



The Shallowford Steeple

Lewisville United Methodist Church, Lewisville, NC

March 5, 2008

LOOKING AHEAD

March 9: Girl Scout Sunday

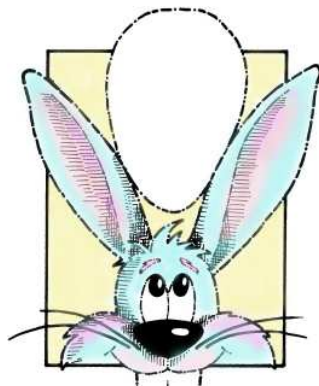
On this day, Girl Scouts are invited to wear their uniforms and be recognized in the service.



Girl Scout Sunday

***SPECIAL NOTE: Both the 8:30 am and the 11:00 am Worship Services on March 9th will be held in the sanctuary. Please note this on your calendars.**

Also, please be aware that Daylight Saving Time begins on March 9th!



EASTER EGG HUNT: We will have our annual Easter Egg Hunt on March 9 (rain date, March 16) here at LUMC at 3:30 pm. We will assemble underneath the picnic shelter. Please bring your own basket or bag to gather your eggs. Children age 1 through 5th grade are welcome to attend. Parents, please plan to stay with your children during the egg hunt!

Please sign up in the west end lobby so we will be prepared for all the children present on the day of the egg hunt. Also, please look for the sign-up sheet to help with eggs, apple juice, and cookies. Thanks for your help!

Deadline for donated items is March 5.



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Jim Fridy
School Care Director
Kim Jackson
Preschool Director
Marcia Sexton
Secretary
Toni Jones

Gift for the month of March for Crisis Control:
laundry detergent

LCAP gift for the month of March:
apple juice



Tuesday, March 11, is the
deadline for news to be sub-
mitted for the March 19 issue
of The Steeple.

One group news & events

Wednesday, March 5: No Synago or Release – bring your family to Wednesday Night Supper in Asbury Hall at 6:30 PM to help support the Costa Rica Youth Mission Trip!

Sunday, March 9: The youth will be helping with the annual church Easter Egg Hunt. Youth should meet in the west end lobby at 2:15 PM so we have enough time to hide the eggs. See you there!

Sunday, March 16: UMYF will be at a special time, **5:30-6:45 PM**, as we mark the end of our series on “Growing Closer to God” with a special program. Youth and their families are encouraged to stay for the Seder meal in the fellowship hall at 7 PM. **There will be no dinner this night** – if you plan on staying for the Seder meal, have dinner before you come!

Sunday, March 23: No UMYF – Easter

Sunday, March 30: No UMYF – Spring Break

Sunday, April 6: Regular UMYF
4:45 – 6:15 PM Junior and Senior High Program
6:15 – 6:35 PM Dinner

Synago and Release – Upcoming Dates: Here is the upcoming schedule for our Wednesday night youth programs. Come to the youth room from 7:00-8:30 PM for Synago, a student-led Bible study for senior high students, and Release, a weeknight fellowship evening for junior high students. Don't miss it!

March 12

April 9

April 16

Bring your family to Young Life Family Camp at Windy Gap – it's a fun weekend for all ages! See the announcement elsewhere in the newsletter for more details and instructions on how to sign up. If you want to go but your parents can't come, that's OK – see Jesse and Hunter or Margaret Williams. We'd be glad to take you with us!

The concept of Sabbath is an important one in the Christian faith. God himself rested after creating the earth, and he commanded his people to have a day of rest each week. We think that it is important for youth ministries to have a Sabbath, too. So we have scheduled one into the calendar that coincides with Easter and spring break from school. **There will be no UMYF on March 23 or March 30, and no Synago and Release on March 19, March 26, or April 2.** We want you to take this extra time and spend it with your family, because family time is very important. And just because we'll be taking a break from youth doesn't mean you have to take a break from God – use this time to strengthen your own personal quiet times. I pray that we'll all come back from this break refreshed and ready to dive into our busy April schedule!

