

Today is **Sunday, April 15, 2018 – Third Sunday of Easter.**

The Liturgical color is white.

The flowers have been placed in the church this morning to the Glory of God and in honor and remembrance of Bethlehem United Methodist Church family and friends by Francis and Lois Snow.

Serving in Church

April Church Opener: NEED OPENER **April Church Closer:** Jerry Berry

8:50AM Greeters Today: Lois Snow **NEXT WEEK:** NEED GREETER

10:55AM Greeters Today: Joyce King **NEXT WEEK:** The Dahls

April Ushers: David Allen, Jerry Berry, Byron Dahl, Terry Franklin, Kevin Gunter

Acolytes: Sofia Cook Marimon and Claudio Cook Marimon

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

Attendance April 8, 2018 -

Sunday School	100
8:50AM Early Service	48
10:55AM Worship Attendance	94
Total Worship Attendance	142

Your Gifts-----	
Amount Collected to Date	\$86,152.96
Worship Service	\$5,276.50
MMRF	\$160.00
Heifer Int./Lenten Offering 2018	\$1,162.18

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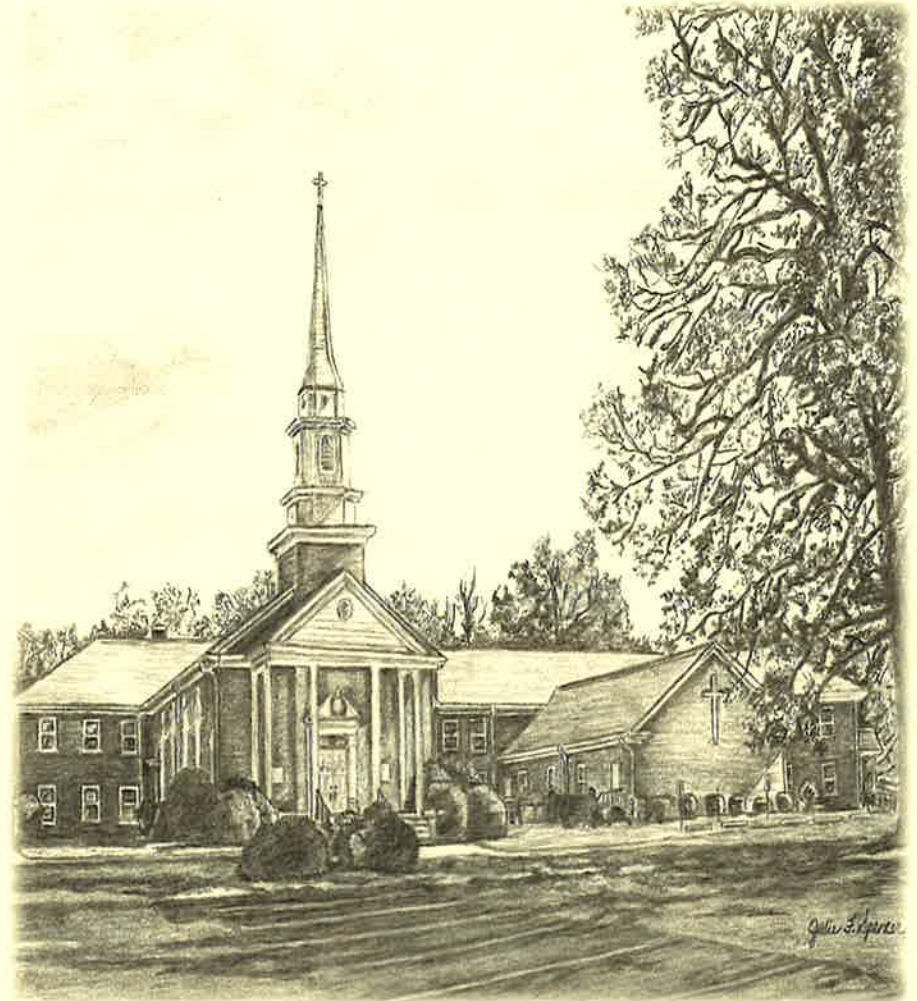
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BETHLEHEM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH CLIMAX, NORTH CAROLINA



April 15, 2018
Third Sunday of Easter

April 15, 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 *Glorify Thy Name*

Lighting of the Candles

*Hymn *Holy, Holy, Holy* No. 64

*A Statement of Faith of the Korean Methodist Church No. 884

*Response *Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus* On Screen

Joys and Concerns

Morning Prayer

Anthem *Grateful Medley* arranged by Russell Mauldin

The Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory *The Hour of Worship*

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

*Offertory Prayer

Puppet Pals *That's Not My Name* The Cowards

*Hymn *Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling* No. 348

Scripture Mark 8: 27-38 (NIV)

Message "Moving Beyond Borderland" Pastor Michael

*Hymn *Only Trust Him* No. 337

*Benediction

*Congregational Benediction *He Lives* (vs. 1) No. 310

*Postlude

*Stand as you are able.

