

PRAYER REQUESTS

February 7 - 13

Members

Elizabeth Alexander	Henry Meacham, Jr.
Carl Anderson	Andy Morse
Patsy Bankhead	Mabel Mossor
Doris Baxley	Sam and Ava Nance
Bob and Peggy Boyette	John and Eleanor Page
Gaby Campbell	Faye Poplin
Aurelia Cannon	Dotsy Reynolds
Peggy Covington	Bill Rohleder
Peggy Coward	Roy, Frances, and Gladys Shepard
Jean Crouch	Bruce Simmons
Emma Edwards	Juanita Sinclair
Audrey Ewing	Daphne Smith
Brianna Gerald	Sam Till
Helen Goodman	Aileen Traylor
Jean Haltiwanger	LaWanda Walker
Carole Jenkins	Our Homebound and Shut-In Members
Mary Ellen Kindley	

Sunday:

Joseph Griffith The Family of Jean Hatcher
Norman Lantz

Monday:

Jessica Allen Donald Smith
Russell Bennett The Family of Jim Lockman (Karen Mace's father)
The Family of Brian Thomas (Jean Way's nephew) The Family of Nell Long
The Family of Allison Wiggins Morrison Prison Ministry

Tuesday:

Dorothy Brumette Bob Simenette
Wanda Auman Caldwell Rev. Pat Sykes

Wednesday:

The Family of Janice Hunsucker Jesse Sheppard (Nelson Sheppard's father)
Terri Kennedy (Doris Denney's daughter) Rev. Marvin Taylor
Tonya Little Amy Wilson
The Family of Harold Quick The Family of Christy Yarborough

Thursday:

Alice Bryant Cindy Coble
The Family of Peggy Honeycutt Mitzi Warful
The Family of Gail Preslar

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Saturday:

Linda Griffith (Lee Griffith's mother) Mike Ussery

Thank you for choosing to worship with us today at First United Methodist Church. Please sign the pew pad and pass it down. So that we may greet each other by name, please return the pew pad to the starting point. If you would like to know more about the church, please speak to an usher or one of the pastors.

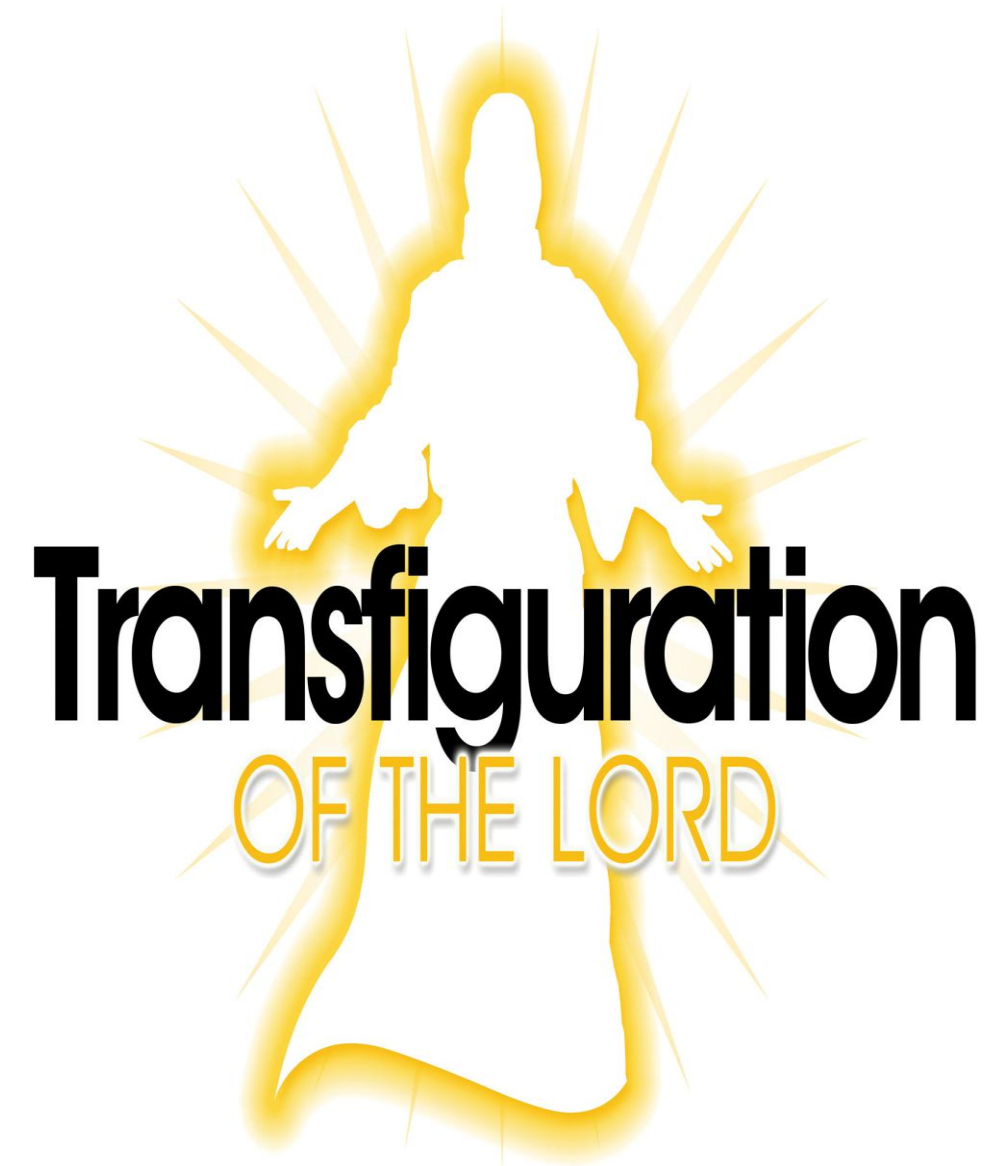
Presence	
<i>Last week's attendance:</i>	
Sunday School:	80
Worship:	196
Tuesday Night Bible Study	29
Eat, Pray, Learn Meal	27

