

## Prayers of the People

Bill Hyland, Dawson White, Bud Hoover, Mary Drum, Camilla Jenkins, those impacted by Hurricane Florence, Lloyd & Sue Pyles, 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.

Party In the Patch Volunteers are needed to not only participate in the events but to help set up a few tables and chairs as well as put it away on Wednesdays and Thursday nights. Are you willing to help set up or clean up for a certain event?? Please mark your Connection Card.

Pumpkin Patch Volunteers 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 or mark the Connection Card to have someone contact you about serving.

## Party in the Patch with Myers Memorial UMC

Preaching in the Patch Wednesdays | 6pm  
Let us Connect in the Gathering Garden for our mid-week service.

Concert in the Patch Thursdays | 6:30pm  
Grab your folding chairs, stop by one of our area restaurants, grab dinner to go and enjoy an evening of music from various local artists.

Photos in the Patch Saturdays | 10am to 1pm  
Stop by for your annual photo in the pumpkins! A professional photographer will be onsite to grab a couple shots with a variety of backdrops. A small fee is associated with this activity.

Painting in the Patch  
October 6 | 10am to 12pm October 9 | 6:30pm to 8:30pm  
October 21 | 2p to 4pm  
Register online for this fun time of canvas painting! Instructions and all supplies are included! Advanced Registration required at our website.

Story Time in the Patch October 16 | 10am  
The Amazing Rene Crump from the Gaston County Library will lead story time in the pumpkin patch! This event is free and open to all! If the weather is unfavorable, we will be inside. Photographer onsite.

Neighborhood Lunch October 25 | 11am to 1pm  
We've invited neighborhood businesses to join us for lunch! We need you to not only join us too but to help provide your delicious pots of chili for this event! This is a great way to get to know those who work in the buildings around us!

Trunk O Treats October 28 | 4:30pm to 6pm  
We'll have Live Music, Hot Dogs and lots of Fun!

[www.MyersMemorialUMC.org/party-in-the-patch](http://www.MyersMemorialUMC.org/party-in-the-patch)

## This Week at Myers Memorial UMC

### Sunday, September 30

#### Pumpkin Sunday

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  
5:30p Disciple 3 Fast Track, E105

### Monday, October 1

9a Weekday Preschool  
10a Pumpkin Patch Open  
5p Aldersgate Ringers, Music Suite  
6p Boy Scouts, Scout Hut, First Floor

### Tuesday, October 2

9a Weekday Preschool  
10a Pumpkin Patch Open  
10a GriefShare, Parlor  
11a AI-Anon, Asbury  
6p Chancel Bells, Music Suite  
6:30p World Religions, E-105  
6:30p DivorceCare/DC4Kids

### Wednesday, October 3

9a Weekday Preschool  
9:30a Women's Bible Study, Asbury  
10a Preschool Picture Day  
10a Pumpkin Patch Open  
11a Warlick Mentoring  
5:15p Connect Dinner, CFC  
5:30p Whole30 Support, Youth Lounge  
6p Connect Worship, Gathering Garden  
6p Knit for Christ, Parlor

### Sunday Servants

**Ushers:** Brock Davis, Rhett Buchanan,  
Mallory Wolfe, Jacob Wolfe, Matthew Walker

**Scripture Reader:** Ella Queen, Angelica Brown, Adam Anderson

**Crucifer:** Ashely Fehrs

**Acolytes:** Evan Falls & Brianna Lambert

**Nursery:** Paige Falls, Jaclyn Tant, Jennifer Gross

### Wednesday, October 3 continued

6:30p Small Group Space  
HalfTime Book Study, E105  
Men's Bible Study, Asbury Room  
7p Chancel Choir, Music Suite

### Thursday, October 4

9a Weekday Preschool  
10a Preschool Picture Day  
10a Pumpkin Patch Open  
12p Joy Circle, AmberJack's  
6p Men's Basketball, CFC  
6:30p Concert in the Patch  
8p Narcotics Anonymous, Downstairs

### Friday, October 5

9a Weekday Preschool  
10a Pumpkin Patch Open  
7:15a Prayer & Devotion, Parlor

### Saturday, October 6

10a Pumpkin Patch Open  
10a Photographer in the Patch  
10a Painting in the Patch  
Private events in CFC and Youth Lounge

### Sunday, October 7 Communion Sunday

8a UMM/UMW Breakfast, CFC  
9a Focus Prayer Group, Tower  
9a Health Cabinet Screenings  
9:30a Coffee Time  
9:45a Sunday School for all Ages  
10:50a Worship, Sanctuary  
12:30p Pumpkin Patch Opens  
5p Myers Youth Chorale  
5:30p Children's Music & Worship  
Arts, 3rd Floor  
5:30p Disciple 1 Fast Track, Trinity UMC  
5:30p Disciple 3 Fast Track, E105  
5:30p Youth & in}{between

### Giving on the Go

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

**A Record of Our Faithfulness**  
Sunday, September 23, 2018

Sunday School: 103 Worship: 222

Online Worship: 25

Offering Received: \$15,413

Wednesday, September 26, 2018  
Connect Worship: 45

# 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.

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September 30, 2018                  Pumpkin Sunday                  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                                  *Open Up the Heavens*                  Vertical Church  
Myers Praise Team

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

Leader: **Give thanks to the Lord, call on God's name;**

People: **make God's deeds known in the world around.**

Leader: Sing to the Lord, sing praise to God;

People: tell of the wonderful things God has done.

