CALENDAR FOR AUGUST 12 ~ 19

Sunday	8:45 am - Early Service 9:45 am - Sunday School 10:55 am - Worship (Sanctuary) 5:30 pm - Men's Bible Study (Forum Class)
Monday	6:30 / 6:45 pm - Cub / Boy Scouts 7:00 pm - Vision & Leadership Team (Library)
Tuesday	11:30 am - Joy Bible Study 7:00 pm - Trustees (Library)
Wednesday	9:00 am - Trip to Mission Response Center6:30 pm - Staff-Parish Relations (Library)7:30 pm - Chancel Choir (Choir Room)
Thursday	7:00 pm - Missions Team (Library)
Sunday	 8:45 am - Early Service 9:45 am - Sunday School 10:55 am - Worship (Sanctuary) 5:00 pm - Youth Devo, Games & Sub Sandwiches 5:30 pm - Men's Bible Study (Forum Class)

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Vision & Leadership Team

Monday, August 13, 7:00 pm (Library)

Trustees

Tuesday, August 14, 7:00 pm (Library)

Staff-Parish Relations Wednesday, August 15, 6:30 pm (Library)

Missions Team

Thursday, August 16, 7:00 pm (Library)

2018 ELKIN FUMC LEADERSHIP

CHURCH VISION AND LEADERSHIP TEAM

Lay Leader/Facilitator of the Team: James Freeman Staff-Parish Chair: Jeff Seaford Finance Chair: Herb MacDonald Trustees Chair: Steve Wells Treasurer: Ellen Schumak Lay Member to Annual Conference: Joan Sanders Nurture Coordinator: Outreach Coordinator: David Van Antwerp Witness Coordinator: Sharon Harvey At-Large: Mary Keller, Randy Hunsucker, Gardner Meek Pastor: Mike Shuford

TEAMS AND COORDINATORS

- Weekday Programs: Gail Midkiff ('18), Ali Wells ('19), Lauren Meek ('20) [Board elects chair]
- Lay Leadership: Tammy Coley ('18), Loretta Cash ('18), Linda MacDonald ('18), Betsy Robertson ('19), Louise Cockerham ('19), Gina Peterson ('19), Nancy Ball, ('20), Larry Johnson ('20), Emaline Cockerham ('20) plus Lay Leader (James Freeman), Pastor, Chair (Mike Shuford)
- Trustees: George Brown ('18), Eris Ball ('18), Dave Johnson ('18), Steve Wells, chair ('19), Jake Schott ('19), Mike Smith ('19), Charles Bellia ('20), Steve Brown ('20), Martha Smith ('20)
- Staff-Parish: Jeff Seaford, Chair ('19), Bob Midkiff ('18), Jill Bellia ('18), Bern Schumak ('18), Trish Grider ('19), Ray Parker ('19), David Ackerman ('20), Steva Bledsoe ('20), Birdie Johnson ('20) plus Lay Leader (James Freeman), Lay Member to Annual Conference (Joan Sanders), Pastor (Mike Shuford)
- Finance: Herb MacDonald, Chair ('20), Larry Irwin ('18), Ann Merlo ('18), Carey Gupton ('19), Birdie Johnson ('20), plus Treasurer (Ellen Schumak), Lay Leader (James Freeman), Lay Member to Annual Conference (Joan Sanders), Trustees Chair/Rep, Staff-Parish Chair/Rep, Pastor (Mike Shuford), Carol McDowell [non-voting]
- Endowment: Gambill Aldridge ('18), David Robertson ('19), Bill Green ('20), Trustees Chair/Rep, Finance Chair (Herb MacDonald), Treasurer (Ellen Schumak, Missions (David Van Antwerp), Pastor (Mike Shuford) [Endowment elects chair]
- Parsonage: Steve Wells ('18), Omegia Seaford ('18), Marian Green ('19), Donna Thompson ('19), Martha Maier ('20), Randy Bledsoe ('20) [Trustees elect chair]

Worship Coordinator: John Kennedy

Outreach (Missions) Coordinator: David Van Antwerp Witness Coordinator: Sharon Harvey Social Action: TBA

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- Gathering Music

It is God who will redeem his people from all their iniquities.

Processional Hymn No. 101 - "From All That Dwell Below the Skies" # Invocation

Children's Time (Children, age 4 - 2nd grade are welcome at Children's Church)

Prayer for Illumination - In Unison God grace and mercy, we come before you a people inclined to sin and hope for true righteousness. Let us hear those words of comfort in your Word today. Amen.

Holy Scripture - 2 Samuel 11:26-12:13a (Pew Bible, pp. 272-273) The Word of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God!

