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.*

What is Pumpkin Sunday? A 39 year tradition at Myers Memorial UMC! We gather for worship led by the youth, enjoy lunch and then head to the patch to begin unloading the semi-trailer full of beautiful pumpkins! You're invited to come to worship in your work clothes (traditionally we wear orange). Tresca has a limited number of pumpkin shirts (\$10) or Sarah has #ourmissionistolove grey shirts (\$10). There is a job for every one no matter their ability! Join us!

The Pumpkins arrive Next Sunday! Myers Memorial UMC is known as the Pumpkin Church in our community! Let us all live into that identity! The entire Myers Memorial family is encouraged to sign up for a spot in the patch to offer our wonderful Myers hospitality and assistance in finding the perfect pumpkin! There is a large sign up board outside Pastor Sally's office. Stop by today to claim your spot in the patch during the month of October!

Coming in October: Parties in the Patch! These events are being planned to reach out to our neighborhood and community through and beyond the pumpkin patch! We've worked all year getting to know our neighbors, enjoying meals in our community, praying over those who surround us and we've gone deep into scripture and practice of sharing our faith. Now is the time pull it all together as the community flocks to the pumpkin patch seeking the perfect pumpkin. We pray they not only find the perfect pumpkin but also the love of Jesus Christ expressed in our very lives. But it takes *you* being present. Details of events can be found at [www.MyersMemorialUMC.org/Party-in-the-Patch](http://www.MyersMemorialUMC.org/Party-in-the-Patch). Start spreading the news! If you are interested in making these things happen, please contact Pastor Sarah or make note on today's Connection Card.

Youth & In}{Between Tonight: 5p Youth Chorale; 5:30p Dinner and the Main Event: Color Night! Wear White and see what changes! We're gonna get messy!

Changes in the Schedule GriefShare, DivorceCare/DivorceCare4Kids, and the World Religions Class will not meet this Tuesday.



This is Us: Sermon Series Continues  
Sundays, Sept. 23, Oct. 7, 14 10:50a in the Sanctuary  
Wednesdays, September 19, 26 at 6p in the Sanctuary

Methodism 101: Sunday School Sundays, September 23, 30 from 9:45a to 10:40a in the CFC. This is open to all who wish to participate, classes and individuals.

## This Week at Myers Memorial UMC

### Sunday, September 23

9a 15cents Changes the World Brunch  
9a Focus Prayer Group, *Tower*  
9:45a Sunday School for all Ages  
10:50a Worship, *Sanctuary*  
12p Anatomy of Peace Conversation  
5p Youth Chorale, *Music Suite*  
5:30p In}{Between & Youth Dinner  
5:30p Children's Music & Worship  
Arts, *3rd Floor*  
5:30p Disciple 1 Fast Track, *Trinity UMC*  
5:30p Disciple 3 Fast Track, *E105*  
6p In}{Between & Youth

### Monday, September 24

9a Weekday Preschool  
5p Aldersgate Ringers, *Music Suite*  
6p Boy Scouts, *Scout Hut, First Floor*

### Tuesday, September 25

9a Weekday Preschool  
11a AI-Anon, *Asbury*  
6p Chancel Bells, *Music Suite*  
6:30p Chancel Bells, *Music Suite*  
6p Trustees

5:15p Dinner in the CFC  
September 26: Taco Bar  
6p Worship in the Sanctuary

### Wednesday, September 26

9a Weekday Preschool  
9:30a Women's Bible Study, *Asbury*  
10a Staff Meeting  
5:15p Connect Dinner, *CFC*  
5:30p Whole30 Support, *Youth Lounge*  
6p Connect Worship, *Sanctuary*  
6p Knit for Christ, *Parlor*  
6:30p Small Group Space  
HalfTime Book Study, *E105*  
Men's Bible Study, *Asbury Room*  
7p Chancel Choir, *Music Suite*

### Thursday, September 27

9a Weekday Preschool  
9:30a 60+ to Valdese  
6p Men's Basketball, *CFC*  
8p Narcotics Anonymous, *Downstairs*

