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IN THIS ISSUE



On the cover: Easter Butterfly

Here Peggy Price holds a butterfly that was released on Easter Day. The butterflies took flight at our 9:00, 10:00, and 11:00 services, and many of them stayed on the lawn all morning. More pictures from Easter Day are on page 6.

Page 7: Online Directory

A new online directory is set to be available in May! All information is password protected, and instructions for accessing the directory are found in this article on page 7.

Page 11: Mission Grants

The Missions Committee had the enjoyable task of spreading out a sum of over \$10,000. Many of the projects and organizations we have regularly supported received part of the funds, as well as a new initiative to offer afterschool tutoring and support to school children in East Spencer.

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REMARKS

“Will people come back to church?”

That’s a question many people have been asking over this past pandemical year. As people settled into new routines, not being physically present on the church grounds became the way of life. You know this. You may also know the surprising joy of worshipping from home thanks to the worship videos. With a coffee in one hand and a plate of waffles in the other, who could ask for anything more?!

With more people receiving the vaccine, the COVID-19 numbers are dropping. As a result, more people are feeling comfortable being out and about, and that includes coming to church for worship, classes, and other gatherings.

The Gallup Poll and The Barna Group have continued their national data work over this past year, attempting to hazard an educated guess at how many people will indeed come back to church. They rely on surveys & social science statistics, such as death rates, birth rates, and presumed variations among generations. If you’re interested in such things, do a search online to read more. This fascinating information always piques my curiosity. Through my life as a pastor, however, I’ve come to sense what ultimately determines whether a person will come back to church: *receiving a warm welcome from people who genuinely seek to share God’s love.*

This singular reality will directly influence whether or not someone will come back to church. More impactful than any program and more alluring than any building, the way people are invited and welcomed makes all the difference. And you can personally make that difference!

I believe that we have a unique opportunity right in front of us, because as we emerge out of the pandemic, people are experiencing transitions with work, family, or culture. They are naturally facing vulnerable moments. Such vulnerability may incline a person to receive what the church has to offer: loving community, resources, encouragement, opportunity to serve, just to name a few. Meanwhile, their vulnerability may spawn some questions related to how they schedule their time; questions like... Should I go visit my grandchildren? Will our child be on that traveling team again? What weekend getaway is luring me away? What new hobby do I want to try? Should I stay home? And even...Does church even matter anymore?

Based on what I’m hearing, a wide swath of people are eager and ready to return for worship! Many others are content to stay home. Still others have developed some real fears preventing them from even trying: agoraphobia (fear of leaving the house and being in other places), claustrophobia (fear of being in closed spaces), or even anthropophobia (fear of being with other people). I’m hopeful that we, as a community of Christian faith, can be patient and loving with everybody, no matter what.

In the meantime, we can do two things:

1. Courageously embody an authentic faith in Jesus Christ through every dimension of our lives.
2. Look for people to encourage, support, and invite to worship with you.

We can do this, because YES, church does matter – perhaps more than in any time in recent memory. Let us be a faithful group of Christians in the Methodist tradition, so committed to loving God and one another, that people are compelled to come back to church!

In Christ,
Pastor Mark





MAY



Week of April 25-May 1

17	DEUTERONOMY 33-34 PSALM 147 GALATIANS 5	PSALM 119 PSALM 109 GALATIANS 6	PSALM 1 PSALM 81 PSALM 107 ACTS 1	JOEL 1-3 ACTS 2	JOSHUA 1-3 ACTS 3
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Week of May 2-8

18	JOSHUA 4-6 ACTS 4	JOSHUA 7-9 ACTS 5	JOSHUA 10-12 ACTS 6	PSALM 20 JOSHUA 13-15 ACTS 7	JOSHUA 16-18 ACTS 8
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Week of May 9-15

19	JOSHUA 19-21 ACTS 9	JOSHUA 22-24 ACTS 10	JUDGES 1-2 PSALM 115 ACTS 11	JUDGES 3-5 ACTS 12	JUDGES 6-8 PSALM 57 ACTS 13
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Week of May 16-22

