

BETHLEHEM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH CLIMAX, NORTH CAROLINA

Today is **Sunday, May 20, 2018 – Pentecost**

The Liturgical color is red.

The flowers have been placed in the sanctuary to the Glory of God & in loving memory of Johnny Waugh by Pat & family.

Flowers **next week** – Lorrie Roth.

--Serving in Church--

May Church Opener: Johnny Riddle **May Church Closer:** Greg Wicker

8:50AM Greeters Today: Jennifer & Dale Young **NEXT WEEK:** NEED GREETERS

10:55AM Greeters Today: Pat Waugh **NEXT WEEK:** Joy, Mario, & Lorrie

May 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

Attendance May 13, 2018 -

Sunday School	87
8:50AM Early Service	72
10:55AM Worship Attendance	111
Total Worship Attendance	183

Your Gifts-----

Amount Collected to Date	\$113,957.41
Worship Service	\$6,847.75
MMRF	\$275.00

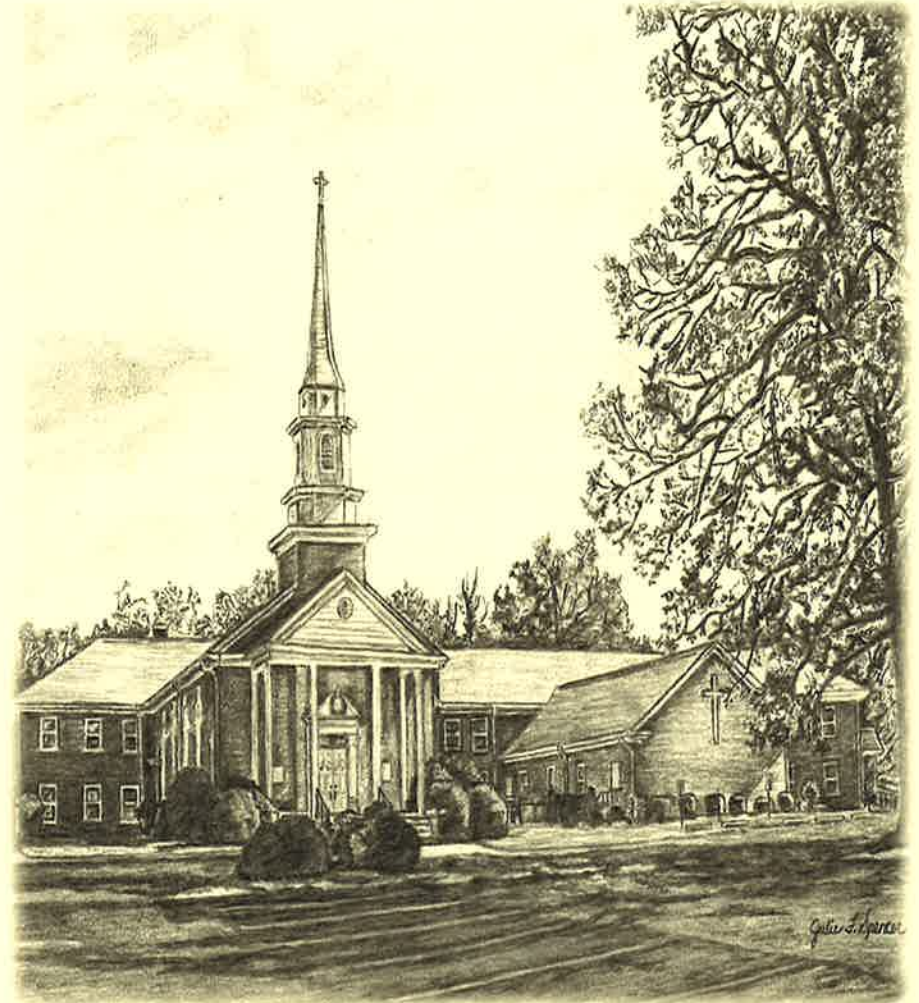
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May 20, 2018
Pentecost
Graduate Sunday

May 20, 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 as it is passed up and back down the pew.

