



First News *First United Methodist Church* *Wadesboro, NC*

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Dear Disciples,

I'm really excited for Pentecost Sunday (June 5)! This is a holy day in the life of the church, remembering the gift of the Spirit being poured out on all people. We'll celebrate with special music, with communion, and decorations. You're invited to wear "Holy Spirit colors" like red, yellow, and orange – and get into the *spirit* of the day!

The best thing of all is that we look forward to our Confirmands joining the church. We have had a super group of students that have spent time together in classes and a weekend retreat at Mt. Shepherd Retreat Center in Asheboro. They are curious, kind, and wonderful. When someone is baptized, it is a communal sacrament. We, the church, promise to nurture them in faith just as much as their families do. In Confirmation, they *confirm* God's calling in their life, our work, and their desire to continue in the life of faith as they join the church. I hope you'll be able to join us as we celebrate this special day in worship! We'll continue the celebration afterward with a meal together in the Fellowship Hall.

This special service will mark a transition for us to our summer worship rhythm. In prior years, we have shifted to worship in the Chapel for summer and moved worship to an earlier time. We will no longer shift the time of worship in the summer, but we *will* shift locations to the Fellowship Hall. We hope this allow us to stay cooler in the air conditioning while still allowing us to physically spread out for COVID precautions. Don't forget, the elevator can take you all the way up if you don't want to climb those stairs!

As temperatures get warmer and the summer rhythm begins, let's stay on the lookout for how the Spirit is moving among us: in worship, in relationships, in celebrating our confirmands!

Grace & peace,
Pastor Stacey

Lectionary Readings

May 22

Acts 16:9-15; Ps 67
Rev 21:10, 22-22:5; John 14:23-29

May 29

Acts 16:16-34; Ps 97;
Rev 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21; John 17:20-26

*The Lectionary readings are for each Sunday of the church year, and for special days.
They provide a systematic way of reading the Bible and to aid you in your daily devotional time.*

Upcoming Opportunities

Sunday, May 22

9:30 Sunday School
11:00 Worship

Monday, May 23

Office Open

Tuesday, May 24

Office Open

Wednesday, May 25

6:30 Handbells
7:30 Choir

Office Open

Thursday, May 26

Office Open

Sunday, May 29-Ascension Sunday

Doughnuts & coffee available before charge-wide service at 11:00

9:30 Sunday School
11:00 Worship

Monday, May 30 – Memorial Day

Office Closed

Tuesday, May 31

Office Open

Wednesday, June 1

Office Closed

Thursday, June 2

8:00-9:00 Mobile Food Pantry
(Forestville UMC)

Office Open

Friday, June 3

Office Open

Other Special Announcements.....

- +Beginning June 12, worship will be held in the fellowship hall.
- +UMW will hold their last meeting for the year, June 6.
- +No Leadership Council in June.
- +Annual conference, June 16-19, at Lake Junaluska.
- +Scholarship Applications are available from the church office or at fumcwadesboro.org and are due back to fumcwadesboro@windstream.net or via mail by Monday, June 13.

