

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.



Volunteers for Advent Adventures Sometimes the fun is in the helping! A few extra hands are being sought to help parents and children prepare their hearts & homes to wait for baby Jesus. If you're willing to assist at a station for the December 2nd Advent Adventures, please mark today's Connection Card or contact Connie Elzey.

Scholastic Book Fair Returns in December Books make the perfect stocking stuffers! The Scholastic Book Fair will be back at Myers Preschool with books for all ages! Volunteers are being sought to help coordinate the sale as well as operate the Book Fair each day. If you are interested, please mark your interest on today's Connection Card.

End of the Year Purge As we approach the end of November, please remember the Trustees are working hard to purge storage rooms of excess items. If your group or work area has items stored at the church, please make every effort to label the items with your group name and purpose or dispose of unneeded items. We are searching for extra space anywhere we can find it! Unclaimed items will be donated at the end of December.

Stock the Shelves Challenge All year long, we collect items for Crisis Assistance Ministry in Gastonia. Each December it is Myers Memorial UMC's month to stock the shelves! Are you up for a challenge? Let's Fully Stock the Shelves by December 1 so that when they open the doors to help those in financial crisis or who are suffering under the continuing burden of poverty, abundance will overflow! CAM provides food to an average of 500 people monthly! Since we gather at 301 S. New Hope Rd each week to celebrate the abundance of God's love in our life, can we collect 301 of each of these items before December 1? Bring your food items & monetary gifts to Thanksgiving Worship on November 14th or at any time you can bring them to the Church Office.

Remember: NO corn or green beans as they already have an abundance!!

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Pasta | <input type="checkbox"/> Crackers | <input type="checkbox"/> Syrup |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Canned fruit | <input type="checkbox"/> Peanut Butter | <input type="checkbox"/> Powdered Milk |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Macaroni & Cheese | <input type="checkbox"/> Jelly | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal Care Items
<i>(toothpaste, laundry detergent, shampoo, deodorant)</i> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rice | <input type="checkbox"/> Cereal | <input type="checkbox"/> Diapers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Instant Potatoes | <input type="checkbox"/> Grits | <input type="checkbox"/> Canned Vegetables |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Spaghetti Sauce | <input type="checkbox"/> Oatmeal | <input type="checkbox"/> Canned Beans |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Soup | <input type="checkbox"/> Pancake Mix | |

This Week at Myers Memorial UMC

Sunday, November 18

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

Monday, November 19

9a Weekday Preschool
5p Aldersgate Bells, Music Suite
6p Pack 21, CFC

Tuesday, November 20

9a Weekday Preschool
10a GriefShare, Parlor
11a AI-Anon, Asbury
6:30p World Religions, E-105
6:30p DivorceCare/DC4Kids

Wednesday, November 21

Weekday Preschool Closed
Church Office Closed

Thursday, November 22

Weekday Preschool Closed
Church Office Closed
CFC & Youth Lounge reserved for family events
8p Narcotics Anonymous, Downstairs

Friday, November 23

Weekday Preschool Closed
Church Office Closed
7:15a Prayer & Devotion, Parlor

Sunday, November 25

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

Usher: John Crain

Scripture Reader: Brooke Cox

Crucifer: Adam Anderson

Acolytes: Mattie Queen & Charlotte Hearne

Nursery: Judy Seay, Annie Oliver, Donna Fletcher, Louisa Suggs, Pam Shoemaker, Caroline Shoemaker

Giving on the Go
www.MyersMemorialUMC.org
/Online-Giving

A Record of Our Faithfulness

Sunday, November 11, 2018

Sunday School: 96 Worship: 208

Online Worship: 18

Offering Received: \$9,715

Wednesday, November 14, 2018

Connect Worship: 70

Save the Dates

40th Annual Love Feast: December 9

Lessons & Carols: December 16

Christmas Eve Services: 5:30p and 11p

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November 18, 2018 Phil Winter, *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 *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* Arr. Alstad/Hiebert
Myers Praise Team

* Call to Worship (responsively)

Leader: We gather to worship with expectations:

God revealed in new and astonishing ways.