Greeting and Announcements

Prelude *Pomp and Circumstance* by Edward Elgar

Lighting the Candles

*Hymn *Come Thou Fount* No. 400

Recognition of Graduates Andrew Coward

Morning Prayer

Anthem *Because of Who You Are* Smiley and Farrell

The Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory *O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee*

*The Doxology

*Offertory Prayer

Secret Pals Revealed Karen Lauder

*Hymn *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling* No. 384

Scripture Romans 7: 14-25a

Message *St. Augustine: Complete Surrender* Pastor Michael
Series: Preparing for the Spiritual Life

*Hymn *I Want a Principle Within* No. 410

*Benediction

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

*Postlude

*Please stand as you are able.

TODAY IS GRADUATE SUNDAY – Both high school and college graduates will be recognized. **Sponsors will be revealed!**



Grace Wilkinson Scholarship Forms: available in the Narthex, church office, and stairwell bulletin board. This scholarship is available for any institute of higher learning (trade school, vocational school, community college, college, university, Masters or Doctoral degrees). The forms are due back to the church office **no later** than 4:00 pm on June 14. Forms received after this date and time will not be considered for a scholarship. The scholarship will be awarded on Sunday, July 15 at the 10:55 am service.

TODAY @ 6:30PM (Sunshine Classroom) VBS TRAINING – If you plan to help with VBS this year, this training is necessary. Please plan to attend.

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!

NEWSLETTER ITEMS ARE DUE TOMORROW, MAY 21ST. Please email your items to Robin bethumclimax@gmail.com

NEEDED YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER for 3rd Sundays starting June 17th. Please contact Pastor Michael for information.



CHURCH COUNCIL WILL NOT MEET TONIGHT. It will meet Sunday, June 3 @ 7PM.

A REMINDER FROM THE COUNTING TEAM – Your memorial & honorariums gifts do not apply to the tithing amount you pledged for the year. If you have questions, please contact a member of the counting team – Faye Fields, Jane Chamelin, or Doris Reynolds.



YOU ARE INVITED TO A RETIREMENT RECEPTION for Rev. Mark Andrews on Sun., June 10, Carpenter Hall, FUMC Belmont. This will begin directly following 11AM worship. FUMC is located at 807 South Point Road, Belmont, NC 28012.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Please keep these friends in your prayers.

Ongoing Prayer Needs:

Lucy Albright (Clapps Assisted)

Dale Austin

Barbara Badeau (Clapps Assisted)

Jack Bowman

Tony Bowman (home)

Suzie Branch

Edna Coble (NH)

Cletis Fields (Clapps)

Cory Fields

Kelsey Garrett

Nancy Golden (chemo)

Ann Hice (Clapps Assisted)

Ruby Hockett (assisted living)

Ongoing (Cont.)

Betty Hull (home)

Carolyn Johnson (home)

Marjorie Mabe

Bobbie McClintock (home)

Mildred Moser (Clapp's Assisted)

Jamie O'Daniel (home)

David Robb

Wanda Sheets

Bobby Tew (home)

Mike Underwood (home)

Brody Watson (home)

Jeffrey Welker (back in U.S.)

Ongoing (Cont.)

Lorene Wells (home)

All of our homebound

Immediate Prayer Needs:

Charles Alexander

Vicky Alexander

Peggy Bowman (home)

Ben Fields

Bobby Hooker (Joyce King's bro.)
Heart Surgery

Dicky Parks

Evonne Parks

Paige Ramsey Phillips

Deborah Norris

Ernest Wicker (Phyllis Wicker's
Bro. in Law)

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

CONGRATULATIONS - Knox Gunter and Jana Cheek were married on April 15, 2018. Knox is the son of Kim and Kevin Gunter and the grandson of Doris and Leo Kirkman.

SPECIAL FATHER'S DAY BULLETIN - The Young-at-Heart Class would like to thank you for your participation in the Mother's Day Bulletin. With your help, we were able to make a lovely tribute to our mothers; we would like to do the same for our fathers on June 17. Entries are \$5 per name. Envelopes are available in Sunday school classes, on either end of the altar, and at each entrance. Only one entry's name on each envelope please. If you have several gentlemen you wish to honor, just fold extra envelopes inside the first one. Turn your envelopes in to Phyllis Wicker, Judy Fields, Karon Monnett or place in the offering plate by **the deadline, June 10**. Make checks payable to Young at Heart Sunday School Class.



