



The Circuit Rider

July 2023

SOUL PURPOSE

Matthew 5:8-9

“You’re blessed when you get your inside world—your mind and heart—put right. Then you can see God in the outside world. “You’re blessed when you can show people how to cooperate instead of compete or fight. That’s when you discover who you really are, and your place in God’s family. (The Msg.)

I’m somewhat of a collector of Bibles. I have both of my grandmothers’ Bibles, my mom’s Bible, and a Bible that belonged to one of my mentors in ministry. I have many translations and my go-to Bible, that I’ve relied on since the 19th day of June, 1994, was so worn that I had to have it re-bound a couple of years ago.

I’ve preached over 1000 sermons from its pages, I’ve written notes on most of the pages, I’ve searched for comfort in sad times and in happier times its words have brought joy to the numerous folk who’ve heard me speak from it through the hundreds of funerals and weddings I’ve presided over.

I’ve taught multiple Bible studies and/or small group studies from nearly every one of its 66 books, and it’s where I’ve turned for personal growth and a quest for peace in my daily devotionals.

John Wesley, whom I love, admire, and respect, in his quadrilateral, insisted that: ***“Scripture is the first authority and contains the only measure whereby all other truth is tested. It was delivered by authors who were divinely inspired. It is a rule sufficient of itself. It neither needs, nor is capable of, any further addition.”***

So far, I’m sure, we can all agree, right? John Wesley was brilliant and in founding the Methodist movement his use of the quadrilateral was right on point; scripture is what guides we United Methodist most. But, it cannot be the *Sola Scriptura... Prima Scriptura*, yes... “*Sola*”, I don’t think so...

So let’s look at what else J.W. said, because for me, it just make sense...

Wesley theorized that there are four different sources when coming to theological conclusions and determining what we believe.

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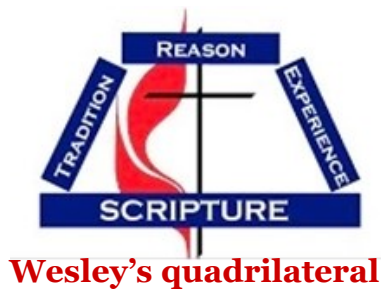
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Scripture we've covered.

But there are three other common-sense approaches in helping determine how we best reach decisions in how we seek to live more faithfully as Christians in community with one another...

Experience

Apart from scripture, our personal and shared experiences are the strongest proof we have of living faithfully. Experience leans to the understanding of a faith in God, in the light of our experiences in life.

Tradition

Wesley insisted we not *"undervalue traditional evidence. Let it have its place and its due honor."* For Wesley, tradition was important as it was a direct link through 1,700 years (and now over 2,000 years) of history; a history of those who both witnessed the work and ministry of Jesus in the flesh; the apostles who a generation later would write of those stories while compiling our scriptures, and the faithful followers who have brought those stories to life for us.

Reason

Although scripture is sufficient, Wesley believed that reasoning, using our minds to think, when assisted by the Holy Spirit, help us understand the mysteries of God. Our skills in reasoning bring us to an awareness of what new birth, inward holiness, and outward holiness mean.

John Wesley had a hope that in our Christian faith was revealed through Scripture, made clear by our traditions, brought to life in personal experience, and made accurate and certain by reasoning inwardly and together.

Seems to me Wesley had it right.

In the Gospel story of when Jesus offered the woman at the well living water, she mistakenly took his invitation to mean only well water. We must not make that same mistake.

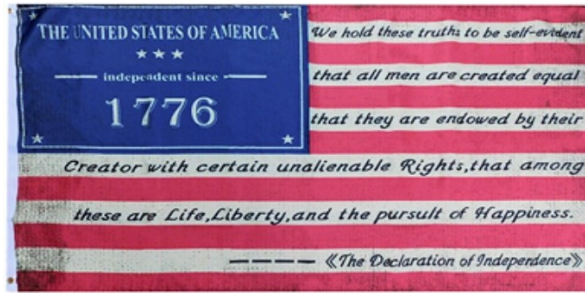
You and I are extended an invitation to drink from the many gifts God gives to us. We need not get mired down by singular issues, but rather continuously grow in ministry as we search for our place among the faithful.