Gifts	
Operating Budget for 2016	\$ 515,532.91
Operating Budget Needed to Date	\$49,570.45
Given to Date	\$46,133.72
Percentage Given	93.07%
Amount needed each week to meet 2016 budget	\$9,914.09
Budget offering last week	\$9,772.50
Final Budget Total for 2015	\$537,285.14
Pennies for Zoe (Total to Date Collected)	9,920.00
Zoe pennies collected in January	42.00

Service for February	
Ushers:	Steve Webb Team
Heat/AC	Hilton Haines/Jim Haines
Crucifer:	Cameron Ray
Acolytes:	Shelby Diggs/J. T. Graham
TV Ministry:	Duff Morse
Nursery:	Kim LeBerth
Greeters:	Bob & Sheila Gilmore; Adam Bailey
Hedge Prayer:	Discovery Young Adult Class
Hermitage Volunteer:	East Rockingham UMC
Sunday Morning Fellowship:	This Sunday: Jeff Hughes Next Sunday: Glenn Alexander

Calendar	
Sunday	February 7
9:30 am	Sunday School Fellowship
9:45 am	Sunday School for all ages
10:55 am	Worship Hour
6:00 pm	UMYF
Monday	February 8
10:00 am	First Place Bible Study
5:30 pm	Handbell Practice
Tuesday	February 9
10:00 am	Tuesday Morning Bible Study
5:30 pm	Fat Tuesday Pancake Supper
6:30 pm	Tuesday Night Bible Study/Eat,Pray,Learn
Wednesday	February 10
3:30 pm	Wonderful Wednesday Afterschool
6:30 pm	Ash Wednesday Service
Following Service	Choir Practice
Thursday	February 11
11:00 am	Merry Makers
7:00 pm	God's Gorgeous Butterflies, Ms. O's Home
Saturday	February 13
5:30 – 7:00 pm	Youth Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser & Fun

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Secretary: Beth McQueen	fumcrhamsecretary@gmail.com
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Choir Director: Statha Osborne/Chuck Wright	Sexton: Al Floyd
Organist/Pianist: Helen Alexander	Caring for our children: Tabatha Miller



Fifth Sunday After the Epiphany

First United Methodist Church	
10:55 am	February 7, 2016
PO Box 637 – 410 East Washington Street Rockingham, North Carolina 28380 Telephone No. 910-895-4027	
Service is shown one week tape delayed on TWC Channel 15 Sundays at 7:00 pm	

Order of Worship
Worship is the way we Love God

10:55 am **February 7, 2016**

*When the music begins, please prepare for worship through silent prayer and meditation.
Following the service, greet one another with joy and affection!*

Gathering Time and Welcome Hilton Haines, Lay Leader

Let Us Prepare our Hearts and Minds for Worship!

Chiming of the Hour Helen Alexander

Prelude

Call to Worship Chris Rice/arr. Joel Raney
Come to Jesus
Handbells Ringing

*Opening Prayer Rev. Mike Sykes

* Hymn of Praise No. 103 *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

Chorus No. 2037 (TFWS) *I Sing Praises to Your Name* MacAlmon
I will sing praises to your name, O Lord.
praises to your name, O Lord.
for your name is great and greatly to be praised.

Pastoral Prayer Rev. Allison Farrah

The Worship of God with God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory Sager, Foster/arr. Joel Raney
The Prayer
Handbells Ringing

Doxology No. 95 *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*
Praise God from Whom all blessings flow
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen

*Prayer of Dedication Rev. Sykes

Anthem arr. Forrest
Be Thou My Vision

*Gospel Reading Page 85
Luke 9: 28 – 36

Sermon Rev. Sykes
Shine Like the Sun

Hymn of Preparation No. 617 *I Come With Joy*

The Lord's Supper

*Hymn of Going Forth to Serve No. 2173 (TFWS) *Shine, Jesus Shine*

Dismissal with Blessing Rev. Sykes

Choral Benediction *May You Run and Not Be Weary* Murakami/Hanson

*Chiming of the Holy Trinity Helen Alexander

*Postlude Handel
Finale from Water Music

*Please stand as you are able

The flowers on the altar today are given to the Glory of God by Hilton and Jim Haines in loving memory of their sister, Betsy.

