Serving Our Community



UMW Celebrates Birthdays

Our women know how to put on a party! They decorated the Long Term Care Unit at LifeBrite and provided wonderful food to celebrate the 50 residents and staff. What a blessing to provide some color and smiles to celebrate these lives, especially those with February birthdays.

NEW Foster Care Ministry

The women of the church will be coordinating a collection of items that are needed for children that must leave their home for their own safety. Sometimes they must leave quickly with nothing but what they have on their backs.

Fortunately, our Stokes County Social Workers currently have a good supply of some of the items needed. We are partnering to fulfill specific needs such as socks, underwear, diapers, wipes. Watch for details about how to participate. **Coming soon!**

UMM Construction

Susie Elms needs to grow much of her own food due to allergies. She had to start her gardens all over again in her new home. She had the lumber but not the strength. So our men got busy and built a raised garden.



Get involved! Join in!				
UMW:	coming Me Mar 9	Apr 13		
UMM:	Mar 15	Apr 19		

Remember when



Our ladies have been working hard for a long time!

Snow Hill UMC Connection

Be known for whom you love, not for whom you hate" Mar-Apr 2020 Volume 7, Issue 1

From the Pastor

"Fruits of a Living Faith"

"Why are we or why am I a Methodist?"

At the present, the Methodist denomination is heading for a split due to the polarizing questions. Firstly, should the



Methodist church ordain practicing homosexuals and should the UMC allow active clergy to perform same sex marriage ceremonies? Language in our Book of Discipline sets forth that homosexuality is incompatible with Christian teachings. Our Book of Discipline also states that all human beings, regardless of age, race, gender, etc. are of sacred worth and as our brothers and sisters we are expected to love them just as we love others...without restriction or reservation.

Methodist are sticklers for loving thy neighbor and loving the Lord. Both acts of loving are to be done without reservation. Remember the denomination's tag line from a few years ago. Open Doors, Open Arms, Open Hearts. It was such a powerful message rolled into a sound bite for the church. But who was supposed to be on the receiving end of the promise of steadfast love and acceptance? In my estimation based on seeing the treatment of LGBTQ by conservatives and the treatment of conservatives by LGBTQ all within the span of four days last June was that Methodists, all Methodists, had taken the bait from the enemy of love and were now distracted that we completely forgot to be Methodists.

Unfortunately, my take away from the 2019 Annual Conference was that the openness professed in that long-ago tag line had been forgotten. I am expecting a rehash of last year's dissention, but praying for the Methodists to remember who they are after they remember whose they are. I hope we will remember that: a Methodist Loves God; a Methodist Rejoices in God; a Methodist Gives Thanks; a Methodist Prays Constantly; and a Methodist Loves Others. These are John Wesley's characteristics of the Fruits of a Living Faith. We all have the capacity to be fruitful.

May God richly bless you and the United Methodist Church. Christ's Peace, Pastor CJ



Sunday 3-6 Monday 10-6 (Out 1-5 2nd/4th) Thursday 10-5

Please call ahead since Pastor CJ may be out due to other pastoral duties. She can be available if needed. *Please respect Friday as her day off and Saturday her personal sabbath.*

Happenings

Lenten Season

is Here

Lent is the Christian season of spiritual preparation before Easter. It began on Ash Wednesday (Feb 26). During Lent, many Christians observe a period of fasting, repentance, moderation, self-denial, and spiritual discipline. The purpose of the Lenten season is to set aside time for reflection on Jesus Christ—to consider his suffering and his sacrifice, his life, death, burial, and resurrection. This begins the countdown to Easter Sunday on April 12th. (*The forty days do not include Sundays*.

April 5 – Palm Sunday April 12 – Easter Sunday 6:15am Sunrise Service - Snow Hill

Delta UMC will join us 9:00am Breakfast 10:30 Sunday Service

Lenten Devotional

Be sure up and join us to read the devotional booklet that can be found in the narthex.

Bible Study Continues -Gospel of John

Wednesday nights 6:15

Pastor CJ will continue the study of the Gospel of John.



1st Wednesday of Month 6:00 – 7:15 pm Mar 4, Apr 1, May 6

"This is <u>THE</u> fun church" was heard as one of the boys came in for our March session. It would be great if we all could say that! Out of the mouth of babes 😇

You really don't want to miss out on this. Activities begin with dinner at 6:00 pm followed by bible lesson, crafts, and other great activities. Pickup is 7:15. If you have questions, please contact Laura Wilson. *Be sure to spread the word to families in the args*.