20	JUDGES 9 ACTS 14	JUDGES 10-11 PSALM 117 ACTS 15	JUDGES 11-12 PSALM 118 ACTS 16	JUDGES 13-15 PSALM 83 ACTS 17	JUDGES 16-18 PSALM 62 ACTS 18
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Week of May 23-29

21	JUDGES 19-21 ACTS 19	RUTH 1-2 ACTS 20	RUTH 3-4 PSALM 91 ACTS 21	I SAMUEL 1-3 PSALM 12 ACTS 22	I SAMUEL 4-6 PROVERBS 1-2
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Week of May 30-June 5

22	I SAMUEL 7-10 PROVERBS 3-4 ACTS 23	I SAMUEL 11-13 PROVERBS 5-6 ACTS 24	I SAMUEL 14-16 PROVERBS 7-8 ACTS 25	I SAMUEL 17-19 PROVERBS 9 ACTS 26	I SAMUEL 20-22 PSALM 60 PSALM 149
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CHURCH HISTORY

"Looking back, moving forward"

Christian worship and secular festivals have often merged over the last two millennia. Sometimes it is hard to tell the two apart. For example, in the first centuries of the modern era, Christians transformed pagan sun worship into what we call Christmas. The reverse happened in medieval Europe when secular Mardi Gras or Fat Tuesday's revelry proceeded somber Ash Wednesday. Even Holy Easter has become for some people a secular celebration of spring and candy-carrying bunnies.

Today there are many secular celebrations that seem almost sacred. They include New Year's Day, President's day, Father's Day, July 4th, Labor Day, and Thanksgiving. For sports fans that list includes Super Bowl Sunday, March Madness, and the World Series.

Thanks to a Methodist laywoman named Anna Maria Jarvis, the second Sunday in May now belongs to Mothers. She never married or had children, but she idolized her mother. Noting that all national celebrations honored men, Anna felt there should be a day to honor women. When her mother died in 1905, Anna began a secular campaign to establish just such a holiday.

Grafton Methodist Episcopal Church in West Virginia hosted the first Mother's Day celebration. By 1911, Mother's Day was celebrated in almost every state in the Union. On May 8, 1914, President Woodrow Wilson signed a joint resolution designating the second Sunday in May as Mother's Day.

Commercial interests quickly took over this new holiday. Florists and greeting card companies made huge profits. Anna was appalled at the commercialization. She never imagined people would buy greeting cards when they were perfectly capable of expressing their love for their mother in their own words. She even launched a campaign to call off Mother's Day, but she had lost control of the simple holiday she created.

At that time the Methodist Church also began to rethink Mother's Day. Some women felt left out because they never had children, by choice or by infertility, or their children had died. Other women bore children but were never good mothers. Most local churches celebrated Mother's Day, but it never became an official Methodist holiday.

Rather than celebrating Mother's Day, The United Methodist Church encourages local congregations to use the month of May to emphasize "ways congregations can support families within the congregation and in the home, participate in prayer on behalf of all families, and provide ministries for forming and strengthening healthy relationships in the home (Book of Resolutions #2024)."

Most local congregations still honor Mothers and Fathers on their respective secular holidays. However, today's world desperately needs stronger families. If Methodist churches use the month of May to focus on uplifting families as a holy practice then Anna Jarvis' true vision will not be lost.

Fred Jordan, Church Historian



Anna Jarvis

Online Class Through Hood Theological Seminary, Open to All!

What is The United Methodist Book of Discipline and why is it important for our local church?

- That question and many more will be explored in a four week Zoom study of Methodist Polity.
- The Rev. Fred Jordan teaches polity at Hood Theological Seminary and will be the instructor.
- The only textbook is The Book of Discipline and the only cost is the purchase of the book.
- The two hour classes will meet each Wednesday evening in May from 6:00-8:00 pm.
- This class is sponsored by the Uwharrie District of the UMC.

Anyone wishing to register should contact Kim Hopkins at khopkins@wnccumc.org or Fred Jordan at nfredjordan@bellsouth.net.

EASTER ON THE LAWN



ONLINE CHURCH DIRECTORY LAUNCHES IN MAY!

