

# BETHLEHEM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH CLIMAX, NORTH CAROLINA

Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost. The liturgical color is green.

*Altar Flowers have been given this morning to the Glory of God  
in honor of all Veterans. Thank you for your service by Byron & Phyllis Dahl.*

*Flowers in the Narthex this morning are in honor Lt. Alex Parker, US Navy.*

**FLOWERS NEXT SUNDAY: Lorrie Roth**

**November Opener:** Jerry Monnett      **November Closer:** David Cranfill

**Greeters Today:** 1<sup>st</sup> Worship –Sandie Harris; 2<sup>nd</sup> Worship –The Dahls

**Greeters Next Sunday:** 1<sup>st</sup> Worship – Jerry & Karon Monnett; 2<sup>nd</sup> Worship – Lorrie, Joy, Mario

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

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

**Attendance November 3, 2019 –**

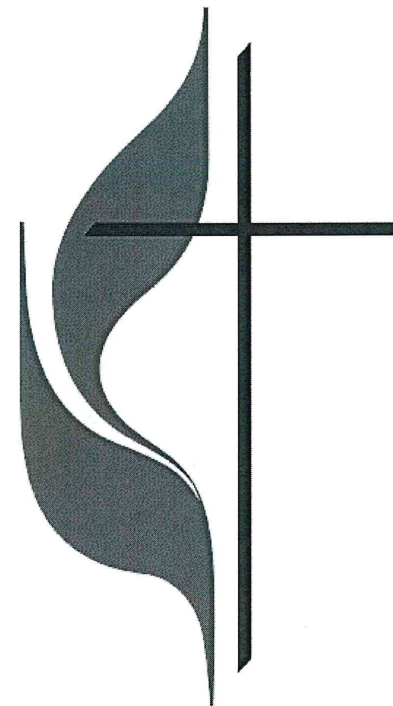
Sunday School	98
1 <sup>st</sup> Worship	56
2 <sup>nd</sup> Worship	106
<b>Total Worship Attendance</b>	<b>161</b>
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Your Gifts	
<b>Amount Collected to Date</b>	<b>\$298,663.74</b>
Worship Service	\$6,793.00
MMRF	\$10,150.00

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November 10, 2019

*Welcome all who worship here! We pray you experience God's Holy Spirit in a new way as we worship together. Visitors, please be sure to fill out the visitor card and place it in the offering plate.*

### ***ENTERING INTO FELLOWSHIP***

Greeting and Announcements

Prelude *No Greater Love*

\*Call to Worship Hymn *Alas and Did My Savior Bleed* (verse 1) No. 359

\*Morning Prayer

\*Opening Hymn *Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross* No. 301

### ***SHARING OURSELVES WITH GOD***

\*Passing of the Peace

Children's Moment Gene Flinchum

Joys and Concerns/Pastoral Prayer/ The LORD'S Prayer

Special Music *The Cross is My Statue of Liberty* Gene Flinchum

### ***THE WORD OF GOD CHANGING OUR LIVES***

Scripture Isaiah 53:3-12/Philippians 4:4-8

Sermon "The Cross is My Statue of Liberty" Gene Flinchum

### ***OUR THANKSGIVING AND RESPONSE***

The Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory *Onward, Christian Soldiers*

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

Offertory Prayer

### ***GOING FORTH FOR GOD***

\*Closing Hymn *Victory in Jesus* No. 370

\*Benediction

\*Benediction Response *Victory in Jesus* (Refrain) No. 370

\*Postlude

\*Please stand as you are able.

### **WE WELCOME GENE FLINCHUM TO THE PULPIT TODAY!**

**YOUTH/CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PLAY PRACTICE** BEGINS TODAY @ 4PM. Practice schedule – 11/10, 11/17, 11/24, 12/1 @ 4PM. Dress Rehearsal is Sat., 12/7, time TBA. Performance is 12/8 @ 6PM. Contact Becky Windsor if you have questions (336) 708-2897.

**FRIENDLY CLUB – TUES., NOV. 12 @ 10:30AM** - This will be our fun meeting of the year with BINGO and prizes! Please join us and bring an item for lunch and a friend!

