



The Shallowford Steeple

Lewisville United Methodist Church, Lewisville, NC

June 18, 2008

The Echoes are going to pick cherries at Levering Orchard on Tuesday, June 24. We will leave the church at 9 am from the new parking lot. Both the sweet and sour cherries will be ready to pick. Bring your own containers. After picking cherries, we'll stop for lunch. Cost is \$10 for transportation (this does not include cost of your lunch). Call Nan Johnson (945-9391) to sign up.



POT LUCK SUPPER

Wednesday, July 2

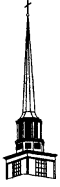
6:30 pm, Fellowship Hall



Please bring food to share and join us at 6:30 pm for a time of fellowship and good food.

A GATHERING OF THE LAITY AT LAKE JUNALUSKA

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 15-17 and will feature Dr. John Ed Matheson, Dr. Maxie Dunnam and Rev. Angela Pleasants as keynote speakers. The Junaluska Singers will be providing the special music 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 in the office.



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Ministry and Staff of the Church

Resident Bishop
J. Lawrence McCleskey
Ministers
Every Member of the Church
District Superintendent
J. Hurley Thomas, 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 June for Crisis Control:
baking items (cake mix, brownies)**

**LCAP gift for the month of June:
sugar**



**Tuesday, June 24, is the deadline
for news to be submitted for the
July 2 issue of The Steeple.**

OneGroup news & events

Sunday, June 22: Summer UMYF – Dinner, Movie, and a Discussion. Come join us in the youth room from 4:45-7:30 PM as we watch “The Terminal.” There will be an “in-flight” dinner served, and after the movie we will discuss some themes from the film and how they relate to our relationship with God. It will be lots of fun!

Sunday, June 29: No UMYF – Youth are at Carolina Cross Connection.

Sunday, July 6: Summer UMYF

Sunday, July 13: No UMYF – Youth are at Lake Junaluska

Sunday, July 20: Summer UMYF

Sunday, July 27: No UMYF

Summer UMYF 2008 – Learn. Live. Love. Be. This summer, we have some exciting things planned for UMYF. While we won't meet every Sunday, there will still be plenty to do. Make sure you're there for each of these fun days!

June 22 – Learn: Dinner, Movie, and a Discussion. See above for more details.

July 6 – Live: Look for more details soon about a fun time we'll have planned for you and your friends!

July 20 – Love: This is a day to reach out and love our church family through our service. Put your faith in action!

August 10 – Be: We'll take a special trip this day to get away and spend some time alone with God.

Important Summer Dates:

June 23-26: Vacation Bible School. Make plans to help out during VBS – it will be fun and your help is much needed and much appreciated.

June 29-July 5: Carolina Cross Connection

July 13-17: Youth trip to Lake Junaluska

July 26-August 1: Mission trip to Costa Rica



UMW NEWS

UMW CIRCLE MEETINGS:

- ° **The Melba Forbis Friendship Circle** will meet on Tuesday, July 8, at 7 pm in the Yokefellow Class.
- ° **The UMW Morning Circle** will meet on Monday, July 14, at 10 am in the parlor. Following our regular meeting, we will go to Arbor Acres. Please bring shampoo for our school project.
- ° **UMW Circle 1** will meet on Monday, July 14, at 7 pm in the parlor.



LADIES' NIGHT OUT!!!
(aka SNACK, CRAFT, & YAK)
Tuesday, June 24
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.

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.

CONCERT SERIES: There will be a concert series on Sunday evenings, June 22, July 27 and August 24, at 7:30 pm of the SALEM COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA with Conductor Jim Basta. The series will be at Unity Moravian Church, 8300 Concord Church Road. The concerts are free with a contribution of a non-perishable food item for LCAP (Lewisville Community Assistance Program).

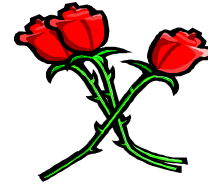
AN INVITATION JUST FOR YOU!

A new class is happening during the month of June for college students or those having completed their freshman year beyond high school. We're meeting in the class across from the Discovery Classroom at 9:45 am. Come, bring a friend, and enjoy fellowship and learning together!