We are excited to announce our new online church directory will launch in May!

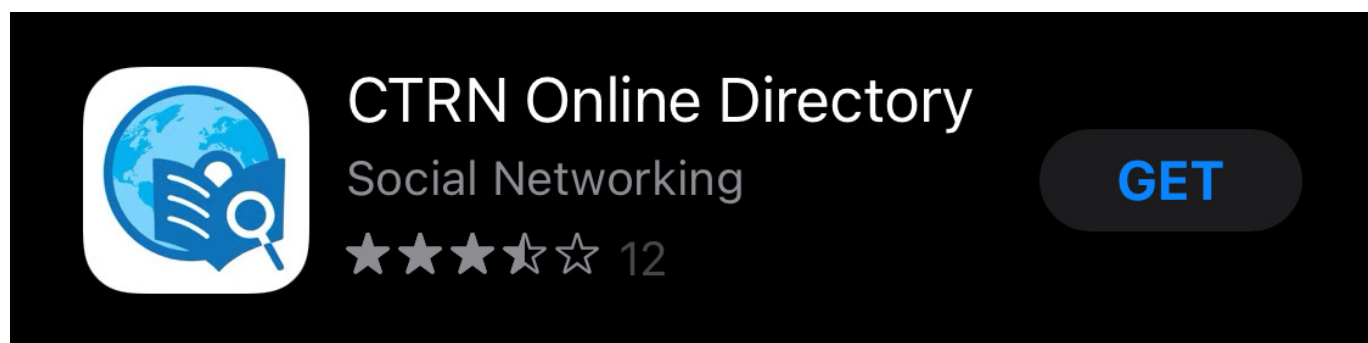
It contains most members, staff and some active friends of the church. The directory is password-protected and only available to members of our church family. You control how much information to share.

You will be able to update your information, add a photo of your choosing, and have up-to-date information on-the-go!

ACCESSING THE DIRECTORY

Upon launch, you will be emailed a secure link with a username and password to update your information, upload a picture, and access the directory via website or app. All information is password-protected.

To download the app, search "CTRN Online Directory" on your smartphone or tablet, and enter the code: **fumcsalisbury**.



**What does CTRN stand for? Come Together Right Now*

PHOTOS FOR DIRECTORY

Upload an individual or family photo of your choosing for the directory! Please choose a photo that clearly shows your face(s): no hats, sunglasses, or masks for the photo.

Want your picture taken for the directory?

Stop by during one of these opportunities, or make an appointment with Pastor Stacey (stacey@fumcsalisbury.org):

After worship on Sunday, May 16 or 23

Sunday, May 16: 3-5pm

Thursday, May 20: 10-12:30pm

Need a printed directory? Contact the church office to make sure your information is up to date and to be put on a list for a printed directory at the beginning of June!

RETURNING TO THE SANCTUARY

The Pew Pads are Back

Thank you to the entire team who showed up to return the pew pads, hymnals, and Bibles to the Sanctuary.

The Seekers Sunday School class had a great turnout on April 26 as they relocated these items. They were also able to rearrange some furniture for their classroom. In early May they'll join several other adult Sunday School classes who have been able to meet in person again!



SUMMER CHOIR

Come and join our Summer Choir!

All ages and abilities welcome!

Easy as "1-2-3!"

1. Rehearse an easy anthem one hour before the service in the Music Suite
2. Sing during the service
3. Return to your seat

No robes and no long-term commitments!

Contact Josh Starnes for more info at:
josh@fumcsalisbury.org!

**STARTING
JUNE 13!**

FAVORITE CONGREGATIONAL HYMNS



Singing Our Heart-Songs

We all have songs that carry special meaning for us when we hear them in worship. I want to hear about yours!

Pass on the names of the songs you love - the ones that evoke fond memories, or speak to your soul - your heart-songs.

Send me an email about your favorite songs,
josh@fumcsalisbury.org

INTERGENERATIONAL MISSION TRIP

Mission Trip to D.C.

July 10-16 FUMC is preparing to send a small team of short term missionaries to the Washington DC area. We will be partnering again with Praying Pelican Missions.