Leader: **Glory in God's holy name;**

People: let those who seek the Lord rejoice! Amen.

#### \* Opening Hymn                                  *Glorify Thy Name*                  TFWS #2016

#### Opening Prayer (in unison)                                  Charlotte Hearne

God of the faithful in every time,  
today you have called us into your church  
to be one body in Jesus Christ.

You have given us the gifts we need for your service.

Grant that we may willingly take our part;  
that we may support one another;  
and that we may seek the greatest gifts, which is love.

Bind us together as one  
with all your people throughout the world,  
through your spirit of unity. Amen.

#### Children's Time                                  Sydney Shugart

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                                  Dawson Moore

#### 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                  *Spirit Song*                  UMH #347

### Stewardship Moment

### Offering

Offertory                                  *Call Me Higher*                  L. Jordan  
Myers Praise Team

\* 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                                  Cassie Fehrs

Anthem                                  *More Love*                  Mark A. Miller  
Myers Youth Chorale, Chancel Choir, Myers Praise Team

*For simple words we sing today. with these four words we ought to pray and take to heart this sacred phrase: "More love, less hate." It seems so easy on its face. Four words to heal the human race, and yet we struggle to create more love, less hate. For love we stand! More love in this land! Will you join? Come, take my hand! More love, less hate. When fear and violence touch our lives, hate separates seeks to divide. Our faith in love wont be denied. More love, less hate. Just as the night gives way to dawn justice shines forth before to long. Until that day we will sing on. "More Love, less hate." For love we stand! More love in this land! Will you join? Come, take my hand! More love, less hate.*

Scripture Lesson                                  Proverbs 17:22                  Ella Queen  
OT, page 600

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Talk                                  "Attitude"                  Mattie Queen

Scripture Lesson                                  John 12:23-28                  Angelica Brown  
NT, page 106

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Talk                                  "The Path of Brokenness"                  Brendan Rooney

Scripture Lesson                                  Jeremiah 29:11                  Adam Anderson  
OT, page 731

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Talk                                  "Journeying Through Life"                  Lauren Snyder

\* Closing Hymn                                  *We Are the Church*                  UMH #558

\* Benediction                                  Hallie Walker

\* 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                                  *The Golden Trumpet*                  F. Ashdown



### Announcements

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 stay for lunch then unload a few (thousand) pumpkins! There is a job for every one no matter their ability! Join us!

Did you Know? We feed 160-200 children and youth a snack supper at 4:30pm on the first Monday of each school month at the West Gastonia Boys & Girls Club? For decades, a dedicated number of folks at Myers Memorial UMC have provided a meal for the children and youth at the Club on Modena Street in our name. Due to a number of reasons, they are not able to continue this work and do not want to see us stop even though they must. We celebrate the many, many meals they have provided and the lives that were touched by this meal ministry. Now the opportunity awaits YOU! Are you available on the first Monday of the Month? This is a perfect project for a Sunday school class or small group! October's meal is taken care of, yet interested volunteers are welcome to participate to see how it happens! Please note your interest on today's Connection Card.

The Joy UMW Circle will gather on October 4th at 12p for their monthly meeting. This month they will gather at AmberJack's on S. New Hope Rd. All women are welcome!

October 28 is the annual Trunk Or Treat event at Myers Memorial UMC! We're looking for FIFTY vehicles this year to decorate their trunk space, provide treats or an activity in a parking spot, so that we can welcome children and their families to a safe place for some Halloween fun! The Sunday School Class with the most participating vehicles will win a prize and all the bragging rights! There will be Live Music, Food & Fun for all ages! Oh yeah, and last year we had over 300 children participate! Sign up today on the Connection Card to volunteer your trunk!

Why Party in the Patch? Because Myers Memorial UMC is the Pumpkin church and Myers Memorial UMC is so much *more* than Pumpkins! Myers Memorial UMC is a community of people with a deep faith who care for their neighbors. The various events in the patch are designed for you to not only participate and invite friends, and to meet new ones in fun and engaging ways!! This October we invite the community to our grassy spot out back to discover their favorite pumpkin, support our youth ministry and yet, there's more...there's an opportunity to welcome our neighbors to our 'home' and to share the love of Jesus whenever we can! This October, join us in The Patch as much as your schedule allows!