## **Cindy Furr selected as new Director of Discipleship**



The Staff-Parish Relations Team unanimously selected Cynthia (Cindy) Furr of Advance, NC to fill our newest position at Elkin FUMC, Director of Discipleship. Cindy, a Greensboro native, began serving churches in 1993 in the area of Christian Education. She is coming to FUMC from Mt. Vernon UMC, Trinity where she has served part-time as Director of Youth since 2015.

The Director of Discipleship is a newly created full-time position, which will include an emphasis on youth ministry, along with discipleship ministry across all age groups. Cindy

has a passion for advocating for children and youth along with ministering to people who are lonely, hurt abused, addicted and homeless.

Along with her husband, Eric, a retired corrections officer/train engineer, Cindy is looking forward to moving to Elkin. She has two daughters and a granddaughter, two step-sons, one step-daughter and three step-grandchildren.

Her hobbies include Christian music (K Love), singing, movies, clogging/ bluegrass music, swimming, reading, and art (drawing and painting).

The Staff-Parish Team discovered Cindy has a history of being very effective in youth ministry and comes highly recommended by former clergy, youth and congregation members, whom were contacted. She is a very out-going, highenergy person who connects well with people of all ages. One of her top priorities is to support our youth in activities both inside and outside the church. She has experience and a proven record in "growing youth groups."

The search process was steeped in prayer. The committee was diligent in asking for God's guidance in providing the right person for this position throughout the process.

Cindy's first Sunday will be April 3. We will officially welcome her on Sunday, April 10 with a reception in the Fellowship Hall during the Sunday School hour so attendees of both services may welcome her.