PPM is a wonderful mission partner. I love working with them because their vision for short term missions is to match up people who want to go and serve with a local church in the area we will be serving. We work alongside the local church, offering extra hands, fresh energy, and sharing resources to bless the neighborhood. That way when our trip is over, the local church can continue to be the connection point for the people we serve!



Why DC? As we looked for a destination for this year's trip, we knew we wanted it to be within driving distance. The city of DC is only about 6 hours away, and it's an important city for so many reasons. National decisions are made there, it's a center for culture and art where many of the museums are free, it's a place that makes history every day. And it's also a city of incredible diversity racially and socio-economically.

What will we do? We are going to be serving as part of a team with Hayes United Methodist Church in Silver Spring, MD (on the outskirts of DC metro area). Hayes UMC is a church in a primarily Hispanic neighborhood. They offer worship services in both English and Spanish. The church has a vision for starting a summer ministry for children that would help meet the need of summer child care, particularly for school age children who stay at home while their parents are working. Our main task will be helping them create their vision by leading children's programming that week!

How can I help? The trip is open to middle schoolers through adults, and we can add people to our team until the beginning of June. If you are interested email jenni@fumcsalisbury.org. If you can't travel with us this year, we ask that you would pray for our team! If you feel led to give a financial gift, we would be happy to put it to good use, enabling someone else to go or buying supplies for our work. Thank you for all the ways you support missions through FUMC!

CAMP DISCOVERY, JUNE 13-18

Preparing for Camp

We are so excited for Camp Discovery 2021 to kick off in less than two months! This year's camp will be hosted from June 13th – 18th and the theme is: "I Can..."

If you would like to write a letter of encouragement to one of our campers, please feel free to do so and you can turn it into the offering plate or to the volunteer desk any time. Please be in prayer for our campers, mentors and volunteers as we prepare our hearts and minds for camp!

We could not do what we do without you! Thank you to everyone who has sponsored a camper or mentor, participated in the 5K, donated financially or purchased items from our Amazon wish list! We are currently looking for volunteers to serve snack and help with other activities throughout the week! If you are interested in helping out, reach out to Bailee Weisensel at Bailee@fumcsalisbury.org.

Blessings,
Bailee Weisensel (Director of Children's Ministry) and
Claire Karriker (Director of Camp Discovery)

First United Methodist presents

CAMP DISCOVERY VIRTUAL 5K YOUR WAY

MAY 1, 2021 - MAY 8, 2021

5K for Camp

Looking for a fun way to support Camp Discovery? Join us for our 1st Virtual 5K Your Way May 1st - 8th. You can run, walk, swim, row, skip, dance - the options are endless! Registration is \$30 and includes a shirt and bib!

Registration Link on the church website (fumcsalisbury.org)

CAMP DISCOVERY 2021

JUNE 13 -18



CAMP DISCOVERY WAS ESTABLISHED IN 2003 AS AN EXPERIENCE FOR RISING 4TH AND 5TH GRADERS THROUGHOUT THE ROWAN-SALISBURY SCHOOL SYSTEM WHO MAY NOT OTHERWISE HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO GO TO SUMMER CAMP.

Looking to get involved?

We need:
volunteers,
sponsors,
and mentors

Reach out to bailee@fumcsalisbury.org for more information

DID YOU KNOW, IT COSTS \$250 TO SEND EACH CAMPER TO CAMP?

YOUR SPONSORSHIP WILL PROVIDE CAMPER EXPERIENCES SUCH AS...

- Swimming in a lake for the first time
- Working as a team through the high ropes course
- Overcoming challenges at the climbing wall
- Listening to stories of faith during devotions
- Singing camp songs
- Meals around the table with new friends
- Building relationships with Mentors

SPONSORSHIP FORM ON PAGE 15!



ROWAN HELPING MINISTRIES



Youth Serving Dinner

Our youth did an excellent job working together to prepare and serve dinner for guests at the shelter in April. They also did the prep work for breakfast that was served the next morning!