### Friday, September 28

9a Weekday Preschool  
7:15a Prayer & Devotion, *Parlor*

### Sunday, September 30

#### Pumpkin Sunday

9a Focus Prayer Group, *Tower*  
9:30a Coffee Time  
9:45a Sunday School for all Ages  
10:50a Worship, *Sanctuary*  
12p Pumpkin Lunch  
Unloading Pumpkins  
5:30p Children's Music & Worship  
Arts, *3rd Floor*  
5:30p Disciple 1 Fast Track, *Trinity UMC*  
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### Sunday Servants

**Head Usher:** Melinda Brown  
**Scripture Reader:** Dawson Moore  
**Crucifer:** Marie Kalinoski  
**Acolytes:** Adam Anderson & Rhett Buchanan  
**Nursery:** Carrie Allen, Allison Buchanan, Jennifer Stroupe, Katie Carpenter  
**September Coffee Time Hosts:** New Life Sunday School Class

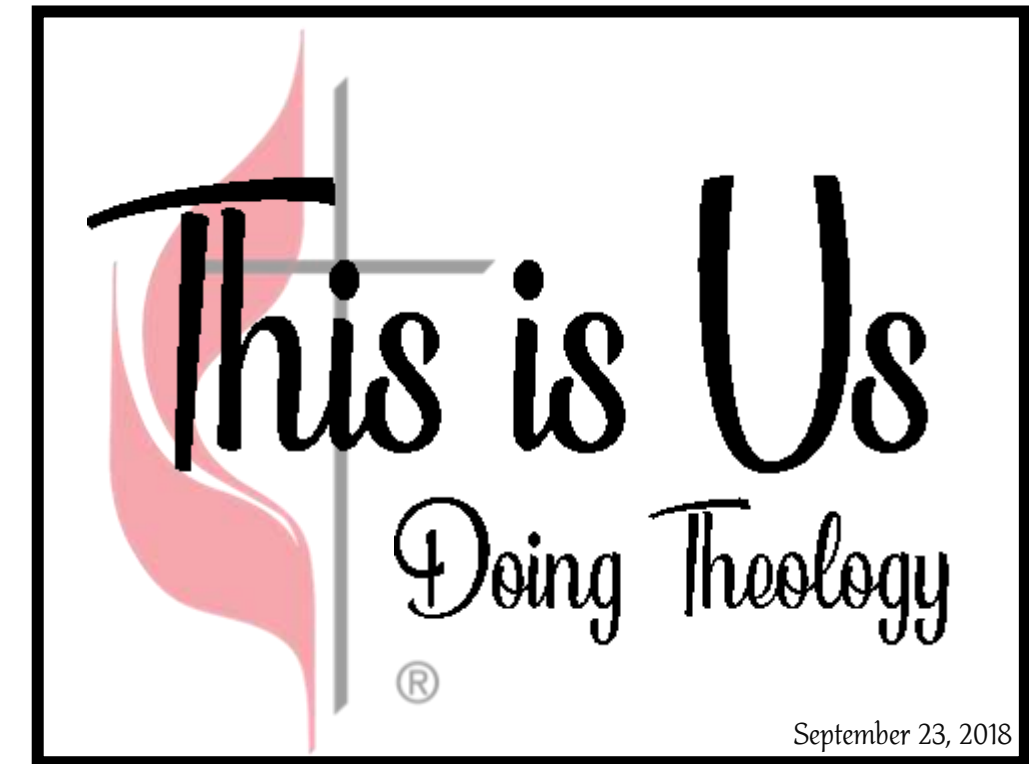
### Giving on the Go

[www.MyersMemorialUMC.org](http://www.MyersMemorialUMC.org)  
/Online-Giving

### A Record of Our Faithfulness

Sunday, September 9, 2018  
Sunday School: 101 Worship: 201  
Online Worship: 18  
Offering Received: \$13,341  
Wednesday, September 12, 2018  
Connect Worship: 51  
Sunday, September 16, 2018  
Online Worship: 289  
Offering Received: \$5,961  
Wednesday, September 19, 2018  
Connect Worship: 50

# 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 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.*

Rev. Sally Queen, Pastor  
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[www.MyersMemorialUMC.org](http://www.MyersMemorialUMC.org) 704-864-3222

September 23, 2018      Jamie Hester, 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      *The God of Abraham Praise*      A.L. Page

#### \* Call to Worship (responsively)

Leader: Trust in the Lord to do good.

