

**CALENDAR FOR September 29 – Oct. 6**

Sunday 8:45 am - Early Worship (Chapel)  
 9:45 am - Sunday School  
 10:55am - Worship (Sanctuary)  
 12:30 pm - Charge Conference (Sanctuary)  
 No Youth this evening  
 5:00 pm - JOY Bible Study (parlor)  
 5:30 pm - Men's Bible Study

Monday 9:00 am - Weekday Programs  
 6:45 pm - Boy Scouts

Tuesday 9:00 am - Weekday Programs  
 9:00 am - Morning Handbells (Sanctuary)  
 11:45 am - JOY Bible Study (parlor)  
 2:30 pm - Cherub Choir (4yr olds-Kindergarten)

Wednesday 9:00 am - Weekday Programs  
 2:45 pm - Choirs for 1st - 6th Grades  
 6:00 pm - Solid Rock Café  
 (Menu: Baked potato bar, salad)  
 6:45 pm - Evening Handbells (Sanctuary)  
 7:30 pm - Chancel Choir rehearsal (choir room)

Thursday 9:00 am - Weekday Programs  
 10:00 am - Adult Bible Study (Library)

Sunday 8:45 am - Early Worship (Chapel)  
 9:45 am - Sunday School  
 10:55 am - Worship (Sanctuary)  
 5:00 pm - Youth  
 5:00 pm - JOY Bible Study (parlor)  
 5:30 pm - Men's Bible Study  
 6:00 pm - Youth Dinner

**UPCOMING MEETINGS**

**Charge Conference/Leadership Team** (Sanctuary)  
**Today** (following the 10:55 worship service. approx. 12:30 )

**“ON THE MOVE” DAY TRIP**



Friday, Oct. 25 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Blue Ridge Parkway Mabry Mill Restaurant

Register by Wed. Oct. 9 to Cindy Furr

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**CHURCH VISION & LEADERSHIP TEAM**

Lay Leader/Facilitator of the Team	<b>James Freeman</b>
Outreach Coordinator	<b>David Van Antwerp</b>
Witness Coordinator	<b>Ann Garner</b>
Staff-Parish Chair	<b>Jeff Seaford</b>
Finance Chair	<b>Herb MacDonald</b>
Trustees Representative	<b>Martha Smith</b>
Treasurer	<b>Ellen Schumak</b>
Lay Member to Annual Conference	<b>Joan Sanders</b>
At-Large	<b>Mary Keller, Gardner Meek</b>
Pastor	<b>Mike Shuford</b>

**VOLUNTEERS FOR THE WEEK OF...**

	<u>Sept. 29</u>	<u>Oct. 6</u>
Tues. Choir Snacks	Stone	No choir
Wed. Choir Snacks	Olivia B., Reece	No choir
Wed. Night Desserts	Furr, Robertson, Tucker, Irwin	Powell, Harrison, Shuford, MacDonald, MacDowell

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 Director of Weekday Programs - Beth Darnell ([bdarnell@elkinfumc.org](mailto:bdarnell@elkinfumc.org))



**Order of Worship**

*Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost  
 September 29, 2019*

*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**

Gathering Music

Welcome, Sharing of Prayer Concerns and Announcements

Chiming of the Trinity

Prelude - “Air” - Wesley

✠ Call to Worship

We who live in the shelter of the Most High,  
**Who abide in the shadow of the Almighty,**  
 Will say to the LORD, “My refuge and my fortress;  
**My God in whom I trust.”**  
 God will be there for us in trouble,  
**God will rescue us and honor us.**  
 With long life, God will satisfy us,  
**And show us our salvation. Amen.**

—Adapted from Psalm 91:1-2, 15-16

✠ Processional Hymn No. 662 - “Stand Up and Bless the Lord”

✠ Invocation

**PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

Children's Time

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

Prayer for Illumination

In Unison

**Omnipresent God, your presence encompasses the earth and your Word embraces us with the assurance of your Holy Presence. How grateful we are to hear your voice and know the solace, the calm voice that reminds us that even should we walk through the valley of the shadow of death, you are yet walking beside us and protecting us from the evil that can harm us. Thank you, O Divine One Eternal. Amen.**

Holy Scripture

Psalm 27:1,4-9,12-14 (Pew Bible, p.476-477)

✠ Matthew 28: 19-20 (Pew Bible, p.32)

The Word of God for the people of God. **Thanks be to God.**

✠ Affirmation of Faith No. 887– “Affirmation from Romans 8”

Sermon - “The Green Mile: Jesus in Extraordinary Places”

**RESPONSE TO THE WORD**

Hymn No. 402 - “Lord, I Want to Be a Christian”

Choral Call to Prayer - "Open Our Eyes"

Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus, to reach out and touch him, and say that we love him. Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen. Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus.

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

The Offering

Anthem - "Create in Me a Clean Heart" - Leavitt

Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit in me. Cast me not away from Your presence, Lord; take not Your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of Your salvation. Grant a willing spirit to sustain me. My lips, Lord, open, and I'll sing Your praise. Alleluia, Amen.

‡ 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

‡ The Benediction

‡ Choral Response - "The Prayer of St. Patrick"

Christ be with me...within me...behind me...before me...beside me...to win me...to comfort and restore me...beneath me...above me...in quiet...in danger...in hearts of all that love me...in mouth of friend and stranger.

‡ Recessional Hymn No. 163 - "Ask Ye What Great Thing I Know"

‡ Chiming of the Trinity

‡ Postlude - "Trumpet Tune" - Telemann

‡ Please stand as you are able.

