

**TODAY, Sunday, February 11, 2018** – *This is the day which the LORD hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.* Psalm 118:24

**Feb. Church Opener:** Buddy Fields      **Feb. Church Closer:** Earl Fields

**8:50AM Greeters Today:** Lois Snow      **NEXT WEEK:** Stacy & Lucille McClintock

**10:55AM Greeters Today:** Betty K. & Jane S.      **NEXT WEEK:** Desi & Gail Williams

**February Ushers:** Earl Fields, Tim Fields, Doug Garrett, Leo Kirkman, Bob Norris

**Acolytes:** Sofia Cook Marimon and Claudio Cook Marimon

**Audio/Visual Tech:** Gene Flinchum, Terry Franklin, Wayne Moser, Denny Spencer, Justin Windsor

**---March Communion Stewards:** Michelle & Clark (E); Desi & Gail Williams (L)---

**Attendance February 4, 2018 -**

Sunday School	53
8:50AM Early Service	32
10:55AM Worship Attendance	106
<b>Total Worship Attendance</b>	<b>138</b>
Your Gifts-----	
Amount Collected to Date	\$30,342.39
Worship Service	\$6,030.00
MMRF	\$30.00
Other:	
Souper Bowl of Caring	\$631.00

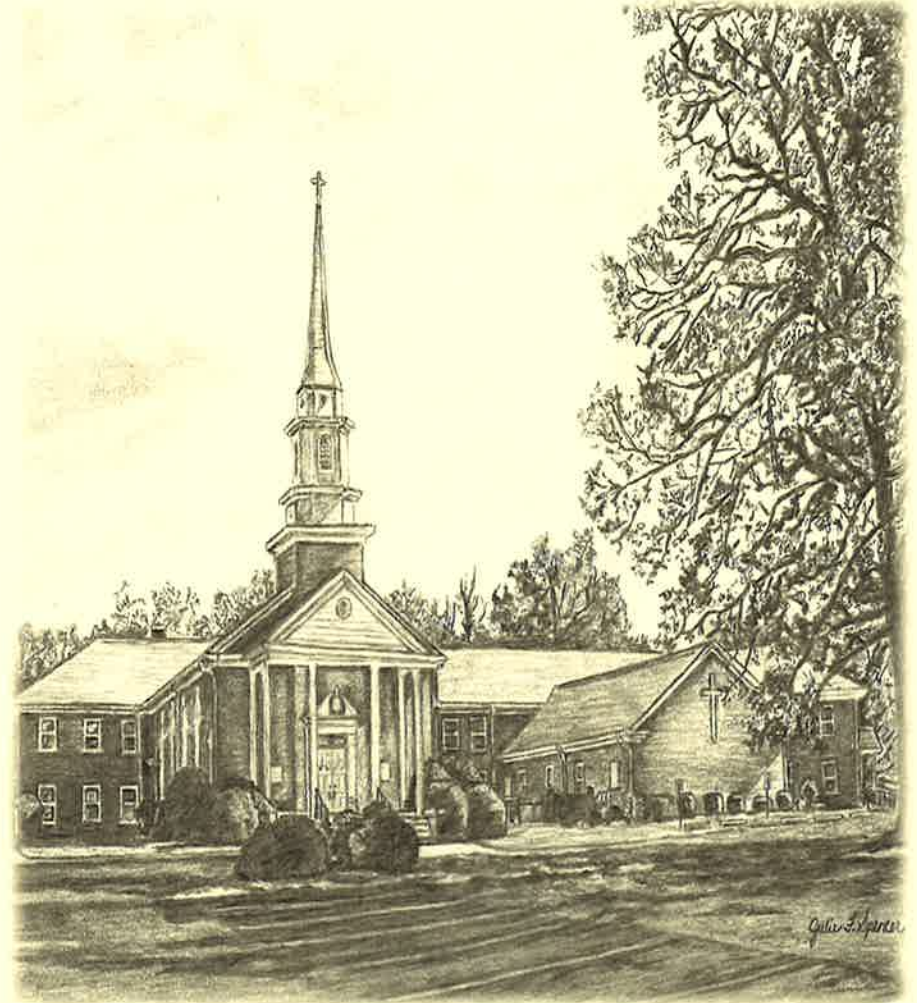
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# BETHLEHEM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH CLIMAX, NORTH CAROLINA