MISSIONS COMMITTEE



MISSION GRANTS

THE TRUSTEES DESIGNATED THE FUMC
ENDOWMENT EARNINGS
(TOTAL \$10,725) FOR MISSION.
THE MISSIONS TEAM CELEBRATES THESE
MISSION GRANTS:

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| • CAMP DISCOVERY | \$1000 |
| • ROWAN HELPING MINISTRIES | \$3000 |
| • COMMUNITY CARE CLINIC | \$1225 |
| • ROWAN ONE CHURCH ONE CHILD | \$1000 |
| • ISENBERG ELEMENTARY | \$500 |
| • HABITAT FOR HUMANITY | \$500 |
| • MEALS ON WHEELS | \$1000 |
| • SCOUTS BSA | \$1000 |
| • FAMILY CRISIS COUNCIL | \$500 |
| • RUFTY HOLMES SENIOR CENTER | \$500 |
| • NEW EFFORTS FOR TUTORING
/MENTORING IN EAST SPENCER | \$500 |



MEALS on WHEELS
AMERICA

Meal Deliveries Returning

Meals on Wheels will resume delivering meals to seniors' doorsteps on June 1. Several of our church members who have delivered meals before are ready to return, but we have some spaces for new drivers!

To learn more about this mission opportunity please contact Beverly Gobble:
(704)636-7336

CONFIRMATION AND GRADUATION SUNDAYS



Confirmands have been learning about liturgy and worship, denominational structure, and having discussion of science and faith in classes this spring.

Confirmation Sunday

MAY 23, 2021

Keep praying for our
confirmands as we look
forward them to joining the
church during 11:00 worship!



To Graduates and their Families

Remember to *submit your grad's information to Jen by May 23* to be included in this year's graduate recognitions. High School and College graduates can all submit their information by filling out the Google Form linked to the QR code below or found under the Worship tab on the church website.

To the Church

We are so excited to be able to recognize this year's graduates in person during worship on June 6! If you're able to attend that Sunday, plan to stay a few minutes after the service and drive by in our Grad Sunday Parade!



GRAD SUNDAY PARADE!

12:15PM AFTER WORSHIP ON JUNE 6

DECORATE YOUR CARS, HOLD UP SIGNS, AND WAVE TO OUR GRADS STANDING ALONG CHURCH ST.



YOU DESERVE SOME FUN IN THE SUN

ALL YOUTH & CLUB45 SUMMER KICK-OFF

May 23, 2021 from 6PM - 9PM

West Side Pool

630 Neel Rd, Salisbury, NC 28147

WE'LL BRING THE BURGERS, HOT
DOGS AND DESSERT! BRING A SIDE
DISH/CHIPS OR DRINKS TO SHARE
(INDIVIDUALLY PORTIONED PLEASE)!

SAVE THE DATE
SIMPLY SUMMER
JUNE 27TH - 30TH

MISSION:

DEEP SEA

OUR FAITH GROWS DEEPER WHEN WE SPEND
TIME WITH GOD, SPEND TIME WITH OTHERS.
USE OUR GIFTS TO SERVE, AND SHARE OUR
STORIES OF FAITH.

CHILDREN AND YOUTH



ITINERACY: WHY DO PASTORS CHANGE CHURCHES?

I am both a Pastor's Kid (a PK- as we call ourselves) and a United Methodist Pastor, so I have two views on this question. United Methodist clergy are itinerant- we move around. We are appointed year-by-year by the Bishop, but are eligible to have shifts in appointments mid-year if there is a sudden change that requires this. An itinerant system like ours is the alternative to what is a call system. Other downtown churches have this sort of system. A few years ago, First Presbyterian needed a new senior pastor. After 2 years of issuing a call, they received The Revs. Lara & Josh Musser Gritter as their new senior co-pastors (Duke classmates of mine). Within our connectional and itinerant system, where there is an opening for a pastor, the new one moves in that same day!

Bishop Paul Leeland, our bishop in the Western North Carolina Conference, is fond of reminding us: the early church sent people to places of ministry, churches did not request that their new pastor be Paul or Lydia or Barnabas or Ruth. This pattern is continued in Methodism. In a letter to the Rev. Samuel Walker in 1756, John Wesley wrote, "We have found by long and consistent experience that a frequent exchange of preachers is best. This preacher has one talent, that another; no one whom I ever yet knew has all the talents which are needful for beginning, continuing, and perfecting the work of grace in a whole congregation."

