

Gathering Time and Announcements

Let Us Prepare our Hearts and Minds for Worship!

Chiming of the Hour

Prelude *O That I Had a Thousand Voices* arr. Manz

Call to Worship *In The Cross of Christ I Glory* Conkey

*Opening Prayer

*Hymn of Praise No. 159 *Lift High The Cross* Nicholson

*Affirmation of Faith *A Modern Affirmation* No. 885

*Gloria Patri No. 70 *Glory Be to the Father* MEINEKE

Call to Prayer

Prayer of Confession

Loving Father, hold us in the arms of your forgiveness and grace. When we run from you or abandon your guiding light, welcome us back with mercy. When we squander your gifts or reject your generosity, love us into right living. When we hide from our shame or mask our guilt, coax us into the light of your abundant love. Hear our prayers, dear Lord. Be our hiding place of hope and joy, that we might say with the psalmist, "Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven." Amen.

Prayer Request

Chorus No. 301 *Near the Cross* Doane

Near the cross! O Lamb of God, bring its scenes before me; help me walk from day to day with its shadow o'er me. In the cross, in the cross, be my glory ever, till my raptured soul shall find rest beyond the river.

Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

Offertory Anthem *Alas and Did My Savior Bleed/There is a Fountain* arr. Danner
Invitation to Giving
Giving of Tithes and Offerings
* Presentation, Doxology and Dedication

Children's Time Lee Griffith
(Ages 4-8 are invited to Children's Church following Children's Time)

Old Testament Reading *Psalms 32* Rev. Allison Coltrane

Solo *The Penitent* Van DeWater
Luke 15: 11-24

Scripture *Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32*

Sermon *The Loving Father* Rev. Mike Sykes

*Hymn of Response 292 *What Wondrous Love Is This* Folk Hymn

*Dismissal with Blessing

*Choral Benediction *Savior Again To Thy Dear Name* Hopkins

*Chiming of the Holy Trinity

*Postlude *Postlude In G Minor* Ritter

The flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God in honor of Cheryl's brother, Patrick Hendricks, on his birthday and in loving memory of Candace Collins-Grant on her birthday by Lonnie & Cheryl McCaskill.

A special Charge Conference will be held on March 16 at 7:00 p.m. to recommend Lee Griffith as a Lay Speaker from FUMC Rockingham

"Puppy Toy Drive" The children in Wonderful Wednesday are hosting a *Puppy Toy Drive* to help out the Humane Society. We need mis-matched socks, old or new socks, rope, or new puppy toys by Wednesday, March 17th. Please place these items in the boxes by the entrances to the church or bring them to the office. Thank you for your help!

Church Council will meet Tuesday, March 16th at 7 pm in the Fellowship Hall

Easter Egg Hunt is Saturday April 3, 2010 at the home of Cooper McLaurin.

We need your help for the Easter Egg Hunt. Please bring wrapped candy and/or filled plastic eggs to church and place in our "Egg Drop" in the hallway, by the Chapel, on Sundays – March 21, and 28. Thank you

Rev. Allison Coltrane and Butch Farrah plan to marry on Saturday, March 27th in a private ceremony and everyone is invited to the reception at 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm in the FUMC Fellowship Hall. They request no gifts, only your presence. If you would like to honor them with a love offering from the church please place it in the offering plate today and mark it *Love offering for Allison*. The deadline is Sunday, March 21st.

CALENDAR

Sunday – March 14, 2010

9:30 am Sunday School Fellowship
10:00 am Sunday School for all ages
10:55 am Worship Hour
3:00 pm Disciple III – Bynum Bldg.
4:00 pm Youth Choir
5:00 pm Youth Supper
5:30 pm Youth

Monday – March 15, 2010

10:00 am Musical Exercise
6:30 pm Disciple I – Cameron Morrison's

Tuesday – March 16, 2010

10:00 am Tuesday Morning Bible Study
7:00 pm Church Council Meeting - FH

Wednesday – March 17, 2010

12:00 Noon Lenten Service - Rev, Twyla Nelson
3:00 pm Wonderful Wednesday
6:00 pm Disciple IV – Bynum Bldg.
6:30 pm Disciple I – Bynum Bldg.
7:00 pm Choir Practice

