

September 2025 Newsletter

A message from Pastor Jonathan

Brothers and Sisters in Christ!

On August 31st we began a new worship series, Roaming the Wilds: What Can America's National Parks Teach Us About Following Jesus. For our first week we stopped off in Yellowstone National Park and explored faithfulness.

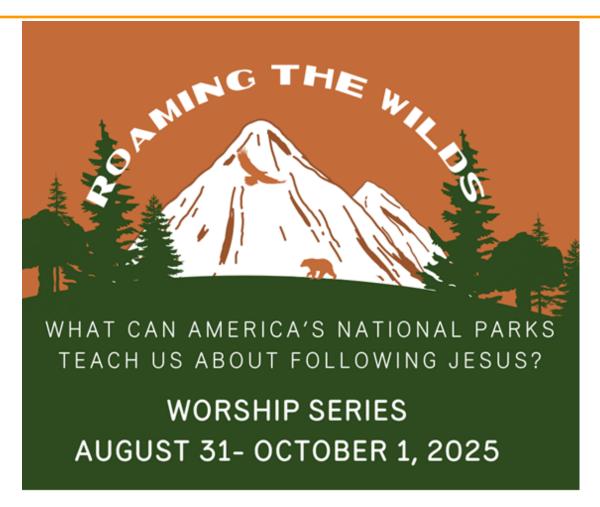
God's faithfulness is unwavering and foundational. It is the ground beneath our feet, the assurance that we are never abandoned, even when we falter. Our own faithfulness is a journey, not a destination. Like Peter, who grew from a fisherman who denied Christ to the rock upon which the church was built, we are called to take one step at a time toward holiness. Faithfulness isn't immediate perfection, but to continual growth—toward compassion, mercy, care, and love. As we journey through the National Parks, we will have opportunities to explore the faithful steps we can take as individuals and as a community.

Throughout the series we will continue to explore themes inspired by our National Parks: darkness, wisdom, diversity, change, and home. These themes remind us of the beauty and complexity of creation, and how our faith calls us to engage with the world around us in real & meaningful ways.

If you have any stories of visiting the Great Smoky Mountains, Mesa Verde, Mammoth Cave, Badlands, or Shenandoah National Parks please let me know. We can incorporate your stories into our time of worship together! This series presents an excellent opportunity to invite friends to worship. Most people are open to receiving a personal invitation to join a worship.

I hope you will join us this month as we roam the wilds of our national parks and our faith, discovering that God's love and faithfulness are as enduring and majestic as the landscapes we cherish. Let us open our hearts to learn, grow, and find our true home in God's everlasting love.

See you in the Parks, Pastor Jonathan



If you have any family photos from trips to a national park over the years please share them with Pastor Jonathan to include as part of our worship! You can drop them off in the office or email digital versions to pastor@yadkinvilleumc.org

Social Principles

In 1908 the Methodist Episcopal Church became the first church to adopt a Social Creed, followed closely by the Methodist Episcopal Church, South and the Methodist Protestant Church. Over the years the Social Creed has been updated, in 1974 it became the Social Principles. In 2024 the General Conference of the United Methodist Church approved a major revision of the Social Principles.

The Social Principles articulate our ethical aspirations for the common good in our public policies and personal commitments. Through them, we seek to love God with our whole heart, mind, soul, and strength and to desire for our neighbors what we desire for ourselves.

This Lent we will focus on worship with the Social Principles and how we are called to live as people of God in this world. The sermons won't dive into each Principle, but will focus on the major sections and the scripture that guides our thoughts and actions on each principle.

You are encouraged to read through the Social Principles of the United Methodist Church in your devotional time in preparation for worship and life together.





Reading Plan

Spend the Year in Scripture

The One Story That Leads to Jesus reading plan will guide you through the entire Bible in one year. Each day, you'll read a few chapters—or occasionally skim through large genealogies or census sections—as you make your way from Genesis to Revelation.

Meditate on the Psalms

Each day's reading features a psalm for you to meditate on through quiet reflection and prayer. By the end of the year, you'll have read through this entire book of biblical poetry more than twice.

