

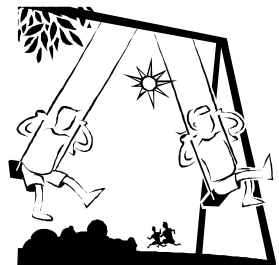
# The Shallowford Steeple

Lewisville United Methodist Church, Lewisville, NC

May 6, 2009

## FAMILY ACTIVITY IDEAS FOR CHRISTIAN HOME MONTH

- Cook dinner together as a family.
- Have a family and/or friend game night.
- Take a day trip with your family and/or close friends.
- Do a puzzle together.
- Write to friends who have moved away.
- Go to Joanie Moser Park or Town Square.
- Volunteer to help a friend or organization.
- Pray for the “global family” every night in May.
- Enjoy family dinner time together at least once a week.
- Plant a garden together.
- Take a walk and pick wildflowers.
- Get up early to watch the sunrise.
- Make a campfire and cook and sing the evening away.
- Have family time. Ask each person to share a quality or something they like about each person in the room.
- Have “read-a-book” night.
- Gather old toys and books that are in good condition and donate them to a day care center or other needy children’s organization.
- Have a yard sale and donate the money to your favorite charity.
- Bake cookies for a friend.
- Pray together.
- Make a family worship center.
- Have a night when you read Jesus’ parables.
- Adopt a grandparent. Ask an older adult in our congregation to serve as your child’s surrogate grandparent. It’s a great way to form a new relationship!
- Fly a kite.





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## Ministry and Staff of the Church

Resident Bishop  
*Larry M. Goodpaster*  
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District Superintendent  
*William T. Medlin, III*  
Pastor  
*Keith Bingham*  
Director of Christian Education  
*June Hayes*  
Music Director  
*Debby Trivett*  
Youth Director  
*Jesse Arnett*  
Missionary to Cambodia  
*Esther Gitobu*  
Chairperson of Administrative Board  
*John Wells*  
Chairperson of Council on Ministries  
*Margy Smith*  
Lay Leader  
*Jim Fridy*  
School Care Director  
*Kim Jackson*  
Preschool Director  
*Marcia Sexton*  
Secretary  
*Toni Jones*

Gift for the month of May for Crisis Control:  
canned fruit

LCAP gift for the month of May:  
coffee



Tuesday, May 12, is the deadline for news to be submitted for the May 20 issue of The Steeple.

# One group news & events

**Sunday, May 10:** No Sunday Night Youth – Mother’s Day

**Sunday, May 17:** Amelia Sage Concert at Irving Park UMC in Greensboro. Amelia Sage is a Christian band from Stetson University in Florida. You can check out their music and read more about them at [www.myspace.com/ameliasage](http://www.myspace.com/ameliasage). We’ll meet at church at 4:30 PM, then head to Hunter’s parents’ house in Greensboro for a cookout. From there, we’ll head to IPUMC (which is where Hunter and Jesse used to go to church) for the concert, and we’ll return to LUMC by 10:00 PM. The concert is free, but you may want to bring a little money for snacks or merchandise if you want. So bring a friend and enjoy this fun evening!

*Parents – If you can help drive for this event, please let Jesse know!*

**Sunday, May 24:** No Sunday Night Youth – Memorial Weekend

**Sunday, May 31:** Sunday Night Youth

4:30 Youth room open for games, hanging out, etc.

5:00 Program begins

6:15 Dinner

6:45 Youth should be picked up

**Sunday, June 7:** Sunday Night Youth – last one of the school year!

**Sunday, June 14:** End of Year Cookout at the Williams’ house. All youth and their families are invited to celebrate another year of God’s blessings on our youth program. More details soon!

**Please pick up and fill out a General Youth Permission Slip** from the youth information center. This slip gives permission for youth to participate in day trips and for youth counselors to seek emergency medical treatment if necessary. We would like to have one of these on file **for each child**, so please turn these in as soon as possible!

**Wednesday Night Youth:** As the school year is coming to a close, our Wednesday night youth programs are coming to an end as well. So don’t miss these last few opportunities for fellowship and service!

