

^Scripture Reading
1 Corinthians 13 (NRSVue)

Sermon Message
“Holy House of Love”
Rev. Jeremy Troxler

WE ARE SENT TO SERVE

^Sending Hymn
Where Charity and Love Prevail, UMH #549

^Next Steps & Benediction

Postlude

^ = *Please stand as you are able.*
Our worship services may be recorded and/or live streamed to YouTube, Facebook, and the church's website. Should you need a hearing device, please ask an usher for assistance.

FOR NEW FOLKS:

WELCOME TO GUILFORD COLLEGE UMC!

We are so glad that you chose to worship with us this morning. GCUMC is a place for all who long to grow closer to God and others. Please know that you are loved and accepted here.

WE LOVE CHILDREN

If you brought the kids with you, please know that the noises children make are music in our, and God's, ears. You are welcome to keep your children with you in worship. We also have child care available for infants through age 4 in Room C8 on the first floor of the children's building during the 11:00am worship service, and a separate children's worship experience at 11am that begins after the children's message for children in grades K-6.

JOIN US FOR “COFFEE WITH THE PASTORS”

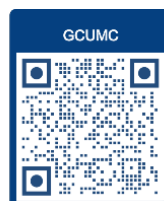
Join us in the parlor, just down the hall from the sanctuary, after the worship services **TODAY** for “Coffee with the Pastors.” This informal gathering with Pastors Jeremy and Susan will help you get to know them, meet other newcomers, learn more about our church, ask questions, and talk about how you might become more involved.

WE CARE THAT YOU ARE HERE

Whether you're a new guest or a regular worshipper, you matter to us. We want to know that you are here and how we can pray for you. **We hope you will please take a moment to fill out our attendance pad with your name and contact information and leave it in the pew.**

PLEASE VISIT US ONLINE

To learn more about us, please visit us either at our website, guilfordcollegeumc.org, through our YouTube Channel, or on our Facebook Page (just search “Guilford College UMC” for each). You may also use your phone's camera or QR app to scan the QR code to the right:



GIVE

MAKE AN OFFERING TO THE WORK OF GOD'S CHURCH

- 1 - Text GiveGCUMC to 73256. Then click on the link provided to give.
- 2 – Visit our website www.guilfordcollegeumc.org to use your credit card or to set up an automatic draft. Immediate receipts are available. You can even use the GCUMC QR code in this bulletin.
- 3 – Log into your REALM account to give through your profile's giving page.
- 4 - Checks can be made out to “Guilford College UMC” and placed in the offering plate and cash is always a good form of giving.



As of November 5th, many of our congregation's members have blessed our church by returning their pledge cards. Approximately 75% of people pledging last year have submitted their commitment for 2026. We also already have 17 brand new pledges!

2026 Pledge Update	As Of November 5th	Goal
Pledges Received	159	210
Pledge Dollars	\$898,000	\$1,085,000

Please prayerfully consider your own commitment this year. Every Heart Matters, Every Gift Counts!
If you haven't submitted your Stewardship forms yet you can find the 2026 Commitment Card and Serving Form on our church website or hardcopies are available in the Narthex outside of the Sanctuary.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOXES

Shoebox Season Is Here! Collection Sunday is November 23, 2025. You can physically pack a box to bring to the altar on that date OR pack a box online for \$30. Either way, share God's love, pack a box, and change a life! Boxes and information are available outside of the Sanctuary.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Please sign up to donate blood on Thursday, November 13th from 2:00 - 6:30pm in Room C1 of the Children's building. Give the gift of life, www.redcrossblood.org.

GROW

JOURNEY GROUP LEADERSHIP 2026

It's time to start looking ahead to the next year of journeying together in small groups. If you might be feeling called to lead or co-lead a group, Laurin would love to chat with you. Leading a Journey Group is a one-year commitment to facilitate a small group of folks that meet weekly or bi-weekly. Journey Groups look at a Bible passage and discussion questions, share life updates, and pray for each other each session. Considering leadership? Contact Laurin, lallred@guilfordcollegeumc.org.

CONNECT

BREAKFAST BUNCH

The last Breakfast Bunch meeting of the year will be November 16th. Join your fellow GenZ, Millennial or Xennial pals for brunch and a great discussion. We will meet at Panera in the Highwoods shopping center off New Garden at 9:50. This month's topic: finding gratitude in difficult seasons. Questions or RSVP? Contact Laurin, lallred@guilfordcollegeumc.org.

YOUNG ADULTS & COLLEGE FRIENDSGIVING

We are gathering in gratitude for our connection on November 23rd at 5:00pm in Room C1. If you're a young adult or involved in Students & Young Professionals (SnYP), Messy Bun Book Club, Navigators Sunday School, Breakfast Bunch, or part of our college connection be sure to mark your calendars! Spouses, friends and kids are also welcome. Bring a dish to share that makes you happy—maybe something a family member cooked for you, or that favorite comfort food that always makes you smile.