Date	Day	Book	Chapter	Psalm	Video		
Jesus and the Kingdom							
1-Sep	244	Matthew	17-18	89	Jesus the Royal Priest		
2-Sep	245	Matthew	19-20	90			
3-Sep	246	Matthew	21-22	91			
4-Sep	247	Matthew	23-24	92			
5-Sep	248	Matthew	25-26	93			
6-Sep	249	Matthew	27-28	94	Witness		
7-Sep	250	Mark	1-2	95	Mark		
8-Sep	251	Mark	3-4	96	Gospel		
9-Sep	252	Mark	5-6	97			
10-Sep	253	Mark	7-8	98			
11-Sep	254	Mark	9-10	99			
12-Sep	255	Mark	11-12	100			
13-Sep	256	Mark	13-14	101			
14-Sep	257	Mark	15-16	102	NT Overviews: Mark		
15-Sep	258	John	1-2	103	John 1		
16-Sep	259	John	3-4	104	Eternal Life		
17-Sep	260	John	5-6	105			

Yadkinville UMC / Reading Project - Reading Plan						
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10-Sep	253	Mark	7-8	98		
11-Sep	254	Mark	9-10	99		
12-Sep	255	Mark	11-12	100		
13-Sep	256	Mark	13-14	101		
14-Sep	257	Mark	15-16	102	NT Overviews: Mark	
15-Sep	258	John	1-2	103	John 1	
16-Sep	259	John	3-4	104	Eternal Life	
17-Sep	260	John	5-6	105		
18-Sep	261	John	7-8	106	Water of Life	
19-Sep	262	John	9-10	107		
20-Sep	263	John	11-12	108	NT Overviews: John 1-12	
21-Sep	264	John	13-15	109	NT Overviews: John 13-21	
22-Sep	265	John	16-18	110		
23-Sep	266	John	19-21	111		
24-Sep	267	Luke	1	112	NT Overviews: Luke 1-9	
25-Sep	268	Luke	2-3	113	The Birth of Jesus: Luke 1-2	
26-Sep	269	Luke	4-5	114	The Baptism of Jesus: Luke 3-9	
27-Sep	270	Luke	6-7	115	Anointing	
28-Sep	271	Luke	8-9	116	The Prodigal Son: Luke 9-19	
29-Sep	272	Luke	10-11	117	NT Overviews: Luke 10-24	
30-Sep	273	Luke	12-13	118		

FALL BAZAAR is fast approaching, and we need everyone's help, PLEASE.

The dates are

Friday, October 24, 2025 from 3pm-8pm & Saturday, October 25, 2025, 8am-3pm.

We will begin the planning meetings Friday's starting September 12, 2025 at 10am in the Craft Room.

There are 6 vendors registered already. We need YOUR help?

How - you ask?

- A. Planning and doing some basic crafts with the materials we currently have in the craft room. Start meeting on Friday September 12, 2025 at 10 am in the Craft Room.
- B. Chicken pie making and plan to also make additional frozen meals for sale. Also will plan to have baked goods for sale. Volunteer to cook, bake and join on pie making day
- C. Volunteer to help with baked spaghetti meal on Friday evening October 24, 2025.
- D. Volunteer to be present for an assigned time slot during the Fall Bazaar to help sell.

Thank you. We will need everyone helping to make this a success.

Call Maureen Silvernale at (336) 408-4704 to help OR we will see you September 12, 2025 for the first of the planning/working sessions.

Share the flyer on page 6!

Yadkinville UMC Worship Servers September 2025								
Date	YCM	Greeters	Ushers	Children's Moment	Online Host	Nursery	Scripture Reader	Communion Servers
09/07/25	Mark & Mitzie Moran	Rich & Karen Pizzuti	Rich & Karen Pizzuti	Valerie Prim	Olivia Pizzuti	Debby Gunnell	Psalm 139:7-8; 11-12	Janet Culpepper, Keri Smith Gaylord,
						Marty Driver	Dale Dodson	Sharon McGrath
09/14/25	Rich Pizzuti	Sharon McGrath & Valerie Prim	Sharon McGrath & Valerie Prim	Keri Smith Gaylord	Audrey Whitley	Karen Pizzuti	James 1:4-5 / Psalm 1	
						Marnie Matthews	Marcia Downey	
09/21/25	Brad Mason Mike McCann & Mike McCann Tom Fagerli Tom Fagerli	Mike McCann &	Jonathan Gaylord	Rich Pizzuti	Lori McCann	Psalm 104:10-15 / Acts 17:22-28		
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09/28/25	Virgil & Dale Dodson	Jerry Ivey & Lori McCann	Jerry Ivey & Lori McCann	Valerie Prim	Chris Riddle	Sharon McGrath	1 Peter 4:8-10	
09/20/20						Wanda Doss	Virgil Dodson	



September Events

Thursday, September 4th - GIGGLES Circle will meet at Old Stage Grill at 6:30 pm

Saturday, September 6th - UWF 2025 Conference Annual Celebration

Tuesday, September 9th - New Beginning's Circle will meet at the Church in the Asbury Room at 11:00 am, Loretta Cash will have the Program.