February 11, 2018  
*Last Sunday after Epiphany*  
*Transfiguration Sunday*

February 11, 2018

10:55AM

*Welcome all who worship here! We pray you experience God's Holy Spirit in a new way as we worship together. Please be sure to sign the pew register.*

Greetings and Announcements

Prelude *Thou Wilt Keep Him in Perfect Peace*

Lighting of the Candles

\*Hymn *Come, Thou Almighty King* No. 61

\*Canticle of Love No. 646

\*Response *What Wondrous Love Is This* (vs. 2) No. 292

Joys and Concerns

Morning Prayer

The LORD'S Prayer

Special Music *He Smiled On Me* by Geoffrey O'Hara  
Beverly Culbertson, Voice Soloist

The Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory *Adagio*

\*The Doxology *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* No. 95

\*Offertory Prayer

Children's Moment Pastor Melissa

\*Hymn *The Gift of Love* No. 408

Scripture I Corinthians 13

Message "Erich Segal Was Wrong!" Pastor Michael

\*Hymn *Love Diving, All Loves Excelling* No. 384

\*Benediction

\*Congregational Benediction *Lift High the Cross* (Refrain) No. 159  
*(As you depart, greet one another with the joy of Christ)*

\*Postlude

\*Please stand as you are able.



**NEW TESTAMENT DISCIPLE STUDY**— BEGINS TODAY from 5:45pm until 7 pm. If there is enough interest (8 minimum), we can do a class Wednesday or Thursday morning. Call the church office at 336-674-0155 to register or speak with Pastor Michael.

**FRIENDLY CLUB** will meet on Tuesday, February 13th at 10:30 am. We will have a few Valentine activities and several games of Bingo. That will be followed by our covered dish lunch and good fellowship! Please come and bring a friend or two!

**NOTICE FROM THE TRUSTEES** - The trustees committee is in the process of instituting security practices for our church. Please be aware this may mean some changes for us. More information will be provided as it is available. If you are interested in participating on a security committee, please contact Barry Norris @ 336-908-0274.



**UMW District Mission Study** - Saturday, February 17 at Hickory Grove UMC, Greensboro (off West Wendover). Registration begins at 9am, study on the Red Bird Missionary Conference led by Daphne Strickland 10am-2pm. Bring your own bagged lunch!

**LAY SERVANT TRAINING SCHOOL @ Guilford College UMC**

**1205 Fleming Road - Greensboro, NC 27410**

Sat., 2/24, 9-12:30PM; Sun., 2/25, 2:30-5:30PM; Sat., 3/3, 9:30-12:30PM;  
Sun., 3/4, 2:30-6:30PM

- **Basic Course is required for all prospective lay servants.**
- Advanced Classes are available for those who have taken the Basic Course.

Registration forms available outside of church office.



**COMING FEB. 25** - Please be sure to stop by for information and to participate in a survey on influenza, including hand hygiene and cough etiquette. As part of the *Community Health Nursing II Program and Information Sustained by the Healthy People 2020 Federal Initiative*, Helen Faircloth, RN, CCRN-K will have an informational table set up in the hallway outside of the fellowship hall and in some Sunday School Classes on February 25<sup>th</sup>. This is certainly timely information and an excellent opportunity for all to learn more about how to stop the flu.

## PRAYER CONCERNS

Please keep these friends in your prayers.