People: May the Lord give strength to the people!

Leader: O taste and see that the Lord is good!

People: God is our refuge and strength.

\* Opening Hymn      *How Firm a Foundation*      UMH #529

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

We believe, O Lord,  
that you have not abandoned us  
to the dim light of our own reason  
to conduct us to happiness,  
but that you have revealed in Holy Scriptures  
whatever is necessary for us to believe and practice.  
How noble and excellent are the precepts,  
how sublime and enlightening the truth,  
how persuasive and strong the motives,  
how powerful the assistance of your holy religion.  
Our delight shall be in your statutes,  
and we will not forget your Word. Amen.

Children's Time      Pastor Sally

Choral Call to Prayer      *Hear My Prayer, O God*      H. Hopson  
Chancel Choir

*Hear my prayer, O God, and listen to my plea; faithful, righteous one, give ear and answer me. Judge me not, I Pray; no merit dare I claim; knowing my own faults, I trust in your just name.*

Pastoral Prayer      Rev. Sarah Watkins Davis

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.

\* Hymn of Thanksgiving      *Seek Ye First*      UMH #405

### Offering

Offertory      *Dundee, Trio & Fughetta*      A.C. Lovelace

\* 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      Romans 12:2      Dawson Moore  
NT, page 162

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem      *Be Thou My Vision*      arr. D. Forrest  
Chancel Choir

*Be Thou my Vision, O Lord of my heart; Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art.  
Thou my best Thought, by day or by night, Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light. Be  
Thou my Wisdom, and Thou my true Word; I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;  
Thou my great Father, I Thy true son; Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one. Riches I  
heed not, nor man's empty praise, Thou mine Inheritance, now and always: Thou and Thou  
only, first in my heart, High King of Heaven, my Treasure Thou art. High King of Heaven,  
my victory won, May I reach Heaven's joys, O bright Heaven's Sun! Heart of my own heart,  
whatever befall, Still be my Vision, O Ruler of all.*

Scripture Lesson      Matthew 7:24-28      NT, page 7  
Leader: The Word of God for us, the People of God.  
People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon      This is Us: Doing Theology      Rev. Sally W. Queen

\* Closing Hymn      *My Hope is Built*      UMH #368

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.

\* Benediction

\* Choral Response      *A Parting Blessing*      J. Jerome Williams  
Chancel Choir  
*May the road rise to meet you, may the wind be ever at your back. May the sun  
shine warm upon your face, and the rains fall soft upon your fields. And until  
we meet again, may God hold you in the palm of his hand.*

\* Chimes of the Trinity

\* Postlude      *Marching to Zion*      G. Young

  
**The Flower Arrangement in the Sanctuary**  
is given to the Glory of God in celebration of  
Lloyd & Sue Pyles' 62nd Wedding Anniversary

**The Flowers in the Narthex**  
Celebrate the Life of Rachel Broome who passed away September 14th

## Announcements

September Conversation was Rescheduled for Today. You are invited to a conversation rooted in the book [Anatomy of Peace: Resolving the Heart of Conflict](#) by The Arbinger Institute immediately following worship today in the CFC.

Myers Memorial UMC Weekday Preschool is well underway and the kids are learning "All About Me". This is a great way to get to know one another as the school year begins. Children are learning to recognize their name and learn the names of their friends and learning a fun song "Head, Shoulders, Knees & Toes" in both English and Spanish. Our preschool has openings in each of the classes. Please share the good news of our preschool ministry with friends and family.