People: God comes to us in real time.

God comes to us in dreams.

Leader: **Sometimes God's presence is hard to take in** - difficult to believe.

People: O God, we long to believe. Help our unbelief!

Leader: God is present here. God is working in our midst.

People: Then our mouths are filled with laughter!

Our tongues shout out with joy!

* Opening Hymn *God, Whose Love is Reigning o'er Us* UMH #100

* Opening Prayer (in unison)

Wondrous God,

We raise to you our joyful noise: words of thanksgiving, songs of praise!

From the depths of the waters to the heights of the land, creation declares your greatness.

You dapple our days with sun and our nights with starlight.

Unceasingly flow your love and peace.

May your goodness transform us, deepening our gratitude for the beauty around us, the kindness among us, the bread broken for us.

Lead us, we pray, in blessing the lives of others, so that all your world may have reason to rejoice.

Amen

Children's Time

Tresca McSwain

Choral Call to Prayer

It is Well with My Soul

Spafford/Bliss

Chancel Choir

When peace like a river, attendeth my way. When sorrows like sea billows roll; whatever my lot, thou has taught me to say, It is well, it is well with my soul. It is well, it is well with my soul.

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.

* Hymn of Thanksgiving *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* UMH #140

Offering

Offertory

What Mercy Did for Me

Sherman/Tyler/Yates

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

Scripture Lesson

Psalms 126

Brooke Cox

OT, page 573

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem

Give Thanks

Arr. Courtney

Chancel Choir

Give thanks with a grateful heart Give thanks to the Holy One Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son And now let the weak say, "I am strong" Let the poor say, "I am rich Because of what the Lord has done for us" Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Scripture Lesson

Matthew 6:25-33

NT, page 6

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Rev. Sarah Watkins Davis

* Closing Hymn *Now Thank We All Our God* UMH #102

* Benediction

* Response

Go Ye Now in Peace

Eilers

Go ye now in peace, and know that the love of God will guide you. Feel his presence here beside you showing you the way. In your time of trouble, when hurt and despair are there to grieve you, know that the Lord will never leave you. He will bring you courage! Know that the God who sent his son to die that you might live will never leave you lost and alone in his beloved world. Go ye now in peace.

* Chimes of the Trinity

* Postlude

Trumpet Voluntary

J. Stanley



The Flower Arrangement in the Sanctuary

is given to the Glory of God

in thanksgiving for family

by Allison Evanoff

Announcements

Angel Tree Angels Please visit the Angel Tree in the Church Office to pick up one of 71 Children's Angels or one of 30 Older Adult Christmas Critters. Enjoy shopping and praying for these community neighbors over the next few weeks, returning unwrapped gifts no later than December 9th. *Please* sign out your Angel on the clip board near the tree so we know each one will be cared for this Christmas!

Church Tour ~ December 2 Do you know your way around this place? We'd love to show you around! Join Pastor Sarah and others who know the history of Myers Memorial UMC as they guide you around our beautiful facility! Open to any who wish to join us! We will gather in the rear entrance of the Sanctuary at 10am on December 2 to begin the tour. Please mark your interest on today's Connection Card.

Advent Adventures for Children and Family ~ December 2 A special adventure is being planned for the preschool through 3rd grade children and their families! Join us at 5:30p to go caroling to two local nursing homes to share a little Christmas Cheer! We'll return to the church for Pizza and activities that will prepare our hearts and homes as we wait for baby Jesus.

Save the Date for Shopping! The Weekday Preschool is hosting a Christmas Shopping Spree in the CFC on December 5th from 6 to 8pm. You're invited to come shop and support the vendors coming! Free admission for shopping as the vendors will be paying to participate. Handcrafted items, direct sales vendors, Scholastic Book Fair will be present! ! If you have interest in participating as a seller of handmade or direct sales items, please contact Janet Lagos (preschool@myersmemorialumc.com). Come Shop for the Cause!

Third Quarter Giving Statements can be picked up in the Narthex at the Rear of the Sanctuary.