There is beauty and challenge in any system of church- but I believe this set of challenges and joys is the best arrangement. This is why I can agree to this system as part of my ordination on June 19.

First, the challenges: It is hard for churches to say goodbye to pastors they love, and it is hard to say goodbye to churches and people we love as pastors. As a lay person, you may feel connected to some pastors more than others- but in time, another will come along. And, frankly, some of the most important lessons of my life came from time spent with people I did not get along with. Likewise, some of the most important lessons came from pastors and teachers that I felt close to. Unfortunately, sometimes people try not to form relationships with pastors because they will eventually move. Sometimes, people try to urge the system along faster than it should go, and end up damaging the church for whom they claim to be acting out of love. Also, it is hard on pastor's kids to be held to a higher standard, to be scrutinized (even unintentionally), and to hear criticism of their parent.

Now, the beauty. Our Bishop is able to look at the whole of the system of churches and pastors (with lots of help of the District Superintendents- together known as The Cabinet) to send churches the pastors whose gifts and graces they need for this particular chapter in their history. You all can point to a church that you know about locally or nationally that has become more about the pastor than the church members. Church IS the people- the ministry is yours. The ministry of pastors is to help you live out yours. It is a problem when churches abdicate this responsibility to paid clergy only. Sometimes churches (and pastors) know what they want, and don't know what they need. Our system frees pastors and

churches up to do hard and fruitful work of ministry for the sake of God's Kingdom, and not necessarily our comfort. This is the beauty that has brought me to you, to be richly blessed by your nurture and care, and sends me onward to meet a whole new beautiful set of people with their joys and challenges. They and I will always be blessed by the relationships and lessons and grace absorbed here.

~ Pastor Stacey

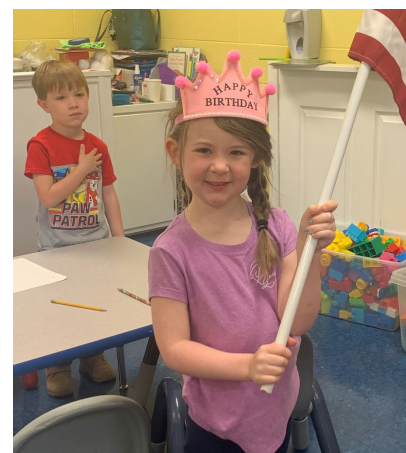


PRESCHOOL

JOB OPENING!

Job opening for 2021-2022: We have been fortunate to have Mary Krawiec as one of our Two's teachers for the past two years. She and her family, are moving closer to Greensboro. We will be looking for a fun, energetic, creative, individual to join us for the 2021-2022 school year. Please contact Kelly Austin for details.

Registration for the 2021-2022 school year continues. Help us spread the word! Anyone interested in learning more about our program should call Kelly Austin (336)722-9260



AFTER-SCHOOL CHILD CARE

Now Enrolling for 2021-2022!

It's hard to believe it's time to wind down for this school year...and the children just started back four days a week instead of two!

We are now registering children for the 2021-2022 school year. We hope to see all of our children again next school year. We have registration packets or you can get most forms on the church website (www.fumcsalisbury.org). Click on LEARN > CHILDREN AND YOUTH > AFTER-SCHOOL CHILD CARE. If you have any questions, please call us at (704)433-6679. Happy Spring!

"The way we talk to our children becomes their inner voice." - Peggy O'Mara



NEW MEMBERS

Welcome
New
Members!

Reception of New Members

FUMC joyfully welcomed two new members into our congregation on Easter Day - Mrs. Nalini Joseph and Mr. Jerry Jackson, Jr.! We look forward to growing together in faith with our newest members.

NALINI JOSEPH

JERRY JACKSON JR.



