

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

November 13 - 19

**Members**

Dave Andersen	Mary Ellen Kindley
Carl Anderson	Barbara McLain
Mac Bennett	Henry Meacham, Jr.
Bob and Peggy Boyette	Mabel Mossor
Misty Campbell	Ella Mulkey
Peggy Covington	Sam and Ava Nance
Peggy Coward	John and Eleanor Page
Jean Crouch	Faye Poplin
Clyde Davidson	Billy and Delma Reynolds
Audrey Ewing	Dotsy Reynolds
John Foster	Martha Scarborough
Beverly Goodman	Frances and Gladys Shepard
Helen Goodman	Aileen Traylor
Louise Greene	Earline Waddell
Jean Haltiwanger	Myra Waddell
Clara Heath	LaWanda Walker
Dorothy Hendricks	Our Service Men and Women
Mary Jo Hutchinson	

**Sunday**

Marlene Brigham	Gaby Campbell
Terry Cornelius (Beth McQueen's bro-in-law)	Pilgrimage for Youth
Sandra Gaddy McKenzie (Cornelia McKenzie's daughter-in-law)	

**Monday**

Jim Chavis	Chason Jenk (Ernest Eason's grandson)
Steve and Beth Etheridge	Betty Culler Lynn
Allen Flood	David McDonald
The Family of Rev. Shawn Gallagher	Mark Page
Bray Garske	Bill Scholl
Rosalie Graham	Bobby Williams
Temethy Henson	Morrison Disciple Ministry
Anthony Hogg	The Stephen Ministers

**Tuesday**

Tonya Godwin	Jessie Matheson
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**Wednesday**

Jim Barbee	Betty Gibson
Dianna Monroe	Unspoken Prayer Requests

**Thursday**

The Bivens Family	Those Affected by Hurricane Matthew
Rescue and Relief Personnel	The Family of Tim Franklin

**Friday**

The Family of Frank Boyette (David Boyette's father)	Dot Bunn
The Family of Greg Carter	The Family of Juanita Sinclair
Kay Stewart (Audrey Ewing's step-daughter)	Anna Watson
Haiti and Those Affected by Hurricane Matthew	

**Saturday**

The Family of Pat Boyette (David Boyette's mother)	The Family of Edna Covington
The Family of James Newsom	Merle Whitt



Presence	
<i>Last week's attendance</i>	
Sunday School:	64
Worship:	159
Eat, Pray, Learn Meal	38
Relay Race for Christ Celebration	65

Gifts	
<i>Operating Budget for 2016</i>	<b>\$515,532.91</b>
Operating Budget Needed to Date	\$446,112.25
Given to Date	\$393,865.41
Percentage Given	88.29%
<i>Amount needed each week to meet 2016 budget</i>	<b>\$17,381.07</b>
<b>Budget offering last week</b>	\$8,863.00
Pennies for Zoe (Total to Date Collected)	\$10,497.00
<b>Zoe pennies collected in October</b>	<b>\$108.00</b>

Service for November	
<b>Ushers:</b>	Benson Crotts Team
<b>Heat/AC</b>	Hilton Haines and Jim Haines
<b>Crucifer:</b>	Cameron Ray
<b>Acolytes:</b>	Lilly Matheson and Abigail Miller
<b>TV Ministry:</b>	Randall Mace
<b>Nursery:</b>	Anna Odom
<b>Greeters:</b>	Thomas and Daphne Smith
	Dianne Stafford
<b>Richmond Co. Soup Kitchen Leader:</b>	Peggy Andersen for Nov. 23
<b>Hedge Prayer:</b>	The Bible Class
<b>Hermitage Volunteer:</b>	
<b>Sunday Morning Fellowship:</b>	John Thomas
	Next Sunday: UMM

Calendar	
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Nov 13</b>
9:30 am	Sunday School Fellowship
9:45 am	Sunday School for all ages
<b>10:55 am</b>	<b>Worship Hour</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Nov 14</b>
10:00 am	First Place Bible Study
5:30 pm	Handbells
6:00 pm	DAR, BB
6:00 pm	Marines, BB
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Nov 15</b>
10:00 am	Bible Study, Chapel
5:00 pm	Girl Scouts, BB
5:30 pm	LAST Eat, Pray, Learn, FH
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Nov 16</b>
11 am – 3 pm	Connections, FH
3:30 pm	Wonderful Wednesday
7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Nov 17</b>
7:00 pm	God's Gorgeous Butterflies, BB
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Nov 18</b>
10:00 am	Merry Makers Trip to <b>Festival of Trees</b>
PM and Night	Chrysalis Training, BB
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Nov 19</b>
All Day	Chrysalis Training, BB
9:30 am – 2:30 pm	East Rockingham UMC Community Thanksgiving Meal

Senior Pastor: Rev. Mike Sykes  
 Associate Pastor: Rev. Pat Sykes  
 Financial Secretary: Cornelia McKenzie  
 Secretary: Beth McQueen  
 Program Director: Mary Griffith  
 Choir Directors: Statha Osborne  
 Chuck Wright  
 Organist/Pianist: Helen Alexander  
 Sexton: Al Floyd  
 Caring for our Children: Tabitha Miller

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*Twenty-sixth Sunday After Pentecost*

<b>First United Methodist Church</b>	
<b>10:55 am</b>	<b>November 13, 2016</b>
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	

**Love God**

**Love Others**

**Love the World**

**Order of Worship**  
**Worship is the way we Love God**

**10:55 am** **November 13, 2016**

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

Welcome and Announcements Sheila Gilmore, Lay Leader

**Let Us Prepare our Hearts and Minds for Worship!**

Chiming of the Hour Helen Alexander

Prelude *How Firm a Foundation* Burkhardt

\*Choral Call to Worship No. 92 *For the Beauty of the Earth*  
(United Methodist Hymnal)