Friday, September 12th - Fall Bazaar crafting sessions begin at 10:00 am in the Craft Room.

Friday, September 12th - Downtown Yadkinville Friday After 5:00 pm event. The Men's Group will be selling Burgers and Hotdogs as a fundraiser for our church.

Monday, September 15th - UWF Executive meeting in the Asbury Room at 6:30 pm

Tuesday, September 16th - Tuesday Night Women's Circle will meet at 6:30 pm in the Asbury Room.

Men's Group

September Men's Group News

Tuesday, September 9th

We are Providing dinner for MAPPs participants. MAPPs class is for couples wanting to become foster parents through Yadkin DSS.

Friday, September 12th

Downtown Yadkinville Friday After 5:00 (Summer Finale). The Men's Group will be selling Burgers and Hotdogs as a fundraiser for our church!

Come enjoy a free breakfast EVERY Sunday morning 8:30 am - 9:30 am

This month we proudly celebrate 4 years of serving Sunday breakfast at YUMC & delivering to people in our community! Thank you so much for supporting this outreach!

You are always invited to join us each Monday evening at YUMC from 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. for a time of fellowship & faith.





We welcome all women of our church, and their friends, to come and enjoy fellowship and Christian love.

United Women in Faith

There is new format for Western North Carolina Conference United Women in Faith Annual Conference. Everyone is invited. It will be a one day event in Mooresville North Carolina. The Speaker is the United Women in Faith CEO, Sally Vonner

2025 Conference Annual Celebration Saturday, September 6, 2025 10:00am to 5:00pm

Williamson's Chapel United Methodist Church 575 Brawley School Rd, Mooresville, NC

Theme: Celebrate Change

Keynote Speaker: Sally Vonner, General Secretary & CEO for United Women in Faith

Hands On Mission Project: School Supplies for Bethlehem Center (Winston-Salem) - Supplies needed: Underwear for sizes 2-4, childproof scissors, crayons, construction paper, rulers, washable paint, and washable markers.

Online Registration is OPEN!

If you have not registered YOU can still attend. The catch is, that if you have not preregistered, a boxed lunch has not been ordered for you. There will be an hour lunch break to go out to eat, however Saturday traffic in the area is not conducive to eating out. Plan to bring your own boxed lunch. We will try to carpool from the church. If you plan to attend let Maureen Silvernale know so we can plan accordingly.

Hope to see YOU there.

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Reader's Corner

Here are a couple more books that are good reads for UWF.

"Zensele" by J Nozipo Maraire.

This is a letter written by an African mother to her daughter who has gone to America for college. The letter is written to remind Zenzele how important it is to remember her roots and to just develop the best in herself rather than trying to leave the old person behind and become someone different. It it is good to explore new ideas, develop new traditions, but the old traditions are what truly make her daughter the person she is an it is important to embrace it all to become even more amazing.

"Beads of Hope"

This book has been in the library for quite a while. I am ghlad I finally read it. It is a story of how our amazing God takes care of us through all of life. These African women appear to have very little to be thankful for, greet each day praising God and seeing his work everywhere in the world. The bring this love to a group of American women who come to Africa, each with their own reason, but all leaving with a new found love and faith in God, themselves, and others.

"A Twist of Faith" by John Donnely

Written by a photo journalist who follows a N. Carolinian carp[enter who feels called by God to go to Malasia to build orphanages, but who over time realizes that God is "twisting" his faith to a more God centered faith.

While I was looking for books, I came on 2 must reads that I read several years ago. "Who Needs God" by Harold Kushner and "Why" by Anne Grahm Lotz. I hope you all have or will read them.

YUMC family celebrating September BIRTHDAYS!