As Camp UMC moves forward in ministry, let us move together in understanding God at work among us. Though we may approach some things differently, in the end we'll experience the love of God as one people.

Chen & Shalom...

Pastor Terry

"We do not worship a quadrilateral, we worship God. The quadrilateral is a tool we can use to help flesh out our theology—what we believe about the nature of God and how God relates to our world." John Wesley



EQUALITY FOR ALL

By Donna Varnam

As a youth, I never gave much thought to the birth of our nation and the growing pains it took from its gestation to delivery. Needless to say, as I have experienced life in our country, and traveled to others, my outlook has matured and my love for America has broadened. Freedom is now more than just a word in the popular protest songs I sang during my youth in the sixties.

It is easy to imagine, when we look at an artist's rendition of the Continental Congress members taking on the deliberation and finalization of The Declaration of Independence, that we would picture history making in a calm, professional manner with meticulously dressed old men making articulate speeches. I think not. In reality it was probably an environment of chaos in a smoke filled, humid room full of emotions, arguing, prayerful men of all ages, backgrounds and financial status. They had one commonality – independence from Great Britain and settling thirteen colonies into one nation.

The Declaration of Independence is more than a beautifully scripted, articulately written document. It is a proclamation that the rights of men and women come not from government, but from the created laws of God. It still remains a beacon with an expansive language many have used to interpret their “unalienable” rights. In 1848, women at the Seneca Falls Convention placed themselves into this language of the self-evident truth with the insertion of “all men and women are created equal.” A few years later, abolitionist Frederick Douglass, transformed the words of the Declaration into a call for racial justice and emancipation. The Declaration of Independence is a great document that has withstood the test of time and been a model for others, at home and abroad.

The birth certificate of our nation did not come without controversy or bloodshed. This Fourth of July, the 247th year of the birth of our country, offers us an opportunity to reflect and celebrate in gratitude the rich history and mission that has been bequeathed to us. Let's elevate the words to hold the truths to be self-evident, that all PEOPLE are indeed created equal. Let's not take our freedom for granted and pray that God continues to shed his grace on this land. God Bless America!

PRAYER

We lift up our nation to you, oh God. You have established and blessed us since its birth. Your precepts have been the foundation this beautiful country was built on. We feel your blessings as we have the freedom to work, pray, read your word and speak your name. Thank you for covering us with your protection and guiding us to shine your light for all. Amen.

TRIVIA

John Adams and Thomas Jefferson, co-authors of the Declaration of Independence, both died on July 4, 1826, the 50th anniversary of their signing the document that made this country independent.

UMC APPORTIONMENTS

Connecting Camp UMC to the World

As you know, Camp UMC, along with all other UMC congregations worldwide pay apportionments to their annual conferences. But do you know why we pay them and how the apportionments are used?

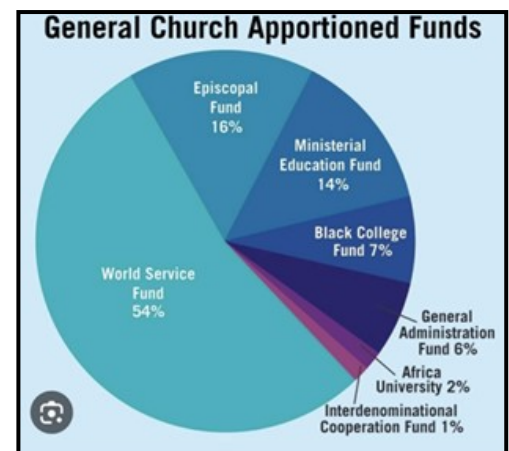
The concept of apportionments goes back to the time of John Wesley. Giving has always been both local and connectional (beyond each local church) and was understood as a corporate or community responsibility that allowed every member of whatever means to participate.

