



# YADKINVILLE

## UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

### Newsletter March 2023

#### A message from Pastor Jonathan Gaylord

Dear Friends,

I grew up in the United Methodist Church and have made very intentional decisions to serve in ministry in and with the United Methodist Church. So I feel very confident in saying that the United Methodist Church isn't perfect. There are places in the life of our denomination where we are very broken, places where mistakes have been made, and places where harm has been done. Over the course of my life in the Church I have seen groups of people striving to be better, striving to love God and their neighbors better, striving to be more holy, striving for God. United Methodist clergy and laity, in 20 UM churches, 3 Annual Conferences, and a UM Camp, helped me to grow to be the person I am and will become. In this season I can say that I am proud to be United Methodist, even if we are an imperfect church.



Over the past month 3 of our neighboring United Methodist Churches (Mitchell's Chapel, Center, and Baltimore) have decided to exit the denomination. I would ask you to be in prayer for these congregations as they chart their next steps. None of these votes were unanimous, and each church is left with a group that is grieving, uncertain, and feeling displaced.

Our Leadership Team is taking steps to ensure Yadkinville UMC can function as a beacon of hope in our community. We don't expect everyone at YUMC to agree on every doctrine, decision, or position of the denomination or local church. Our commitment as members of YUMC is to come into this community with humility seeking God's grace and love, supporting and loving our neighbors in their own journeys to Christ. I hope and pray that you have Holy Lent.

Remember to join us for the midweek Lenten services at Boonville at 12:30 each Wednesday. This would also be an excellent season to start praying the Yadkin Lectio and/or Yadkin Examen as part of your Lenten practice.

Grace & Peace,  
*Pastor Jonathan*



**YOU ARE INVITED.** The adult Sunday School Classes are watching *The Chosen* in the FLC on Sundays at 9:00 am. The entire church is invited to join and watch a portrayal of Jesus from the beginning of his ministry as He chooses His disciples and begins teaching His followers what God expects from His people. **Season 1** has been viewed and the discussion is continuing in the FLC on Sunday mornings at 9:00 am. Plans are to begin **Season 2 on March 19, 2023.** We hope that you will join us. Remember the Men's group provides breakfast starting at 8:45 am; eat while you watch.

## Feed Your Need for Christ!

Yadkinville UMC has two different podcasts to help you with your prayer practice.



The Yadkin Examen comes out every Monday morning and uses Sunday's worship to frame an contemplative prayer practice to help us center ourselves as we prepare to face the new week.

The Yadkin Lectio comes out every Wednesday and uses a prayer practice to pray through the scripture for the upcoming Sunday's worship service. It allows us to center ourselves in scripture and listen for the Holy Spirit among us.



Join us in prayer! You can find links to both practices on our website: <http://www.yadkinvilleumc.org/pray-together>

"I love the Lectio podcast. I listen to it everyday when I walk with my dog. The funny thing is as soon as the intro music starts, Salli runs to the door! She knows that is time to go. If you have never tried it, or if you don't know how to listen to a podcast, call me! I will show you how easy it is. Also, how fulfilling your day will be to listen to scripture as you walk, or drive, or maybe sit in your home or office."

~Bobbi Reavis



## United Women in Faith

**What is happening with our United Women in Faith? Not sure, drop by one of these meetings or call one of the Circle leaders and ask. We welcome newcomers and invite all women of our church, and their friends, to come and to enjoy fellowship and Christian love.**

### **Giggles**

Thursday, March 2, 2023 at 6:30 pm at Dale Dodson's.  
Dale will provide the meal and Charlene Zachary has the devotion.  
Questions, Cooky Weatherman, (336) 468-0275.

### **New Beginnings Circle**

Tuesday, March 14, 2023 at 11:00 am in the New Sunday School Classroom.  
Marcia Downey will provide the program.  
Questions, Mildred Carter, (336) 466-0704.

### **Tuesday Circle**

Tuesday, March 21, 2023 at 7:00 pm in the Asbury Classroom.  
Patty Choplin will provide the program.  
Questions, Maureen Silvernale (336) 408-9704.

### **June 8-10, 2023**

Spiritual Growth Retreat at Lake Junaluska. The retreat leader is Reverend Jan Brittain and the theme is "Women Coming to Christ." For housing, call 800-222-4930. Questions, contact Gingi Parker (336-817-6581) or Mildred Carter (336-466-0704).

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### **UWF Reading Program**

*The Four Winds*, by Kristin Hannah

Bestselling author Kristin Hannah delivers a powerful epic about love, heroism, and hope that is set during the Great Depression. Centered on Elsa Wolcott, married to a Great Plains farmer whose land is ravaged by dust storms and drought, each day has become a desperate battle against nature and a fight to keep her children alive. Elsa must make an agonizing choice: to fight for the land she loves or leave it behind and go west in search of a better life for her family.

For a list of selected books go to UWF 2023 Reading Program.

