

ECCLÉSIA

March 2022





On the Cover: Members of the Hannah Circle

In February the office staff, front desk volunteers, and Ms. Naomi in the nursery were all blessed by a visit from ladies in the UMW Hannah circle. Thank you notes for the treats they delivered are on page 19.

Page 5: Lent at FUMC

On this page you'll find an overview of the opportunities to get involved, and grow in faith during the season of Lent. Look for more details in church wide emails, or on our website.

Page 13: Pictures from the Youth Winter Retreat

A group of youth and adults from our congregation spent the weekend in Boone, NC. We spent time having fun as a group - including exploring Grandfather Mountain and riding an Alpine Coaster! During our devotions we talked about what God has to say about anxiety. Jesus doesn't leave his followers in their anxiety, He gets into the unsteady boat with us.

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One of Jesus' fundamental teachings has often been taken in an unhelpful way. As a result, people have unintentionally rendered emotional harm upon themselves, and consequently upon others. I'm thinking specifically about when our Lord Jesus Christ taught: "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me (Luke 9:23)."

Let's pray and think about this a bit more. I'm hopeful that we can all take a fresh, honest look at this teaching – which is at the heart of Christianity and specifically this season of Lent – and let's hope for a renewed approach to life.

Luke chapter 9 tells about Jesus organizing, preparing, and sending the twelve disciples. Jesus commissioned them to overcome diseases & demons (verse 1), to proclaim the Kingdom of God and heal the sick (verse 2), along with specific instructions about how to travel together (verses 3-6). There was political pressure from King Herod to tamp down the mission (verses 7-9), but the disciples would not be denied (verses 10-11). Through word and action, Jesus guided them to experience how God's abundance inspires generosity, when thousands were fed with a starter meal of loaves and fish (verses 12-17). Soon thereafter, Jesus taught the disciples about His identity and mission (verses 18-22).

The imminence of the Cross was unmistakable for Jesus. As a preparation for what would soon happen, Jesus let the disciples know that He would endure great suffering, experience rejection, even death, but then be raised on the third day. Surely it was overwhelming for the disciples to hear this. Jesus knew what was coming up, but the disciples did not. Imagine if Jesus had not prepared them, as hard as this teaching might be, then they witnessed his suffering and death. The disciples would have been devastated beyond much possibility for encouragement. Those twelve disciples would have run even farther away from the Cross, scattering further into hiding apart from each other. Therefore, Jesus lovingly spoke the honest truth so that the disciples would be ready.

But there would be more. Not only would Jesus himself suffer, but those who follow Jesus will suffer as well: "let them deny themselves."

A disciple's suffering is altogether different than Jesus', because Jesus' sacrifice is once and for all. Nonetheless, its coloring comes from the same palette with similar shades and hues.

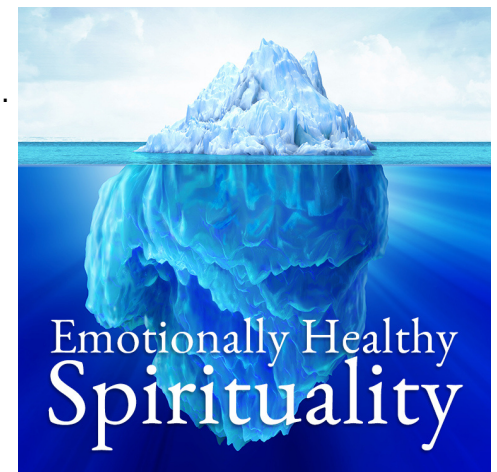
How have you denied yourself? What purposeful choices have you made? What are the sacrifices?

Taken the wrong way, as Pete Scazzero notes, denying one's self can mistakenly suppose, "The more miserable you are, the more you suffer, the more God loves you. Disregard your unique personhood; it has no place in God's kingdom (*Emotionally Healthy Spirituality*, page 26)." This prevents us from flourishing, thus impacting everything: our relationships, our satisfaction with life, and so forth. I'm concerned that well-intentioned Christians have done themselves harm, and it has brought no fruit for the Kingdom.