\*Opening Prayer Rev. Pat Sykes

\*Hymn of Praise No. 657 *This is the Day* (sing twice) (United Methodist Hymnal)

\*The Affirmation of Faith No. 881 *The Apostles' Creed* Rev. Mike Sykes

\*Gloria Patri No. 70 *Glory Be to the Father*  
**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen. Amen.**

Call to Prayer

Prayer of Confession

**O God, we are more like the vision in Luke than the vision of Isaiah. We see wars, hatred, and violence everywhere, yet despair of ever stopping them. We see oppression and injustice and persecution, but fail to raise our voices in prophetic protest. We have become a pessimistic people. Help us believe—really believe—in Isaiah's vision of the peaceable kingdom, in your promise of a new heaven and new earth. Let your cry be our cry: "They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain." Amen**

Chorus No. 2036 *Give Thanks* (The Faith We Sing)  
**Give thanks with a grateful heart,  
give thanks to the Holy One,  
give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ his Son.**

Pastoral Prayer Rev. Mike Sykes  
Response: Lord in your mercy, hear **our prayer.**

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

Offertory *Living Bread* Williamson

\*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. Mike Sykes

Children's Time Rev. Mike Sykes  
(Children 4-10 years old are invited to Children's Church upstairs in Room 410.)

Old Testament Reading Rev. Mike Sykes  
Isaiah 65:17-25  
(Page 851 Pew Bible)

Anthem Labarr  
*Gather at the River*

Scripture Rev. Pat Sykes  
Luke 21:5-19  
(Page 103 Pew Bible)

Sermon Rev. Pat Sykes  
***Foundation of Our Faith***

\*Hymn of Going Forth to Serve No. 733 *We're Marching to Zion*  
(United Methodist Hymnal)

\*Dismissal with Blessing Rev. Pat Sykes

\*Choral Benediction No. 904 *Amen* Lutkin

\*Chiming of the Holy Trinity Helen Alexander

\*Postlude Wagner  
*Flourish on Salzburg*

\*Please stand as you are able  
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**The flowers on the altar today are given to the Glory of God by Chuck and Sally Wright in loving memory of Dr. and Mrs. T. B. Hough and Rev and Mrs. Harold Leatherman.**

**Our youth have been attending the NCCUMC Youth Conference Pilgrimage 2016 this weekend in Fayetteville and will return today.** The theme for this year is "REDEEMED-Ephesians 2:10". Please pray for safe travels as our 27 youth and 6 chaperones return this afternoon.

**Merry Makers!** will travel to the *Festival of Trees in Pinehurst on Friday, Nov. 18, 10:00am-3:00pm (\$10).* Space is still available if you are interested in taking this trip. Please call the church office on Monday, Nov. 14 (tomorrow!).

**Once again we are joining East Rockingham UMC on November 19 with serving over 1,000 thanksgiving meals to families in our community. We need volunteers from 10:30 am - 2:00 pm to help deliver meals to shut-ins and greet and serve people who dine-in. If you can't volunteer your time on Nov. 19, you can help by sending tea and/or pound cakes for the meal.** Please call the church office to let us know how you would like to help for the Community Thanksgiving Meal.

**The United Methodist Men invite you to attend BREAKFAST on Sunday, November 20 at 8:30 am.** Paulette Wall, Richmond County Schools Homeless Coordinator, will be the guest speaker. She will talk with us about the homeless children in Richmond County. These children are not all living on the streets or in shelters. Many of them sleep at friends' homes or in their vehicle. Most of them do not have stable home environments and do the best they can to survive and stay in school.

This is a serious problem in our community and one that is not well known. During the holidays, it would be wonderful if our Church family would reach out to help them feel loved. Please join us as we learn more about these children.

**Our Community Thanksgiving Worship Service will be Sunday, November 20 at FUMC, 6:00 pm.** Rev. Jim Nelson, pastor of First Baptist Church will be the speaker. Our Handbells will present special music during the service. Let's fill the church for this community celebration!!



**Decorating the Sanctuary for Christmas.** We need volunteers to help the Worship Committee to decorate our Church and Sanctuary on **Monday, November 21 at 6:00 pm.** This is a wonderful family tradition to prepare our sanctuary for Christmas. Everyone is invited to help!

**Calling all children!!!** We are starting to rehearse for our 2016 Christmas Play. Practices will be on **Wednesdays at 4:00 pm and on Saturday, December 17 at 10:30 am.** Let Mary Griffith know if your child would like to participate or if you have any questions. **We would love for ALL of our children to sing for Christmas.**

**UMW Planning Meeting, Tuesday, November 22, at 6 pm in Room 101.** All UMW members are encouraged to attend this important meeting. We also welcome anyone to attend who may not be affiliated with one of our circles. We will plan our year of projects, programs, meetings and events at this meeting

**Our YOUTH are sponsoring a Local Church for Christmas this year.** We will host a Christmas Party and share the true meaning of Christmas for the children and youth from the age of 4-13. At the Christmas Party, each child will receive a gift bought by the youth, a filled stocking, and a fruit bag. If you would like to help with filling the stockings, we could use **50 each:** washcloths, soaps, hair brushes, small toys, individually wrapped candy and/or gum.

**Ponder This:**

Circumstances may appear to wreck our lives and God's plans,  
but God is not helpless among the ruins.  
Our broken lives are not lost or useless.  
God's love is still working.  
God comes in and takes the calamity and uses it victoriously,  
working out God's wonderful plan of love.

Eric Liddell, the subject of the movie, *Chariots of Fire*