Solo - "Draw Near, All Ye People" - Antonio Delgadillo Draw near, all ye people, come to me! Lord God of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel; this day let it be known that Thou art God, and I am thy servant! O show to all this people that I have done these things according to Thy word! O hear me, Lord, and answer me! Lord, God of Abraham, Isaac and Israel; O hear me and answer me; and show this people that Thou art Lord God; and let their hearts again be turned.

Sermon - "Caught!"

Hymn No. 534 - "Be Still, My Soul" (Children return from Children's Church)

Pastoral Prayer The Lord's Prayer - No. 895

Order of Worship Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost August 12, 2018 10:55 am Follow Jesus, Make Disciples, Transform the World

Welcome to worship at First United Methodist Church. We especially welcome those who are guests today.

ENTRANCE AND PRAISE

Welcome, Sharing of Prayer Concerns, and Announcements

Invitation to Worship

Chiming of the Trinity

Prelude - "Arioso" - Corelli

Call to Worship Our souls wait for the LORD.

In his word we hope.

God's people, hope in the LORD.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Affirmation of Faith No. 881- "The Apostles' Creed"

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

Offertory - "I'm a Sinner Man" - Courtney

Two went down to the church one day lookin' for a quiet place to go and pray. One man stood with his face to the sky, said, "Thank you, God, I'm not like the other guy." But the second man bowed and beat his chest, "Have mercy on me, Father," was his request. I'm a sinner man, Lord, I know it! I'm a sinner man through and through. I'm a sinner man, I confess it. I'm a sinner man, and so are you. A travelin' man was met by a mob. They stripped away his clothes, he was beaten and robbed. Two righteous men passed right on by, way too important to answer his cry. But a third man filled with compassion and care stopped to lend a hand to the man lying there. Now tell me who's that sinner man, Lord, have mercy! I'm a sinner man through and through. Who's that sinner man, now confess it. I'm a sinner man, and so are you. God have mercy on me, I'm a sinner man!

#Doxology - Owens

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise God all creatures here below. Praise God above, ye heavenly host! Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

SENDING FORTH

Benediction

Choral Response - "Go in the Grace of the Lord" - Barnard Go in the grace of the Lord. Walk in the way of His Word. Stand in the strength of His promises, and believe in your heart they are true. Sit at the feet of the Savior. Pray in the power of the Spirit. Rise and run the race with patience, and go in the grace of the Lord. Go in hope, God's hope; Go in peace, God's peace, Go in joy, everlasting joy as you live in the fullness of His love.

[↓] Hymn No. 389 - "Freely, Freely"

H Chiming of the Trinity

₽ Postlude - "Finale" - Sexton

[↓] Please stand as you are able

WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

Pastor - Rev. Michael A. Shuford Director of Music - Amy E. Johnson Gathering Music - Amy Tayloe Children's Time - Amy Johnson Lay Reader - Jane Hazelman Children's Church - Kristi Gaddis Greeters - Betsy & David Robertson; Steva & Randy Bledsoe; Vickie & Steve Wells; Grace Harrison; Zara & Zena Petrocy; Emaline Cockerham: Martha Maier Ushers - Steve Wells, David VanAntwerp, J.L. Lowe, Charlie Bellia Counters - Mike Powell, Betsy & David Robertson

NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS

LAITY SERVICE AWARD: The Laity Service Award is promoted by the WNCC Board of Laity as a means of recognizing a deserving lay person whose work in the local church and community exemplifies a life of Christian stewardship. The recipients from our church (one adult and one youth/young adult) will be honored during a district-wide celebration being held at Millers Creek UMC on Sunday October 21. If you would like to nominate someone from our church please pick up a "2018 Laity Service Award Selection Form" from the table outside of the Church Library. Please return forms to Pastor Mike by Sunday, August 26.

BLESSING BUCKET PACKING: Stone's Throw Christian Ministries (1657 N. Bridge St.) is holding a Blessing Bucket Packing on Monday, August 13 beginning at 6:00 pm. 5 gallon buckets will be filled with over 21 items, including the Word of God, and then sent into disaster areas. The goal is to pack 400 buckets! Anyone age 8 (with parent) and up are welcome to participate. For more info contact Mitch Callaway at 336-366-7591.