The purpose of apportionments is to fund many of the UMC joint ministries. The funds from all congregations are combined to allow for a broader scale of assistance than an individual church could accomplish by themselves. Apportionments allow us to do together what no church district or annual conference can do by itself. They are a way to reach out globally and connect with the world, minister to the world, and be in mission with the world.

Apportionment amounts are determined by the annual conferences. Larger congregations generally pay more than smaller congregations. In the United States, apportionments go towards supporting the work of the district annual conference, the jurisdiction and the general church.

There are 7 different funds within the general church apportionments:

- 1 - The World Service Fund**, which helps to build new churches, increases the number of new clergy, pays missionary salaries, engages in ministry with the poor and expands Bible studies.
- 2 - The Episcopal Fund**, which pays episcopal salaries, housing and travel costs for all bishops throughout the world.
- 3 - The Ministerial Education fund**, which supports the work of the 13 official UM seminaries in the United States.
- 4 - The Black College Fund**, which supports 11 historically black colleges and universities.
- 5 - The General Administration Fund**, which provides for the expenses of the sessions of the General Conference (the Judicial Church).
- 6 - The Interdenominational Cooperation Fund**, which supports the work of the Office of Christian Unity and Interreligious Cooperation Fund.
- 7 - The Africa University Fund**, which supports the work of Africa University.



Because expenditures by local churches are declining as UMC congregations shrink and churches leave the denomination, the NCCUMC's Council on Finance and Administration credited CAMP UMC with a 17% gift toward our 2023 apportionments (\$15,000). This gift allows CUMC to redirect the monies we would have traditionally given to missional giving and allows us the opportunity to redirect those dollars to other causes at Camp UMC.

In her letter to the church, Harbor District Superintendent, Rev. Tara Lain, said: *"Thanks to your faithful connectional giving, Camp has been given a credit of \$15,000 of our apportionments paid so far in 2023 that you can use for other ministries. God bless you and the people of Camp UMC!"*

DUKE ENDOWMENT

The North Carolina and Western North Carolina Conferences of The United Methodist Church are thrilled to announce that they have each received a generous grant from **The Duke Endowment** to support the creation of new United Methodist faith communities and the strengthening of existing congregations within the UMC conferences. Over five years, these grants for \$5.25 million each will provide vital resources to help the conferences address the challenges posed by recent disaffiliations and continue to spread the message of Jesus' love and hope throughout the state of North Carolina.

AdMinistry Team's Actions Items in June

- 1 - The individuals *presented by Lay Leadership and Development Team to the AdMinistry Team* were welcomed. Hart Merriam moved to Evangelism to replace Katie Mae Garner who asked to be replaced; Tom Coda took Hart's place as SPRC Chairman; Membership Chairman Virginia Winfree stepped down and Recording Secretary Eileen Markum will assume dual responsibility for that position.
- 2 - By consensus, agreed to ask Camp *Liturgists* to stress the need for visitors to provide phone numbers.
- 3 - Consensus approval of the \$100 expenditure for the annual inspection of the old pantry crawlspace.
- 4 - Unanimous approval given to have a contractor do outside kitchen excavation/resealing of wall and rental of special equipment at a cost of \$5,050 from the available Trustees budget.
- 5 - By consensus agreement, the Trustees are to meet with the technical expert and the sound room team to assure the compatibility of the proposed television screen and proposed new microphone set-up with the existing systems, and report back to the AdMinistry Team during its July 13th AdMinistry Team Meeting.
- 6 - There was consensus agreement to market the un-surveyed property with Joe and Susan Forrester's firm at a price of \$400,000. The commission rate of eight (8%) percent will be ideally split with four (4%) percent paid by the seller and four percent paid by the buyer.
- 7 - **Executive Session:** The AdMinistry Team discussed a personnel issue.
- 8 - **Regular Business Session:** Unanimous agreement to increase the salary of a Camp employee from \$17 to \$20 per hour.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Wow Camp Family! I cannot believe half the year has already flown by! Our children had a blast in outer space this past week as we completed a **STELLAR VBS**! 34 children participated in our 5-night program and we collected over 150 items for Street Reach! Thanks be to God for all of the gracious volunteers and children! It was truly an incredible week and the Holy Spirit was ever in this place!



