



UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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March 22, 2017

PALM SUNDAY, HOLY THURSDAY, & EASTER

April 9 - **PALM SUNDAY** - Services at 8:45 and 11:00

Children will process with palms and all congregants will receive palms to wave.

Our youth will be participating with scripture readings and enactments.

The Chancel Choir and Praise Team will present special music.



April 13 - **HOLY THURSDAY SERVICE** at 7:00 p.m.

The Chancel Choir will present the cantata "Shadows" by Douglas Wagner followed by Communion and the stripping of the altar.

April 16 - 3 services on **EASTER SUNDAY** - 8:30, 9:00 and 11:00

Special music by the Chancel Choir, Instrumental Ensemble, with Communion at all services.

BACKPACK MINISTRIES...A REMINDER

Please be here at 9:00 a.m. this Saturday, March 25 to help pack 580 backpacks for children at Hope Valley School - enough for the rest of the school year.

Sunday, March 26, 2017-UMCOR Sunday

Fourth Sunday of Lent

8:30 and 11:00 Worship

Sermon: Rev. Karen H. Whitaker

Scripture: Psalm 23, 1 Samuel 16: 1-13, John 9: 1-41

Hymns: *Holy! Holy! Holy! Lord God Almighty, Open My Eyes, That I May See Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us*

9:00 Worship

Sermon: "Children of Light" Rev. Dr. Sangwoo Kim

Scripture: 1 Samuel 16: 1-13, Ephesians 5: 8-14

Songs: *Blessed Be Your Name, Here I Am to Worship, Open the Eyes of My Heart, Shine, Jesus, Shine*

Liturgists: 8:30: Maureen Oakes, 11:00: Justin Whitaker

Ushers: Tim Dahlgren, Belo Shelton, Fred Mowry, Johnie Joyce

Greeter: Juliet Thomas

Bus Driver: Todd Benware

Offering Counters: Marvin Carver and Michael Mumford

Altar Guild: Juliet and Chris Thomas, Susan Armour

Nursery: Marcey Harp, Theresa Shebalin, Beth Armbruster, Melissa Culp

Acolyte: Caroline Mumford

Youth Reader: Elise Benware

Crucifer: Hannah Morris

Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Rod Myers from Nancy Myers and family.

ALTAR FLOWERS ARE NEEDED FOR SOME OF THE SUNDAYS IN APRIL

Would you like to donate the flowers in memory of, or in honor of someone special to you? Contact Gloria Dewey, 919-493-1139 gkdewey@aol.com

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS, MARCH 19

Miranda Carper



Scott Slattery



THANK YOU!

We read so much about how mean and nasty people sometimes are to each other, but these past 2 weeks I have been reminded of how kind people can be. Thanks so much for the warm embrace of your emails, cards, and hugs in the setting of my mother's passing.

Steve Smith

EGGSTRAVAGANZA will be Saturday, April 8 from 3 - 5 p.m. Bring all the children you know to enjoy Easter egg hunts, a bounce house, treats, games, and more! Children's Council is requesting donations of nut-free candy to use for goody bags. There is a collection box in the Farthex. Thank you.

DAN AND ELLA SHARPE SCHOLARSHIP

Rev. Daniel Sharpe served as pastor of Epworth Church from 1953 - 1957. In his will, he established a scholarship fund for "boys and girls who are members of Epworth" to continue their education beyond high school. In 1985, the first scholarship was awarded by the Endowment Committee. Any member who is a student in any course of study beyond high school who would like to apply for the scholarship, can access the attached application or pick up an application in the church office. Please return it to the church office by April 12. The award will be made in June.

SUSANNA CIRCLE will meet at 12:30 on Monday, March 27. Bring your lunch and enjoy a program on maternal and Child Health.

TALENT SHOW

You are invited to the Reality Ministries Talent Show on Tues, April 25 at the DPAC! A joy-filled evening featuring performers with and without disabilities Art Gallery & Seating open at 6:00, Stage performance at 7:00 Free! Tickets required (dpacnc.com or realityministries.org)

ITEMS REMAINING FROM THE OUTREACH AUCTION

Myrah Scott hand-painted jewelry box. Value of \$262, \$100

Design and planting of a deck/porch/patio container garden- Winner will pay for the plants, soil and pots, but Leanna Murphy (Durham Co. Extension Master Gardener & Epworth Garden Committee chair) will purchase and install/plant. Value \$500--10 hours of services, Perfect Spring or Mother's Day gift \$150

Hand-knit "Blanket of Love." 40" x 25" \$15

Roses - 1 large bouquet of roses in the Spring and 1 large bouquet of roses in the Fall. Retail Value \$40 offered for \$30

Mountain Lodge at Snowshoe, WV - One week during summer OR (3 days in ski season) in 2 bedroom Mountain Lodge Unit. Sleeps 6. Subject to availability. Date to be arranged by purchaser and owner. \$500

Swiss lace valance - 54" x 18' \$10

Travel Leaders \$50 Gift Certificate-- Good off a travel package worth \$500 or more. Air Tickets excluded. Offered for \$10

Tax Preparation - Prepare one Federal and one State 2016 personal income tax return with electronic filing (federal form 1040 and schedule A along with the NC tax return) Additional forms or schedules will be charged accordingly. \$300

29" x 19.5" painting plus frame--Woodland & Mountain Scene \$10

2 metal candle sticks pewter colored \$10

2 oil lamps \$8

1 oil painting framed pond with mill in background by Caufield approx. 20" x 20" \$10

1 framed print winter scene with skaters approx. 20" x 20" \$10

UMCOR SUNDAY UMCOR is the humanitarian arm of The United Methodist Church. Its work reaches people in more than 80 countries, including the United States. UMCOR provides immediate humanitarian relief when war, conflict, or natural disaster disrupts life to such an extent that communities cannot recover on their own. (For example, victims of Hurricane Matthew last October were assisted by UMCOR.) This offering was formerly called "One Great Hour of Sharing" and is received on the 4th Sunday in Lent. United Methodists are called to share the goodness of life with those who hurt. Your gifts will lay the foundation for the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) to share God's love with communities everywhere. The special offering underwrites

UMCOR's "costs of doing business." This helps UMCOR to keep the promise that 100 percent of any gift to a specific UMCOR project will go toward that project, not to administrative costs. Offering envelopes will be inserted in the bulletin. Please come prepared to give.