March 21 5:00PM

The UMW will host the annual Senior Banquet March 21. This is a special time to celebrate the experiences of those over 65. If you have questions, please contact Cindy Roberts.



Location: SHAPE/Snow Hill Family Life Center 2125 Doss Road Danbury, NC 27016

Seder Meal

The Seder Meal marks the beginning of the Jewish holiday Passover which involves the retelling of the how the Israelites were freed from slavery in Egypt. The Seder fulfills the command in Exodus "You shall tell your child on that day, saying, 'It is because of what the LORD did for me when I came out of Egypt."

Take this opportunity to better understand our faith by experiencing traditions of the past.

SEDER MEAL April ?? At RSVP by xxxxx to

FREE Tax Filing Available

VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) provides free filing for combined household income of \$56,000 or less.

Call 336-591-5442 for an appointment at Walnut Cove Senior Center

Mondays 1-5



Coming up Soon

Operation Overboard

VBS June 15-18

Get ready to dive into the deep end as we learn about God's love at VBS. Get your deep sea diving equipment ready and the dates on your calendar!

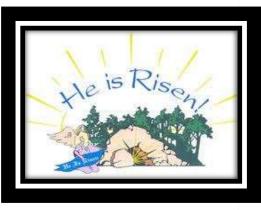
Schedule your grandkids for this week

Snow Hill Changing of the Guard



Pastor CJ will be retiring mid June. Watch for opportunities closer to that time to celebrate her and thank her for her ministry.

A new pastor will be assigned to our church by the UMC. The appointment will be announced in April. The new pastor will come to Snow Hill early July.



Happy Birthday!

- Mar 23 Billy Willard
- Mar 25 Emily Anderson Teresa Hodges Sue McGuire
- Mar 27 PC Frye
- Mar 28 Lee Richardson
- Mar 29 Lydia Richardson
- Mar 30 Steve Gregg
- Apr 03 Colin Anderson Wayne Hodges



- Apr 04 Alyssa Hawkes Bobby Manning
- Apr 07 Kristie Anderson
- Apr 08 Paul-Michael Charleville
- Apr 15 Sam Tilley
- Apr 21 Randy Shelton
- Apr 23 Meritza Moorefield
- Apr 24 Judy Cox
- Apr 27 Kent Amos

Church Calendar

Mar	01	9:45 am	Sunday School
		10:50 am	Worship
Mar	04	6:15 pm	Bible Study- Gospel of John
		7:30 pm	Choir Practice
Mar	08	9:45 am	Sunday School
		10:50 am	Worship
Mar	09	7:00 pm	UM Women Meeting
Ma	11	6:15 pm	Bible Study- Gospel of John
		7:30 pm	Choir Practice
Mar	15	8:00 am	UM Men Breakfast
		9:45 am	Sunday School
		10:50 am	Worship
Mar	18	6:15 pm	Bible Study- Gospel of John
		7:30 pm	Choir Practice
Mar	21	5:00 pm	Senior Banquet
Mar	22	9:45 am	Sunday School
		10:50 am	Worship
Mar	25	6:15 pm	Bible Study- Gospel of John
		7:30 pm	Choir Practice
Mar	29	9:45 am	Sunday School
		10:50 am	Worship
Apr	01	6:15 pm	Children's Church
F -		7:30 pm	Choir Practice
Apr	04	2:00 pm	Easter Egg Hunt (at SHAPE)
Apr	05	_	PALM SUNDAY
· · P·	00	9:45 am	Sunday School
		10:50 am	Worship
Apr	08	6:00 pm	Bible Study- Gospel of John
· · P·	00	7:30 pm	Choir Practice
Apr	12	6:15 am	EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE
Apr	12	9:45 am	Church wide breakfast
			Worship
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Apr	13 15	7:00 pm	UM Women Meeting
Apr	15	6:15 pm	Bible Study- Gospel of John
	10	7:30 pm	Choir Practice
Apr	19	8:00 am	UM Men Breakfast
		9:45 am	Sunday School
	~~	10:50 am	Worship
Apr	22	6:15 pm	Bible Study- Gospel of John
		7:30 pm	Choir Practice
Apr	26	9:45 am	Sunday School
	•	10:50 am	Worship
Apr	29	6:15 pm	Bible Study- Gospel of John
		7:30 pm	Choir Practice
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