**HANDBELL CHOIR (PRACTICE) Wednesdays @ 6PM in the Handbell Room.** Handbells will perform the prelude each Sunday of Advent.

**CHRISTMAS CANTATA** practices on Wednesdays @ 7PM. Anyone wishing to sing in the Cantata should just show up. See Lesley if you have questions. The Christmas Cantata is **Sunday, December 22.**

**COMMITTEE CHAIRS: 2020 BUDGET REQUEST FORMS** that you have been provided are due to Frank Willis by **Sunday, December 8th.**

**STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY is November 24<sup>th</sup>.** Please fill out your Estimate of Giving Card, place it in the sealed envelope and bring it with you to Stewardship Sunday and be part of a special celebration. If you cannot attend that day, bring your Estimate of Giving Card to the church office or mail it to the church (P.O. Box 56, Climax, NC 27233) **no later than Sunday, December 8, 2019.**

**PECANS NOW AVAILABLE** -\$10 lb-see any Arlene Stokes UMW member.

**UMYF Christmas Cookie Bake Sale:** The Youth will be baking and selling Christmas Cookies on **Sunday, Dec. 8th** after both morning services and during Sunday school. These baked and decorated cookies will be sold by donation and will help fund their upcoming trip to Boone for Operation Christmas Child and CCC in July. Please contribute if you can!

**CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS SHOP – 12/13, 2-4PM & 12/14, 10AM-noon.** New & gently used items (that kids can give as gifts) are needed. Also, gift bags & wrapping paper needed. Drop-off boxes are in the narthex & conference room. **THANK YOU!**



## HAPPENING THIS WEEK

### Sunday 11/10

SPECIAL VET. DAY BULLETIN  
Welcome Gene Flinchum to the pulpit!  
8:50AM 1<sup>st</sup> Worship  
10AM Sunday School  
11AM 2<sup>nd</sup> Worship  
4PM Play Practice  
**NO UMYF TODAY**

### Monday 11/11 Veterans Day

6:30PM All Girl Scout Troop  
7:30PM Exercise

### Tuesday 11/12

10AM StoryTime (Library)  
10:30AM Friendly Club  
6:30PM Bible Study (Led by Dawn W.)  
6:45PM Line Dancing (FH)  
7PM Women in Christ  
7PM Cub/Boy Scouts

### Wednesday 11/13

3-4PM Food Pantry Open  
5:30PM Cub Scout Fundraiser Meal  
(Baked Spaghetti)  
6PM Youth Bible Study  
6PM Bell Choir Practice (handbell rm.)  
7PM Cantata/Choir Practice  
7:30PM Exercise

### Thursday 11/14

2PM Membership Committee (conf.room)  
7PM Missions

### Friday 11/15

Church Office Closed.

### Saturday 11/16

No Church Activities Scheduled

### Sunday 11/17

Poinsettia Orders Begin!  
8:50AM 1<sup>st</sup> Worship  
10AM Sunday School  
11AM 2<sup>nd</sup> Worship  
4PM Play Practice  
**NO UMYF TODAY**

### COMING UP

Mon., 11/18 Youth Begin Christmas Card Post Office  
Mon., 11/18 @ 7PM SPRC  
Thurs., 11/21 @ 7PM Children's Ministries  
Thurs., 11/21 @ 7PM Worship  
Sat., 11/23 FH/KIT in use 1-5PM (Bridal Shower/prep/clean-up)  
Sun., 11/24 Christ the King Sunday/Consecration Sunday  
Sun., 11/24 @ 5:30PM Youth Friendsgiving (Youth Rm.)  
Sun., 11/24 @ 7PM Community Thanksgiving Service (@BUMC)  
Mon., 11/25 @ 7PM Arlene Stokes (Chrismon Tree up/decorating)  
Mon., 11/25 Angel Tree Up (in Narthex)  
Mon., 11/25 & Tues., 11/26 Pastor Debra Out of the Office  
Wed., 11/27 Pastor Debra in the Office  
**Thurs., 11/28 Thanksgiving – OFFICE CLOSED**  
Sat., 11/30 FH/KIT in use 1-5PM (Bridal Shower/prep/clean-up)

**Thank You Veterans for Your Service!**

## Prayer Concerns

Please keep these friends in your prayers.