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

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| June 8 | Sunday School: 155 |
| | Worship: 267 |
| June 15 | Sunday School: 146 |
| | Worship: 297 |

Promises to Keep: Gifts

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| June 8 | General Budget | \$10,782.57 |
| | Hunger Fund | \$ 10.00 |
| | Parsonage Fund | \$ 120.00 |
| | “Caring for Kara Fund” | \$ 300.00 |
| June 15 | General Budget | \$ 5,195.29 |
| | Hunger Fund | \$ 8.00 |
| | Parsonage Fund | \$ 50.00 |
| | UMAR | \$ 10.00 |

General Fund Recap

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| Total Income for May | \$33,928.38 |
| Total Expenses for May | <u>\$44,519.17</u> |
| | — \$10,590.79 |
| Total Income Year to Date | \$171,271.66 |
| Total Expenses Year to Date | <u>\$183,004.59</u> |
| | — \$ 11,732.93 |

LUMC BUILDING FUND

Contributions in May:

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| May 4 | \$ 5,835.00 |
| May 11 | \$ 1,545.00 |
| May 18 | \$ 705.00 |
| May 25 | \$ 870.00 |
| Total | \$ 8,955.00 |

Loan Payment

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| Principal | \$12,000.00 |
| Interest | \$ 1,567.10 |
| Loan Balance | \$396,000.00 |

Balance in MM Account: \$10,521.79

MEMORIALS AND HONORARIUMS

General Budget Gifts:

In memory of **James Glass**, Betty Leslie's father, by Helen Nichols and Richard and Kaye Patterson;
In honor of **Keith Bingham** by Ruth Conrad;
In memory of **William Robbins** by Marsha Walker;

Building Fund Gifts:

In honor of **Treva Robbins** by Debra and John Mabe;
In memory of **James Glass**, Betty Leslie's father, by Mike and Toni Jones, Lizzie Mock, and the June WHO Committee;
In honor of **Gordon and Cindy Bingham** by Reba Dull;
In memory of **Ken Beckner** by Treva Robbins;
In memory of **Betty Kelley** by Lizzie Mock and Mike and Toni Jones;

Cemetery Fund Gift:

In memory of **W. H. “Bill” Moser** by Hilda Moser, Janet Hancock, and Bill (W. T.) Moser;

“Caring for Kara Fund” Gift:

In honor of **Keith Bingham** by Beryl Moser;

Parsonage Fund Gift:

In honor of **Keith Bingham** by Herman and Una White.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

When Jesus called Zacchaeus, He also transformed him. Zacchaeus responded with this promise: "Here and now I give half of my possessions to the poor, and if I have cheated anybody out of anything, I will pay back four times the amount" (Luke 19:8). What is your response to the grace of God in your life?



It's been a fast year since my arrival in Lewisville. I have enjoyed getting to know you and being a part of your lives. Thank you for the privilege of being your pastor and I look forward to our time together this year.

Several centuries ago in a mountain village in Europe, a wealthy nobleman wondered what legacy he should leave to his townspeople. He decided to build them a church. No one was permitted to see the plans or the inside of the church until it was finished. At its grand opening, the people gathered and marveled at the beauty of the new church. But then someone said, "Wait a minute! Where are the lamps? It is really quite dark in here. How will the church be lighted?" The nobleman pointed to

some brackets in the walls, and then he gave each family a lamp, which they were to bring with them each time they came to worship. "Each time you are here," the nobleman said, "the place where you are seated will be lighted. Each time you are not here, that place will be dark. This is to remind you that whenever you fail to come to church, some part of God's house will be dark."

That story makes a significant point about the importance of our commitment and loyalty to God and His Church. The poet Edward Everett Hale put it like this: *"I am only one, but still I am one. I cannot do everything, but still I can do something; And because I cannot do everything, I will not refuse to do the something I can do."*

Lewisville UMC is an amazing church, so blessed by God. Each one of us has a place in the church and somewhere that we can serve. You may not be able to do the things you used to do, but there are new things that you can do now. God wants us to be "doers," so find that "something" you can do, and do it.

Keith

OUR CHURCH FAMILY.....

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

° Betty Leslie and Michael Leslie and Sheila Driskill in the death of James Glass, Betty's father and Michael and Sheila's grandfather, on June 4. Great-grandchildren are Ian Leslie, Alora Leslie, and Claire Leslie (Michael's children) and Cary Floyd, Owen Driskill, and Sophia Driskill (Sheila's children);

° Kathy, Kelley, and Stephen Gondring in the death of Betty Kelley, Kathy's mother, and Kelley and Stephen's grandmother, on June 13.

"I would like to thank all our church friends and neighbors for the food, cards, calls, and visits while I was out with a complete knee replacement. Herman White"



Baptism: Evan Morris, son of John and Kelly Morris, received the Sacrament of Baptism on Sunday, June 15.

