Calendar

Aug	1	10:00 am	Special Music	
			Worship	
			Lunch/Celebration	
Aug	4	7:00 pm	Choir Practice	
Aug	8	10:00 am	Worship Service	
Aug	11	7:00 pm	Choir Practice	
Aug	15	8:00 am	UMM Breakfast	
		10:00 am	Worship Service	
Aug	16	7:00 pm	UMW Meeting	
Aug	18	7:00 pm	Choir Practice	
Aug	22	10:00 am	Worship Service	
Aug	25	7:00 pm	Choir Practice	
Aug	26	7:00 pm	Church Council	
Aug	29	10:00 am	Worship Service	
Sep	1	7:00 pm	Choir Practice	
Sep	5	10:00 am	Labor Day	
_			Worship Service	
Sep	6-	9:00 am-	Prep for UMW	
	8	4:00 pm	Yard Sale	
Sep	8	7:00 pm	Choir Practice	
Sep	9	7:00 am-	UMW Yard Sale	
		7:00 pm		
Sep	10	7:00 am-	UMW Yard Sale	
		3:00pm		
		3:00pm	Yard Sale Pack up	
Sep	12	10:00 am	Worship Service	
Sep	15	7:00 pm	Choir Practice	
Sep	19	8:00 am	UMM Breakfast	
-		10:00 am	Worship Service	
Sep	22	7:00 pm	Choir Practice	
Sep	26	10:00 am	Worship Service	
Sep	29	7:00 pm	Choir Practice	
Oct	1	5:00 pm	Stew Preparation	
Oct	2	4:00 pm	UMM Annual	
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Oct	3	10:00 am	Worship Service	
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What is a "Small Group"?

A Small Group is an intentional gathering, meeting regularly for the purpose of building community, deepening relationships, and the opportunity for deeper spiritual exploration and search for meaning.

Small groups, unlike formal Bible Study classes, are more intimate and participants are encouraged to ask questions and speak freely about how the scripture fits their life today.



Communications

- Don't forget to check the website for updates: www.snowhillumc.org
- Follow us on Facebook: https://www.facebook.co
 m/snowhillmethchurch

Facebook Live Stream
Sermons: Keith Lawson

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From the Pastor

What an exciting year! Although we struggled through the pandemic, we did not falter in our worship of God. We held outside service, Facebook Live service, and we broadcasted our service on our FM transmitter. Once we were able to meet in person, we held planning sessions to



discuss the direction we need to go from here. There were great ideas for us to move forward and still hold on to our rich traditions. We have had leadership classes and we are excited about starting Sunday school soon. One of our most gratifying accomplishments was getting the choir back together. Soon, we will start small groups and will be enlisting the help of members to lead these groups.

The fellowship between congregants is growing and the morale of the church is excitingly becoming one of enthusiasm and even greater willingness to serve! We have welcomed new families and the word is spreading that we are a church that is truly *being* the church. Discipleship is how we grow the Kingdom of God. It is truly an exciting time to be a part of Snow Hill!

In addition to spiritual growth, we have been making improvements to our church facility. We recently had the entire church painted and it looks great! We will be replacing windows soon too. The library is still a work in progress, but we hope to have it set up for quiet reading, personal study, and research soon.

I have completed another course in the required course of study. I am still growing spiritually as your pastor and I hope to continue that growth with even more emphasis on serving you with your spiritual needs and as a friend. Have an idea for an opportunity to share the Gospel? Come by the office. I will make a pot of coffee and we can chat! I am always available by phone and I am always excited to spend

time with each of you!

Graciously yours, Rev. Keith R. Lawson

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We are back in action!



Finally, together! We have really missed being able to gather together. The men recently enjoyed building a ramp at LifeBrite Hospital so residents can enjoy the gazebo. Built in memory of Billy Shelton.

The women hosted a fun barn quilt class with over 20 participants. Enjoyed time to visit, be creative, and something to take home!