May 6: Release, 7 PM. **No Chat Room this evening.**

May 13: **No Wednesday programs due to No Meetings Week at LUMC.**

May 20: Bethesda Center, 6:30 PM and Vienna Village, 7 PM.

May 27: Release and Chat Room, 7 PM. Last of the year!

June 3: Bethesda Center and Vienna Village. Last of the year!

**Thank you to everyone who helped with the Youth Yard Sale!** Our sale was a success, raising \$697.50 which enables us to take many special trips during the year. It wouldn’t be possible without the help of everyone who donated time and items for the sale, so thank you!

# UMW NEWS

## UMW CIRCLE MEETINGS:

- **The UMW Morning Circle** will meet on Monday, May 11, at 10 am in the parlor. Please bring toothbrushes for our school project.
- **UMW Circle 1** will not meet in May due to No Meetings Week.
- **The Melba Forbis Friendship Circle** will not meet in May due to No Meetings Week.
- **The Circle of Concern** will meet on Tuesday, May 19, at 7 pm in the church library.



## **UMW READING GROUP**

The United Methodist Women's reading group will meet Tuesday, May 12, at 10 am in the church parlor. They will discuss the book

*Amish Grace: How Forgiveness Transcended Tragedy* by Donald Kraybill, Steven M. Nolt, and David L. Weaver-Zercher.

The book tells the story of the response of the Amish community to the shooting of ten schoolgirls in October 2006. Their response explores the way forgiveness is possible by a deep faith.

There are two copies of the book in the public library and two circulating among readers. Contact Harriet Binkley to help find a copy, read it, and join the discussion.



## **SIGN UP NOW FOR THE FLOWER CALENDAR!**

Remember your loved ones...put flowers in the church in memory or in honor of someone. Celebrate a special occasion with flowers. Our standing order with Wilson's Florist costs \$37.00 for 2 vases. You can have them do a special arrangement if you prefer (with the cost depending on what you select) or you can order through any florist you choose. Call the church office (945-3203) to reserve a date.

## **CHURCH STAFF EMAIL ADDRESSES CHANGED**

LUMC has decided to change all staff email addresses to utilize our own church domain name. Thus new email addresses will utilize the first names of your staff plus

@lewisvilleumc.org: for example Keith Bingham will be keith@lewisvilleumc.org, Toni Jones will be toni@lewisvilleumc.org. Same follows for June, Debby, Jesse, Marcia and Kim.



**FLOOD BUCKETS:** With tornado season here, let's remember our on-going "Flood Bucket Fund." To contribute, make checks payable to Lewisville UMC and put "Flood Buckets" on the notation line.

## 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 19 Sunday School: 185  
Worship: 283  
April 26 Sunday School: 193  
Worship: 283  
May 3 Sunday School: 209  
Worship: 323

#### Promises to Keep: Gifts

April 19	General Budget	\$10,123.05
	Hunger Fund	\$ 10.00
	Cemetery Fund	\$ 100.00
April 26	General Budget	\$ 6,519.75
	Hunger Fund	\$ 8.00
May 3	General Budget	\$13,599.70
	Hunger Fund	\$ 9.00
	Discretionary Fund	\$ 210.00
	Van Fund	\$ 60.00

### General Fund Recap

Total Income for March	\$47,168.57
Total Expenses for March	<u>\$42,791.80</u>
	\$ 4,376.77
Total Income Year to Date	\$110,074.47
Total Expenses Year to Date	<u>\$121,038.76</u>
	— \$ 10,964.29

### LUMC BUILDING FUND

#### Contributions in April:

April 5 \$ 1,330.00  
April 12 \$ 4,399.00  
April 19 \$ 945.00  
April 26 \$ 1,575.00  
Total: \$ 8,249.00

#### Loan Payment

Principal \$ 7,000.00  
Interest \$ 731.20  
Loan Balance \$317,000.00

Balance in MM Account: \$ 10,637.20

## STEWARDSHIP CORNER

".. .but they gave themselves first to the Lord" (2 Cor. 8:5). Because the Macedonian Christians had first given themselves to the Lord, they were able to give of their means cheerfully. Love gives and rejoices in the privilege. Love's only regret is that it cannot give more.