Yes, let's deny the sinful parts of our life: violence, insincerity, haughtiness, and the like. At the same time, let's disabuse ourselves from the notion that we need to annihilate our personalities. God is calling us to live deeper, more authentic lives. This way, we can grow into people who truly enjoy life!

Lenten blessings,

Pastor Mark



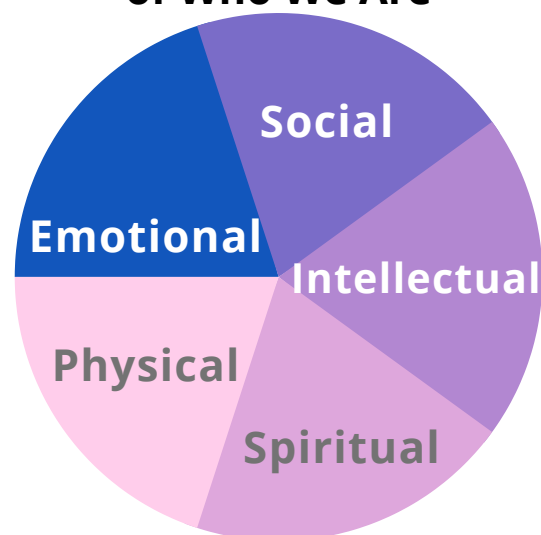
EMOTIONALLY HEALTHY SPIRITUALITY

The Emotionally Healthy Spirituality course started in February and will last through March. Twenty church members spread out among three classes are engaging in this material together. Linné Wallace says, "I have enjoyed the course because it has given me pause to consider my emotions and feelings to situations, people, and to God."

The discussion on temptations causing us to think 'we are not good enough' was especially enlightening for me." The Emotionally Healthy Spirituality course addresses the reality that emotional maturity and spirituality maturity are inseparable. The course also aims to equip people in a personal, firsthand relationship with Jesus by incorporating stillness, silence, and Scripture as daily life rhythms. As Saint Augustine prayed: "Grant, Lord, that I may know myself that I may know thee."

A few copies of Emotionally Healthy Spirituality by Peter Scazzero are available in the church office for \$12.

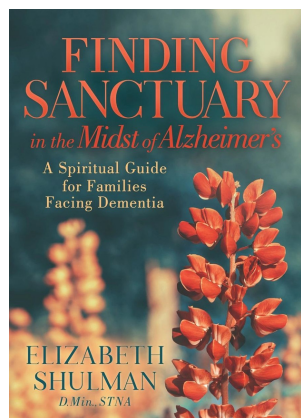
Five Components of Who We Are



CARING FOR CAREGIVERS



Our church welcomed Dr. Elizabeth Shulman, author of Finding Sanctuary, to present a workshop on Sunday, February 20. Of the forty people who participated, most were from the community. This presentation was part of our church's emerging "Caring for Caregivers" ministry. Barbara Senter noted, "Dr. Shulman offered hope to caregivers of family suffering from dementia. Hope came in many forms; some of the participants were caregivers learning to care for themselves and encouraging them to reach out to friends and church members for help. Dr. Shulman shared the many resources available to assist in the care of a loved one. I learned of the many service offered by Hospice, which is more than just end of life care. As a friend of a caregiver and as a person who has lost a sister to Alzheimer's, I left the workshop thinking 'there are answers out there.'" In the coming weeks, Dr. Shulman's workshop will be available as a two-part series on the church's YouTube channel.