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### **March 11, 2023**

The Yadkin Valley District of the United Women in Faith will be presenting a Mission Study on Saturday, March 11, 2023. The Program is *Who Can We All Be Together* - a study to bring us deeper into Jesus' teaching to explore what it means to be in community. It will be at Pine Grove United Methodist Church on Jonestown Road in Winston-Salem. Registration begins at 8:30 am with the study 9:00am to 1:00 pm. Bring a bag lunch; breakfast snacks will be provided during registration. The Hands-on Project is handbags and personal items for women. If interested in attending contact Gingi Parker (336-817-6581).



## UWF Prayer Breakfast

The UWF met on Saturday, February 11, 2023 for the annual Prayer Breakfast in the home of Frances Mabe. Keri Gaylord presented the program. She spoke about children and their needs, especially in Yadkin County. She instructed us on how to contact our representatives in Congress about present issues. This gathering had been postponed for several years and we were delighted to be together again and to have Keri speak with us.



### COOKBOOKS!

The United Women in Faith have Cookbooks! This is by far the best cookbook yet. If you haven't gotten one you should get one right away. The cost is \$20.00. Call Karen Pizzuti (336) 468-7669 or the church office.



# You're Invited to Evening Tea!

**YUMC United Women in Faith  
Spring Gathering Membership Event**  
**When: Tuesday, April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023, @ 7:00pm**  
**Location: YUMC Family Life Center**

**Just for fun, guests are encouraged to  
wear sun hats and tea party attire!**

**Event Details:** Bring a friend and enjoy refreshments, fellowship, fun and prizes!

Take part in our silent auction! Baked goods, take and bake meals, and tasty treats will be provided for auction by our own United Women in Faith members for the highest bidder!

**All proceeds support UWF missions!**

**Questions about the event?**

**Contact Amanda Mason!**

Cell: 336-785-5378

Email: [agmmomof02@gmail.com](mailto:agmmomof02@gmail.com)





## A message from our Leadership Team

The Leadership Team met February 28th, 2023. This year we are focusing on the ministries of YUMC. We continued to work on our Belief Statement for YUMC. This statement includes components of: membership inclusion; service and participation; church leadership; remaining United Methodists; and the Book of Discipline statements.



"ALL" of God's children was discussed as an important component of this Belief Statement. Within the next month YOU will have an opportunity to view the final draft from the team as well as answer a straw poll. This Belief Statement will be presented at the next town hall meeting in April.



With changes occurring within the United Methodist Church the team has chosen to become a Lighthouse Congregation. "Lighthouse Congregations are local churches in the Western North Carolina Conference that are particularly equipped to welcome anyone whose church has closed or disaffiliated. These United Methodist faith communities are a resting place, with people who will offer care while providing a haven of peace and grace."

We reviewed the programs and goals of 4 ministries within YUMC and will continue this at our next meeting on March 28, 2023 at 7:00 pm.

If you have any questions or comments feel free to talk with a member of the Leadership team.

May the Peace and Love of Christ be with you.

*Maureen Silvernale*  
Leadership Team Member

### A warm thank you.

On behalf of the Gunnell family, I would like to thank our church family for all the love and support shown to us through prayer, kind words, and acts of kindness too numerous to mention. These last few years have been especially difficult as my father has battled end stage heart disease and related health issues. You all have truly been the hands and feet of the Lord; continuing to carry us through a very sad time. God bless you all.



*Debby Gunnell*

### Flowers

The appearance of flowers lets us know spring will soon arrive.

If you would like to put flowers in the church for a Sunday Worship Service on any special occasion such as birthdays, anniversaries, or in memory of someone, please let me or Bobbi know.

One thing to keep in mind, the arrangement doesn't have to be big but needs to be tall. I will appreciate any help.

Thank you,  
*Connie Randleman*

Yadkinville Methodist Friends,

Thank you so much for your donation to Hands of Hope. Your contribution will assist us in serving the people of Yadkin County. Thank you for the opportunity to speak about this amazing ministry. We greatly appreciate your support.



By His Grace,  
*Bridget Boyles*



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## Holy Week Worship 2023

Palm Sunday  
April 2nd 10am  
Rev. Jonathan Gaylord



Maundy Thursday  
April 6th 7PM  
Missioanry Joy Prim



Good Friday  
April 7th  
7pm  
Rev. Jonathan Gaylord



## Deaconess Joy Prim

### Coming to a Computer Screen Near You

Being in Mission in these historic times  
Following Jesus footsteps to serve where I'm called  
Is Full of tears, laughters and conquering fears  
Letting go of "we've always done it that way"  
Embracing the new, the unknown

It's been a journey of learning  
To trust in myself, to trust in my Tagalog  
Embracing Creativity together with my community  
New Poetry that tells the realities  
Karaoke after a long Sunday, building community  
Learning the joy that opens up when i do so

With restrictions loosening since the start of 2023, we still wear mask but can gather together in groups again, tourist and visitors are coming back, and ministry continues to change to meet the new realities Migrant Domestic Workers face.

Register below and me for March Still in Mission to learn more about these updates and how ministry continues to shift to meet the current needs of migrants here in Hong Kong.  
Did you attend our virtual visit in 2022? Time to get updates and learn more about what's going on and how you can support.

Register by clicking the blue button below and make sure to select my name in your registration form. Look forward to being with you all on the 2 March 2023.