Time for the CROP Walk is drawing near!!

Instructions for Online donations to 2017 CROP Walk, April 2, 2017

Walk starts at 2:30 PM but please arrive between 1:30 and 2:00 PM We will assemble on the steps of Duke Chapel

- Go to www.crophungerwalk.org/durhamnc
- In the box "find a walker or a team" start filling in Epworth United Methodist, below you will see a little grey box with "EU" in it, click on that box
- Click on "join our team"
- Follow directions on the screen by filling out information. THANK YOU!!
- If you do not wish to join a team you may make a gift to the Epworth United Methodist team or an individual on our team. On the Durham Crop Walk home page click on donate instead of join our team. Next select whether you want to support a team or support an individual. Follow instructions for locating either our team or an individual. Questions? please contact Bill Matteson, whmatteson@gmail.com or 919-408-1967. You may also just give a check to either the person at the information table or the church office. Make checks payable to CROP/CWS with Epworth on the memo line.
- You are encouraged to use the online version. If you are using the envelopes please read the instructions. There have been some changes. The individual donor forms will be available at the CROP table in
- the Farthex. If you are using these forms don't forget to sign the waiver and bring envelopes to the CROP table or give to Bill Matteson, at the walk. Parking will be at the Chemistry lot at the corner of Towerview (extension of Maureen Rd.) and Circuit drive.

SUNDAY NIGHT LIVE SCHEDULE

March 23 - we will meet and conclude our study on Heaven.

April 2 - no meeting because of the CROP Walk

April 9 - we will meet!

April 16 - no meeting on Easter Sunday

April 23 - we will meet and resume our regular schedule.

TRIP TO TEMPLE THEATER

Join the LC's and others for a trip to the Temple Theater in Sanford on **Friday, March 31** to see the show "The Andrews Brothers."

We need at least ten people in order to buy the tickets for \$21 each. We will leave the church at 10:30, have lunch in Sanford, and see the show at 2:00, returning to the church around 5:00 p.m. Call the church office to make your reservation.

About the play: *The Andrews Sisters fail to show up for a USO performance shortly before curtain time, and the show is in jeopardy of being cancelled. Three earnest stagehands are determined to go on with the show. It is filled with songs made famous by the Andrews Sisters.*

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MARCH/APRIL 2017

<p>26 4th Sunday in Lent Worship at 8:30, 9:00, and 11:00 9:50 Children's Choir and Sunday School 5:30 SNL 5:30 UMYF</p>	<p>27 12:30 Suzanna Circle 3:30 Tutoring 6:30 Communications Committee 7:30 Instrumentals</p>	<p>28 10:30 Staff Mtg 12:00 Lenten Devotions 1:30 Care Group 6:00 Yoga 7:00 Boy Scouts</p>	<p>29 3:45 Tutoring 3:30 Prayer Group 6:00 Handbells 7:00 Chancel Choir</p>	<p>30 11:00 Bible Study 5:15 Voices Together 7:00 AA</p>	<p>31</p>	<p>APRIL 1</p>
<p>2 5th Sunday in Lent Worship at 8:30, 9:00, and 11:00 9:50 Children's Choir and Sunday School CROP WALK</p>	<p>3 1:00 Sarah Cir 3:30 Tutoring 7:00 Witness Committee 7:30 Instrumentals</p>	<p>4 10:30 Staff Mtg 12:00 Lenten Devotions 1:30 Care Group 6:00 Yoga 7:00 Boy Scouts</p>	<p>5 3:45 Tutoring 3:30 Prayer Group 6:00 Handbells 7:00 Chancel Choir</p>	<p>6 11:00 Bible Study 5:15 Voices Together 7:00 AA</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8 3:00 - 5:00 EGGSTRAVA- GANZA</p> 
<p>9 PALM SUNDAY <u>Worship at</u> <u>8:45 and 11:00</u> 9:50 Children's Choir and Sunday School 5:30 UMYF 5:30 SNL</p>	<p>10 1:00 Book Group NO Tutoring 7:30 Instrumentals</p>	<p>11 10:30 Staff Mtg 12:00 Lenten Devotions 1:30 Care Group 6:00 Yoga 7:00 Boy Scouts 7:00 Outreach</p>	<p>12 NO Tutoring 3:30 Prayer Group 6:00 Handbells 6:30 UMMen 7:00 Chancel Choir</p>	<p>13 11:00 BibleStudy 5:15 Voices Together 7:00 AA 7:00 Holy Thursday Service</p>	<p>14 Good Friday</p>	<p>15</p>

Epworth United Methodist Church declares itself a Reconciling Congregation, seeking to welcome all persons, regardless of age, race, ethnicities, disabilities, gender or sexual orientation, into the discipleship of Christian living and proclaim our commitment to seek the reconciliation of all persons to God and to each other through Jesus Christ