**THANK YOU!** The Methodist Men would like to thank all our hole sponsors, players, and volunteers who helped make our 2009 golf tournament a success. (And also the Good Lord for the good weather.) We raised approximately \$2582.00. These funds, along with previously donated money, will allow the church to purchase a new paper folding machine. Thanks again for your support.

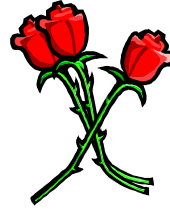
## CHURCH ENTRANCE CODE CHANGED

Note that the entrance code to enter our church facilities has been changed. Those who are a part of the church who need it for meetings and events as well as groups that use the church can fill out an **application form** to receive the code at various places around the church.

## 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 honor of **Sandy Bryant** by Wanda Moser;  
In memory of **Helen Nichols** by Wanda Moser, Treva Robbins, Sandra and Ronnie Spach, Terri and Clay Vogler, Floyd and Polly Craft, Vince and Sharon Nisi, Bob and Sara Orrell, Isabelle Pagett, Zeke, Sandra and Olivia Mock, Josephine Mock, Cindy Bingham, Don and Frances Schweighart, and King Chapter 328 Order of the Eastern Star;

In memory of **Evelyn Stewart** by Wanda Moser, Dean and Beverly Davis, Celeste Kirkman, and Don and Frances Schweighart;

In honor of **our youth** by David and Tanya Kivett;

In memory of **Ken Scales** by Bob and Sara Orrell;

In memory of **Louise Reynolds** by Terri and Clay Vogler, Floyd and Polly Craft, Bob and Sara Orrell, Don and Frances Schweighart, Bo and Beth Houff, Lorraine Kirk, Wanda Moser, Dorcas and Raymond Craft, and Josephine Mock;

In memory of **Patricia Sellers** and **Steve R. Moser** by Hilda Moser, Bill Moser, and Janet Hancock;

In honor of **Lizzie Mock's birthday** by Don and Frances Schweighart;

## Cemetery Fund Gifts:

In memory of **W. H. Moser** by Hilda Moser, Bill Moser, and Janet Hancock;

In loving memory of **Louise Reynolds** by Patsy Reynolds;

## Music Fund Gift:

In honor of **Debby Trivett** by the Helen Nichols Family;

## Bus Fund Gifts:

In memory of **Louise Reynolds, Helen Nichols, and Evelyn Stewart** by Buck and Nan Johnson.

## Building Fund Gifts:

In memory of **Evelyn Stewart** by David and Brenda Shanks, Mary and Jimmy Edmundson, Gilmer and Harriet Binkley, Fred Moser, Peggy Scales, and Vince and Sharon Nisi;

In memory of **Helen Nichols** by Carol Coxe, The Lewisville Joy Club, Guy and Nancy Fisher, Gilmer and Harriet Binkley, David and Jo Ann Arrington, Lizzie Mock, Celeste Kirkman, Camel Shrine No. 5, Fred Moser, Wayne and Betty Hall, The Wesleyan Sunday School Class, Ray and Mary Sue Warren, Phil Ball, Janice Amos, and Phyllis Moore, Vienna Village, Revocable Trust of Robert E. McConnell, the Sing-a-Long Group at Vienna Village, and Mike and Toni Jones;

In memory of **Cecil and Nettie Harrell** and **Melvin and Mildred Sheets** by Ollie and Jackie Harrell;

In honor of **Betty and Jimmy Leslie** by Lizzie Mock;

In honor of the **LUMC United Methodist Men and United Methodist Women** by Steve and Vivian Newman;

In honor of **June, Debby, and Toni** by David and Tanya Kivett;

In memory of **Louise Reynolds** by the Sing-a-Long Group at Vienna Village, The Wesleyan Sunday School Class, Mike and Toni Jones, The Joy Club (Lewisville Baptist Church), Ruth Conrad, Jimmy and Betty Leslie, Richard and Kaye Patterson, Dean and Beverly Davis, Celeste Kirkman, Pat Mainous, Gaynelle and William Hill, Mary and Bernard Dahlen, Peggy Scales, Harriet and Gilmer Binkley, Guy and Nancy Fisher, and Wayne and Betty Hall;