LINK:

<https://gbgm.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYsd-6gpz8pG9D3rRt-E8qOBwAkobXLNgX9>

**#STILLINMISSION**

In this monthly virtual event, hear firsthand experience from missionaries about their call to mission and the communities they serve.

**Join us on March 2, 7 p.m. (ET)  
for conversations with missionaries:**

**Joy Prim**  
Welfare Case Officer for Migrant Workers  
Mission for Migrant Workers  
Hong Kong, SAR, P.R., China  
Advance #3021344

## PRAYER CONCERNS

### Church Family:

Helen Roseberry, James Roseberry, Patty Choplin, Dustin Spencer, Barbara White, Donna Bowman, Joy Prim (missionary), Dot Gish, Tony Macemore, Kenneth Baity, Ginny Taylor, George Reavis, Mary Reavis, Edna Shore, Paul Williams, Lois Williams, Chris Riddle, Allen Brandon, Bart Davis, Bill Shugart, Betty Boyette Family

### Friends and Family:

Wayne Ray, Katie Cloninger, Ann Callahan, Jan Hess, Alma Simmons, Sharon Bell, Steve Clodfelter, Bill Goings, Don Tucker, John McCormick, Rowena Gilstrap, Kathy Brown, Danny Campbell, Jesse Taylor, Una Graham, Leigha Cirillo, Dennis Crotts, Lora Hall, Randy Reid, Burdette-Cade Family, Angus McCleod, Terry Lee West

To have a name added to or removed from our prayer list, please contact Pastor Jonathan (pastor@yadkinvilleumc.org) or Bobbi (bobbi@yadkinvilleumc.org). Prayer connections under Friends and Family will be posted for four weeks, unless requested for a specific length of time.

### Church wide Bazaar

I have received some interest in the Bazaar. Now some further information.

Anticipation for the *Yadkin Craftsman Bazaar* as being before Thanksgiving in November. I am announcing this early so those persons who are crafty can start planning to work on their crafts NOW! Example: I have 2 scarfs and 1 quilted lap robe already completed. How about you?

Other crafts may include: knitting and crocheted items, woodworking, quilting, decorated gourds, jewelry making, etc. Other ideas have been a children's section, available baked or cooked items, refreshments while shopping.

For those interested can Contact Maureen Silvernale (336) 408-9704 (leave a message if I am unable to answer please).



## Yadkinville UMC Worship Servers March 2023

Date	Greeters	Ushers	Online Host	Nursery	Scripture Reader	Communion Servers
03/05/23	Brent & Drama Choplin	Wayne Dixon & Marnie Matthews	Chris Riddle	Rosemary Riddle	<b>John 3:1-17</b>	Gene Brannon, Valerie Prim, Bobbi Reavis
				Janet Culpepper	Wayne Dixon	
03/12/23	Janet Culpepper & Faye Diachenko	Gene Brannon & Brent Choplin	Sandy Tucker	Betty Dixon	<b>John 4:5-42</b>	
				Marty Driver	Mark Diachenko	
03/19/23	Wayne & Betty Dixon	Janet Culpepper & Jerry Ivey	Rich Pizzuti	Marnie Matthews	<b>Ephesians 5:8-14</b>	
				Karen Pizzuti	Virgil Dodson	
03/26/23	Dale Dodson & Jo Dorsett	Brad Mason & Mark Moran	Chris Riddle	Sidney Matthews	<b>TBA</b>	
				Need Volunteer	Dale Dodson	



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Midday Lenten Worship Services and Lunch  
Wednesdays during Lent

Love  
Leads  
the  
Way

GATHERING AT:  
**Boonville UMC**  
116 N Carolina Ave  
Boonville, NC 27011

**March 1, 2023**

Reverend Greg Freeman ..... *St. Paul/Mt. Grove UMCs*

**March 8, 2023**

Reverend Mark Smith ..... *Longtown/Hanes Grove UMCs*

**March 15, 2023**

Reverend Rebekah Ralph ..... *Mitchell's Chapel UMC*

**March 22, 2023**

Reverend Jonathan Gaylord ..... *Yadkinville UMC*

**March 29, 2023**

Reverend Julie Willum ..... *Boonville UMC*

Lunch is provided by the presiding Pastor's church.

Lunch will begin at 12:30 pm.

Worship will begin at 1:00 pm.

(You can eat during worship.)

If you would like to go, but do not want to drive, please call Bobbi or Pastor Jonathan.

We can meet at the church and take the van (maybe pick you up on the way!). Call today.



## Yadkinville United Methodist Church

Offering care and hope through living, learning,  
and loving God and each other.

We are located at 204 West Main Street, Yadkinville, NC 27055

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On the web at: [www.yadkinvilleumc.org](http://www.yadkinvilleumc.org)

### General Information

Church Office Hours

Monday - Thursday

9:00 am until 1:00 pm

Other times are available,  
call or email Bobbi or Pastor Jonathan.

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### Regular Worship at YUMC

In-person at YUMC ..... 10:00 am

Virtual Worship via YouTube ..... 10:00 am (live)