<b>Ongoing Prayer Needs:</b>	<b>Ongoing (Cont.)</b>	<b>Immediate Prayer Needs:</b>
Lucy Albright (Clapps Assisted)	Marjorie Mabe	Barbara Badeau (Priscilla Hodges' daughter/law))
Dale Austin	Bobbie McClintock (home)	Betty Fields (surgery)
Jack Bowman	Deanna McCombs (Sherrri Bowman's mother) surgery	Cory Fields
Peggy Bowman	Mildred Moser (Clapp's Assisted Living)	Nancy Golden
Suzie Branch	Jamie O'Daniel (home)	Linda Hill (Russell Hill's mother)
Edna Coble (NH)	Dickie Parks	Doris Hockett
Cletis Fields (NH)	David Robb	Betty Hull
Kelsey Garrett	Wanda Sheets	Linda Land
Martha Hinshaw (NH)	Lisa Shown (broken wrist)	Ashley McCollum @ Baptist (Linda Duncan's niece)
Ruby Hockett (assisted living)	Lowell Suggs (knee)	Mike Underwood (home)
Carolyn Johnson (home)	Bobby Tew (home)	Lorene Wells (surgery)
Janet Jordan (Annie Mae Jones' Daughter)	Jeffrey Welker (back in U.S.)	Kay Wilkinson
	All of our homebound	Brody Watson (bone marrow transplant)

Please help us keep this list up-to-date. If someone has been omitted who should be on our prayer list, or if you know of changes in the prayer needs of anyone we list, please let the church office know.

*We extend Christian sympathy to the family of Dale Averill. Dale graduated to the Church Triumphant on Saturday, February 3, 2018.*

*Dear Church Family, I appreciate your prayers over the last few weeks so very much. And many, many thanks for your food, visits, and phone calls. Kelly & I are truly thankful for all of your kindness. Love, Betty & Kelly*

**CONFIRMATION CLASS**— 4:30-5:30PM Sundays, beginning Feb. 18. This is for 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, and 6<sup>th</sup> graders or youth who have not had confirmation class. We will cover basics of faith and church. Confirmands will have the option of joining the church on Mother's Day Sunday and/or be recognized for this accomplishment. Please contact Pastor Michael or Pastor Melissa to learn more.

**THIS MORNING'S ALTAR DISPLAY** is presented to the Glory of God and is representative of the *Transfiguration* of our Lord Jesus Christ. Jesus had acknowledged that He was the Messiah and predicted His death and resurrection. Now He was to reveal, to a select few, His divine glory. (See Matthew 17:1-3; 5-8) Symbolism: The cross reminds of all that Jesus endured, as well as all that He is - **Our Living Lord**. The Bible is a reminder of the prophets, Elijah & Moses, to whom Jesus revealed Himself. The three candles represent Jesus, Elijah & Moses. But Peter, James & John were the only witnesses to the *Transfiguration* on the mountaintop (stones at the base of candles). The palms and purple cloth are reminders of the Lenten Season.

May we all be reminders our Living Lord not just during Lent, but always.

## HAPPENING THIS WEEK

**Sunday 2/11** Transfiguration Sunday  
Youth Return from Ski Trip  
8:30AM Prayer Time @ Altar  
8:50AM Blended, Casual Worship  
10AM Sunday School  
10:55AM Traditional Worship  
NO UMYF  
5:45PM Disciple Bible Study Starts

**Monday 2/12**  
6:30PM History & Records  
7PM Exercise

**Tuesday 2/13** Fat Tuesday  
10AM StoryTime (in Library)  
10:30AM Friendly Club  
7PM WIC  
7PM Cub/Boy Scouts

**Wednesday 2/14** Ash Wednesday  
Lent Begins

Happy Valentine's Day  
3-4PM Food Pantry  
NO YOUTH BIBLE STUDY  
7PM Ash Wednesday Service  
7PM Exercise  
NO CANTATA/CHOIR PRACTICE

**Thursday 2/15** FH in use 6-8PM  
3:15PM Children's Chapel  
6:30PM PG Lion's Club  
7PM Children & Family Mins.

**Friday 2/16** FH in use 6-9PM  
Chinese New Year  
Church Office Closed

**Saturday 2/17** FH in use 2-4PM  
10-2PM UMW District Mission Study  
(Reg. @ 9AM) Hickory Grove UMC  
2-4PM Cub Scout Mom-to-be Shower (FH)