VOLUNTEERS

Ushers: David Andersen Team
TV Ministry Bill Matheson
Crucifer: Zach LeBerth
Acolytes: Mary Catherine Coltrane
Josh Griffith
Nursery: Sunday School: Jason Graham
Worship Service: Denise Thomas
Greeters: Bill & Carole Frye
Ellen Covington
Hedge Prayer: Alan Smith Class
Hermitage: (Guest Speaker), Robert Cain, Faye Poplin, Julia Ratliff



SUNDAY

IN LENT

4th Sunday in Lent

First United Methodist Church

10:55 am

March 14, 2010

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Rockingham, North Carolina

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FUMC Worship Service (one week taped delayed)

Broadcast each week on Sunday at 7 pm on Cable Channel 15

Prayer List

FUMC Members

Claudette Brownley	Julia Ratliff	Roy Shepard	Ann Covington Huggins
Hilda Slack	Brian Walker	Don McLain	Robert Ewing
Mildred Terry	Chuck Tincher	Peggy Boyette	Ann Anderson

Others

Thomas Freeman	Ronnie Scott	Charles Deane	Brian Thomas
Cathy Wilson	Will Baker	Team LaFave	Mike Davis
Sonny Tubberville	Kyle Metcalf	Judy Chavis	Sherry Maske
Kay Ingram	Cathy Castle	Mary Fielder Adkins	Bessie Tadlock
Juanita McGowan	Margaret Chavis	Beth Williams	David Doolittle
Kelly Brown	Gloria Scudder	Jackie Foster	Annie Lee Stafford
Jim Webb	Dick Forrester	Leslie Harrington	Donna Williams
Von Sumner	Marshall Berry	Abel McClendon	Fred James Harrison, III
Carley Williams	Rev. Marshall Norris	Catherine Monk	Timmy Gibson
Reba Gentry	Bob Crouch	Mary Milligan	

Also remember our * homebound members, nursing home residents, our missionaries, service men and women and those imprisoned.

**Jim McKenzie, Harold Clayton, Louise Neal, Frances Harris, Geneva Thrower, Jackie Page, Agnes "Mac" Bennett, Nancy Hinchliffe, Villa Webb, Don & Nancy Smith, Burgoone & Pauline Carnes, Warren Teal, Emily Comer, Thurman & Ashby Scott, Sarah Reynolds, Nina McDuffie, Mary Jenkins, Mrs. Judy Mayo.*

Budget & Attendance Information – 2010

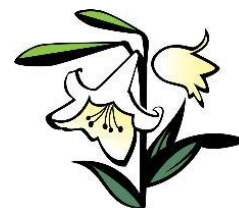
Operating Budget (Includes Bynum Bldg. loan payment)	\$ 601,821.68
Operating Budget Needed to Date	\$ 115,734.90
Given to Date	\$ 94,373.52
Percentage Given	81%
Percentage Behind	19%
Bynum Building Loan Balance	\$ 111,694.62
Worship Attendance Last Sunday	191
Sunday School Attendance Last Sunday	106
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Pennies for Zoe (Total to Date Collected)	\$ 1,904.00

**March 21** The Youth will feed the homeless at the Shelter in Rockingham. The youth will cook "pigs in a blanket", mac-n-cheese, green beans, and dessert. Youth please email or call Mary Griffith to let her know what you can bring. Team 3 will take and serve the dinner at the shelter.

**As some of you may know**, the seniors have to complete a graduation project. Taylor Webb has decided to do her senior project on "How Autism Effects Children". When the seniors present their projects they must have a product to show what they have learned. For her project, she has chosen to put together a school supply drive for the children of **Roberdel Children's Center** and it will be held at First United Methodist Church. There will be a box in the Narthex areas to place supplies or you can call her at 910-997-7428 and she will be glad to pick them up. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to call.

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| <i>Glue Sticks</i>   | <i>Books</i>                 | <i>Educational Flash Cards</i> |
| <i>Jumbo Crayons</i> | <i>Wide Rule Paper</i>       | <i>Markers</i>                 |
| <i>Crayons</i>       | <i>(1) Subject Notebooks</i> | <i>Dry Erase Markers</i>       |
| <i>Pencils</i>       | <i>Finger Paints</i>         |                                |

*The Drive starts on Sunday, March 14 and will end on Sunday, April 11.*



*Easter Lilies*

If you would like to place a Lily in the church on Easter Sunday, April 4th please complete the form below and place in the offering plate or mail to the church office. The cost will be \$12.00 each.

***Please make your check payable to FUMC at the time of your order. Thanks! The deadline for orders is Sunday, March 21st.***

*In Loving Memory of* _____

*In Honor of* _____

Given By: _____