**Look for it on
YouTube soon!**





LENT AT FUMC

March 2 Our next Community Meal, 6:00pm

Ash Wednesday service, 7:00pm

March 10 Pretzel Making in the Fellowship Hall, 5:30pm

Dinner included, sign up by March 8

March 27 Last day to order butterflies & Easter flowers

April 1 Last day for "Egg my Yard" orders (Camp Discovery fundraiser)

April 3 New Member Lunch, 12:30pm

April 3 Youth packing care packages for senior adults

April 6 Free Community Meal, 6:00pm

Lenten prayer stations, 6:30pm

April 10 Palm Sunday Breakfast, 9:45am (youth fundraiser)

TBD

Community Easter Event for Children & Families

Ongoing

Lent at Home Resources (all ages)

Emotionally Healthy Spirituality (adults)

Midday Prayer, Wednesdays at noon (adults)

For more information, order forms, and sign ups,
visit fumcsalisbury.org/lent-easter



CHURCH HISTORY

"Looking back, moving forward"

Methodism grew rapidly in the 18th century. The flexibility of its administrative structure enabled Methodist preachers to carry God's Word to the outposts of an ever expanding continent. A circuit rider gave up bodily comforts while making a total commitment to God's work. Every traveling preacher accepted the hardship and loneliness of constant travel and perpetual poverty. There was just one problem. Marriage repeatedly robbed the system of its best and brightest preachers.

John Wesley, Methodism's founder, married late in life. His marriage failed when he refused to do one minute's less work for God as a married man than he did single.

Francis Asbury, Methodism's first bishop, never married. For him, a wife and children would have been financially impractical. Times were hard and money was scarce. Most of the early circuit riders left the ministry after a few years. Many died of exhaustion before they reached the age of thirty. From 1784 until 1814 the conference received 1,616 preachers. Of that number 821 had left the traveling ministry by 1814. Of the first five Methodist bishops, only Thomas Coke married.

One of Salisbury's first Methodist pastors, James Parks, is a good example of the marriage dilemma. Originally from Mecklenburg County, Virginia, Parks must have met his future wife Elizabeth, the daughter of Hardy Jones, in her youth. Early Virginia deeds indicate a connection between their families. Parks became a Methodist preacher in 1788. By the early 1790s Hardy Jones had moved his family to a farm on the Yadkin River near Advance, NC. At some point James Parks and Elizabeth Jones married.

Each traveling preacher received a new appointment every year. In 1790, Parks was appointed to serve the Salisbury circuit. In 1791, Bishop Asbury appointed Parks to serve the Charleston church. Single church appointments like Charleston usually went to married preachers. The next year Parks was back on a circuit in central North Carolina not far from the Jones farm. In 1793 he became the presiding elder of the Yadkin, Salisbury, and Anson circuits. In 1792 his name appeared on the appointment list next to Cokesbury School, a small newly established district educational institution located on Hardy Jones' property. At the end of that year, James Parks' name dropped from conference records.

Bishop Asbury complained bitterly over the loss of so many able preachers. He once wrote, "for the time, we should have age and experience in the ministry, we have youth and inexperience...We must do the best we can." Thinking of a promising young pastor that married Asbury wrote, "I find the care of a wife begins to humble my young friend, and makes him very teachable: I have thought he always carried great sail; but he will have ballast now."

Methodism did not oppose clergy marriages. Young churches simply could not financially support a pastor's family. A preacher's salary was \$64 a year with an equal amount going to his wife if he married. Sadly, wives seldom collected their share.

Even today, pastors are often torn between their duty to God, the church, and their family. Churches, likewise, are often challenged to pay a pastor's salary, pension, health benefits, and professional expenses. In the early 19th Century, growing prosperity enabled most churches to support a married pastor. Yet even today the lack of money has forced many contemporary congregations to share a pastor with another church, to have only a part time pastor, or to close. Bishop Asbury called himself a bishop and a beggar. That has not changed after two hundred years.

Fred Jordan,
Church Historian



Bishop Francis Asbury
Statue located in
Washington D.C.

WELCOMING GUEST PREACHERS



Mr. Torey Haynes

Guest preacher for
February 13

In mid-February we had the honor of welcoming Mr. Tory Haynes as our guest preacher. He is a seminarian at Hood Theological Seminary.

It was wonderful to have Torey and his family worshipping with us for the day. If you missed his message, don't forget you can always go back and watch past worship services on our YouTube channel!



