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May 3, 2017

NEWS FROM THE CONNECTIONAL CHURCH...

1. This Sunday, May 7, our District Superintendent, the Rev. Carol Goehring will be the guest speaker for the General Meeting of our United Methodist Women. (See the UMW article on p. 3 of the Etchings.)

2. Information about the recent development of the United Methodist Church's position on human sexuality
 - On April 25, the Council of Bishops announced a call to a special General Conference on Feb. 23-26, 2019, which will act on the proposals based on the report of the Commission on the Way Forward, the 32-member commission approved by the 2016 General Conference.
<http://www.umc.org/news-and-media/bishops-set-date-for-special-2019-general-conference>
 - On April 28, the Judicial Council published a declaratory decision regarding the consecration of Bishop Karen Oliveto, an openly gay bishop of the Western Jurisdiction of the United Methodist Church. (Judicial Council Decision No. 1341: <http://www.umc.org/decisions/71953>)
<http://www.umc.org/news-and-media/ruling-greeted-with-confusion-hope>
 - A Statement of the President of the Council of Bishops regarding the Judicial Council decision: <https://nccumc.org/bishop/president-council-bishops-statement-regarding-judicial-council-decision-1341/>

If you have any questions, please contact one of the pastors:
kwhitaker@epworth-umc.org or sangwoo@epworth-umc.org

8:30 and 11:00 Worship

Sermon: "The Shepherd Leads..." Rev. Karen H. Whitaker

Scripture: Psalm 23, Acts 2: 42-47, John 10: 1-10

Hymns "He Leadeth Me" "My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

9:00 Worship

Sermon: "Knowing His Voice" Rev. Dr. Sangwoo Kim

Scripture John 10:" 1-10

Songs: "Thy Word" "Lead Me, Guide Me"

"Alleluia (Alleluia)" "There Is a Redeemer"

Ushers: Don Gamble, Johnie Joyce, Bobbie Dahlgren, John Rasmussen

Bus Driver: Tim Dahlgren

Liturgists 8:30: Maureen Oakes 11:00 Miranda Carper

Greeters: Susan Armour and Meg Bass

Offering Counters: Johnie Joyce and Kenneth Roberts

Altar Guild: Bobbie Dahlgren and Patsy Harlow

Nursery: Marcey Harp, Theresa Shebalin, Anne Posey, Meg Bass

Acolyte: Caroline Mumford Youth Reader: Jerush Christopher

Crucifer: Dalton McCurdy

Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God and with love, by Meg Bass, in honor of her dad and stepmom, John Hemingway and Louise Fann, who both celebrate birthdays in May, and in honor of her daughter, Emily Bass, who will graduate with honors from the University of N.C. at Chapel Hill on Mother's Day, with a BA in Psychology.

SPECIAL MUSIC THIS SUNDAY

Our Music Director, David Lewis, will play tuba for several selections. The offertory at all three services will be "Amazing Grace" arranged by Arthur Moore, a friend of Becky Wilgus' family. Becky's father, Dan Warlick, played tuba in high school and college. This arrangement was played at his funeral and is dedicated to his memory.

LC'S LUNCH AND MUSICAL PROGRAM

LC's (ages 50 - 100+) will meet Monday, May 15, 11:30 at Croasdaile Village. RSVP to the church office or to Ruth Clausing 919-381-5809.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

This Sunday, May 7th, all are invited to our UMW time together including lunch immediately following the 11 AM worship service. Our own Corridor District Superintendent, Rev. Carol Goehring, will be reflecting on Esther. Her message is entitled "For Such a Time as This." For further information call Sue Stutz 614-876-4206.

MEMORIALS In Memory of Ruth Bazemore To Children's Music Ministries from Dot Shoaf. To the Care Group from Kathy Chaney.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS SERVICE 9:00 a.m., May 21 at the picnic shelter.

GARDEN CLEAN-UP The Garden Committee will be working with Epworth's Boy Scout Troop 461 and the United Methodist Men next week to finish our spring clean-ups and beautification efforts. We welcome additional volunteers on Tuesday, May 9 from 6:45-8p.m. to help the Scouts spread mulch (bring a wheelbarrow, work gloves, shovel or mulch fork) AND/OR Wednesday, May 10 from 6:45-8 p.m. to help the UMM with pruning (bring your hand pruners or loppers and gloves.) Many hands will make light work! We also welcome donations of snacks - leave them in the kitchen marked "garden committee." Questions? Email Leanna Murphy, Garden Committee chair MurphyLK2@yahoo.com or call 919-381-1952.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES VBSS (Vacation Bible Second Saturdays) will be on the second Saturday mornings of June, July, and August (that's June 10, July 8, and August 12) from 9am-12noon, followed by a lunch for families. Three essential Bible stories from the gospel of Luke come to life with art, games, cooking, music and science for 3-year-olds through rising 5th graders. Registration forms and flyers are available in the farthex and narthex.

MISSION TRIP to Fond Doux Haiti: the mission team will be headed to Haiti on July 13-20th. If you have ever thought of going, we would love to talk to you about it. Contact Linda Mitchell at lindamitchell1@yahoo.com or Libby Engel at libbyengel@nc.rr.com with any questions.