Worship in the sanctuary May 22

Message: **"Redirection"**

-Rev. Stacey Lundy

Reader: Sue Burr

Worship in the sanctuary, May 29 – Ascension Sunday

Message: **"Why Are You Looking Toward Heaven?"**

-Rev. Stacey Lundy

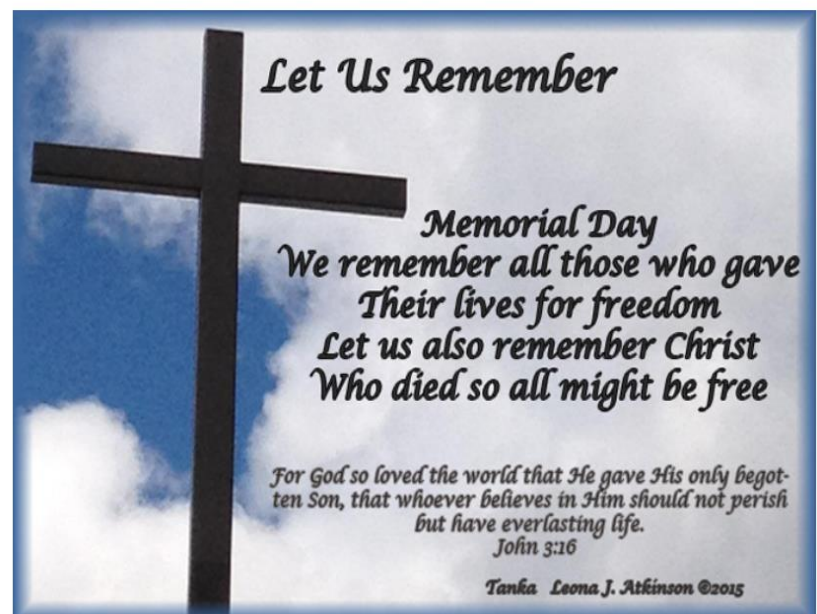
Reader: Beverley Getzen

Worship in the sanctuary, June 5 – Pentecost Sunday

Message: **"Spirit Poured Out"**

-Rev. Stacey Lundy

Reader: Cory Smith



Meanwhile at the parsonage.....

The parsonage deck has been expertly built, stained, and covered with a new roof! Pastor Stacey & Kevin are already enjoying this excellent outdoor space!



Reaching out to the community.....

To celebrate the end of the school year and honor teachers and staff at Wadesboro Elementary (our partner school!), United Methodist Women gave each staff member a gift certificate to the Speckled Paw



Reminders....

- +The **Flower Calendar for 2022** is posted on the bulletin board in the education hall, across from the pastor's study. Please sign up for any open Sundays as soon as possible to secure the date you wish.
- +Also, the **Money Steward schedule** is posted on the same bulletin board.
- +**The deadline for information for the bi-weekly newsletter is Tuesday before noon of that week.**

COVID Update

Thankfully the number of Covid cases has decreased in Anson County and across North Carolina. In many places, masks are now "optional". While in Sunday School or Worship, please do as you feel comfortable in wearing or not wearing masks. However, we still need to remember those that have compromised immune systems (Cancer patients, transplant recipients, heart patients, and others), especially when we are "visiting" with each other before, during, and after church events.

-Thank you!

Money Stewards for May: Jeff Crawford & Selene Hardison

June: Corrine Nicholson & Peggy Pinkston

***If you must be out, please remember to get someone to take your place!**

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Prayer List

Please help keep the prayer list up to date by letting the office know of any additions or deletions that should be made.

Lula Ann Davis
Lib Huntley
Nancy Huntley
Ruth Hickman
Catherine Wright
Judy Kalish
Charles Runkle – David Runkle’s brother
Linda Herold-Krista’s mother
Dustin Morton-Elizabeth Presson’s brother-in-law
Lillie Morton-Paulette Ridley’s friend
Donna Schindler – Pat Frost’s sister
Betty Martin – Patsy Brasington’s sister
Roy Lee Helms – Selene Hardison’s family
Jill Gulledge-Leigh Crawford Dawson’s friend
Harvey Leavitt
Linda Humble
Keith Marwitz
Peggy Pinkston
Betty Hardison
Gail Clonts & Gloria Prentiss (friends of Paulette Ridley)

Frank Wallace
Terry Helms
Don Baucom-Ralph Sikes’ brother-in-law
Lib Tucker (New Hope)
Gail Litaker & family in the passing of her mother, Martha Stacker
Chip Pigg (heart surgery) – friend of Betsy Watts
COVID 19 Victims and their families
Citizens of the Ukraine

AND... all whom we name in our hearts!

Retirement/Assisted Living /Nursing Homes

*Ray Clayton – **Franklin Manor**,
100 Sunset Dr., Youngsville, NC 27596
*Chuck Kiser – **Meadowview**,
123 Anson High School Rd., Wadesboro
*Nancy Warren-**Wadesboro Health & Rehab**,
2051 Country Club Rd, Wadesboro, N

Special Update:

*Alice Rhinehardt has moved to Dunn, NC. Contact church office if you need her address.

FUMC FAMILY & EXTENDED FAMILY TRANSITIONS

In Remembrance

Please keep these families in your prayers

Martha Stacker

Mother of Gail Litaker
Grandmother of Emily Privette

May 8, 2022

Joseph Bliss Dugan

Grandfather of Lauren Leary

May 7, 2022

Chad Joyner

Son of former pastor, the late Rev. Dr. Al Joyner and his wife, Gaynelle.
Service will be held May 22, 2:00 PM, Muir’s Chapel UMC in Greensboro

May 5, 2022



In Celebration

We rejoice with these families in these moments of new beginnings

Weston Luke Smith

Son of Cory & Alanna Smith

Born May 10, 2022



Memorials

Budget

In memory of Martha Stacker by Randy Tarlton



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