Calling all **art, science, and music lovers**! We will host a 3-day camp on July 18th-20th from 4:00PM-6:00PM in the YFC for our Camp Kids. We are looking for volunteers to support this wonderful camp! Reach out to Allison Hunter for additional information!

The children's ministry will take a field trip on July 23 from 11:30-6 pm to the **Fort Fisher Aquarium** via the ferry ride in Southport! We will also take the kiddos to get some dinner. This is at no cost to the parents and is a time for parents to enjoy a Sunday afternoon together!



The children's ministry is looking for individuals, who have a passion for children, to volunteer with our ministry. **We are looking for volunteers** on a once a month basis for Wednesday nights and/or Sunday School classes, once a quarter basis for Children's Church on Sunday mornings. If you feel led, please reach out to Allison Hunter for additional information!

Have a safe and wonderful July!

Allison Hunter,
Director of Children's Ministry



The youth events in June were a big success. Retreat to the Littlejohn's and day at Carowinds and time at the Flip N Fly trampoline park in Wilmington. Such a wicked blast! I will miss these fun times together as I leave my Youth Director position. Keep seeking and searching, growing and serving!! God loves you!!

Kelly Littlejohn, Youth Director



HURRICANE SEASON IS HERE!

Outreach wants to remind everyone to get their emergency supply kits ready.

US Representative Robert Rouser sent out a list of what you will need. Items you should include in your kit are:

One (1) gallon of water per person per day
Non-perishable foods
Medicine, first aid kit
Blanket/sleeping bag
Anti-bacterial wipes or gel

Items for Pets
Non-electric can opener
Flashlight, radio & batteries
Extra set of house & Cash

Change of clothes, sturdy shoes
Important papers (ID, insurance bank information
Personal hygiene items
Cell phone & charger

Hopefully, we won't need to use these kits!



The Agape Group's Community Church Picnic on June 11th was a great success. Over 100 people attended. There was tasty cookout food to eat and games for all ages to play.



Art Jacques, Curtis Bolden, Harold Beatty and Jeff Maynard. AKA The Greasy Spoons were grill masters for the event. The Greasy Spoons are a group of guys that meet for breakfast on Saturday mornings at Eggs Up.

NEXT AGAPE MEETING

Sunday July 16th 11:45 AM in Salmon Classroom

Ladies **NIGHT OUT**



On June 15th, a group of 29 women gathered at San Jose Mexican Restaurant for food, fellowship and fun. A good time was had by all. (See all the smiling faces?)

SOME OF CAMP'S NEW MEMBERS THIS YEAR



Walter and Regina Britton joined Camp UMC on April 24th, Easter Sunday. They transferred from Sharon Methodist Church in Holden Beach. Walter retired from GE and Regina retired from the Co-op Extension Service of Brunswick County. They live in Supply, NC and have two adult children and Bear, their Austrian Shepherd.



Jeff Cernugel joined Camp UMC on April 24th, Easter Sunday. He transferred from First Baptist Church in Fairmont, NC. Jeff is a builder & developer, working with Builders First Source and is the owner of a concrete plant. Katie Mae Garner and family introduced Jeff to Camp UMC.