In honor of **Frances and Don Schweighart** by Lizzie Mock;

In memory of **Ken Scales** in honor of his birthday (May 2) by Mary "Polly" and Erling Gamble and Edith "Ann" and Roy Huntley;



Susanna Wesley was the mother of John Wesley, founder of the Methodist Church, who spent one hour each week praying for her 19 children. In addition, she took each child aside for a full hour every week to discuss spiritual matters. No wonder two of her sons, Charles and John, were used of God to bring blessing to all of England and America. Susanna Wesley was a godly mother, and so I share with you some of her rules for training her children:

1. Subdue self-will in a child and thus work together with God to save his/her soul.
2. Teach the child to pray as soon as he can speak.
3. Give the child nothing he cries for and only what is good for him if he asks for it politely.
4. To prevent lying, punish no fault, which is freely confessed, but never allow a rebellious, sinful act to go unnoticed.
5. Commend and reward good behavior.
6. Strictly observe all promises you have made to your child.

As Mother's Day approaches, I'm thankful for the influence and love of a godly mother. My mother was a "super mom," meaning that she could do anything, or so I believed. As someone has said, "all mothers are physically handicapped; they have only two hands." Remember your mom on May 10 and be thankful for her contributions to your life.

Keith

### **OUR CHURCH FAMILY.....**

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

° Mary Nell Howell, Martha Ann Johnson, and James, Frank, and John Nichols in the death of their mother, Helen Nichols, on April 14;

° Susan Dahlen and Ruth Hartle, Wanda Moser, and Pat Reynolds in the death of Louise Reynolds, Susan's mother and Ruth, Wanda, and Pat's sister-in-law, on April 25.

#### **IN MEMORIAM**

**Helen Hill Nichols**

**April 8, 1929    April 14, 2009**

#### **IN MEMORIAM**

**Louise Moser Reynolds**

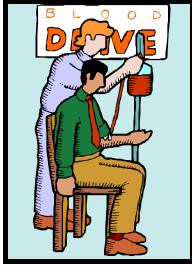
**November 23, 1910    April 25, 2009**

### **MOTHER'S DAY OFFERING**

On Mother's Day, May 10, United Methodist Churches throughout six districts in the Western North Carolina Conference are asked to support a Mother's Day Offering which supports the Financial Assistance Ministry at Arbor Acres United Methodist Retirement Community. The Mother's Day Offering is only used for the monthly fee of a deserving/needy resident. Last year 34 financially needy residents received assistance to cover costs, as many have just outlived their income and assets. All donations big and small are equally important to residents who depend on financial assistance.

### **JOB LOSS SUPPORT GROUP**

**MEETS WEEKLY:** A support group for those who have lost their jobs and those who are employed in an unstable economy is meeting every Tuesday at 7 pm in the church parlor.



**Lewisville Community Churches Blood Drive**  
**Shiloh Lutheran Church (703 Lewisville-Vienna Road)**  
**Saturday, May 9, 9 am—2 pm**  
**Please call Jackie Harrell (945-5054) to schedule an appointment.**

**Join us for our first Family  
Movie Night of the year on  
Friday, May 22nd, at 7 pm in  
the fellowship hall.**



The movie is free, so come and enjoy it as we celebrate “Christian Home Month” in fellowship together. The night’s feature is the movie “Horton Hears A Who.” Popcorn and drinks will be provided for donations only.

### **ATTENTION, ACOLYTES!**

There will be an acolyte practice on Sunday, May 31, from 4:00 until 5:00 pm sharp. All acolytes are asked to attend.



### **A GATHERING OF THE LAITY, LAKE JUNALUSKA**

Plan ahead! Each year the Council on Laity of the Western NC Conference offers “A Gathering of the Laity” at Lake Junaluska. This year the event will be August 14-16 and will feature excellent speakers, fellowship, and special music by The Junaluska Singers throughout the event. Cost is \$15 plus housing. Housing can be requested through the Council on Laity or made yourself. Copies of the registration brochure are available on the Welcome Center in the west wing lobby or in the church office.