The Rev. Carl King

Guest preacher for
March 27

Rev. King's family has strong roots in Salisbury, including our church! He's an ordained elder in the North Carolina Conference of the United

Methodist Church, currently on staff at Duke Divinity School. We look forward to welcoming Rev. King later this month.

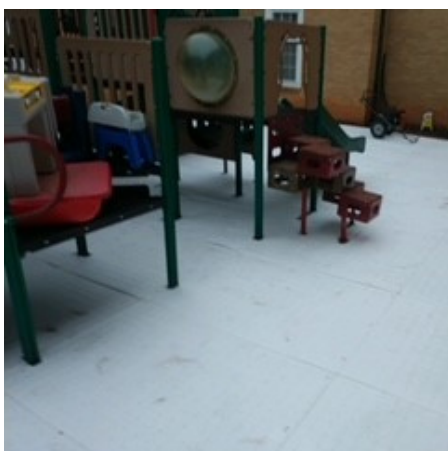
INTERIOR PLAYGROUND CONSTRUCTION COMPLETE

I am pleased to report that the resurfacing of the Children's Playground was completed! Mike Fansler helped oversee the workers that were at the church and felt they did a great job to ensure we would not have any future drainage issues while maintaining the appropriate safety needs for the children.

In a couple of the pictures you'll notice white rubber tiles, which are directly below the turf. Underneath the rubber tiles the contractors put down a good amount of gravel in order help level out the surface. The rubber tiles have holes in them to help provide drainage through the tiles.

Also of note, the CDC has received some grant funding, and making playground improvements was one of the expenses approved. She and I will connect soon to discuss the portion of their grant going towards this project! Great news!

- Dennis Barber, Trustee Chair





EASTER DAY FLOWERS

Purchase flowers to decorate the chancel on Easter Day in honor or in memory of a loved one. Flowers must be ordered by Sunday March 27. This year there will be lilies and hydrangeas available for purchase.

Hydrangeas are \$30 and Lilies are \$15 each. You are invited to take your flowers home with you after the worship services on Easter. Any profit made will go to support Camp Discovery.



EASTER BUTTERFLIES

We will be releasing live butterflies on Easter Sunday following the 11:00am worship service. Butterflies will be delivered just prior to Easter Sunday. Butterflies can be purchased in honor or in memory of a loved one.

Butterflies are \$10 each, and any profit made will go to support Camp Discovery.

Order forms available in the Narthex or on the church website

Deadline - March 27, 2022

Lent & Easter
Webpage



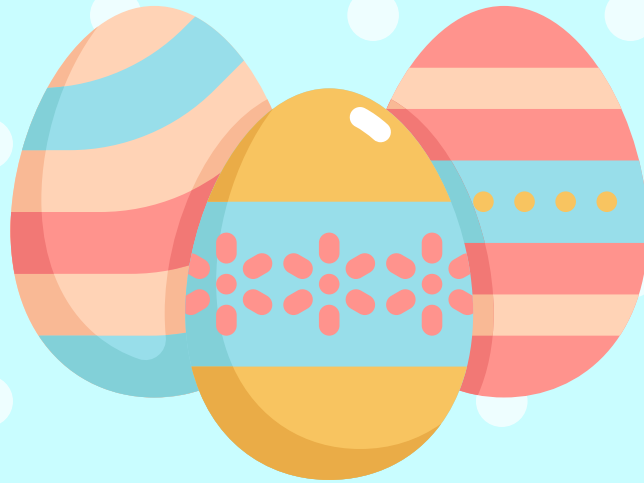
SPRING CARE PACKAGES



Care Packages for Older Adults

We are making plans to pack care packages for some of our older adults again this spring. Watch for emails and bulletin announcements for information on how you can get involved. These seasonal gifts are a great opportunity to remind older members of their church's love for them!