Jeremy and Ashley Chambley and their children, Nova (8) and Reid (6) are new members to Camp UMC, but certainly not strangers. Ashley's parents, Mel and Shawn O'Daniels were already active members. Jeremy and Ashley began their journey in 2019, during the months of Covid limitation. During that time, Camp's Children's Ministry never lost momentum in making sure Nova and Reid were covered with special visits of Bible lessons, fun treats and love. This truly made an impact on the family. They are excited about being at Camp and are looking forward to serving, especially with the Children's ministry.



Doug and Sheryl Jones join us by letter from Pawley's Island Presbyterian Church. They retired from Northern Virginia, Sheryl as a special education teacher and Doug as an executive with an international company. Doug and Sheryl lived in Saudi Arabia for many years and have traveled extensively around the world. After several years living in South Carolina, they decided to move to Shallotte to be close to friends. They have a son and daughter-in-law residing in Alexandria, Virginia.



James Morse and Kaylan Edwards joined Camp on May 21st. Kaylan is a physician and James is a realtor. Their son Myles, who will turn 1 on June 28th, keeps them on their toes. They attend the Young Adult Sunday School Class.

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Greg and Debbie Rupp are very pleased to be members of Camp United Methodist Church again. They originally joined in 1990 and then again this past April. They raised their children, Nick age 30 and Micah 24, in the church and have very fond memories of that period of their lives. Greg and Debbie retired from his dental practice July of 2021 and have been traveling in their motor home quite extensively throughout the United States, having the time of their lives. Debbie and Greg consider Camp their home and were overwhelmed with the love and support they received when they rejoined the Church.



Ana B. Parker joined Camp on April 30th. She is married to Albert Parker (Bert) and is the daughter-in-law of Al and Ramona Parker. Their son Cameron was baptized on April 30th. She and her husband are expecting their second son in July.



Cameron being baptized



Jack and Shannon Revell were married in September 2022. Between them, they have 6 wonderful children! Shannon is an office assistant with DSS for Brunswick County and Jack is a Territory Manager with Baker Distributing. Fun fact about Shannon, she lived in 10 states by the time she was 19 years old. Fun fact about Jack, he played college basketball at Winthrop College. We enjoy hiking with our dog Oliver, kayaking and traveling.



Steve and Donna Varnam made their way back home to Brunswick County after working in prison ministry and criminal justice reform for over twenty years. Although they have been life-long Methodists, their jobs gave them the privilege of worshiping in multidenominational churches around the globe, giving them a deeper understanding and appreciation of their own faith. Steve and Donna are excited to now call Camp UMC their home church. The Varnams have four grown children and six grandchildren.



James Joseph Volosin (Jimmy, please) joined Camp back in January of this year. He is retired from several business. He is not, however, completely retired. He works 2 days a week as a "starter" at the Thistle Golf Course which enables him to golf for free. He is also busy remodeling his house and doing yard work.

SUSANNA WESLEY CIRCLE

On June 13th, a group of CAMP ladies gathered a luncheon Sea Breeze Restaurant at Brick Landing. A good time was had by all - good food, great fellowship and fun.



ATTENTION ALL CAMP LADIES

The Susanna Wesley Circle invites you to attend "Lunch in the Barn" on Tuesday, July 11th, at 11:30 at The Farm at 875 Frederick Trail, Supply. Please pack a lunch in some type of "special" container such as a makeup bag, insulated cooler bag, sand bucket, etc. Each container will be numbered and we will draw numbers for our lunch. Kim Galloway and Kelly Barefoot, hostesses, will provide drinks and dessert. Hope many of you will join us for this summer fun time! Contact Lynda Eagle at 910-620-4589 if you have questions.

LOCAL MISSIONS



July 20th from 1:30 PM-6:00 PM
Youth and Family Center

To register or get more information,
call Barbara Varnam @ (910) 619-5504



The **Adopt-a-Highway** pick-up on the 10th of June was another success! Twenty people showed up to help, including five new people. We picked up 20 bags of trash in about 90 minutes. Thanks again for all the help.