PRAY

ANNUAL CHARGE CONFERENCE MEETING

Sunday, November 16th at 4pm in the Sanctuary – At this annual meeting of our Church Council we will approve apportionment amounts, clergy compensation, reports to the Annual Conference, and nominations for leadership in 2026; we will also look back on the past year and look forward to the year ahead. All are welcome to attend.

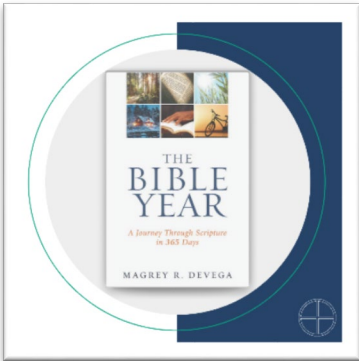
AMONG THOSE WE ARE PRAYING FOR TODAY:

Within Our Church Family: **Those who are Grieving:** Sandy Pearman's family and friends on the passing of her husband, Jamie; Clarissa Porter and family on the passing of her uncle; Dave Lehman Sr. on the passing of his brother, Paul Lehman; all those who have lost a loved one; **Healing:** Maria Maynard; David Long; Gayle Class; Vicki Kidd; Debbie Jenkins; Barbara Jones; Ellen Lancaster; Scott Blackwell; Kathy Graham; Suzy Padgett; Barbara Price; Dave Wasserboehr; **Strength & Faith:** Carole Stevens; **Surgery or Tests:** Marjorie Liles (MRI results, surgery pending); **Those With Cancer:** Tom Jenkins; Becky Babaoff; Lisa Hodges; **Sustaining and Guidance:** Harold Eagle; Harold Proctor; Doris Linker; Patsy Wyatt; Nancy and Jim Baity; Helen Phillips; Bill Blyshak; Gina Murphy; Tina Bell Midgett; Terri Hastings; Y'Josue M'lo (military service in Germany);

Extended Church Family: **Grieving:** The Family and Friends of Gary Vaderson (Ann Sykes' brother-in-law); all who are grieving and need comfort; **Cancer:** Wayne Sykes; Carol Andrews Little; Tammy Smith; Emily; Harrison Henry Brooks; Alex Brylske; Billy Carey; Jim Cashman; Joanne Burgener; Ron Moser; Debra Rutt; Shilah George; Shannon Wilson; Sammy Williams; Azalea Marbury; Judy Journey; Tammy Strickland; Jerri Ramsey; **Surgery and Awaiting Test Results:** Baby Laurel Richart; Nancy Carver; **Healing:** Lois Watson; Nancy Williams (Sandy Pearman's mother); Deb Street (recovering after hip surgery); Don Shuff; Pat (Marjorie Liles' sister); Helen Allen; Tom Winger (Cheryl Bullard's brother); Lynn Bowman; Shirley Cox; Peggy Conaway; Alannah Romano; **Strength and Guidance:** Fay Barrett and Family; Kathy Williams; Jim Eldrett; Sammy Rodriguez (military in Cuba); Emily Franco; Kenneth Briggs; Christopher Blyshak; Y'Suan Mlo and H'Lai, H'Jina, H'Sally, Bunlim and Darwin Leng (H'Sally and family have received permission to resettle in Australia); our ministry partners in Kenya; **Missionaries:** Liz and David Gamble; **World:** all who are in areas where there is war, famine, drought and natural disasters; victims of violence, all those who are recovering from Hurricane Melissa

SERVICE NOTES

Today in worship we continue with our year-long series called “The Bible Year,” in which we are reading the Scriptures all the way through together, from cover to cover, from Genesis all the way through Revelation. This week we begin to read the book of the Bible titled First Corinthians. I Corinthians, as well as the following book, II Corinthians, were letters that Jesus’ missionary named Paul wrote to the Christians who lived in the city of Corinth in Greece. Paul had originally helped to “plant” the Corinthian Church – he was its founding leader. But now the church in Corinth was in an uproar, plagued by sexual scandal, divided into factions, split among theological differences. Paul’s First Letter to the Corinthians is an attempt to address specific areas of disagreement, and also to call the Corinthian Christians back to their original vision and divine purpose: to be the body of Christ, a unified, holy, community of love gathered in Jesus’ name. Today as we talk about First Corinthians, we will also be hearing about our own church’s recent mission trip to the mountains of Western NC.



Today's Scripture:
1 Corinthians 13 (NRSVue)
KEY VERSES:

“13 If I speak in the tongues of humans and of angels but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. 2 And if I have prophetic powers and understand all mysteries and all knowledge and if I have all faith so as to remove mountains but do not have love, I am nothing. 3 If I give away all my possessions and if I hand over my body so that I may boast but do not have love, I gain nothing. 4 Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant 5 or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable; it keeps no record of wrongs; 6 it does not rejoice in wrongdoing but rejoices in the truth. 7 It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. 8 Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. 9 For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part, 10 but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. 11 When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. 12 For now we see only a reflection, as in a mirror, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. 13 And now faith, hope, and love remain, these three, and the greatest of these is love.”

