

**Serving in Church**

**March Church Opener:** Sandie Harris **March Church Closer:** Karen Barbone

**8:50AM Greeters Today:** Sandie Harris **NEXT WEEK:** Wayne & Phyllis Alley

**10:55AM Greeters Today:** Phyllis Wicker **NEXT WEEK:** Buddy & Judy Fields

**March Ushers:** David Fields, Glenn Getner, Bud Lauder, Mario Massarelli, Barry Norris

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

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

**Attendance March 11, 2018 -**

Sunday School	91
8:50AM Early Service	42
10:55AM Worship Attendance	85
<b>Total Worship Attendance</b>	<b>127</b>

Your Gifts-----	
<b>Amount Collected to Date</b>	<b>\$60,971.75</b>
Worship Service	\$3,612.15
MMRF	\$25.00
UMCOR Special Sunday Offering	\$283.00

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**BETHLEHEM**  
**UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
**CLIMAX, NORTH CAROLINA**

*Fifth*  
**SUNDAY**  
**IN**  
**LENT**

**MARCH 18, 2018**

March 18, 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 *The Old Rugged Cross Made the Difference*

Lighting the Candles

\*Hymn *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* No. 400

Joys and Concerns

Mission Moment "Honduras" Brittany Ingold

Morning Prayer

The LORD'S Prayer

Anthem *Jesus Is All the World to Me* by Will Thompson

The Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory *Lead Me to Calvary*

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

\*Offertory Prayer

Puppet Pals Andrew and Susan Coward

\*Hymn *Make Me a Captive, Lord* No. 421

Scripture John 12: 20-33

Message "Jesus: 'I Live Here'" Pastor Michael

\*Hymn *I Surrender All* No. 354

\*Benediction

\*Congregational Benediction *What Wondrous Love Is This* No. 292  
*(As you depart, greet one another with the joy of Christ.)*

\*Postlude

\*Please stand as you are able.

**YOUTH BAKE SALE – Happening Today!** Be sure to stop by the bake sale table and pick up some goodies.

**CHURCH COUNCIL** - Tonight @ 7PM. All church council members are asked to attend.

**Northern Piedmont UMW Climate Justice Workshop** - Saturday, March 24<sup>th</sup> @ Muir's Chapel UMC, Greensboro. Registration @ 9AM; workshop 10AM-noon.



**Easter Lily Orders** – Orders must be turned in to office by Tuesday, March 27<sup>th</sup>. (See bulletin insert for details.)



**NEXT SUNDAY – Palm/Passion Sunday.** The Hand Bell Choir will perform during both worship services.

**BRADSHAW/VETERAN'S MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT** – April 14<sup>th</sup> @ Holly Ridge Golf Course. 8AM shotgun start. \$65/golfer or \$260 for team of 4. Hole sponsorship \$100 (April 5<sup>th</sup> deadline). Lunch is provided. Call Becky Windsor for more info (336)708-2897.

*Today, Sunday, March 18, 2018 is the Fifth Sunday in Lent.*

*Liturgical color is purple.*

*The altar has been prepared for this Sunday before Passion Sunday to the Glory of God. The components of the display are meant to express the Passion of Jesus. The flowers and greenery (holly) used symbolize Mary's sorrow for her son. The color of the arrangement represents the color of the Lenten season. The placement of the crescent shaped arrangements give the feeling of supporting the cross. Floral Art in the Church pg. 69.*

**Lent/Easter Worship Event Schedule**

- 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 performs); 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)

## PRAYER CONCERNS

Please keep these friends in your prayers.

### Ongoing Prayer Needs:

Lucy Albright (Clapps Assisted)  
Dale Austin  
Jack Bowman  
Peggy Bowman (Clapps)  
Tony Bowman (home)  
Suzie Branch  
Edna Coble (NH)  
Cletis Fields (NH)  
Cory Fields  
Jeanette Fields (home)  
Kelsey Garrett  
Nancy Golden (chemo)  
Sandy Greeson Strawberry Lady (BKA)

### Ongoing (Cont.)

Ruby Hockett (assisted living)  
Betty Hull  
Carolyn Johnson (home)  
Marjorie Mabe  
Bobbie McClintock (home)  
Ashley McCollum surgery)  
Mildred Moser (Clapp's Assisted Living)  
Jamie O'Daniel (home)  
Dickie Parks  
David Robb  
Wanda Sheets

### Ongoing (Cont.)

Mike Underwood (home)  
Jeffrey Welker (back in U.S.)  
Lisa Shown (broken wrist)  
Bobby Tew (home)  
Kay Wilkinson  
All of our homebound

### Immediate Prayer Needs:

Ann Hice (Clapps)  
Doris Hockett  
Clyde Land (surgery)  
Lorene Wells (Clapps)  
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 Eric Allen Russell. Eric graduated to the Church Triumphant on Wednesday, March 7, 2018. Eric was the great-nephew of Louise Bowman. He was also a member of the Level Cross Fire Department.*

## EASTER EGG HUNT

**SAT., MARCH 31<sup>st</sup> from 2-4PM (Rain or Shine)**

Join us for refreshments, crafts, & story time in the fellowship hall before moving outside to hunt for eggs. Donations of individually wrapped candy (no chocolate) & small prizes (bouncy balls, tattoos, plastic rings, etc.) can be left in the boxes outside of the church office & in the narthex.