Next pickup will be **September 9, 2023**

Hart Merriman,
Coordinator

LOCAL MISSIONS



On June 3rd, Camp UMC served 83 families (6 new), 311 individuals (121 adults, 96 children, and 94 seniors) 5 Hispanic bags and lots of produce.

Next distribution is **July 1st**, Call Gary Concelmo if you can help **(919) 417-2700**

**IF I AM HUNGRY, THAT IS A
MATERIAL PROBLEM; IF
SOMEONE ELSE IS HUNGRY,
THAT IS A SPIRITUAL PROBLEM.**

– PAUL FARMER

FRIDAY NIGHT COMMUNITY MEALS

On Friday, June 24th, over 300 meals were served to our friends and neighbors in Shallotte and nearby areas in Brunswick County. **(This is a record!!)** We are thankful for the blessings we receive that enable Camp to have the resources needed to provide for the food insecure and for the volunteers who assist in preparing the meals.



Packing the meals

Meals are ready to go



GREAT NEWS! We now have a newsletter team. The team members are

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Donna Varnam	donnac4210@gmail.com

If you have an idea for the newsletter or would like to contribute something (devotional, cartoon, article, etc.), please reach out to one of us.

UNION SCHOOL TEACHER APPRECIATION

On June 5th, the Outreach Committee hosted an End of Year Breakfast for the staff of Union Elementary School. What a great morning of food, fellowship, and fun! What a blessing it is to continue this partnership between our church and this school. Many thanks to church members who helped prepare and serve food, set up decorations, and provide a devotion and entertainment. It is an honor to celebrate the end of another successful school year with Union Elementary!



The names, addresses and contact information for Camp's members is available in the Instant Church Directory App.

Directions for the Instant Church Directory App

Download Instant Church Directory

Your username is your email that is in the directory

Your password is whatever you want it to be.

Save and close

Go to your emails...you should have an email from Instant Church Directory, click on link to verify your email

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Make changes & Save

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MAKING DISCIPLES

by Bishop Connie Mitchell Shelton

One of my favorite shows on the Food Network is Chopped! Ted Allen hosts as chefs compete and use baskets of mystery ingredients to “make” a three-course meal. So I’ve brought my Chopped basket filled with mystery ingredients. To “make” a disciple, what might the mystery ingredients be?

Phil Maynard reminds us that: “Discipleship is not just learning about Jesus. It is about becoming like Jesus. Discipleship is not just about education. It is about transformation. Discipleship is not just about knowledge. It is about behaviors.”

Discipleship always begins with relationship. So how might your local church create a four-course meal that makes disciples who value being in relationships with others and with God? Let’s think about the four courses: appetizers, salad, entree, and dessert.

If you’ve attended a fancy wedding or seen one on television, you know the appetizer is always taken to the people. The appetizer in your disciple-making recipe is **ENGAGE**! How is your congregation moving beyond your church and caring for people in your community who are hanging on by a thread?

As you ENGAGE, please do not do it with a goal of getting people to come back to your church building. The goal is to love well so that those who don’t know they are loved by God, will hear and experience God’s extra-extravagant love. So, ENGAGE!

Let’s look for a mystery ingredient here in my Chopped basket to ENGAGE people to “taste and see that the Lord is good.” What about paying attention to new people moving into the community? You may get the cue from a realtor sign in The front yard signifying “SOLD,” or you may see a moving truck unloading. Drop off a case of water bottles with a note that says, “The people of our United Methodist Church are praying for you during this transition. Moving can be stressful and unsettling, leaving all that you’ve known. Welcome! Know that you belong to God and to this community!” Your first course, the appetizer, is to ENGAGE.

Or what about dropping by the neighborhood laundromat or washeteria and leave a few detergent pods tightly protected in a zip lock bag with a note, “As you wash today, know that the people of the United Methodist Church around the corner want to lighten the load. May these pods be a reminder that we care and God cares.”

