EPWORTH
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

ETCHINGS

919/489-6557 www.epworth-umc.org August 29, 2018

SEPTEMBER SUNDAYS

September 2 **Worship and Communion at all services**

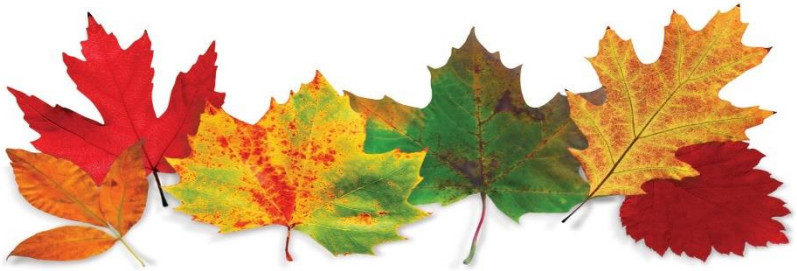
September 9 **5:00 "Raising Kids for the Beloved Community" Potluck dinner and program.**

September 16 **12:30 "Rise Against Hunger" meal-packing**

September 23 **9:00 a.m. "Blessing of the Animals" service Regular 8:30 and 11:00 services.**

3:00 p.m. Journeying to Justice speaker: Rev. Dr. William C. Turner

September 30 **Children's Musical at 9:00 and 11:00 services**



SUNDAY, September 2, 2018

Worship and Communion at 8:30 and 11:00
Sermon Rev. Karen H. Whitaker
Scripture: Psalm 45: 1-2, 6-9, James 1: 17-27, Mark 7: 1-8, 14-15, 21-23
Hymns at 8:30 and 11:00 "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" "Trust and Obey" "Spirit of God Descend upon My Heart" 8:30 Response Hymn: "Come Christians, Join to Sing"

Worship at 9:00
Sermon: Rev. Dr. Sangwoo Kim
Scripture: James 1: 17-27
Songs: "Open the Eyes of My Heart" "I Will Follow" "You Alone Are Holy" "The Gift of Love" "Lifesong"

Ushers 8:30 Mike Shiflett
11:00 Joyce Dalgleish, Bob Hodgins, Belo Shelton, John Rasmussen
Counters Kenneth Roberts, Mike Hanson
Sound Technicians 9:00 Lewis Bass IV 11:00 Alan Payne
Liturgists 8:30 Maureen Oakes 11:00 Grayson Hicks
Bus Driver Steve Smith **Greeters** Carolyn Davis, Juliet Thomas
Acolyte Ian Kim **Crucifer** Anna Darr **Youth Reader** Anna Darr
Altar Guild Joyce Dalgleish, Emily and Rick Dike
Altar Flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of George McKee by his family.

CHILDREN'S FALL KICK-OFF SUNDAY First day of 2018-19 Sunday School for 3rd-5th grade, Kindergarten-2nd grade, and Preschool classes is September 9! Meet your teachers, welcome our new preschoolers, and get ready for our upcoming musical!

RAISING KIDS FOR THE BELOVED COMMUNITY Everyone with a child or youth in their life is invited on Sunday, September 9 as Dr. Zoila Airall deepens our conversation and sharing of resources on how to help shape kids' understanding of race. Potluck dinner starts at 5pm, followed by program from 5:30-6:30pm. Childcare and activities for infants through 5th graders will be provided--please RSVP to Amanda Wilson or the church office if possible.

CHANCEL CHOIR resumes our regular Wednesday, 7:00 – 8:30 pm rehearsals on August 29. If you have considered adding your voice to the Choir, the beginning of the season with all new music is a great time to experience the fellowship and faithfulness of the Choir. Call me with any questions – David Lewis, 919-349-7442

This year's Christmas Cantata is "How Great Our Joy" by Douglas Wagner and Lloyd Larsen and will be presented at the 11:00 am Service on December 16. You are welcome to add your voice to the Choir for this special Worship Service. We will have rehearsals that focus only on the Cantata on Saturday mornings from 9:00 am – noon on September 29, October 27, November 17 and December 15.

Music for the Cantata will be available at the Wednesday Choir rehearsal or on Sunday morning. Please let me know if you are interested in singing in the Cantata so I can be sure you have the music and everything you need. dlewis@epworth-umc.org.

RISE AGAINST HUNGER Please sign up, opportunities still available to help. Outreach will be sponsoring a Rise Against Hunger meal-packing event on Sunday, September 16th starting at 12:30 PM in the fellowship hall. There will be pizza available for those helping, starting after the 11:00 AM service in the picnic shelter. This year Rise Against Hunger has supplied us with a website where you can register for the event. While Outreach will provide funding for the event, we are asking for donations so that Outreach will also have funding for other important projects.
https://shn.secure.force.com/events/homepage?id=701f1000002qxqUAAQ
We will also be asking for 5-6 strong individuals to help with set up starting at 11:30 AM. Please contact Bill Matteson at 919-408-1967 if you have any questions. Thank You!