"It is a delight to be a part of this amazing Church family at FUMC Salisbury. Everyone has been so welcoming and so kind and caring to me. I am excited to share this journey with ALL of you! "

~ Jerry Jackson

Dear First United Methodist Church,

I want to thank those of you that welcomed my family and me into this church. My son has been a member of the children's choir, club 45 and other youth activities for a long time. Pastor Mark and Pastor Stacey made me feel like a part of this church regardless of membership - by inviting me to do things like lector and be part of a covenant group. Some of you know that although I grew up in the United Methodist Church, I married a Catholic and also enjoy worshipping with my family at Sacred Heart Catholic church. Now as a member of First United Methodist, I can fully embrace my Methodist roots, enjoy my favorite Wesleyan hymns and in a way, complete my Christian identity."

~ Nalini Joseph

A NEW RAMP

Making Another Home More Accessible

The team who built a ramp recently for Anne Coggins has stepped up again to build a new ramp for Lisa Jackson, mother of Jerry Jackson Jr. This project has made her house more accessible for a long time to come! Thank you to Fred Jordan, Steve Sherriff, and Mel Smith for your quick work responding to this need and leading the team to complete the project!



MAY BIRTHDAYS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

1 Trish Brinkley
Parker Williams

2 Meredith Briley
Grace Fazia
Pete Smith

3 Susan Fowler
Jean Hill

4 Katie Scarvey

5 Gary Applewhite
Kathy Duke
Cindy Martin

6

7 Cole Goodnight

8 Katie Egloff
Laurie Zerger

9 Sondra Shuler
Millie Stout
Ian Walworth

10

11 Kathy Connor
Kurt Kolkebeck
George Shuler
Betty Slife
Maris Wainright

12 Chandler Johnson
Lori Moore

13 Eugene Cox
David Walters

14 Carrie Carter
Sally Helms

15 Steve Haines
Joyce Ingram
Dakeita Kluttz
Meredith Williams

16 Jean Corpening
Jerry Dymond
Anne Edwards

17 Dennis Barber
Allison Lineberry

18

19 Ron Cherry
John Conrad
Gregg Williams
Nancy Wyrick

20

21 Lauren Watts

22 Dinah Carpenter
Alexander Whitaker

23 Anne Ellis

24 Dakota Insley
Evan O'Neal

25 Chuck Bowman

26 Stefani McCoy

27 Janet McCoy
Susan McLain

28 Larry Schall

29 Amanda Caudle

30 Billy Webb
Mason Whitaker

31 Harry Warren



FUMC FAMILY AND EXTENDED FAMILY TRANSITIONS

In Remembrance

Please keep these families in your prayers

DICKIE ROLAND FRALEY

husband of Susan Fraley

ARTHUR JAMES (AJ) SHUPING, JR.

brother of Susan Linn

April 1, 1953- April 3, 2021

February 16, 1931- April 3, 2021

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

In Celebration

ELLIE GRACE HUGHES

grandaughter of Jay & Mike Hughes

April 4, 2021

THANK YOU NOTES TO THE CHURCH

Dear FUMC Salisbury,

A huge thank you to all who were involved in mama's wheelchair ramp. She and I are very thankful for all you've done for us! What a true blessing you are to us! We are so thankful that we found you!

In Christian Love,
Jerry Jackson, Jr. & mom Lisa

Dear Church Family,

I have been amiss at not thanking the young people who sent the bag of 'goodies.' Please tell the young people that I really enjoyed the contents.

Sincerely,
Dixie Scott

Thank you

DIRECTORY UPDATES

Please note the following changes in your directory:

Shully Storey

728 Klumac Road Apt. 235C
Salisbury, NC 28144

Nalini Joseph

144 Rugby Rd.
Salisbury, NC 28144

George Hines

728 Klumac Road Apt. 105A
Salisbury, NC 28144

Jerry Jackson Jr.

122 Dunham Avenue
Salisbury, NC 28146



CAMP DISCOVERY SPONSORSHIP

**DEADLINE: MAY 31
PLEASE RETURN TO
CHURCH OFFICE.**

Amount Given: _____

In Memory of: _____

In Honor of: _____

Given By: _____

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NEWSLETTER OF FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

