



The Shallowford Steeple

Lewisville United Methodist Church, Lewisville, NC

April 18, 2007

On Sunday, April 22, we will have the opportunity to give to UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) which, as you know, gives 100% of what is given to disaster and crisis situations. This is our “One Great Hour of Sharing” as United Methodists, a time each year when we give because the mission of our church is tied to our trust in the faithfulness of divine promise.

George Thompson is a friend and a member of that original committee that administered our Methodist Mission in the Protestant country of Armenia. In 1989 (many of you do not remember), an earthquake that registered 9.2 on the Richter Scale almost flattened the entire republic, as over 30,000 persons lost their lives in less than FOUR MINUTES!

The Armenians have never completely recovered from this tragedy of those four minutes, but UMCOR formed a rapid rescue operation and our courageous volunteers from Winston-Salem led the way. After the fall of the Soviet Union, freed Armenian leaders began to ask, “Who are these United Methodists who risk their lives for us and work so hard for our survival?” After this our Annual Conference developed a unique relationship with the Armenians. Through it all the people there have clung to hope in the Risen Lord who has not forsaken them.

One story of hope and the promise of God came from a frantic father after the earthquake. His son was in the school house that was reduced to a pile of rubble. The father went to where the back wall would be, for he had told his son that whatever might happen he should get to the back wall. “Son, remember I’ll be there for you, it is a promise,” the father told him.

Digging off and on for 24 hours the father finally heard a voice. As he pulled a big rock away, he heard his son say, “Dad, Dad, you did come for me!” The father shouted, “Armand, my son, I told you I’d be here for you.”

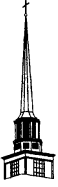
The consistent message of the biblical narrative is this: God is a promise keeper. On that seemingly hopeless Friday at Calvary, the cry from the cross was, “My God, My God, Why Have You Forsaken Me!” But Resurrection was God’s way of keeping his promise. Every Easter our voices are raised and it is no wonder God’s faithfulness elicits from us in worship a rousing Hallelujah! Hallelujah!

Join us this Sunday as we share in a wondrous Resurrection Celebration!

Grace and peace to you,
Charles



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**Gift for the month of April for Crisis Control:
Jelly**

**LCAP gift for the month of April :
Breakfast Bars
(any type—NutriGrain Bars, Granola Bars)**



**Tuesday, April 24th, is the
deadline for news to be submit-
ted for the May 2nd issue of
The Steeple.**

One group news & events

Friday, April 20: Set-up for yard sale, 5:00-7:00 pm at the picnic shelter at the church. Please come and help if you are able!

Saturday, April 21: Youth Yard Sale, 7:00 am-1:00 pm at the picnic shelter. Your help is needed for this fundraiser that benefits the whole youth program! Shifts are from 7:00-9:00 am, 9:00-11:00 am, and 11:00 am-1:00 pm. Please come help if you can!



Sunday, April 22: Regular youth schedule
4:45-6:15 pm Junior and Senior High Youth
6:15-6:35 pm Dinner

Tuesday, April 24: Come to Release, an evening of fun, games, and friends just for junior high students! Bring all your friends, especially friends who don't already come to church. This is a great way to introduce them to what youth is all about! Release is from 6:45-8:00 pm in the youth room. All junior high students are welcome!

Wednesday, April 25: Synago Senior High Bible Study. All senior high students are welcome to this student-led study from 7:00-8:15 pm in the Discovery classroom on the second floor of the church.

Sunday, April 29: Regular youth schedule

Wednesday, May 2: Synago, 7:00-8:15 pm in the Discovery classroom.



Sunday, May 6: Soulstice concert at Mount Tabor UMC! Soulstice is a great Christian band from Charleston, SC. **Check out their myspace page and listen to some of their songs at www.soulsticeband.net.** We will meet at the church at 6:15 pm and be back around 8:30 pm. The concert is free. It should be a great time, so come on out!

Tuesday, May 8: Release, 6:45-8:00 pm in the youth room.

Wednesday, May 9: Synago, 7:00-8:15 pm in the Discovery classroom.

Sunday, May 13: No UMYF due to Mother's Day and No Meetings Week. Make sure to tell your mom how much you love her!