THURSDAY MORNING CLASS Hinduism, Judaism, Buddhism, Christianity, Islam: These five great religions have influenced people's lives for thousands of years. Starting this fall and continuing over five semesters, the Thursday class will examine each of these faiths, its history, geography, writings, beliefs, practices, and impact. The classes will follow The Great Courses curriculum, with weekly reading assignment, video and discussion questions.

For the fall semester, we will focus on the oldest of these religious traditions, Hinduism. The first of twelve class meetings will take place on September 6 at 11:00 am in room 2-3. Please sign up on the list in the office, or call Marie at 919-493-6199. All are welcome!

SUPPORT FOR THOSE WHO MOURN Growing thru Grief offers year-round support for those who have lost a loved one. On September 4, Bill Dahl will mark the group's anniversary with "Five Years and Counting." Sharon Walker's topic on September 11 is "It's OK That You Are Not OK." On September 25, Artie Hendricks will begin our fall six-week series on the grief process. His topics are:

- September 25 From Loneliness to Community
- October 2 From Anxiety to Peace
- October 9 From Guilt to Forgiveness
- October 16 From Anger to Resolution
- October 23 From Meaninglessness to Hope

October 30 From Grief to Reinvestment

Artie Hendricks, MDiv, ThM, is a Senior Clinical Administrative Chaplain of Palliative Care and Bereavement Services with the Department of Chaplain Services and Education at Duke University Hospital. He completed his Masters of Divinity and Masters of Theology at Duke Divinity School. He is an ordained minister in the United Church of Christ. Artie is in his 11th year at Duke where he was the former Director of Duke's Partners in Caring program for nine years. He has served as a hospice chaplain, bereavement coordinator, and an Army National Guard chaplain.

Growing thru Grief is a free, open, confidential program sponsored by a coalition of area religious and civic organizations to provide support and comfort to those who mourn. Following the presentation, we break into small group discussions. Meetings are held year-round on Tuesdays at St. Paul's Lutheran Church 1200 W. Cornwallis. We gather at 4 pm for coffee and cookies, and the meeting starts at 4:30 and ends by 6.

WHEN YOU FINISH YOUR JULY/AUGUST UPPER ROOM, please donate it to the Prison Ministry. There is a basket near the church office door.

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RED BIRD MISSIONS CRAFT FAIR On Saturday October 6th (9 AM- 5 PM) and Sunday October 7th (10 AM- 1 PM), the Red Bird Missions Craft fair will be held at Epworth. This will coordinate with Fall Festival on Saturday. Many of you may remember craft fairs from earlier years. The crafts are made in Appalachia and sales of the items provide income to the Red Bird Mission. The fair is a great place to buy unique Christmas gifts for family and friends. The mission, now a part of the United Methodist Church, was founded in 1921 in the southeastern corner of Kentucky. It was originally founded to provide evangelical ministries to residents of the area. Over the years the mission has expanded to provide educational opportunities, medical care, and even building homes. The young lady who is coming to set up the fair needs a place to stay on October 4, 5, 6 and 7. Please contact Bill Matteson, 919 408-1967 for questions. Thank you.

EVE CIRCLE - SEPTEMBER MEETING will be a discussion of the book, The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Color Blindness by Michelle Alexander. The meeting is at 7:00 p.m. in room 2/3, Thursday, September 20. All are welcome. For more information contact Fran Whaley, 919-489-8

YOUTH NEWS

Sunday, September 2nd

Sunday School: Regular Sunday School
UMYF: No UMYF - enjoy the Labor Day Weekend!!

Sunday, September 9th

UMYF: 5:00 to 6:30 - please note the time change! Please bring a potluck dish to share with our congregation!

FROM THE LEISURE & RECREATIONAL MINISTRIES COMMITTEE

Mark your calendars now for this great opportunities for fun and fellowship with the Epworth Family!

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND: Luncheon Outings following the 11:00 worship service. Typically scheduled for the third Sunday of each month (dates adjusted for certain special events), a variety of restaurants will be selected. Mark these dates and plan to join in the fun, fellowship and laughter…all while partaking of some great food!

September 23rd – Saladalia
October 21st – Bennett Pointe Grill
November 18th – Hope Valley Diner
December: no outing due to the holidays

Stay tuned for information on signing-up via GoogleDoc sign-up sheet so we can be sure to have enough seats at the tables for everyone!

OTHER FALL FUN ADVENTURES:

September 14th: Square Dancin' Fun at Binkley Baptist Church in Chapel Hill. Jeff Rankin (coordinator…and great dancer, too!) See attached flyer.

November 11th: Eno Hike – hiking the Occoneechee Mountain! Meet at the church at 2:00 to carpool to enjoy this great fall outing! More info to follow!!
Questions? Suggestions? Interested in helping with events? Please contact the LRM Committee (Rick & Emily Dike, Kathy Dutton, Alan Payne, Jeff & Gail Rankin, Jean Sartain, Joyce Dalgleish)

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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.