### Ongoing Prayer Needs

Vicky Alexander  
Jack Bowman  
Tommy Bowman (Deena's bro-n-law)  
Suzie Branch  
Edna Coble (Morningview)  
Thomas Dills  
Jane Dunham  
Cory Fields  
Kelsey Garrett  
Mike Underwood

### Ongoing cont.

Nancy Golden  
Ruby Hockett  
Betty Hull  
Carlton & Carolyn Johnson  
Clyde Land  
Noel Loftus (Pastor Debra's mom)  
Marjorie Mabe  
Dennis McGee  
Mildred Moser  
Cindy Noell (Abby W.'s mom)  
Jamie O'Daniel  
All of Our Homebound

### Immediate Prayer Needs

Wayne Cable (friend of Terry F.)  
Ronda Faggart  
Ashley Fields  
Brad Fields  
Preston Ryan  
Ernest Wicker  
Betty Wilkins  
**BUMC Military:**  
Robert Russell (Kylie S.'s boyfriend)  
Jeffrey Welker  
**OTHERS:**

**Because of HIPPA Laws, a name cannot be listed unless the individual or a family member has called the church office or the pastor.**

Please help us keep this list up-to-date. (Without updates, names may be removed.) 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. Thank you.

**DONATIONS OF FINGER FOODS NEEDED** for the reception following the Community Thanksgiving Service. Thanks in advance for your donations.

**CHRISTMAS HONOR CARDS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE.** Cost \$5. See a Mission Team member to purchase. Benefits the Greensboro Urban Ministry.

**BRADSHAW VETERAN'S MEMORIAL PAVERS** - \$100.00/paver. Veterans do not have to be members of Bethlehem UMC. Purchase forms are on table outside of the church office. Return completed forms to the church office.

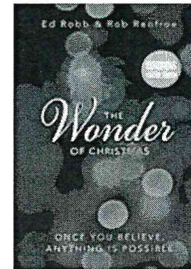
**2020: Vision for the Future/Adult Retreat** – Dec. 3-5 at the Beach Cove Resort, North Myrtle Beach. (We went last year, and it was great!) If you are interested in going this year, please see Nancy Golden or Joyce King. Brochures are available on table outside of church office.

**Pastoral Visitation** - Should pastoral needs such as hospitalizations (or ER situations), illness, or end-of life concerns occur, please contact Pastor Debra directly. She may be reached at the church, Mon. – Thurs., 8:30-4:30PM at (336) 674-0155. At other times, please call the parsonage at (336) 617-8226.

**Pastor's Office Hours** – Pastor Debra has scheduled office hours on **Mon., Wed., and Thurs. from 9AM-12 noon.** (Meetings and appointments may affect these hours.) Please call the church office at (336) 674-0155 in advance, if you need to schedule a time to meet with her.

## PASTOR LED ADVENT BIBLE STUDY 2019

4 Week Study



### ***“The Wonder of Christmas: Once You Believe Anything Is Possible”***

**“The Wonder of Christmas** is an Advent experience that explores the wonder of Christmas through the lens of four elements from the Christmas story: a *star*, a *name*, a *manger*, and a *promise*. Each chapter contains the reading, reflection questions, Scriptures for meditation, and a prayer.”

**Mondays: December 2 - 23**

10:00 – 11:30 am

**DEADLINE to sign-up SUN. NOV. 10<sup>th</sup>**

**BOOK COST \$12.00**

Books will be available for pick up by the Church Office on Thurs. Nov. 21  
There will be some weekly questions to answer in preparation for the next class, including the first class.

Please tear off and place in the offering plate.

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**ADVENT BIBLE STUDY 2019**

\_\_\_\_\_ 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Paid \_\_\_\_\_ Unpaid

(Please write in memo “Advent Bible Study”)