Starting Sunday, April 22, there will be a youth library with Christian books that any youth will be able to check out for free if they wish! The books will be located in the Senior High Sunday school room and can be checked out at any time – just make sure to sign them out on the signout sheet. Also, if you have any Christian books that you would like to give to be added to this collection, let Jesse know. Please take advantage of this opportunity to grow your faith!

UMW NEWS

UMW CIRCLE MEETINGS:

- ° **The Melba Forbis Friendship Circle** will meet on Tuesday, May 8, at 7 pm in the Yokefellow Class.
- ° **The UMW Morning Circle** will meet on Monday, May 14, at 10 am in the parlor. Jesse Arnett is in charge of the program. Please bring small packs of Kleenex for our school project.
- ° **UMW Circle 1** will not meet this month.

To help celebrate Mary Lee's 100th birthday, the United Methodist Women have presented her with a \$100 Special Mission Recognition Pin. She has been a faithful member of UMW for many years. Happy Birthday, Mary Lee!

FLOOD BUCKETS

Remember our on-going fund for flood buckets. When we collect \$1,000, we will fill some more buckets.



The youth are sponsoring a Spring Yard Sale on Saturday, April 21st, 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! Items may be dropped off on Friday evening, April 20th, from 5:00-7:00 pm.

The Methodist Men will be selling ham biscuits and coffee.



Wednesday Night Supper May 2nd, 6:30 pm

This month's Wednesday night meal will be hosted by the Evangelism Committee. It is a fundraiser, so donations will be accepted for the meal.

Come with empty stomachs and full purses, ready to share in good food and fellowship with one another.

Meal menu to be announced in upcoming weekly bulletins.

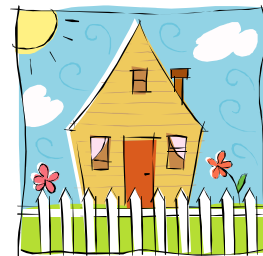
See you at 6:30 pm in the fellowship hall on May 2nd.



LADIES' NIGHT OUT!!! (aka SNACK, CRAFT, & YAK) Tuesday, April 24th 7:30 pm in Asbury Hall

Need a night out? Here's your chance to get together with your friends (or make new ones) and have a night of fun and fellowship.

Please call Margaret Williams, 945-7860, if you'd be willing to bring a snack.



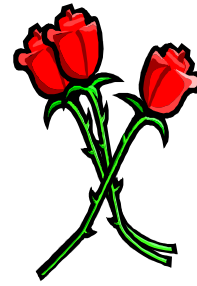
MAY: CHRISTIAN HOME MONTH

May is Christian Home Month in the United Methodist Church. Several activities are planned to help celebrate the Christian family. Be sure to watch the next newsletter for details for May.

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

April 8 Sunday School: 167
 Worship: 372

April 15 Sunday School: 200
 Worship: 263

Promises to Keep: Gifts

April 8	General Budget	\$ 7,977.00
	Hunger Fund	\$ 11.00
April 15	General Budget	\$ 6,113.00
	Hunger Fund	\$ 8.00
	Project Agape	\$ 20.00



General Fund Recap

Total Income for March	\$28,778.79
Total Expenses for March	<u>\$34,221.35</u>
	— \$ 5,442.56
Total Income Year to Date	\$90,701.34
Total Expenses Year to Date	<u>\$96,631.95</u>
	— \$ 5,930.61

MEMORIALS AND HONORARIUMS

General Budget Gifts:

In memory of **Fleeta Carpenter**, Nan Johnson's sister, by Jimmie and Phyllis Moore and Phil Ball;
 In honor of **Bo and Beth Houff** by Millie Orrell;
 In honor of **Charles and Connie Turner** by Wanda Moser;

Building Fund Gifts:

In honor of **Josie Simmons** by Reba Dull;
 In memory of **Fleeta Carpenter**, Nan Johnson's sister, by Guy and Nancy Fisher, Ollie and Jackie Harrell, Jim and Martha Hampton, Beryl Moser, and Fred Moser;
 In honor of **Mary Lee** on her 100th birthday by Wayne and Betty Hall and Mike and Toni Jones;
 In memory of **Mary Jones**, Suzanne Bullotta's mother, by Jim and Martha Hampton.

Copies of the Winston-Salem district newsletter are available in the fellowship hall and narthex.

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, Nancy Russell or Tom Lee.