### **ATTENTION, GRADS!**

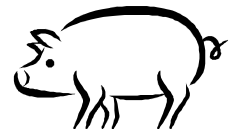
**Graduation Sunday is June 7 for high school and college graduates** and will be celebrated during the 8:30 am and 11 am worship services. There will also be a special breakfast for graduates during the Sunday School hour.

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.



### **BARBECUE**

**Girl Scout Troop 701 is selling barbecue bundles (1 pound chopped bbq, slaw, 8 buns, bbq sauce) for \$10 or bbq Boston Butts (about 6 pounds bbq) for \$30.** Call and order today: Cecilia Armstrong (766-1100). Tickets on sale May 1-22. Pick up orders May 29, 5-7 pm in church fellowship hall. All proceeds go toward earning our Silver Award Patches.



## SHARING IN MINISTRY

### GREETERS AND USHERS

**(8:30 AM SERVICE)**

- May 10 Angie and Daniel Choplin  
and family  
May 17 Sherry, David and Matt McGuire  
May 24 Mitzi and Dusty Swing  
May 31 Rick and Karen Cole

### DOORSTEP TEAM VISITATION

May 10 Tim and Cyndy Clodfelter

### WHO COMMITTEE

**May WHO Committee**

**Chairs: Sharon Nisi and Laura Morris**

Karen Fridy	Debbie Jones
Kristin Melvin	Nancy Sloss
Beth Layton	Carolyn Benson
Cindy Rieger	Marie Wagner
Marci Harvey	Sherry McGuire
Crystal Spicer	Jenny Davis

### WHY COMMITTEE

**May WHY Committee**

**Chairs: Ron Darby and Rob Slaughter**

John Wells	Ken Criss
Tony Hartman	Tom Ballus
Ed Kettenstock	David Criner
Tom Lewis	Terry Earle
Jimmy Owens	Jeff Hennis
Chris Sonafrank	Vince Nisi
John Simmons	Rick Langevin

### Children's Church Schedule

**(8:30 am Worship Service)**

- May 10 Kevin and Stephanie Salus  
May 17 Rod and Debbie Ruperto  
May 24 Jason and Marci Harvey  
May 31 No Children's Church

**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

- May 10 Sherry and Cecilia Armstrong  
May 17 Suzanne Farlow and Hannah Houff  
May 24 Kim and Neal Roberts  
May 31 Jenny and Will Davis

### 11:00 am Nursery Schedule

- May 10 Heather Coleman and Cheryl Gross  
May 17 Cathy and Michelle Lewis  
May 24 Shelly and Jeff Ferner  
May 31 Kelly and John Morris

# MAY: CHRISTIAN HOME MONTH

May is Christian Home Month in the United Methodist Church. Several activities are planned to help celebrate the Christian family.

- ° **Sunday, May 10:** Mothers will be honored in special ways as it is **Mother's Day**.
- ° **Beginning the evening of May 10 and continuing through Saturday, May 16, LUMC will observe "No Meetings Week."** Families are encouraged to plan activities together.
- ° **Sunday, May 17:** This Sunday there will be a special "Dedication of Families."
- ° **Friday, May 22, 7:00 pm:** Family Movie Night in the youth rooms (2nd floor). Free showing of the movie "Horton Hears a Who!" Yes, of course popcorn and drinks will be available.
- ° **Sunday, May 24:** We will celebrate Memorial Day Sunday with a flag presentation at the services.
- ° **Sunday, May 31, is a special day for our Confirmands.** They will be recognized at a special service of celebration at 10:00 am in the sanctuary, with a reception to follow in the west end lobby. Join us as we celebrate in a grand way this day. (Sunday School will take place at 8:45 am. **Only one service on May 31.**)  
**It is also Pentecost, so don't forget to wear your red.**

**We hope this will be an exciting May for LUMC  
as we focus on "The Christian Home."**

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**SCRIPTURE FOR  
CHRISTIAN HOME MONTH**  
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Mark 10:42-45

Galatians 6:2, 10

I Timothy 5:8  
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