Baptisms - Welcome!



James "Wyatt" and Jaxon "Wade" Davis
Parents: Gavin and Crystal Davis



Matthew Griffith

Coming Up

COMING Attractions

We don't have specific dates and times set at time of publishing but stay tuned for information on:

- ✓ Sunday School
- ✓ Children's Programs
- ✓ Small Groups
- Community Activities
- ✓ Fun, socializing times

Let Keith Lawson know if you are interested in taking a leadership role for any of these.



Annual UMW Yard Sale Sept 9-10

Start cleaning out those closets and box up what you are not using. Not only do the funds raised go back into the community, the community is able to purchase items they need or want at extremely reasonable prices.

Bring your items to Lawsonville Community Center Sept 6-8. Contact Cindy Roberts for more information. Come shop on Sept 9-10 SPREAD THE WORD!



Annual Men's Stew Oct 2

Don't forget to get this on your calendar.

\$6/Quart - Can't beat it!



NC State Fair Worker Clothing Drive Oct 2-3

Many of the people that work the fairs are transient, always on the move. They are required to wear all black. Richard and Dawn Smith will be going with a mission group to Raleigh to minister to these people. We are collecting the required "black uniform" to give away. We need solid black shirts, pants, socks, and shoes—all sizes, male and female.

Bring to the stew or Sunday service

Come Grow in the Garden

Pastor Keith Lawson came back to Snow Hill as the senior pastor in the middle of the pandemic as a part-time pastor while full-time Respiratory Therapist at LifeBrite hospital. Not only did he provide spiritual guidance, his expertise helped our congregation and many others through the pandemic. In April, Keith retired from the hospital and became our full-time pastor.

He has kept us on our toes with his Bible- based sermons, using different styles of teaching, and always challenging us. We have had the



joy of welcoming several families joining us after moving to the area.

If you are visiting today or just haven't been in a while, we sincerely hope you will consider coming back and being part of our church family!

The righteous will flourish like a palm tree, they will grow like a cedar of Lebanon; planted in the house of the LORD, they will flourish in the courts of our God. They will still bear fruit in old age, they will stay fresh and green.

Psalm 92:12-14

CALLING ALL FARMERS

There are so many examples in the Bible regarding preparing soil, planting, working the field, even the harvest. Snow Hill Leadership has been using this analogy in our planning sessions.

Questions for you:

- Will you be a farmer willing to work in the field or are you just going to sit on the porch to wait and see what grows?
- Is your soil rich in Bible study, prayer, fellowship with others or has it become crusty and dry?

YOU are an important part of the harvest for God's kingdom



Church Leadership Update

The Executive Church Council has been working overtime to plan for a bountiful harvest. Continue to pray for direction as they seek the Holy Spirit's direction to serve God and the members of this church family.

Who to ask if you have questions: Janet Gregg, Chairperson Faye Mabe, Secretary Tim Wilson, Lay Leader Lee Richardson, Treasurer Josh Manring, Youth Rep Jordan Vickers, Young Adult Rep Rev. Keith Lawson, Pastor

Committee Chairs
Emily Moorefield, Pastor/Parish
Kim Lawson, Finance
Tim Wilson, Trustee
Lee Charleville, UMM
Cindy Roberts, Worship/UMW
Laura Wilson, Parsonage
Tommy Wagoner, SHARE
Glenn Robertson, Cemetery

At Large
Dawn Smith
Nolan Lawson
Steve Gregg
Willis Overby

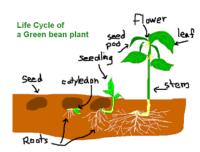
Asking the question: **HOW IS THIS ACTION**

GOING TO GROW THE KINGDOM OF GOD?



For as the soil makes the sprout come up and a garden causes seeds to grow, so the Sovereign LORD will make righteousness and praise spring up before all nations.

Isaiah 61:11



Remember the seed in the little paper cup, First the root goes down and then the plant grows up!