LUMC BUILDING FUND

<u>Contributions in March:</u>	\$5,269.00
<u>Loan Payment</u>	\$ 4,899.41
Principal	\$ 2,000.00
Interest	\$ 2,899.41
Loan Balance	\$487,000.00
<u>Balance in MM Account:</u>	10,838.08

**SUNDAY, APRIL 22nd
CELEBRATING THE YOUNG CHILD**

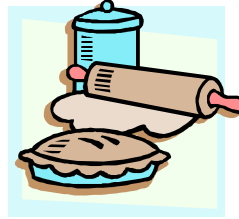


You are invited to join us on Sunday, April 22nd, as the church celebrates the Month of the Young Child, which is a national observance honoring all children, and also honors the School Care and Preschool Programs. The Preschool and

School Care staff members will be introduced to the congregation at the 11:00 am service. A time of fellowship and light refreshments will be held in the lobby of the church following the service. We look forward to this special Sunday at LUMC.

**CHICKEN PIE SALE
Sunday, April 22**

Sponsored by the Melba Forbis Friendship Circle. \$9 per pie. Delicious Moravian-style pies, with more white meat and extra broth.



Come to the fellowship hall kitchen between services and help support Open Arms Community, Flood Buckets, Bethlehem Center, and Africa University.

POST EASTER OPPORTUNITIES

APRIL:

April 22: "Month of the Young Child" — special recognition of Preschool and After-School Care Teachers

April 29: A special Eastertide Celebration with a mini-Cantata by our outstanding Chancel Choir.

Fifth Sunday Fellowship: 9:30-10:00 am. Join us for food and fellowship in the Fellowship Hall.

Just stop in for a short time and invite some new faces to join you before Sunday School.

MAY: CHRISTIAN HOME MONTH

May 4: Family Movie Night at 7:30 pm. Feature movie is "Cars."

May 6: Christian Home: "Honoring Each Other"

May 13: Christian Home: Mother's Day Celebration (Children's Choir sings at 8:30 am Service)

May 20: Christian Home: "Nurturing One Another"

May 27: Christian Home: Reception of Confirmands into the Church Family



**Children's Church Schedule
8:30 am Worship Service**

April 22 Ken and Denise Criss
April 29 Mariedith and Alex Appanaitis
May 6 Crystal Spicer and June Hayes

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.



8:20 am Nursery Schedule

April 22 Carolyn, Melissa, and Amanda Benson
April 29 Marci and Jason Harvey
May 6 Suzanne Farlow and Hannah Houff
May 13 Sherry and Cecilia Armstrong

11:00 am Nursery Schedule

April 22 Angie Pantazopoulos and Julie Owens
April 29 Kristin Melvin and Robin Speckhart
May 6 Rick and Judie Leach
May 13 Shelly and Jeff Ferner



ATTENTION, GRADS!

GRADUATION SUNDAY is **June 3rd** for high school and college graduates and will be celebrated during the 8:30 am and 11 am worship services.

There will also be a special breakfast for graduates during the Sunday School hour.

LUMC needs your help in gathering names for the graduate list. **Please do not assume that we have your child's name.** If you would like your son's or daughter's name (or your name if you are an adult graduate) to be included in the graduate list, please call (945-3203), drop by, or mail your information to us. This way, we will be sure to have a complete graduate list.

Thanks for your help!

A note from Cathy Lewis.....

“Please see information about new guidelines for screenings for breast cancer. It talks about MRI's. I have put the information sheet on the bulletin board in the west end lobby. Please read it. My lump did not show on any of my mammograms, even when I could feel it.

*Love,
Cathy Lewis”*



“AROUND THE WORLD IN MISSION”

June 25-28

Vacation Bible School at LUMC will be an exploration into building our faith through singing, crafts, mission projects, and much more. Children will come to understand being a Christian calls them to be doers of the word.

“Around the World in Mission” will be held at LUMC June 25-28 from 9:00 am until 12 noon.

As this VBS is very “hands-on,” we need all the extra hands we can get! So, please sign up as a volunteer now for as many days as you can. If you are interested in helping in one of the following ways, please call Margy Smith at 945-2710 or Marci Harvey at 766-7476, or drop this form in the offering plate.