Egg My Yard



EGG YOURSELF, EGG A FRIEND, EGG YOUR GRANDKIDS

Deadline for orders
April 1st

24 EGGS/ \$25.00
48 EGGS/ \$45.00

HERE'S HOW IT WORKS

- Complete the order form & submit payment by April 1.
- Our team will hide the eggs in your yard the evening of April 16, along with a note from the Easter Bunny.
- Easter Morning, all the work is done for you! Wake-up, make your coffee, sit back and enjoy the hunt!

(Delivery time between 7PM - 9PM, rain or shine!)

All funds raised benefit Camp Discovery!

Questions?
Contact Bailee at
bailee@fumcsalisbury.org



SCOUTS AT FUMC



Scout Troop 442 (6-12)
Mondays at 7:00pm

Contact Bruce Kolkebeck (BK)
(704)433-8151 bkolback@gmail.com

Cub Pack 442 (k-5)
Mondays at 6:00pm

Contact Bill Shaffer
(678)641-3513 shaffb31@yahoo.com



Scout Sunday

Our Scout Troop 442 and Cub Pack 442 made breakfast for fellowship time, processed into worship with their backpacks, and many scouts participated in leading worship on February 6! Troop 442 also hiked and camped in Grayson Highlands on a cold weekend in February.



TEACHER APPRECIATION DAY FOR PRESCHOOL & CDC



The teachers in both our Child Development Center and Preschool have been hard at work helping children to learn, as well as working to keep them safe and healthy! Bailee and the church staff showed their appreciation for our teachers on February 16 by delivering breakfast and encouraging notes to each teacher. A similar show of appreciation for our After School Child Care teachers is planned for another day soon.



SCOUTING FOR FOOD

The combined efforts of Pack 442, Troops 442B & 442G and Crew 442 yielded 655 pounds of goods for Scouting for Food, delivered to Rowan Helping Ministries on February 8, 2022.

Thank you to all who donated and helped with the collection efforts. Special thanks to Bruce Kolkebeck for making the delivery.

Later in the week, volunteers from FUMC were the ones who sorted the food during our regular food packing hour. We send a team to Rowan Helping Ministries to pack and sort food twice a month.



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Easter Candy



Drop off by March 27

Candy Donations

Please bring donations of individually wrapped (peanut free) candy to the church by March 27, Bins located in the Carter Lobby.

Candy will be used for:

- a community Easter event,
- treat bags on Easter Day,
- and the 'Egg My Yard' fundraising project.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Salisbury Youth

6-12 GRADE MINISTRY

CONFIRMATION
SUNDAYS 10:00-10:45AM

YOUTH GROUP
SUNDAYS 4:00-5:30PM

Newsletter



Youth Summer Missions 2022

This year we are focusing on Camp Discovery as our summer mission opportunity. The goal will be to involve more of our youth throughout the process of preparing for, and leading camp. Camp Discovery has been a missional focus of our church for 20 years now! Through providing a camp experience for 4-5th graders from all over Rowan County, we hope to build ongoing connections and remind children of God's love for them. We hope to have some of our youth serving as mentors for campers, and for those who are too young to mentor or are not able to be at camp all week; we want to get them involved in planning, prep work, and leading activities.

The focus on Camp Discovery will also be connected to a mission experience in the fall. We're calling it a 'Learn & Serve' trip. Over a long weekend in the fall, we will visit Washington D.C., learn about justice work in the past, as well as how people are currently working to love their neighbor in the capital city.

Similar to a week-long mission trip, we will meet beforehand to prepare, and everyone will fulfill pre-trip requirements (such as completing service hours).

SUNDAY MORNINGS

0-4 YRS

Nursery

Crossover Hall rooms B-106 & B-108

K-5TH

Sunday School

Sundays 10:00-10:45am

MONTHLY



PRE-K



K-3RD

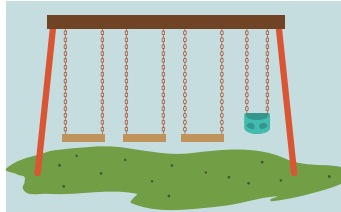


4TH-5TH

Nursery Volunteers

Children's Ministry needs volunteers to serve in the nursery on Sunday mornings!