PASS THE CLIPBOARD/FAMILY MINISTRIES – We will be getting a group together to go to a Grasshoppers baseball game on Friday, June 1st @ 7PM. Tickets are \$10. Four year old and younger get in for free. Please sign-up on the clipboard if you want to go. Contact Layne Downing if you have questions – 336-317-5722.

HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Sunday 5/20 Pentecost, Graduate Sunday

(Sanctuary in use 3-4PM; FH in use 4-9PM)

Submittals for Father's Day Bulletin Begin

8:50AM Early Worship

10AM Sunday School

10:55AM Traditional Worship

5-8PM Graduate Cookout

6:30PM VBS Training

Monday 5/21

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

7:30PM Exercise

Tuesday 5/22

10AM StoryTime (in Library)

7PM Women in Christ

7PM Cub/Boy Scouts

Wednesday 5/23

3-4PM Food Pantry

6PM Youth Bible Study

7PM Choir

7:30PM Exercise

Thursday 5/24 (FH in use all day/Child Care Grad. Prep)

3:15PM Children's Chapel

7PM Child Care Graduation (FH)

Friday 5/25

Church Office Closed

Saturday 5/26

9-1:30PM Pine Needles on Sale

Sunday 5/27 Trinity Sunday

George & Annie Jones Reunion

8:50AM Early Worship

10AM Sunday School

10:55AM Traditional Worship

5:30PM UMYF

COMING UP

Mon., May 28 **Memorial Day** – Church Office Closed

Mon., May 28 @ 7PM Arlene Stokes (Room-at-Inn Shower)

Sat., June 2 from 9-11AM VBS Decoration Workshop (FH)

Sun., June 3 Communion Sunday; Peanut Butter/Oatmeal Sunday

Sun., June 3 @ 7PM Church Council

Tues., June 5 @ 8AM Breakfast Club (Backyard Grill)

Thurs., June 7 @ 7:30PM Trustees

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.

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

✓ **BUMC Child Care is in need of a part-time (2-6PM) teacher** for the summer. For more information contact Jackie Smith @ (336) 674-9879.

We are still trying to locate the altar cross. There have been a couple of leads ...but it remains lost. The cross was part of a set which included the candle sticks. If you have any ideas on its whereabouts please call the church office (336)674-0155. Thanks.

✓ **REMINDER** – If you have a church mailbox/cubby, please check it routinely. Some items left in these boxes are time-sensitive. Thank you.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Budget Results for April 2018

\$258,084.50 Total Budget Money Available April 1, 2018
 + 25,495.25 Money Received in April
 - 23,920.51 Money Spent in April
\$259,659.24 Total Budget Money Available April 30, 2018

For the month of April, 2018, the Church Budget received \$1,574.74 more than it spent. For the year, the Church Budget spent \$2,737.76 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.
\$19,695.24 Total MM&RF Money Available April 30, 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 (mod)	\$ 6,053.70	Camp Tekoa	\$ 781.88
Food Pantry	\$ 1,063.68	Handbells	\$ 160.52
Discretionary Fund	\$ 6,960.57	Scholarship-Religion Ed	\$ 1,983.22
Little Chefs	\$ 195.03	Missions-Undesignated	\$ 21,671.57
Records & History	\$ 541.56	Christmas Shoeboxes	\$ 12.43
UMYF	\$21,642.76	Cemetery Fund	\$ 10,030.29
Family Ministries	\$ 1,817.87	Cemetery/Columbarium	\$ 19,284.94
Helen Grady Endowment	\$ 2,667.74	Columbarium Donations	\$ 10,847.00
Flowers	\$ 249.00	Columbarium Niche	\$ 1,000.00
Camp Meeting Fund	\$ 70.00	Veteran's Memorial Pavers	\$ 1,800.00
Misc In/Out	\$ <28.59>	Col/Vet Mem: Golf Tour.	\$ 2,555.00
Heifer Collection	\$ <6.00>	Choir Fund	\$ 850.00

Total Other Designated Gift Money Available April 30, 2018 **\$112,204.17**

Frank Willis, Stewardship Ministry Chair