Important Upcoming Dates: April 19 – Youth Yard Sale; April 27 – Youth Sunday

UMW NEWS

UMW CIRCLE MEETINGS:

- **The UMW Morning Circle** will meet on Monday, March 10, at 10 am in the parlor. Margaret Lee will present the program. Please bring deodorant for our school project.
- **UMW Circle 1** will meet on Monday, March 10, at 7 pm in the parlor.
- **The Melba Forbis Friendship Circle** will meet on Tuesday, March 11, at 7 pm in **Asbury Hall**.
- **The Circle of Concern** will meet on Tuesday, March 11, at 7 pm in the library.

The Melba Forbis Friendship Circle will meet on Tuesday, March 11, at 7 pm in Asbury Hall. This month we welcome Jennifer Brown, an Extension Agent from the NC Cooperative Extension. She will speak to us about home canning and food preservation. It's almost time to plant a vegetable garden, and she will help us learn how to best preserve the delicious results of all our hard work. Everyone is invited to attend! If you have questions, please contact Dawn Langevin at 766-4435.

UMW Reading Group: The United Methodist Women will discuss the book End of the Spear: A True Story from our reading program on Tuesday, March 11, at 10 am in the church parlor. This is the story of the author's father who was martyred along with four other missionaries who tried to befriend the Waodani people of the Amazon. These people were the author's friends even though they were responsible for his father's death. There are copies of this book in the public library.



The youth are sponsoring a Spring Yard Sale on Saturday, April 19th, 8 am—12 noon!

Please start saving any items you'd like to contribute. What a great way to get started on your spring cleaning!

The Methodist Men will be selling ham biscuits and coffee.

Thank you so very much to everyone in the church for your prayers and support for me and my family in the recent passing of my brother and the other losses we've endured during the past several years. This has been a very difficult time for me and my family. Your Christian love has helped us tremendously. I can not imagine getting through this time without you all. Again, thank you and God bless you.

George Stilphen

Young Life presents.....WINDY GAP Family Camp 2008! April 11-13, 2008 promises to be a great getaway for families. This year's guest speaker will be Fil Anderson. Contact the church office (945-3203) for more information or a registration form. You will need to send a \$50 deposit per person, along with the completed form, to the Young Life office. (Deposit is non-

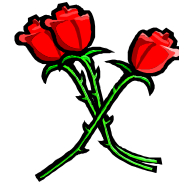


refundable, non-transferable after March 15.) Total cost is \$100 for adults and %65 for children ages 3-11. No cost for children under the age of 3.

STEWARDSHIP

RECORD OF FAITHFULNESS

As members, we uphold the Church with our promise to give of our presence, gifts, prayers, and service.

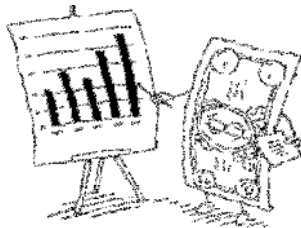


Promises to Keep: Presence

Feb. 24 Sunday School: 216
Worship: 320
Mar. 2 Sunday School: 211
Worship: 316

Promises to Keep: Gifts

Feb. 24	General Budget	\$ 8,169.30
	Hunger Fund	\$ 5.00
	Parsonage Fund	\$ 310.00
	Feb. Tornadoes	\$ 175.00
Mar. 2	General Budget	\$11,586.80
	Hunger Fund	\$ 5.00
	Cemetery Fund	\$ 30.00
	Parsonage Fund	\$ 725.00



Stewardship Update

LEWISVILLE IS A STEPHEN MINISTRY CHURCH

Stephen Ministers are trained lay care-givers who provide emotional and spiritual care to persons who are experiencing difficulties in their lives—hospitalization, loss of a loved one, loss of job, or any other crisis situation. This is care in addition to the care the pastor gives. If you are interested in having a Stephen Minister, fill out one of the slips in the pew rack and put it in the offering plate or hand it to the minister or one of the Stephen Leaders, Becky Bingham or Tom Lee.

MEMORIALS AND HONORARIUMS

General Budget Gifts:

In memory of **Irene Conrad** by Floyd and Polly Craft; In memory of **Allen Mock** by Floyd and Polly Craft, and Wanda Moser. In memory of **Voyle Conrad** by Wanda Moser.