Contact Bailee by email or phone at Bailee@fumcsalisbury.org or 704-754-0436



Preschool Play Date

March 19th @ 11AM

Meet at the Williams Playground
Pre-K and under

Palm Sunday Breakfast
April 10
DONATIONS BENEFIT YOUTH MISSION PROJECTS & TRIPS

PICTURES FROM WINTER RETREAT



GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

FOR EACH
DOLLAR IN
THE PLATE



~90 ¢

Stays at FUMC

~6.2 ¢

Annual Conference

~3.8 ¢

General Church

100% of Apportionments Paid in 2021

We received a thank you note from Rev. Laura Auten, district superintendent of the Uwharrie district, in recognition of receiving the full payment of our 2021 apportionments. Rev. Auten writes, "Dear First Salisbury friends, thank you for being part of the connection!" Our portion will join with the portions of other United Methodists, extending our church's reach "to be a faithful presence in God's world."

FINANCE COMMITTEE UPDATE

By the time you read this update in the Ecclesia, your Finance Committee will have met twice this year. I have been invited to lead as Chairperson and look forward to the challenge. My background includes 47 years in the financial services business. Your other committee members are identified in the newly published 2022 Profile. It is located on the Church website under the heading About/Leadership Team and clicking on the graphic "2022 Profile" at the top of the page.

We are always interested in the financial health of the Church. Numbers are in for 2021 and at a high level show the following outcomes, viz:

2021 Operating Accounts		
	Budget	Actual
Revenues	\$797,578	\$789,150
Expenses	\$793,964	\$648,048*
Net	\$3,614	\$141,102
*Actual Expenses reduced by \$138,000 in Paycheck Protection Program		

Leadership Team
Webpage



As you can see, we benefited as did many others, from Uncle Sam's Paycheck Protection Program (PPP). This was a forgivable loan program. Our loan was forgiven. Therefore, looking at the receipts vs. expenses and taking out the PPP Loan, FUMC essentially broke even.

We are transparent on our financials. If you have curiosities, please contact Becca Blackmon at the Church or me at phillipfloyd1776@gmail.com.

2022 is another year. On a positive note, as was announced at a recent Church Service, Mary Anne Laningham left a large gift of over \$1 million dollars essentially doubling our foundation investments. This generous gift will go a long way in support our Church.

As an incoming Chair, I asked for any tutoring that might be available. To my delight I was able to attend a live Zoom Meeting put on by the Western NC Conference of the UMC. There are trends impacting churches because of people's changing behaviors and because of the impact of COVID. We will be learning and discussing more in the coming year.

My personal best wishes to you. We hope to make 2022 the best year yet for First Church!
Phillip Floyd, Finance Committee Chair

God's mission is bigger than our immediate area

Continuing practice from early days of Methodism

WHY?

Collective goods, mission, and ministry: funded by all for benefit of all

It's our identity as Methodists to be CONNECTIONAL

Do things more efficiently together

We can do things beyond the ability of individual churches

- Africa University serves 25 countries in Africa!
- Imagine No Malaria efforts have reduced malaria deaths by HALF!

- Support system that allows 100% of 2nd mile giving to go to mission and ministry
- New church starts
- Revitalization support for existing churches
- Accountability, risk management, aligning vision & strategy
- Resources for mission
- Train, equip, and sustain leaders- lay & clergy



APPORTIONMENTS, EXPLAINED

Connectional giving for the transformation of the world

This is a democratic process - budgets are set by delegates to Annual Conference and General Conference

HOW?

Each Annual Conference sets its own formula for how each church will offer *a portion* to support ministry at the local and global level

WNCC Apportionments:

Our net expenditures over 3 year period \times Multiplier = FUMC's Apportionments

<10% of budget!

- Does NOT include Mission expenses or major building projects/repairs
- A 3-year average helps to prevent swings based on unusual years

$$\left(\frac{\text{Conference Budget}}{\text{WNCC Churches Net Expenditures over 3 years}} \right)$$

Did you know? FUMC Salisbury typically has 8-10 people at Annual Conference - active and retired clergy, and lay persons as district at-large delegates! Most churches have 1 lay and 1 clergy person present.