*The altar flowers are given in memory of Graham & Peggy Johnson by their children Sally & David Johnson. to the glory of God*

### WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

Pastor - Rev. Michael A. Shuford

Director of Youth and Discipleship - Cindy Furr

Director of Music and Children's Ministries - Amy Johnson

Gathering Music - Amy Johnson

Children's Church - Cindy Bruton

Children's Time - Ali Wells

Lay Reader - Ray Fencl

Acolytes/Chimers - Sadie & Lucas Keller

Crucifer - Grace Harrison

Banner - Paul Brinegar

Ushers - Youth

Greeters - James, Lisa, Henry Margaret & Kennedy Freeman

Counters - Jill Bellia, Ercel & Stacey Carter



**TO OUR VISITORS:** We are so glad you have chosen to join us today as we worship the Lord together!

### PRAYER REQUESTS

**Church Family:** Jane Lowe, Herb MacDonald, Ray Fencl, John Sapper, Charlie Bellia, Paulette McCauley, Libbi Parks, Larry Johnson, & homebound

**Extended Care:** Mary Neil (Villages of Wilkes), Bill Amburn,(Home) Paulette McCauley (Home)

**Extended Family:** Sarah Couch (Daughter of Janice Wright- surgery, Oct 3), Those affected by Hurricane Dorian, Rodney Garing, Clay Childress, Ronnie Proffitt (friend of Pastor Mike & Donna), Dr. Billye F. Vickers, Charles Graham, Hattie Ford & family (Mary Keller's mom), Joan Shuford (Pastor Mike's mother), Phyllis Lowe (J.L. Lowe's sister), Lauren Hall (Bonnie Stuart's niece), Paul Ballenger, Steve Cannon, Family of Darryl Rector, Wally Holcomb, Bob Caison

### All of our military personnel and their families



The Congregational Care Team members have been busy visiting, calling, assisting, and sending cards to church members in need. Special cards are provided for signing at our Wednesday night dinners and Young at Heart activities. Our church prayer list is our source for recipients with names provided by family and church members. If you wish to have your name or a family member's name on the prayer list, please contact the church office or Ann Garner. Keeping in touch with our members experiencing special needs is one of the committee's goals. Please let us hear from you."

### FILL A SHOE BOX!



Nara Melkonyan, director of the AGAPE project in Armenia, will be our guest on Wednesday, October 23. She is visiting both the Western NC and the North Carolina conferences updating the humanitarian relief and work of AGAPE. One way you can help is to **fill a plastic shoebox** for children to receive at Christmas. Boxes (with instructions inside available in the fellowship hall office entrance, and narthex. For more information, visit <https://www.wnccumc.org/project-agape>.

### FINANCIAL UPDATE

2019 Budget	\$454,000
YTD Total Income	\$299,503.76
YTD Expense	\$315,575.31
Income for Sept. 22-25	\$3,250.00
Needed Weekly Income	\$8,654.00

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**CHARGE CONFERENCE/LEADERSHIP TEAM: The Leadership team will meet in the Sanctuary at approximately 12:30. to begin our annual Charge Conference.**

**DISTRICT DIALOG:** If anyone wishes to attend the District Dialog meeting at the Broad Street United Methodist Church in Statesville at 3:00 pm today, please contact Pastor Mike.

**LYDIA CIRCLE:** The Lydia Circle monthly meeting will be held on Monday, October 7 at 11:00 am. Lunch will follow at Cedarbrook Country Club.

**SPECIAL SPEAKERS:** Rev. Fred Jordan will be preaching in both services on Sunday, October 6. Dr. Richard Brinegar will be preaching for the following two Sundays, October 13 and 20.

**ON THE MOVE:** The "On the Move" Group will be going to Mabry Mill Restaurant on October 25. If you would like to go, please register by Wednesday, October 9. Contact Cindy Furr at 336-835-2323 or by email at [cfurr@elkinfumc.org](mailto:cfurr@elkinfumc.org)

**HENDERSON SETTLEMENT TRIP:** We will leave Elkin FUMC on Sunday, October 13 at 10 am. Return on Saturday, October 19. No cost for church members. There is a one time offer of stay a day or the whole week. You will work four days and Wednesday is a free day. Look for the sign-up sheet located on the Mission Board or text David Van Antwerp at 336-244-1808 or by email at [bcrsdavid@gmail.com](mailto:bcrsdavid@gmail.com). Please include your name and the dates you will be staying.

**THANK YOU:** Donna Shuford would like to thank everyone for their concern, prayers and gifts during her recent accident.

**HOPEFEST:** The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual HopeFest for Recovery is coming up on October 19th. It will be held at Elkin Municipal Park from 4-7pm. The goal of the event is to celebrate those in recovery from mental health and substance abuse issues. The event will include a hotdog supper, a walk, and luminary field to celebrate those in recovery (luminaries may also be made for those lost to addiction and mental health).

This event is a collaboration between multiple agencies in Surry and Yadkin Counties, and any residents of both counties are welcome to attend. I am attaching the flyer for the event to this message. Please feel free to share it! It is also a kid-friendly event so there will be activities for them as well!

We are encouraging any community organizations and churches, especially those who host any type of support group, and those who host community meals, have food pantries or who offer other forms of aid, to consider participating and letting the community know about your church and what you offer. If you have any questions, please contact Amanda Clark (336) 401-8581.