Building Fund Gifts:

In memory of **Irene Conrad** by Martha and Gray Conrad, Janet Mathis (family friend and caregiver for Irene), Jim and Martha Hampton, Ollie and Jackie Harrell, Pauline and Beaufort Jones, Ruth and Arthur Shaw, Royce and Carol Boger, Mike and Toni Jones, Francis and Rita Brewington, Shannon Conrad's Team, Wesleyan Sunday School Class, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stevens, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Boger, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Larry Boger, Mr. and Mrs. Carey Foster, and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Shelton;

In memory of **Rev. Warren Norman** by Steve and Vivian Newman;

Cemetery Fund:

In memory of **Irene Conrad** by Lester and Lora Boger.

Parsonage Fund Gift:

In honor of **Kara Bingham** by Glenn and Sylvia Yarnell;

Note to Parents of Children Who Made a Pledge to the Church: Please be sure your child puts his/her money in an envelope with his/her name on it so they will get credit for their contributions. If there is no name with the money, the financial secretary will not be able to determine whose account to credit.

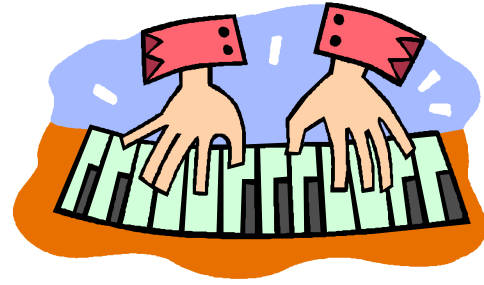
STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Firstfruits giving means that we give to God first rather than as leftovers after our own needs are met. When we give our firstfruits, no matter what the gift, we acknowledge that God is first and that He is the giver of all that we have. Firstfruits giving expresses the special relationship that we have with Jesus Christ.

The 5th annual Methodist Men's Golf Tournament will be held on Saturday, April 12, at 1 pm at Salem Glen Country Club.



(We are going back to the spring date instead of the fall.) Contact Wayne Hall at 945-5867 for details. Cost is \$55 per player and hole sponsorships are also \$55. Proceeds will go to the "Caring for Kara Bingham" Fund.



The Craft Brothers in Concert!

The Craft Brothers Quartet will be presenting a concert of Southern Gospel music on Saturday, March 29, at 7 pm in the sanctuary. Come and join us for an evening filled with music and stay for a time of fellowship and refreshments following the concert.

**HARVEST OF BLESSINGS 2008
A Gathering of Passionate Disciples and Resources for Missions**

"Harvest of Blessings" will take place on Saturday, March 15, from 10:00 - 4:00 p.m. at The Children's Home, 1001 Reynolda Rd., Winston-Salem.

WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN?

- In-gather mission supplies collected by local churches (see supplies list below)
- Sort and pack, mission supplies for shipment around the world.
- Sale/auction of donated hand-made crafts/ quilts/ wood-work, baked goods
- Information about specific ways to engage your local church in mission
- Visit information booths and displays, talk with missionaries and volunteers in mission.
- Children/youth will have special hands-on activities.
- Young children can stay at the children's activity center for child care up to 2 hours.
- Worship celebration with Bishop McCleskey at 3:00 pm
- Refreshments and light food can be purchased.

WHAT WE ARE ASKED TO BRING:

FOR UMCOR FLOOD BUCKET KITS: 24 bag roll of heavy duty trash bags 33-34 gallon size; cleaning towels (reusable wipes); dust masks, canvas dot work gloves, and 5 gallon plastic buckets with resealable lids (can be used spackling/or pickle buckets if clean and sound).

FOR THE AUCTION FOR MISSIONS: handmade (estimated value of \$25 or more) quilts, aprons, crafts, wood-work and baked goods.

PREPACKAGED HEALTH KITS - Sealed in one gallon plastic Ziploc (do not include any other items): 1 hand towel (15 x 27 or 17 x 27, no kitchen towels); 1 wash cloth; 1 comb (sturdy, large, no pocket sizes); 1 nail file or fingernail clipper (no emery board or toenail clipper); 1 bar bath soap 3 oz or larger; 1 toothbrush (single adult brush in original wrapper or box); 1 tube of toothpaste 4.5 oz or larger (expiration date must be at least 6 months in future); 6 plastic strip sterile adhesive bandages.