PRESCHOOL

Open Enrollment for 2022-2023 has begun and classes are filling up quickly. We offer classes for 2-year old, 3-year old, and 4-year olds. Registration forms are available at our website, fumcsalisbury.org, in the church office, or you can get one from Kelly Austin, our preschool Director. If interested, contact Kelly to schedule a tour - (336) 722-9260. Please note enrollment is on a first come, first serve basis. We would love to have you join our preschool family and allow us to help your child learn and grow in God's image.

In the meantime, our children in all classes continue to grow, building everlasting friendships in the loving Christian environment that the church and our teachers provide every day. Daily blessings, structured routines and learning, singing, dancing, and play are among the many activities our children experience. The 2-year olds focus on shapes and colors and love the crafts and stories to describe each one. The 3-year olds work on letter and number recognition through hands-on learning and group discussions. Finally, our 4-year olds are growing up so quickly as Mrs. Kelly and Mrs. Dena continue to encourage a positive environment while working hard to prepare each of them for Kindergarten.



AFTER-SCHOOL CHILD CARE

The school year is more than half over and as we continue, we are happy to see the children growing, learning and playing together. We are very busy!

Registration for the 2022-2023 school year begins March 28. Forms are available online or we can make up a packet with everything you need. We serve the following elementary schools and we provide transportation: Hurley, Granite Quarry, Isenberg, Koontz and Overton. We also serve North Hills Christian School. We offer daily snacks, indoor/outdoor play, games, homework assistance, devotions and more. We are open until 6PM Monday through Friday. We would love to tell you more details about our program! Please call (704) 433 6679 for more information.

Wishing everyone a happy, safe spring.

"Your children will become what you are; so be what you want them to be."



5TH SUNDAY SEMINARY



Thank you to Dr. David Nelson, President of Catawba College, for teaching in January as part of our 5th Sunday Seminary series.

The next 5th Sunday lecture will be May 29.



ROWAN HELPING MINISTRIES SUPPORT IN 2021

Dear friends,

Last year was a very tough year for the citizens in our community as the COVID crisis impacted us on so many levels. But the bright spots for our agency and the clients we served were our compassionate donors who, despite their own COVID-related challenges, continues to provide financial support for our important programs. Because of you, our doors remained open so that we could help those needing the most basic of services during this terrible pandemic.

Last year, our caring donors and thoughtful partners made these things possible:

- 930 households received \$586,395 in financial assistance for rent, utilities, medicine, and other critical needs;
- 566 different guests were provided a safe place to spend the night in our shelter;
- 57,847 meals were served to the hungry in Jeannie's Kitchen;
- 2,185 households visited our food pantries, where 1,029,110 pounds of groceries were distributed;
- 26,424 Food for Thought food bags were given to food insecure Rowan County students each week, including summer months, so that they would have enough to eat.

Thank you for your continuing support and partnership!

Sincerely,
Kyna S. Grabb,
Executive Director of Rowan Helping Ministries



COMING UP...

Holy Week & Easter

APRIL 10 - 17

Palm Sunday will be on April 10,
Maundy Thursday on April 14,
Good Friday on April 15, and
Easter Day will be on April 17

Church Picnic

DATE TBD

Pack a dish to share, and
meet at Dan Nicholas Park
for fun and fellowship!

Camp Discovery

JULY 3-8

Save the date for Camp
Discovery, and keep an eye out
for the ways you can get involved
this year!

Do you have an article for the Ecclesia?

Send them to Jenni@fumcsalisbury.org with
"(Month to be printed) Ecclesia" in the subject line.

Articles can be submitted by the first Friday of the
month prior to when you would like it printed.