**Sunday 2/18**  
CHICKEN STEW ORDERS DUE  
8:30AM Prayer Time @ Altar  
8:50AM Blended, Casual Worship  
10AM Sunday School  
10:55AM Traditional Worship  
4:30-5:30PM Confirmation Classes Begin  
5:30PM UMYF  
5:45PM Disciple Bible Study

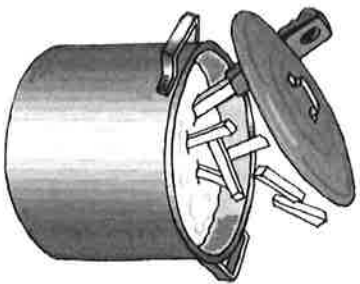


**LENTE BEGINS FEB. 14 - Lenten Offering Banks** are now available on the table outside of the Church office and in the narthex.

## COMING UP

<b>Mon., Feb. 19</b>	NEWSLETTER DEADLINE
<b>Thurs., Feb 22</b>	SPRC @ 7PM (Parlor)
<b>Sat., Feb. 24</b>	Lay Servant Training, 9-12:30PM (Guilford College UMC)
<b>Sat., Feb. 24</b>	<b>Spaghetti Fundraiser for Brody Watson, 5-7PM</b> (with bake sale)
<b>Sun., Feb. 25</b>	Youth – <b>Soup, Salad, Potato Bar from 11-1:30PM</b>
<b>Sun., Feb. 25</b>	Lay Servant Training, 2:30-5:30PM (Guilford College UMC)
<b>Sun., Feb. 25</b>	Hand Bell Choir Practices Begin @ 4:30PM
<b>Mon., Feb. 26</b>	Arlene Stokes @ 7PM

**NOTE CHANGE HAND BELL PRACTICE START DATE - The Hand Bell Choir will perform on Palm Sunday.** Practices will begin on **FEB. 25@ 4:30PM.** If you are interested in participating, please contact Cesar (336)457-5649.



# Arlene Stokes UMW Circle Chicken Stew & Bake Sale



Saturday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>  
(Snow date March 17<sup>th</sup>)  
12 noon-1:00 pm  
\$7.00/quart

**Preorder;** walk in orders may not be available  
Phone/email orders to:

Cindy 336-674-6858/[cindyf@traid.rr.com](mailto:cindyf@traid.rr.com)

Julia 336-685-4857/[jawillis1@aol.com](mailto:jawillis1@aol.com)

Be SURE to include your name & phone number!

Place orders by February 18<sup>th</sup>

## 2018 Lenten & Easter Worship and Event Schedule

- 1<sup>st</sup> Sun. in Lent - Feb. 18, Worship @ 8:50AM & 10:55AM; SS @ 10AM
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Sun. in Lent - Feb. 25, Worship @ 8:50AM & 10:55AM; SS @ 10AM  
(Youth - Soup, Salad, Potato Bar 11-1:30PM)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Sun. in Lent - Sun. March 4, Worship @ 8:50AM & 10:55AM (Holy Communion);  
SS @ 10AM
- 4<sup>th</sup> Sun. in Lent - March 11, Worship @ 8:50AM & 10:55AM; SS @ 10AM
- 5<sup>th</sup> Sun. in Lent - March 18, Worship @ 8:50AM & 10:55AM; SS @ 10AM
- Palm/Passion Sun. - March 25, Worship @ 8:50AM & 10:55AM (Hand Bell Choir  
performers); SS @ 10AM
- Maundy Thurs. - March 29 @ 7PM Worship/Tenebrae Service (Holy Communion)
- Egg Hunt - Sat., March 31 from 2 - 4PM
- Easter Sunrise Service - Sun., April 1 @ 6:45AM (Breakfast follows in FH); SS @ 10AM
- Easter Cantata - Sun., April 1, Combined 10:55AM Worship (NO COMMUNION)