I am willing to help with Vacation Bible School in the following ways:

____ Teacher/Assistant Teacher

____ Recreation

____ Music

____ Arts/Crafts

____ Refreshments

____ I will help where needed.



Name _____

E-mail _____

Phone number _____

Days you are available: M T W Th

HELP FEED THE HUNGRY!

Feinstein Challenge: The Feinstein Foundation has again announced its annual challenge to fight hunger nationwide. **It will match funds given between March 1 and April 30, 2007 up to \$1 million dollars to agencies dedicated to alleviating hunger.** To participate, send checks to the following agencies and mark them for the Feinstein Challenge.

Crisis Control Ministries
200 E. Tenth Street
Winston-Salem, NC 27101

Samaritan Ministries
1243 Patterson Ave.
Winston-Salem, NC 27101

Rescue Mission
P. O. Box 20424
Winston-Salem, NC 27120-0424

MAY BIRTHDAYS

- | | |
|---|---|
| 1 Beth Parker
Steve Kates
Lisa Rieger
Benjamin Simpson
James Ward | 18 Elizabeth Crater
Donna Frye
Wayne Horsley
Andrew Steen
Margaret Vaughn |
| 2 Sue Johnson
Al Thompson | 19 Jason Smith
Wanda Vaughn
Christy Wiseman |
| 3 Barbara Bryant
Cameron Kay | 20 Jim Fridy
Colin Johnson |
| 4 Addison Isasi
Jana Sorrell
Seth Spainhour | 21 Jaime Nisi
22 Corey Ferner
Matt McGuire
Megan Steen |
| 5 Emily Bowden
Jeff Hice
Kris Karlek | 23 Justin Ervin
Suzanne Farlow |
| 6 Rod Carlson
Ralph Knowles | 24 Cory Robbins
Jeff Watkins |
| 7 Christian Jones
Brenda Proctor | 25 Kristen Roberts
26 Guy Fisher
Katie E. Smith
Mitch Smith
Dan Williams |
| 8 Jesse Coleman
Mikaela Dankwardt | 27 Ginger Davis
Zach Hooper
Timothy Johnson
Katie Keith
Ian Leslie
Colleen Pettenati |
| 9 Mark Davis
Denise Kelly | 28 Tom Byrd |
| 10 Lola Holden
Sheila L. Driskill
John Owens
Ed Smith
Elizabeth S. Smith | 29 Aaron Forbis
Emma Hayes
Buffy Pelot
Logan Ruperto
Mandee Skeen |
| 11 Colleen Yarnell | 30 Bob Vidal |
| 12 Reid Cranfill
Craig Jarrett
Tim Johnson
Wells Reynolds
Treva Robbins | 31 Melissa Hooper |
| 13 Marcy Daniel
Lorraine Kirk
Nicholas Pettenati
Nicole Pettenati
Cole Stebbins | |
| 15 Dawn Evans
Ben Hatch | |
| 16 Tom Lewis
Rhett Johnson
Lizzie Mock
Anna Morgan
John Allen Nichols | |
| 17 Nicholas Hatch
Brent Smith | |



MAY ANNIVERSARIES

- 2 John and Josie Simmons
- 3 Richard and Kaye Patterson
- 4 John and Ursula Beck
- 12 Bob and Kim Skinner
George and Dona Stilphen
- 13 Brad and Marcy Daniel
Ron and Donna Smith
- 17 Mark and Ginger Davis
Dan and Laura Gentry
- 18 Wayne and Jennifer Duggins
- 23 Todd and Barb Bergstrom
Rhett and Sandra Johnson
Bob and Donna Stebbins
- 24 Craig and Rose Jarrett
David and Sherry McGuire
Vince and Sharon Nisi
- 25 Michael and Lisa Baker
- 26 Marcus and Kelly Reynolds
- 28 Mike and Kitty Hayes
John and Debra Mabe
- 29 June and Patsy Booe
Rick and Beth Layton
Jay and Gen Pelot
- 30 Ray and Catherine Trosan
- 31 Bill and Elizabeth Smith

WHO COMMITTEE

May WHO Committee

Chairs: Sylvia Yarnell and Vivian Newman

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| Colleen Yarnell | Kitty Hayes |
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| Mae Redfield | Rose Jarrett |
| Kaye Patterson | Carol Lunsford |
| Billie Crawford | |