**Supplies can be brought to the church ahead of March 15 or brought to the event.
Mark the date and come for a blessing on March 15.**

SHARING IN MINISTRY

GREETERS AND USHERS (8:30 AM SERVICE)

Mar. 9 Randy and Jo Beth Melton
Mar. 16 Ronnie and Dawn Evans
Mar. 23 Dusty and Mitzi Swing
Mar. 30 Paul and Crystal Spicer

WHO COMMITTEE

March WHO Committee

Chairs: Martha Walsh and Barbara Moser

Denise Criss	Lynn Sonafrank
Margy Smith	Cathy Wells
Helen Nichols	Dean Cheek
Nancy Russell	Ellen Farmer
Sue Johnson	Lori Gee
Catherine Trosan	Mariedith Appanaitis
Carol Portis	Jane Peeler

WHY COMMITTEE

March WHY Committee

Chairs: Mitch Monroe and Don Morris

Roger Armstrong	John Crider
Mike Collins	Kim Daniel
Bob Skinner	Jack Hall
Herman White	Ollie Harrell
Tom Kellar	David Vogler
Don Schweighart	Ken Jones
Dohn Kivett	Steve Newman

Children's Church Schedule 8:30 am Worship Service

Mar. 9 No Children's Church
Mar. 16 Rod and Debbie Ruperto
Mar. 23 No Children's Church
Mar. 30 Daniel and Angie Chaplin



Please note: Materials for Children's Church will be in the classroom for you to check out ahead of time as resources for Sunday morning activities. If unavailable to teach, please be responsible for finding your own substitute.

Remember: Children's Church is offered for 4-year-olds through 2nd graders.

8:30 am Nursery Schedule

Mar. 9 Leigh Anne Miller and Amber Edwards
Mar. 16 Jennifer Buck and Barbara Bryant
Mar. 23 William Farlow and Sam Rains
Mar. 30 Sharon and Eva Hill

11:00 am Nursery Schedule

Mar. 9 Cathy and Michelle Lewis
Mar. 16 Dan and Margaret Williams
Mar. 23 Rod and Debbie Ruperto
Mar. 30 Terri and Clay Vogler

We have received the following letter from the Speas School family who lost everything in a fire:

“All things are possible through God.”

We would like to with all our heart give a very well thank you to the church and members. We want to also with joy and happiness thank you for this, what you have done for me and my family. I gratefully appreciate it very so much. You just don't know what I'm going through or have been through, me and my family. I prayed and cried out to God with tears, asking for a breakthrough and for God to fix it and work it out, so he sent you.

From Ms. Scott”



PARSONAGE FUND

Lewisville's parsonage is located at 201 Sonata Drive. The home is 18+ years old and in need of repairs and updating. The Parsonage Committee has a list of needed items that include a new roof, painting of the house (inside and out), replacement of some old appliances and more. Cost is estimated to be **more** than \$10,000 with bids still being worked out. We have a beautiful parsonage and we need to keep it in good repair. Most items needing repair/updating are original to the house.

The Finance Committee and Administrative Board has authorized a “Parsonage Fund Drive” during Lent. We seek your financial support (above and beyond your regular Church Budget and Building Fund giving) to get these repairs done. Work will start as funds are available.

Lent is a time when we recall Christ's sacrifice for us on the cross and our need to make some sacrifice for Him. We ask you to consider a sacrificial gift to this effort. When work is completed, we hope to have an open house.



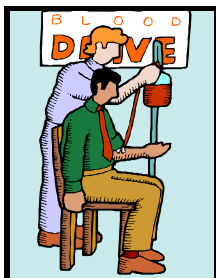
LENT

WOULD YOU LIKE TO HELP?

If you would like to help with any of the special services during the Lenten Season (extinguishing the Crown of Thorns at either the 8:30 am or 11 am service, or at other special services), please contact Crystal Spicer, 946-5168, or June Hayes at the church, 945-3203.

We're looking for “a few good friends!”

The Evangelism Committee is looking for individuals or couples who would be willing to be “Fellowship Friends.” These members would simply “sponsor” a new member and help them become assimilated into the life of LUMC. If you have any interest in this area, please call Brenda Proctor at 766-4240.