OPEN POSITION AT ELKIN FUMC: Ben Wallace accepted a full time position at a church closer to his home. He has informed the Staff Parish Relations Committee that his last day at Elkin FUMC will be Wednesday, August 15. The Staff-Parish Relations Committee is currently accepting applications for the Parish Life Coordinator position. If you know anyone who may be interested in the position, please have him/her send a cover letter and resume to: Rev. Mike Shuford, c/o Elkin FUMC, PO Box 69, Elkin, NC 28621 or mshuford@elkinfumc.org. For more info call the church office at 336-835-2323. The job posting can be found on our website at: www.elkinfumc.org/news/open-position.

CHURCH DISCUSSION ON A WAY FORWARD: On Wednesday, September 5, Pastor Mike would like to invite everyone to meet in the Fellowship Hall after the meal so that he can explain the plans of the Commission on a Way Forward and the Council of Bishops. This has to do with our relationship with the LGBTQ community. The commission has offered several plans and Pastor Mike hopes to sufficiently articulate the three plans chosen by the Council of Bishops to present to the General Conference at the called meeting in February, 2019. For more information see Pastor Mike's article in the August 9 edition of The First Word.

PREVIOUS ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRIP TO MRC ON AUGUST 15: The WNCC Mission Response Center is in great need for volunteers to help process donations. We have arranged to take the church van to the MRC near Mooresville on Wednesday, August 15, leaving the church at 9:15 am and returning around 2:00 pm. We'll be taking Christmas boxes put together by our children during VBS, additional items for Project AGAPE and other supplies for UMCOR. Please sign up on the Missions Board beside the Pastor's office.

CHILDREN'S POOL PARTY: Join us Wednesday, August 22, from 4:00-6:00 pm at the Canters' home (1140 Armstrong Rd, Jonesville). Bring a towel, floatees, and sunscreen. Snacks and drinks will be provided. If your child does not swim, please come with them.

PRESCHOOL OPEN HOUSE will be held on Friday, August 24 from 4:00-6:00 pm. Come see the classrooms, meet the teachers, visit with friends and fill out important paperwork. The first day of school will be Tuesday, September 4.

SOLID ROCK CAFÉ RESUMES: Join us on August 29 as we kick off Fall activities at FUMC. We will have inflatables on the front lawn for the kids to play on from 5:30-7:30 pm. Peter and George will be grilling hamburgers, hot dogs and sausages for dinner at 6:00 pm (in the Fellowship Hall).

MISSION TRIP TO HENDERSON SETTLEMENT: Missions Team Chair, David VanAntwerp will take a group from Elkin FUMC to Henderson Settlement October 21-27. The cost will be \$320 per person. For more information or to sign up for the trip contact David at 336-244-1808.

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Church Family: Zack Trexler, Paulette McCauley, Libbi Parks, Emad Elkhaiat, Ray Fencl, Larry Johnson, Walt Pettit, Hal Stuart, Bill Amburn, Ercel Carter, Dan & Sallie Park, Gary Conrad, Bonnie Stuart, Loretta Cash, Roland Cash, Tim & Jennifer Brown, Donna Thompson, Rev. Steve McLain, nursing home residents & homebound

Extended Care: Mary Cockerham, Iris Amburn, Mary Neil, Bliss Vanderpool, Jerre Boren

Extended Family: Priscilla Smith, Marc Bishop, Buck Freeman, Lorene Newman, Michael Hines, Dennis Staley, Robert Miller, Joan Shuford, Dr. Gladys Campbell, Nan Boyd, Lonnie Snider, Teresa Shook, Millie Joyce, Martha Key, Kidd Family, Phyllis Lowe, Judy Moody, Abe Heath, Betsy Robertson's Mother, Avery Neaves, Connie Partin, Jeff Wishon, Brian Wilkenson, Nancy Yale, Keith Stanley, Damon Long, Rick Smoot, Linda Caudill. Tom Medlin

ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC: Mark your calendar! Our annual church picnic is going to be held at the Elkin Municipal Park, Shelter #1 beginning at 4:00 pm on Sunday, August 26. Please note the new location this year. Everyone is asked to bring a covered dish to share. Everyone is also invited to bring games to play (i.e. corn hole, bocce, volleyball, etc.)

TRI-C REQUESTS SALTINE CRACKERS: Tri-C has asked that we donate Saltine Crackers instead of Toilet Tissue. Please place crackers in the basket in the entryway of the church office.

APOSTLES' CREED SERMON SERIES

Next Sunday, Pastor Mike will embark on a four part sermon series based on The Apostles' Creed. Hope you can be present for all four:

- "Credo and the Holy Trinity"
- "The Holy Catholic Church and the Communion of Saints"
- September 2 "The Forgiveness of Sins
- September 9 "The Resurrection of the Body and the Life Everlasting"

PRAYER REQUESTS

All of our military personnel and their families