**Heifer International Lenten Offering Banks** are available on the table outside of the Church office and in the narthex. This offering will be collected on April 8<sup>th</sup>.

**Scout Troop 342 Pine Needles on sale now.** \$4.50 per bale. Saturday 9AM – 1:30PM; for other times call Eddie Wilkinson @ 336-674-0921, leave a message.

**WE ARE STILL LOOKING FOR THE LOST BRASS ALTAR CROSS.** It was a part of the candle/altar set. If you know the whereabouts of this, please let the church office know 336-674-0155. Thank you.

## HAPPENING THIS WEEK

### Sunday 3/18<sup>5<sup>th</sup></sup> Sunday in Lent

Youth Bake Sale (after both services)  
8:30AM Prayer Time @ Altar  
8:50AM Blended, Casual Worship  
10AM Sunday School  
10:55AM Traditional Worship  
4:30-5:30PM Hand Bell Choir  
4:30-5:30PM Confirmation Class  
5:30PM UMYF  
5:45PM Disciple Bible Study  
7PM Church Council

### Monday 3/19

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE  
7PM Exercise

### Tuesday 3/20<sup>Spring Begins</sup>

10AM StoryTime (in Library)  
7PM WIC  
7PM Cub/Boy Scouts

### Wednesday 3/21

3-4PM Food Pantry  
6PM Youth Bible Study  
7PM Cantata/Choir  
7PM Exercise

### Thursday 3/22

3:15PM Children's Chapel

### Friday 3/23<sup>FH in use 6:30-9PM</sup>

Church Office Closed  
6:30pm Cub Scout Painting Party (FH)  
See Insert for Info

### Saturday 3/24<sup>FH in use 12noon-3PM</sup>

9-1:30PM Pine Needles on Sale  
10AM Hand Bell Rehearsal (Sanctuary)  
10AM (9AM Registration) NPUMW Climate Justice  
Muir's Chapel UMC (G-boro)

### Sunday 3/25<sup>Palm/Passion Sunday</sup>

Hand Bell Choir performs @ both services.  
8:30AM Prayer Time @ Altar  
8:50AM Blended, Casual Worship  
10AM Sunday School  
10:55AM Traditional Worship  
4:30-5:30PM Confirmation Class  
5:30PM UMYF (Movie in W-S)  
5:45PM Disciple Bible Study

**COMMITTEE CHAIRS** - In order to avoid scheduling conflicts, your help is needed. Please relay your meeting dates & times to the church office **as promptly as possible**. If meetings vary, please project date & time as closely as possible. **Info for April is requested by March 19.** Thank you.

## COMING UP

**Mon., March 26** Arlene Stokes@ 7PM

**Tues., March 27** Deadline for ordering Easter Lilies

**Thurs., March 29** Maundy Thursday /Tenebrae & Holy Communion @ 7PM

**Sat., March 31** Easter Egg Hunt (2-4PM) RAIN OR SHINE!

**Sun., April 1** 6:45AM Sunrise Service, Breakfast Follows in FH.

10AM Sunday School; 10:55AM Combined Worship/Cantata

**BULLETIN DEADLINE** –All bulletin announcements need to be received by the office no later than **Tuesday** evening if they are to be included in Sunday's bulletin. Thank you.

**FROM THE TRUSTEES** - In an effort to move forward with security measures for our church, all entrance doors will be locked at 10:55am for the service. To gain entry after 10:55am, enter via the front main doors to the sanctuary where they will be monitored by a member. Thank you, BUMC Trustees Committee



**2018 Order Form**

**Due Tuesday, March 27**

We invite you to provide Easter Lilies to decorate our sanctuary on Easter Sunday, April 1<sup>st</sup>. Flowers can be ordered through the Church office. The cost is **\$13.75** each. (Slight increase in cost to cover delivery fee.)

Please complete this form & enclose check or cash in an offering envelope & **write your name & Easter Lilies on the outside.**

**PLEASE RETURN YOUR ORDER FORM & MONEY TO THE CHURCH OFFICE NO LATER THAN TUESDAY, MARCH 27<sup>TH</sup>.**  
**Orders received after March 27<sup>th</sup> may not get processed in time for Easter.**

**PLEASE WRITE CLEARLY**

Donor \_\_\_\_\_

In Honor of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

In Memory of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Church office order \_\_\_\_\_ lilies @ **\$13.75** each.

**(1 lily \$13.75, 2 lilies \$27.50, 3 lilies \$41.25, 4 lilies \$55.00)**

# CUB SCOUT PACK 342

**PRESENTS A PAINTING PARTY  
FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!**



**Date: Friday March 23, 2018**

**Time: 6:30pm**

**Location: Bethlehem United Methodist Church in Climax, NC**

**Adults: \$25.00**

**Children under 12: \$15.00**

**Painting options will be Spring Bouquet in Mason Jar or Wolf Howling at the moon on 11x14 canvas**

**There will be refreshments and drinks available.**

**Please contact us if you are willing to come no later than March 19<sup>th</sup>. Please bring cash on the day of the event. Checks and credit cards will not be accepted.**

**Contact information:**

**Amanda York: [anfloyd1852@gmail.com](mailto:anfloyd1852@gmail.com) or 336-549-2929**