BAKE SALE TODAY - Brittany Ingold will be on staff for her second summer at Carolina Cross Connection. The bake sale today will help raise money for her salary. Come support her if you are able! Thanks.

THE YOUNG-AT-HEART CLASS is sponsoring a Mother's Day Bulletin to honor our mothers on May 13. Mother's names are \$5 each & checks may be made payable to the Young-at-Heart Class. If honoring more than one mom per check, clip all envelopes together, please. (One name per envelope.) Envelopes are available in SS classes & at each entrance & may be put into the offering plate or given to Karon Monnett, Judy Fields, or Phyllis Wicker. **Deadline is May 6.** Thank you for your participation.

60+ DINNER- For all those who are 60+ years old, you are invited to dinner on Sunday, April 22 at 5:30 (FH). Join us for the 2018 Olympic Senior Games. Please sign up TODAY on the signup sheet being circulated in the Sunday School classes or during the service. Or you may call the church office. Come out for an evening of good food, fun, and fellowship.

Tabernacle UMW Homemade Fried Apple Pie Sale

Order DEADLINE April 30th

Contact Erin Burke 336-456-8533

Name, Phone #, pick-up date (May 1-5), quantity @ \$1.75 each

PICK UP DATES: May 1-5, 3:00-5:00PM in fellowship hall



THURSDAY, MAY 3RD IS NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER - We are passing a clip board around giving everyone the opportunity to sign up for a prayer slot to pray wherever you are at that time for our families, God's church and our nation. We would covet everyone's participation. Blessings, The Evangelism Committee

SAVE THE DATE – Sunday, May 20th is Graduate Sunday. In preparation for this special Sunday, please pass along any information on your college or high school graduate to the church office by next Sunday, April 22. We would like to publish this info in the May newsletter. **Additionally, Adopt-A-Pals**, students & sponsors, please **contact Karen Lauder**, 336-495-1253, with information as to which worship service you (sponsor & student) will be attending on May 20th.

VBS - JULY 9-12 5:30-8:30PM If you are interested in helping, please let Gail Williams or Melissa Swofford know. We would love to have you! Remember we are a *Safe Sanctuary Church* and must have an updated background check on file. You can pick one up from the church office or from the Children's Ministries mailbox. Please fill it out and return to Robin in the church office ASAP!

PRAYER CONCERNS

Please keep these friends in your prayers.

Ongoing Prayer Needs:

Lucy Albright (Clapps Assisted)
Dale Austin
Barbara Badeau (Clapps Assisted)
Jack Bowman
Peggy Bowman (home)
Tony Bowman (home)
Suzie Branch
Edna Coble (NH)
Cletis Fields (Clapps)
Cory Fields
Kelsey Garrett
Nancy Golden (chemo)
Ann Hice (Clapps Assisted)

Ongoing (Cont.)

Ruby Hockett (assisted living)
Carolyn Johnson (home)
Marjorie Mabe
Bobbie McClintock (home)
Mildred Moser (Clapp's Assisted Living)
Jamie O'Daniel (home)
Dickie Parks
David Robb
Wanda Sheets
Bobby Tew (home)
Mike Underwood (home)
Brody Watson (home)

Ongoing (Cont.)

Jeffrey Welker (back in U.S.)
Lorene Wells (home)
Kay Wilkinson
All of our homebound
Immediate Prayer Needs:
Eutha Bowman (knee surg. /home)
Jackie Cook (knee surgery/ home)
Phyllis Dahl (surgery)
Doris Hockett (Hosp. Care)
Betty Hull (Clapps)
Paige Phillips
OTHERS:

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.

Thank you all for the food, calls, cards and prayers during my recent surgery and recovery. I am truly grateful for all of you. God Bless, Jackie Cook



Correction – Last Sunday the bud vases were in honor of newborns **Sophia Rose DeVita & Hugo Vlastikis Smith**. Sophia weighed 7 pounds 5 ounces & is the granddaughter of Sid & Libby Fields, great granddaughter of Carol Fields & niece of Cory Fields. Hugo weighed 8 pounds, 13 ounces & is the son of Mitchell & Caitlin Smith, grandson of Phil & Jackie Smith, & brother to sister Hazel.