THIS WEEK’S READINGS FOR “THE BIBLE YEAR”:

Day 313	Sunday, November 9 th	Romans 14:1 – 16:27
Day 314	Monday, November 10 th	I Corinthians 1:1 – 3:23
Day 315	Tuesday, November 11 th	I Corinthians 4:1 – 6:20
Day 316	Wednesday, November 12 th	I Corinthians 7:1 – 9:27
Day 317	Thursday, November 13 th	I Corinthians 10:1 – 12:31
Day 318	Friday, November 14 th	I Corinthians 13:1 – 16:24
Day 319	Saturday, November 15 th	2 nd Corinthians 1:1 – 3:18
Day 320	Sunday, November 16 th	2 nd Corinthians 4:1 – 7:16

GCUMC STAFF

Jeremy Troxler, Lead Pastor
Andrés Pérez, Student Assoc. Minister
Randy Wall, Dir. of Youth & College Min.
Shelby Hallquist, Dir. Pre- & AfterSchool
Ginny Williamson, Accompanist
Carol Ingram, Administrative Assist.

Susan Suárez Webster, Pastor
Donna Ford, Dir. of Christian Education
Laurin Allred, Young Adult & Connections
Melanie Crump, Director of Music
Amy Wall, Church Administrator
Gloria Brown, Financial Director

THIS WEEK’S SCHEDULE

Sunday, November 9
Worship in the Sanctuary at 8:30am
Coffee with the Pastors in the Parlor after Worship
Various Learning Groups at 9:45am
Worship in the Sanctuary and Livestream Broadcast at 11:00am
Coffee with the Pastors in the Parlor after Worship
Children’s Ministry Team in Room C1 at Noon
UMYF (Grades 7-12) in Rooms C10 & C11 from 5:00 -7:00pm
Brazos Abiertos: Pan in Room C1 at 5:00pm

Monday, November 10
Scouts in the Children’s Building in the evening
NA in the Sanctuary at 7:00pm

Tuesday, November 11
JOY: Tour of Southern Supreme meet in parking lot at 10:45am
Women’s Bible Study: Revelation via Zoom at 6:00pm
Handbell Choir Rehearsal in the Choir Room at 6:30pm
Trustees Meeting in Room A4 at 6:30pm

Wednesday, November 12
Women’s Bible Study: Revelation in Room A4 and via Zoom at 9:30am
New Direction Nar-Anon Family Group in Room A2 at Noon
Mid-week Prayer Time in the Parlor at Noon
Stephen Leaders in the Conference Room at 5:30pm
Kids’ Music Club in the Choir Room from 6:10 – 6:40pm
ESOL in Room B6 from 6:30 – 7:45pm
Youth Fun Night meet on the back field from 6:45-7:45pm
Faith Files/Faith Friends gather on playground from 6:45 - 7:45pm
SnYP in Laurin’s office from 6:45 – 7:45pm
Moms’ Group in Room A5 from 6:45 – 7:45pm
Choir Rehearsal in the choir room at 7:00pm

Thursday, November 13
Thriving at 3 in Room C14 at 10:00am
Red Cross Blood Drive on the 1st floor of Children’s building, 2:00-6:30PM
Endowment Committee in Room A4 at 4:30pm
Girl Scouts in the Children’s Building in the evening
Oracion in the Parlor at 6:30pm
NarAnon in Room A2 at 7:00pm

Sunday, November 16
Worship in the Sanctuary at 8:30am
Various Learning Groups at 9:45am
Breakfast Bunch at the Highwoods Panera at 9:45am
Worship in the Sanctuary and Livestream Broadcast at 11:00am
Soccer on the back field at 2:30pm
Charge Conference in the Sanctuary at 4:00pm
UMYF (Grades 7-12) in Rooms C10 & C11 from 5:00 -7:00pm

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Guilford College
United Methodist Church
November 9, 2025 – 8:30 & 11:00am

WE GATHER TOGETHER

Prelude
Melanie Crump

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome, Praises & Opening Prayer
Rev. Susan Suárez Webster

^Fellowship Greeting + Opening Hymn
Trust and Obey, UMH #467
Laurin Allred

WE PRAISE GOD AND PRAY

Affirmation of Our Faith, UMH #885

Recognition of Veterans
Rev. Jeremy Troxler

Children's Message (11am only)
Donna Ford

*At the 11am worship celebration, Children in Grades K-6 may exit for Children's Worship on the 2nd floor of the Children's building. They can be picked up from the church Parlor after 11am worship.

Offering

Offertory
Sweet Hour of Prayer Medley
Marilyn Radley

Prayers of the People
& The Lord's Prayer

WE LISTEN TO THE WORD

Introduction to the Scripture Reading
Rev. Jeremy Troxler