CHEERS to Lynn Templeton who was recently featured in the News and Observer as "Tar Heel of the Week" for her work at the Center for Volunteer Caregiving in Wake County.

BAPTISM We rejoice with Laura and Will Kimmey on the baptism of their daughter Caroline Darcy Kimmey at the 9:00 service on April 23.

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YOUTH NEWS & NOTES



U.M.Y.F.

Date Program Topic

May 7th Beach Retreat - No evening U.M.Y.F.

May 14th Mother's Day - No U.M.Y.F. Make special memories with your Mom!!

NOTE: U.M.Y.F. dinner schedule is as follows. Please note that Parent "Chefs" needed May 21st. If you are willing to provide the youth dinner any of these weeks, please let Joyce.

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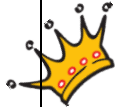
May 14th - Mother's Day-NO U.M.Y.F.

May 21st - **PARENT(S) CHEF(S) NEEDED!!**

May 28th - Boltz Family

June 4th - Year End Celebration

SUNDAY SCHOOL May 7th: NO YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL DUE TO THE RETREAT.



SAINTS FOR THE WEEK: Ian Kim and Hannah Morris for serving as acolyte & crucifer during the 11:00 worship service! The following for helping set-up for the big 90 years young birthday party: Elise Benware, Ethan Benware, Ian Kim, Kaitlyn Montgomery, Peter Walker, Hannah Morris, Ryan Vandevander, Henri Nadworny, Virginia Nadworny and Susan Grayiel!

ACOLYTE/CRUCIFER/READER SCHEDULE:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Acolyte</u>	<u>Crucifer</u>	<u>Reader</u>
May 7 th	Caroline Mumford	Dalton McCurdy	Jerush Christopher
May 14 th	Michael Mumford	Jerryl Christopher	Julia Boltz
May 21 st	Anna Darr	Peter Walker	Katherine Lantzy
May 28 th	Ben Engel	Caleb Engel	Erin Engel
June 4 th	Dalton McCurdy	Hannah Morris	Hayes Hunter

IMPORTANT: If you are not able to acolyte/crucifer/read on an assigned week, please find a substitute and contact Joyce and the church office so we will know of th

IMPORTANT INFORMATION & DATES:



May 5th-7th: U.M.Y.F. Beach Retreat to Emerald Isle!

May 14th: Mother's Day - NO U.M.Y.F.

June 4th: U.M.Y.F. Year End Celebration

Reminder of Conference Youth Events for the summer and fall If interested, please contact Joyce for more information:

ACS (Annual Conference Session for Youth): July 24-29, 2017

Appalachian Trail Hike: July 10-15, 2017

Breakaway: June 26-July 1, 2017

CYC Retreat: August 11-13, 2017

Pilgrimage: November 10-12, 2017

International Mission Trip: December 27, 2017-January 3, 2018

May you be blessed by the many ways God touches your life, and may you be a blessing to many so that they may see God's light and love in you!

MAY, 2017

<p>7 8:30, 9:00, and 11:00 WORSHIP 9:50 Children's Choir and Sunday School 12:15 UMW Gen. Meeting 5:30 SNL</p>	<p>8 1:00 Book Group 3:30 Tutoring 6:00 SPPRC 7:00 Worship Comm. 7:30 Instrum.</p>	<p>9 10:30 Staff Mtg 1:30 Care Group 6:00 Yoga 6:45 Garden Work 7:00 Boy Scouts 7:30 Aesthetics Comm.</p>	<p>10 3:30 Tutoring 3:30 Prayer Group 6:00 UMMen 6:00 Handbells 6:45 Garden Work 7:00 Chancel Choir</p>	<p>11 5:15 Voices Together 6:30 Bread For the World 7:00 AA</p>	12	13
<p>14 MOTHER'S DAY 8:30, 9:00, and 11:00 WORSHIP 9:50 Children's Choir and Sunday School 5:30 SNL</p>	<p>15 11:30 LC's at Croasdaile 1:30 Ruth Circle 3:30 Tutoring 7:00 Trustees 7:30 Instrum.</p>	<p>16 10:30 Staff Mtg 1:30 Care Group 6:00 Yoga 7:00 Boy Scouts</p>	<p>17 3:30 Tutoring 3:30 Prayer Group 6:00 Handbells 7:00 Chancel Choir</p>	<p>18 5:15 Voices Together 7:00 AA</p>	19	20
<p>21 8:30, 9:00, and 11:00 WORSHIP (9:00 "Blessing of The Animals" Service) 9:50 Children's Choir and Sunday School 5:30 SNL 5:30 UMYF</p>	<p>22 12:30 Susanna Circle 3:30 Tutoring 7:30 Instrum.</p>	<p>23 10:30 Staff Mtg 1:30 Care Group 6:00 Yoga 6:30 Preschool Bd. 7:00 Boy Scouts</p>	<p>24 3:30 Tutoring 3:30 Prayer Group 6:00 Handbells 7:00 Chancel Choir</p>	<p>25 5:15 Voices Together 7:00 AA</p>	26	27

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.