KEEPING OUR CHILDREN SAFE – *Stewards of Children*, a prevention training that teaches adults how to prevent, recognize and react responsibly to child sexual abuse will be **Sun., April 29th 1-3PM** (check-in & lunch @ 12:15). **Tabernacle UMC, 5721 Methodist Rd., Greensboro**. This is a free event. For more info call 336-413-3078.



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

HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Sunday 4/15 FH in use 1-6PM (Baby Shower)

Mother's Day Bulletin Starts

10-12:30PM Bake Sale (Britt. Ingold/ CCC staff)

8:50AM Early Worship

10AM Sunday School

10:55AM Traditional Worship

4:30PM Confirmation

5:30PM UMYF

5:45PM Bible Study

Monday 4/16

7:30PM Exercise

Tuesday 4/17

10AM StoryTime (in Library)

7PM WIC

7PM Cub/Boy Scouts

Wednesday 4/18

3-4PM Food Pantry

6PM Youth Bible Study

7PM Choir

7:30PM Exercise

Thursday 4/19

3:15PM Children's Chapel

6:30PM PG Lion's Club

7PM Children's Ministries

Friday 4/20

Church Office Closed

Saturday 4/21 FH in use 1-9PM (bday & 60+ supper dec.)

9-1:30PM Pine Needles on Sale

Sunday 4/22 Earth Day

8:50AM Early Worship

10AM Sunday School

10:55AM Traditional Worship

4PM Bible Study

4PM Confirmation

5:30PM 60+ Supper (FH)

5:30PM UMYF

COMING UP

Mon., April 23 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Mon., April 23 @ 7PM Arlene Stokes

Fri., April 27 Arbor Day

Sun., April 29 @ 10AM Combined SS Event (Adult Classes) FH

Sun., April 29 @ 1PM *Keeping Our Children Safe* (Tab. UMC)

FROM THE LUMPEES - We bought our first home! We still get cards fairly regularly from Bethlehem folks and we want to make sure they have the right address. It is now:

Daniel, Alex, and Graysen Lumpee
305 Sapphire Dr.
College Station, TX 77845

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.

THE BRASS ALTAR CROSS IS STILL MISSING - 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.

Thank you to the many volunteers who help make worship such a special time at Bethlehem! Your talents and gifts are truly appreciated.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Budget Results for March 2018

\$257,568.61 Total Budget Money Available March 31, 2018
 + 27,353.42 Money Received in March
- 26,837.53 Money Spent in March
 \$258,084.50 Total Budget Money Available March 31, 2018

For the month of March, 2018, the Church Budget received \$515.89 more than it spent. For the year, the Church Budget spent \$4,312.50 more than it received.

Major Maintenance & Repair Fund – this designated money will be used to pay for major maintenance or repair projects to the Church building, parsonage or parking lot. The Board of Trustees must recommend all expenditures from this fund to the Church Council, and the Church Council must approve all expenditures from this fund. This is a perpetual fund and a minimum balance of \$2,500.00 shall be maintained at all times.
 \$19,210.24 Total MM&RF Money Available March 31, 2018

Other Designated Gifts – occurs when the Church receives money for a designated purpose and the Church shall only spend this money for the purpose that it was given.

Insurance Money (mold)	\$ 6,053.70	Camp Tekoa	\$ 781.88
Food Pantry	\$ 863.78	Handbells	\$ 160.52
Discretionary Fund	\$ 7,151.20	Scholarship-Religion Ed	\$ 1,983.22
Little Chefs	\$ 195.03	Missions-Undesignated	\$ 21,661.57
Records & History	\$ 541.56	Christmas Shoeboxes	\$ 158.20
UMYF	\$21,065.21	Cemetery Fund	\$ 10,255.29
Family Ministries	\$ 1,817.87	Cemetery/Columbarium	\$ 19,284.94
Helen Grady Endowment	\$ 2,667.74	Columbarium Donations	\$ 12,502.00
Flowers	14.50	Columbarium Niche	\$ 1,000.00
Camp Meeting Fund	\$ 50.00	Veteran's Memorial Pavers	\$ 1,000.00
Misc In/Out (UMCOR)	\$ 333.00	Choir Fund	\$ 100.00
Heifer Collection	\$ 50.00		

Total Other Designated Gift Money Available March 31, 2018 \$109,691.21

Frank Willis, Stewardship Ministry Chair