Access the Church Calendar Any Time

Access the church calendar any
time! Just go to fumcsalisbury.org
and look under the Connect tab.
There you can also find a digital
version of the Ecclesia.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

1 Reid Leonard
Nancy Rudd

2 David Austin
Joseph Clark

3 Jill Duggan
Bob Johnsen

4 Walter Maxwell
Barbara Safley

5 Mark Beymer
Kelly Fisher

6 Casey Gouge

7 Will Douglas

8 Sarah Hensley
Kerry Kribbs
Jeff Lineberry
Katherine Miller

9 Linda Bowman
Don Carter
Shelley Cross
John Ellis II

10 Jarrett Bradshaw

11

12 Taffy Jordan

13 Julia Baker
Ed Lutz

14 Nettie Noble

15 JoAnn Smith
Susan Whitaker

16

17 Norman Clark
Gary Price
Camille Robinson
Jamie Webb

18 Van Kelly

19 Robbie Ladd
Jessica Watson

20 Linda Brown

21 Nancy Haines
Dudley Johnsen

22 Jim Gilland
Martha Miller

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24 Alex Grenoble
Carolyn Peck

25 Lacey Mastro
Billie Moore
Shulley Storey

26 Debbie Carter
Arabelle Hutton
Charleigh Weisensel

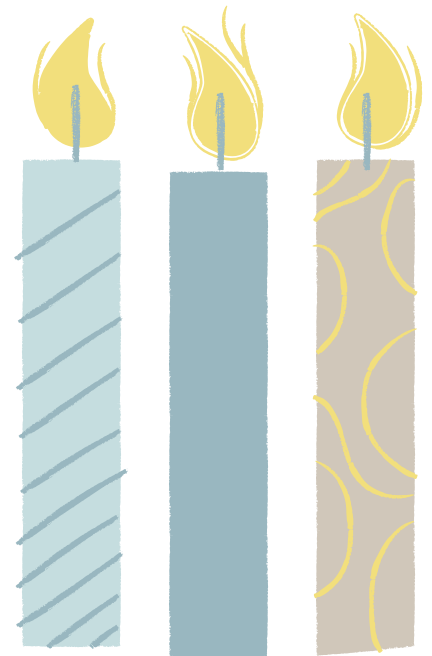
27 Brooke Busby
Glenn Moore
Allison Robinson

28 Midjii Bost
Howard Douglas
Kay McCartney
Boyd Watts

29 Holland Bradshaw
Adrienne Howe

30 Barbara Senter

31 Kate Goodman



FUMC FAMILY AND EXTENDED FAMILY TRANSITIONS

In Remembrance

Please keep these families in your prayers

JESSE LEE BYRD JR.

Father of Courtney Bost

May 8, 1949 - January 21, 2022

KENT ANDERSON

Brother of Judy Beymer

Died January 29, 2022

JAN LYNETTE CULLER

Mother of KC Culler

December 4, 1954 - January 30, 2022

DR. FRED HUNTLEY ALLEN JR.

Brother of Missy Brown

October 29, 1934 - February 3, 2022

RICHARD ALEXANDER WYRICK

Father of Tim Wyrick

March 15, 1942 - February 8, 2022

"God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble." - Psalm 46:1

THANK YOU!

Dear UMW Hannah Circle,

The gift baskets you prepared in celebration of Valetines day were so thoughtful and generous! We thouroughly enjoyed all the treats inside. Thank you for sharing your love with the church staff and volunteers!

- The office staff, Ms. Naomi, and front desk volunteers

Thank
you

A huge THANK YOU to all the ladies of the Hannah UMW Circle for the Valentine goodie gift basket that was sent to the Volunteer office at church. We really appreciate this thoughtful gift and I speak for all the volunteers who work the Volunteer office, we THANK YOU greatly!

Jerry Jackson, Jr.

Chuck Bowman

Jeanmarie Burton

Missy Brown

and Pam Leonard

Dear Church Family,

I cannot begin to thank you for all the love and kindness that has been shown to me since my accident! The cards, phone calls and visits meant the world to me! I am certain that you are one of God's kindest congregations and I consider myself to be incredibly blessed to work for you! Again, THANK YOU!

Love, Becca Blackmon

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