Support our Schools There are very simple ways to support our partner schools Sherwood Elementary, Grier Middle and Warlick Academy, just by doing what you normally do. Each year, you must re-link your accounts. Now is the time to do that with your Harris Teeter VIC Card or your Office Depot Rewards! Don't forget to clip Box Tops for Education. These little rectangles found on a variety of food items are worth 10 cents! A collection container is outside Sarah's office. Don't hold on to them as they do expire.

CPR & Stop the Bleeding Certification course will be offered at Myers Memorial UMC by Cory Hyland on Saturday, October 27 from 9a to 12noon. There is a \$17 cost for class materials (scholarships available). Sponsored by the Myers Health Cabinet. Please indicate your interest on today's Connection Card.

Whole30 Support Group continues to meet each Wednesday from 5:30p to 6p in the Youth Lounge. New participants are welcome to join regardless of where you are in the series. Led by Lee Black.



## United Methodist Committee On Relief

Making a Financial Contribution to the United Methodist Committee on Relief. Because of our apportionment/connectional giving, all administrative costs are covers so that in times of emergency, 100% of the funds given go directly to the need.

Checks made to Myers Memorial UMC and noted: UMCOR will be contributed to the US Disaster Relief Efforts.

You may also contribute online at [www.UMCOR.org](http://www.UMCOR.org)

## Flooding Lumberton with Love

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Lumberton has again been greatly impacted by the devastating rains of Hurricane Florence and are expecting more flooding due to the nearby rivers cresting any time now.

Mission Coordinators in the NC Conference of the UMC have reached out to ask for assistance in providing gift cards that they in turn can share with the people they know are most in need.

What you can do:

Purchase Gift Cards in the following increments from these specific stores to assist in providing food and prescriptions. We'd love to send a box of gift cards this week!

\$5 McDonald's Gift Cards  
\$10 Walmart Gift Cards

\$5 KFC Gift Cards  
\$10 Visa Cards

(monetary donations will be accepted to this project - Make Checks to Myers Memorial UMC and please note your gift: Lumberton)

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## Cleaning Kit Materials

- One five-gallon round bucket with re-sealable lid (14.35" h x 12.19" w x 12.19" d)
  - No screw lids
  - May be used, but must be free from all residual product
  - Advertisements on the outside acceptable
- One 32-64 oz. bottle liquid laundry detergent
- One 16-40 oz. bottle liquid concentrate household cleaner
  - No spray cleaners
- One 16-34 oz. bottle dish soap
- One 4-8 oz. pump spray air freshener (three solid, or three gel fresheners also acceptable)
- One 6-14 oz. pump spray insect repellent (pack of 10-20 wipes also acceptable)
  - Pump spray bottles must have protective covers
- One scrub brush
  - With or without handle
- 18 re-useable cleaning wipes
  - No terrycloth, microfiber or paper towels
  - Remove from packaging
- Five scouring pads sponges
  - No stainless steel pads with soap in them
  - Remove from packaging
- 36-50 clothespins
- One 50-100 ft. clothesline (cotton or plastic line)
- 24 roll of heavy-duty trash bags (33-45 gallon sizes)
  - Remove from packaging
- Five N95 particulate respirator dust masks (1-3 mm thickness)
  - No surgical masks
- Two pairs kitchen gloves
  - Durable for multiple uses
  - Remove from packaging
- One pair work gloves
  - Cotton with leather palm or all leather

## Assembly Directions

- Place all liquid items in the bucket first.
- Place remaining items in the bucket fitting them around and between the liquid items.
- Scouring pads and trash bags can be separated in order to fit all of the items in the bucket.
- Clothes pins may also be placed in a small re-sealable bag.
- Secure the lid on the filled bucket.

## Important Notes

- All items must be new with the exception of the bucket and lid.
- All cleaning agents must be liquid form. No powders are accepted.
- If items have been omitted, label bucket. Please indicate which items are missing.
- Sponges have been removed from the list of supplies due to the challenge of locating the non-cellulose sponges that prevent mildew. Non-cellulose sponges will be added to each bucket upon arrival at the affiliate warehouse.
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