Our second course is salad. At the fancy wedding, the second course is the opportunity to find your place card with your name, and join people at a table who you don’t know, but you begin to learn their names and their stories. So the second course - the salad - is to **CONNECT**.

In what ways is your church creating opportunities to CONNECT and learn new people’s names and their stories. Our second course mystery ingredient could be a book club. What New York Best Seller could CONNECT people from the broader community to spend 4 or 5 weeks together to share thoughts about a book. There around a shared love of reading, you can learn people’s names and stories. So your churches second course salad is to CONNECT.

Or what about grief support - having a grief support group? Please have leaders who are licensed professional counselor or social workers who are trained to do grief work. Pastors, you can partner with them for the group, but professionals need to lead through the deep waters of grief. Discern new ways God is inviting your Church to CONNECT to build relationships with new people who have not experienced Jesus’ love.

The third course is the entree. The entree in your disciple making process is to EQUIP. Once we’ve ENGAGED and CONNECTED, we **EQUIP** through worship, sacraments (outward signs of God’s grace), reading scripture, and listening for the Holy Spirit. And even better, read scripture alongside

Making Disciples continued

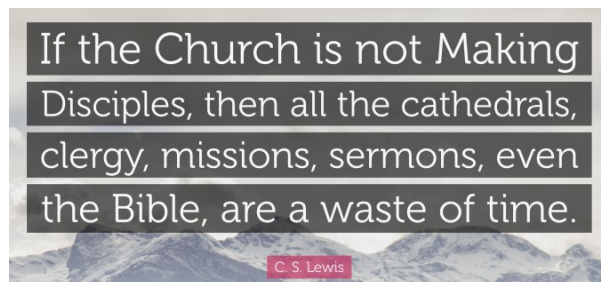
and in relationship with people living on the edge. We hear in fresh ways God's word when we attend it alongside people who are vulnerable, voiceless, ostracized, and shut out. Our third course - the entree - is to EQUIP, is also the practice of prayer that wraps up EQUIPPING.

So, here's my iPad, so that I remind you. I trust you've downloaded the app "Pray As You Go", the app that we are offering every church and every person in the NC Conference, to practice prayer every day. Don't just learn about it, but practice prayer.

Our fourth course is dessert. Mmmmm! And in our fourth course as churches, the fourth course is to **SEND**. When we create a system in each church to make disciples, we come to know that God SENDS us and we SEND one another into the world to serve others. One we've encountered the grace and love of Jesus, we can do no other than to go join where God is present with all who suffer, those who are oppressed.

We are sent to join a Habitat Build. We're sent to tutor students at under-resourced schools where under-resourced students need a layer of your support. The fourth course of dessert is the sweet SENDING of the church to join Jesus' mission to those hanging on by a thread.

I'm asking every church across our North Carolina conference to intentionally create their four-course meal of mystery ingredients to MAKE disciples. So will you lead your church into this kind of intentionality in making disciples? Where together, clergy and laity, identify how you, as a church, **ENGAGE, CONNECT, EQUIP, and SEND?** That becomes your "Chopped" basket mystery ingredients four-course meal, used to intentionally MAKE DISCIPLES of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.



EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY

The Harbor District is offering a class, **Living Our United Methodist Beliefs**, on the 12th of August, 2023. It will be held at Ocean View UMC (8400 E Oak Island Dr., in Oak Island. Registration is open until Sunday, August 6th, 2023, @ 11:00 PM. Registration is \$25 which includes lunch. Sandy Core and Ernest Leatherman will lead the class. To register go to:

<https://harbordistrictnc.org/2023/06/in-person-lay-servant-class-offered-in-august/>

Gathering begins at 8:30 AM. The session starts at 9:30 AM and ends at 4:30 PM. (*The session minimum is 5 attendees with a maximum of 20 attendees.*) Please bring your Bible, your "Living Your Beliefs" book, paper and pencil with you.