Methodist Home for Children Sunday, February 7, 2016

At Methodist Home for Children, we believe that all children deserve a safe, loving home where they can thrive and live fully into their God-given potential. However, in NC the sad reality is that thousands of children are suffering from neglect, abuse and abandonment.

Last year we helped more than 1,200 young people and families heal and grow stronger thanks to the generosity of United Methodist congregations. We need your support and prayers to continue this life-changing work. **Please support this important ministry in 2016 with your gifts on MHC Sunday—TODAY. Visit mhfc.org/Sunday**

UMW General Meeting scheduled for today has been CANCELLED.

Youth will meet tonight at 6:00 pm at the Griffith's House for our Annual Super Bowl Party. Everyone is invited to join us. Bring your favorite snacks to share. **GO PANTHERS!!**

\$15 Ticket Money for WinterJam Concert on February 27 is due TODAY!!

FAT TUESDAY Pancake Supper at 5:30 pm on Tuesday, February 9 in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone is invited to attend! Meal : UMM

Do you know why we eat pancakes on Fat Tuesday? During the Middle Ages, the faithful were forbidden to consume meat and animal or fowl by-products such as butter, eggs or milk, during Lent. Most modern traditions of Lent today require the abstention of eating meat, beef or fowl on Fridays during Lent or giving up some other item of your choice. But because these banned perishable products would not last the 40 days of Lent, the faithful would try to use up their supply before Lent began. What better way to use up butter, eggs, and milk than to whip up a batch of sweet, fluffy pancakes? Thus started the tradition we call Fat Tuesday. In England it is known as Pancake Day.

Eat, Pray, Learn Bible Studies and the Tuesday Night Bible Study will meet Tuesday night following the Pancake Supper.

Wonderful Wednesday Afterschool Program will meet this Wednesday.

Ash Wednesday Service will be held at 6:30 pm in the Sanctuary.

Merry Makers will enjoy their annual Valentine's lunch on Thursday, February 11 at 11:00 am in the Fellowship Hall. A lunch of delicious homemade soup and sandwiches will be served. Come celebrate God's LOVE and enjoy lunch, games, devotion, and entertainment. Please call the church office at 895-4027 to RSVP.

Youth meet on Thursday from 4:00 – 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall to set up, decorate, and practice for the Spaghetti Dinner. Please come when you can.

God's Gorgeous Butterflies will meet at the home of Ms. O on Thursday, from 7:00 – 8:00 pm. Bring your Reunion Card.

Chrysalis Fundraiser and Gathering is Friday, February 12 at FUMC Laurinburg. Youth bring \$5 for meal and we leave our church parking lot at 5:15 pm.

EVERYONE IS INVITED SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13 to the Annual Spaghetti Dinner and Entertainment! *The youth and parents will sponsor a spaghetti dinner and all proceeds will go towards the youth trips. Come out for a night of fun with dinner and entertainment!*

Winter Jam 2016 Tour with over 10 Christian Bands in Greensboro, NC on Saturday, February 27. Any youth or adults, who would like to go to Winter Jam must prepay by TODAY. Tickets are \$15. We will leave the church parking lot at 2:30 pm. Doors open at 5:00 pm. We will call parents on the way home for the return time. You will need food and spending money the night of the concert.

An art exhibit featuring paintings by our very own Hannah Cole Buie is being held at the Arts Richmond building at 123 E. Washington St. The exhibit will be open Tuesday-Friday 2-6:00 pm until March 18.

We are in desperate need of help for the TV booth. If you would like to help during the worship services, or if you can help during special services such as funerals, please see Rev. Sykes or Randall Mace. If we can get some volunteers we will set up a time for training.

Hamlet Soup Kitchen needs leaders and volunteers for the 4th Wednesday of each month. Please consider this worthwhile ministry. Call the church office or speak to Susanne McInnis if you are interested in serving. **A meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 18 at 3:00 pm in the Bynum Bldg. for anyone who feels called to help with this ministry.**

Mark your calendars! The 2nd annual **Hoofing It for Haiti 5K will be Saturday, March 19, 2016 at 8:30 am at the Mary Ellen Kindley Fitness Trail on the campus of RCC.** Whether you choose to walk, run, volunteer, or serve as a sponsor, there is a place for you. Check out the bulletin board just outside of the choir room. You will see all the sights of last year's big event and will be excited to get involved. Remember 100% of entry fees go toward rice, beans, and oil for Haiti.