Lewisville Community Churches Blood Drive Concord United Methodist Church

Saturday, March 8

9 am—2 pm

Please call Jackie Harrell, 945-5054,
to schedule an appointment.

SPRING CLOTHING AND TOY EXCHANGE! The Spring Clothing and Toy Exchange at Lewisville United Methodist Church Preschool is just around the corner! Everyone is invited to bring Spring and Summer infant-**teen** clothing and shoes, maternity clothes, toys, books, videos and baby and nursery equipment. Sixty percent of the selling price goes to the seller and forty percent goes to the preschool! Also, if you volunteer to work one of the following shifts, you will be invited to shop at the Pre-Sale Party on March 7. It's your chance to buy before the sale is opened to the public! Child care is provided for all shifts, except the Pre-Sale.

Receiving Dates:

Wednesday, March 5th: 7-8:30 pm
 Thursday, March 6th: 9:30-11:30 am and 5-8:00 pm
 Friday, March 7th: 9:30-11:30 am

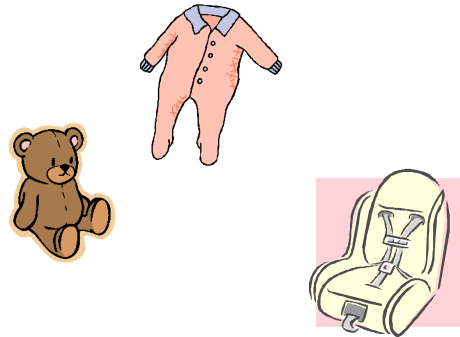
Sale Dates:

Saturday, March 8th: 8:00 am-1:00 pm
 Monday, March 10th: 9:30-11:30 am and 5-8:00 pm

Half Price Date:

Monday, March 10th: 9:30-11:30 am and 5-5-8:00 pm

For more information, please call Robin Speas, 829-0364, Sarah Watkins, 778-8933 or Maythi Calvert, 924-4579.



2008 Annual Cross Walk

We invite all of our surrounding churches to join us as we walk in silence and reverence on Good Friday, March 21st at 9:00 AM.

Bunker Hill UMC

United Methodist Men's Winston-Salem District Prayer Breakfast

When: Saturday, March 29, 8:30 am

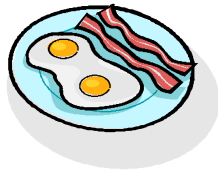
Where: Lewisville UMC

Who: For all United Methodist Men, Spouses, and Guests

Guest Speaker: Lee Strange, Trinity

UMC

Entertainers: K. Carter Cook



Wake Forest University presents

Bishop William H. Willimon

Presiding Bishop

North Alabama Conference

Sunday, April 6th

7:00 PM

Wait Chapel

All Worship in Wait events are free and open to the public.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY.....

Sympathy: We express our Christian love and sympathy to.....

° Vic Conrad and Nell Conrad, Billie Crawford, and Ruth Conrad in the death of Vic's mother and Nell, Billie, and Ruth's sister-in-law, Irene Conrad, on February 18;

IN MEMORIAM

Irene Boger Conrad

April 6, 1918 February 18, 2008

° Carol Miller, Lance Miller, and Lori Turner in the death of Carol's wife and Lance and Lori's mother, Sara Miller, on February 27;

IN MEMORIAM

Sara Burrell Miller

October 20, 1937 February 27, 2008

° Josephine Mock, Sandra Spach, Allen "Zeke" Mock, Jr., and Tanya Tise in the death of Josephine's husband and Sandra, "Zeke", and Tanya's father, Allen Mock, Sr., on February 28.

IN MEMORIAM

Allen H. Mock, Sr.

August 13, 1918 February 28, 2008

° Toni Jones and Louise Aaron in the death of their mother, Nell Trivette on March 3.

IN MEMORIAM

Nell Hauser Trivette

July 7, 1915 March 3, 2008



Time is running out to help keep our neighbors warm this winter!