Angela Whitley	09/02
Crystal Imes	09/03
Olivia Pizzuti	09/07
Tommy Dorsett	
Garry Long	
Richard Randleman	
Carol Winslow	
Valerie Prim	09/30

Happy Anniversary to these folks!

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The Leadership Team

The Leadership team met August 20th. We had many church members come to this meeting. Every meeting is open to all church members to attend. We invite you to listen for information gathering and/ or open insightful, respective commentaries. There can be multiple perspectives within a group, both within the church, other organizations, and life in general. The Leadership Team seeks consensus with its decisions. We choose to discuss, to learn, and focus on issues important to our church life.

The meeting includes time to celebrate the happenings of Church life. This month we celebrated the Men's Group. All men are invited to join the group that meets at 7pm on Monday nights. The aim is to support each other and improve the image of the church in the community. In August the Men's Group sold hotdogs and hamburgers at the Downtown After Five event in Yadkinville. It was a fundraiser making \$1003.00 and a great time of fellowship. While kids participated in Bright Beginnings with the YMCA, the Men's group provided breakfast and the Clothing Closet to the parents. The Clothing Closet has been open in July and August, being a blessing for those who have had access within the community.

The Building and Grounds Committee presented facts and figures regarding their proposal to sell the current parsonage and purchase a newer parsonage. This move is being proposed in view of the church's current financial obligations. Currently we pay \$5463 per month on the FLC payment, with the loan projected to be paid off in 8 years. Withing the next 5 years the current parsonage has anticipated repairs of approximately \$30,000 for roofing, HVAC, and porch/siding repairs. The option discussed is to sell the parsonage, pay off FLC debt, and buy a newer parsonage with the aim to come out with a monthly loan payment that is half of our current payment over a 15 year loan term on the new parsonage. The procedure would include the approval of the Leadership team, then a Charge Conference with a church vote, and the approval of the District Superintendent and the District Committee on Building and Location. The Building and Grounds team recommends to move forward on this proposal. The Leadership Team wants to tour some of the available housing stock before, hear congregational feedback, and see where the process with the Wesley CDC takes us before moving forward with the formal process.

The Wesley Community Development Corporation (Wesley CDC) has been to the church to obtain measurements, church usage, and financial/giving information. They will analyze this information and offer insights, feedback, and possible paths forward at a future date. The aim of the Wesley CDC is to help churches move forward sustainably.

Mitzie Moran presented her feedback from the last leadership town hall that took place at our last 5th Sunday lunch. She proposes that we make a formal action plan and invite further anonymous feedback.

See the bulletin and Church Facebook for information regarding the upcoming worship series.

- Maureen Silvernale

WALK FOR HUNGER 2025

In Memory of Susan Steelman

Sunday, October 5th, 3:00-4:30 PM

Registration: 2:30-3:00 PM

Yadkinville Community Park

Parking at Yadkin Farmers Market Homemade Ice Cream will be served

(If you choose, you can walk at your Home Church.

All Proceeds Benefit Yadkin Christian Ministries

Music by: "Anointed by Grace". From West Yadkin Baptist Church



2025 Awards Include

Most walkers from a church or organization

Largest Dollar Amount raised by a church or organization

Random drawing for (2) \$25 gift cards

Sponsored by: Deep Creek Friends and the Susan Steelman family
Yadkin Christian Ministries is supported by the people, churches, and organizations
of Yadkin County to assist families in crisis times with food, medication, heat and
water. The ministry seeks to do its mission in the spirit of Christ, with a
nonjudgmental attitude. We request your prayers and goodwill.



Yadkinville United Methodist Church

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

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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.

Regular Worship at YUMC

In-person at YUMC	10:00 am
Virtual Worship via YouTube	10:00 am (live)



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There are multiple ways to contribute to YUMC

<u>Donate online</u> at yadkinvilleumc.org and click on "MORE", then click on "CONTRIBUTE". Follow the online prompts.

Donate by text - send a text to 336-485-4309, with the amount you want to contribute and you will receive a text with further directions.

<u>Donate by Venmo</u> in the Venmo app or online, choose "Pay or Request", in the search bar type "Yadkinville UMC", follow the prompts.

<u>Donate by check/mail a check</u>, make checks payable to YUMC, drop in the offering plate, or mail to PO Box 25, Yadkinville, NC 27055