FELLOWSHIP HALL CLOSED

In case you haven't heard . . .

The Fellowship Hall has been flooded twice in the last week. Both times there was excessive damage to the area. The first flooding was due to a water main break in Shallotte. The reason for second flooding incident is being explored. Until Camp's insurance company inspects the damage and offers advice as to the use of our facilities, the Fellowship Hall is closed. This applies to any group sessions and meal preparation and serving.

MUSIC notes



Wes and Betsy attended the music conference last week at Lake Junaluska and experienced dynamic worship and preaching, organ, handbell and choir concerts, new anthem reading sessions by publishers and, most of all, spiritual renewal. What a joy to be able to participate in this conference!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR PARK PRAISE IN SEPTEMBER!

Park Praise, a fall musical event sponsored by the Agape Group and the Music Ministry will be at OIB Town Center Park Amphitheater on September 16th from 3:00-5:00 PM. Nationally known composer, Allen Pote, will lead a 100+ choir from surrounding communities. Interested choir members will meet at Camp from 9:30AM-12:00PM to rehearse for the afternoon. Also, other musical groups are invited to share their talents in the afternoon. If interested, please contact Wes and Betsy Ward at wesnbetsy@gmail.com or text 843-222-7673 and/or Hart Merriam at chartmerriam@gmail.com or text 540-797-4388.

As I was putting the newsletter together I noticed a recurring theme - eating. (Check it out!) Raised as a Presbyterian, when I became a Methodist, I discovered that eating seems to be a Methodist thing. Found an image that illustrates that propensity. I rather like the Methodist Way.

Jeanne Frederick



JULY MILESTONES



1	Bobbie Steve	10	Kenneth Harrell	21	Dean Anderson
4	Robert Morris	10	Wendy Milligan	22	Jill Greene
5	Elijah Steve	11	Denise Concelmo	22	Dennis Hetzel
6	Michael Alderson	11	Jim Hendricks	23	Nancy Greiner
6	Ronnie Markum	12	Madeline Chandler	24	Kevin Holland
7	AJ McCullough	13	Margie Steve	25	Samuel Steve
8	Rebecca McKinnon	16	Jeremy Chambley	27	Meredith Anderson
9	Keith Fillman	17	Cray Milligan	30	Joyce Erickson
9	Albert Parker	19	DeWayne Oakes		

Gene & Mary Jo Craft	20 (49)
Kimberly & James Williamson	1 (45)
Bia & Ann Medley	15 (45)
Walter & Regina Britton	5 (43)
Gary & Rae Matthews	17 (41)
Nancy & Steve Greiner	6 (37)
Kelly & Poli Barefoot	8 (33)
Calvin & Julie Chandler	20 (27)
Meredith & Wesley Anderson	17 (19)
Taylor & Derrick Thompson	7 (11)



DATES TO REMEMBER IN JULY

July 4th	God Bless America	
July 13th	AdMinistry Team Meeting	6:30 PM YFC
July 20th	Red Cross Blood Drive	1:30 PM Fellowship Hall
July 23rd	Children's Fort Fisher Outing	11:30 AM-6:00 PM



REGULARLY SCHEDULED EVENTS

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
9:00 Sunday Sch. 10:00 Worship 10:00 Children's Church & Nursery	6:30 Prayer & Communion	Bulletin Deadline 9:30 Prayer Shaw			4:30 Community Meal	

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 CAMP'S FOOD BANK DAY
2 Communion	3 OFFICE CLOSED	4  OFFICE CLOSED	5	6	7	8
9	10 12:15 Agape Group	11	12	13 6:30 Admin Mtg.	14	15
16 11:15 AM Agape Mtg	17 4:00 Staff Meeting	18	19	20  1:30 PM-6:00PM Blood Drive	21	22 4-6pm Youth Group Pool Party
23 Children's Fort Fisher Outing 11:30AM-6:00PM 30	24 31	25	26	27	28	29