Contributions to Share the Warmth

will be matched by Duke Energy Foundation, dollar for dollar, up to a maximum of \$50 per individual, from **November 1, 2007 through March 15, 2008**. The funds will be forwarded to Crisis Control Ministry and Sunnyside Ministry to pay the heating bills of families with emergency needs. Make each individual's check payable to Duke Energy Share the Warmth Program. Mail to: Duke Energy Share the Warmth, P.O. Box 35469, Charlotte, NC 28254

**Designate on the check "For Forsyth County".*

Please remember that your gift is only eligible for Share the Warmth matching funds from November through March 15.

This program is sponsored by Duke Energy Shareholders and is not paid for by Duke Energy customers. Thank you for your tax-

INCLEMENT WEATHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Lewisville Church, after careful consideration, may deem it wise to delay or cancel services or Sunday School in the event of inclement weather (snow, ice, etc.) We will make every attempt to notify you of our status. We are part of the weather code/notification procedures for WFMY-2 and WXII-12. We will also try, if the power is on, to put the information on our church answering machine and church web site:

www.lewisvilleumc.org.



2008 HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Sunday, March 16: Passion/Palm Sunday

8:30 am New Beginning Service (Palm Sunday Worship), Fellowship Hall

9:45 am Sunday School

11:00 am Palm Sunday Worship, Sanctuary

7:00 pm Jewish Seder, Fellowship Hall

Thursday, March 20: Maundy Thursday

6:15 pm Maundy Thursday Meal, Fellowship Hall. Bring dishes of fruit, cheese, breads, hot cross buns, etc. The Maundy Thursday Service will include an Upper Room Communion experience. The altar will be stripped at the close of the service in preparation for Good Friday.

Friday, March 21: Good Friday

7:00 pm We will celebrate a Tenebrae Service in the Sanctuary. We will come together to understand the unconditional love, the ultimate forgiveness and the wondrous grace of Jesus' dying on the cross for the entire world.

Sunday, March 23: Easter Sunday

7:00 am Community Easter Sunrise Service, Shallowford Square, followed by breakfast at LUMC prepared by Methodist Men, Asbury Hall. (In case of rain, the Sunrise Service will be held at Lewisville Baptist Church.)

8:30 am New Beginning Service (Easter Celebration), Fellowship Hall

9:45 am Sunday School

11:00 am Easter Celebration Worship, Sanctuary

LIVING CROSS: Please bring a fresh flower, blossom, or bud on Easter morning to put on the ivy-covered cross that will be outside near the portico.



We will be decorating our church with Easter lilies on Easter Sunday. You may order through the church office or purchase your own. If you order through the church, the cost will be \$11.50 per lily.

ORDER DEADLINE: Sunday, March 9, by noon.

Name _____

(Please list your name(s) as you would like for them to appear in print.)

Please order _____ Easter lily/lilies for me. (\$11.50 each, if you buy through the church.)

I will provide _____ lily/lilies (wrapped and with a bow) and will have them at the church by 9:00 am on Saturday, March 22nd.

In memory of _____

In honor of _____

I will pick up my lily. _____ Please deliver my lily to a shut-in. _____

A Healing Ministry for your Church

Training held at Arbor Acres United Methodist Retirement Community

Part 101 – Introduction to Healing Ministry – May 16 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Part 103 – Using your hands to heal – May 17-18. 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

(You may take one or both courses.)

A healing ministry responds not only to Christ's mandate to teach and heal but also to the many needs for healing in the church community. A healing ministry is heart-centered service in response to needs for healing body, mind, and spirit.

Many churches have healing services and prayers for healing. Healing Touch Spiritual Ministry (HTSM) is grounded in the churches' tradition of healing, utilizes prayer, laying on of hands, and other modern day therapeutic touch techniques.

The program is approved for continuing education credit for nurses and ministers.

It is excellent training for Stephen Ministers, parish nurses, and anyone interested in being a healing presence to others.

More information: contact Chaplain Douglas Suggs

Arbor Acres

336-748-4648

dsuggs@arboracres.org



LUMC exam survival care packages are being assembled to mail near the end of April to our college students. If you would like to donate items, please drop them in the box located in the narthex or in the main entrance to our education building. Suggested items are listed below:

Ramen chicken noodles
snack food
Post-It Notes
Crystal Light

Gum
Pop Tarts
hard candy
breakfast bars

Deadline for donations is April 6th!