LET'S DO IT DIFFERENTLY THIS YEAR!

In years past, regular church giving has dropped significantly during the summer months. As we enjoy our summer months, LET'S DO IT DIFFERENTLY THIS YEAR. This year, remember that when we are away, the church's needs remain the same as the rest of the year. Most all of our church expenses are due monthly, so do your part and keep the church in mind this summer.

The 5th Grade Sunday School Class needs your help. We are collecting name brand, regular size items for hygiene kits to donate to Open Arms. Donations can be left in the 5th Grade Sunday School Room.

- hand towels
- hair scrunchies
- nail clippers
- hand lotion
- brushes (girls)
- shampoo-conditioner combos
- small backpacks or rucksacks (boy or girl)
- toothbrushes
- toothpaste
- manicure kits
- Chap Stick
- deodorant

Thanks for your help!

GOD'S BIG BACKYARD

Where kids have a blast serving Jesus!

June 23-26, 2008

9:00 am—12:00 pm

Closing: June 26, 6:30 pm — hot dog supper, fellowship hall

This year at Vacation Bible School we will learn to serve family, serve friends, serve community, and serve Jesus. Our children will learn the challenges and joys of working together to serve others. Our mission emphasis will be The Children's Home. The children will be provided many opportunities to perform mission work for The Children's Home as well as in other areas.

Look for registration forms at the west end lobby. Children must be age 3 by October 16, 2008 through current 5th graders!



In order to have a successful VBS we need many volunteers! Join the children in experiencing the joy and satisfaction of serving others by signing up as a volunteer!

If you are interested in serving at VBS, please fill out the form below and return it to the church office or place it in the offering plate. Questions? Call Margy Smith at 945-2710.

God's Big Backyard

Yes, I would like to help with VBS!

Name _____

E-mail _____ Phone _____

Work Area _____

I will help where needed _____



ANNUAL CONFERENCE REPORT

Bishop J. Lawrence McCleskey presided over his final conference as an active bishop for the Western NC Conference meeting June 5-8 at Lake Junaluska, N.C. McCleskey will retire Aug. 31 following 45 years in ordained ministry, 12 of which he served as a bishop.

The conference celebrates several milestones: 100th anniversary of the Social Creed, 100th anniversary of the General Board of Pension and Health Benefits, the 60th anniversary of the Advance for Christ and His Church and the 40th anniversaries of the WNCC Resource Center and the General Commission on Religion and Race.

The conference approved a budget of \$15.4 million for 2009, which is a 6.6% **decrease** from the 2008 budget. The bishop ordained 25 elders in full connection, 3 deacons in full connection and 1 elder in probationary membership. He commissioned 8 probationary deacons and 28 probationary elders. The conference recognized 22 newly licensed local pastors.

We also honored 22 pastors who retired this year, including J. Hurley Thomas (our District Superintendent).

Delegates from Lewisville UMC were Jim Hampton, Harriet Binkley, Dean Norman, Mae Norman, Becky Bingham, Rev. Tom Lee and Rev. Keith Bingham.

CHURCH APPOINTMENTS

At the close of Annual Conference on June 8, Rev. Keith Bingham was re-appointed as pastor of Lewisville UMC for his second year. Also appointed was Becky Bingham, a Diaconal Minister, who was re-appointed to the Staff of the Lewisville UMC Preschool and School Care.

Also in the Lewisville area: Brookstown UMC will be receiving a new pastor, Rev. James (Chip) Webb, Jr., on June 24. Other area UM churches had their pastors re-appointed.

One of our own, Rev. Neill Shaw, will be the new pastor at Pine Grove UMC on Jonestown Road in Winston-Salem.

We will also be receiving a new District Superintendent on June 24. With J. Hurley Thomas retiring, our new DS will be Rev. William (Bill) T. Medlin III.

ASSISTANT TREASURER NEEDED

The Leadership Development Committee of Lewisville UMC is looking for an Assistant Treasurer for our church. This person will train with our current Treasurer, Bill Smith, in 2008, and look to take over the position in 2009. Strong bookkeeping and computer skills with financial software and Excel are needed. Person will need to learn how to use our church's PowerChurch financial software. Also, a knowledge of payroll skills (W-2's, quarterly tax reports) is needed. Time commitment varies with the week, with some around 3 hours and others (end of month) about 6 hours. End and start of year requires more. We are asking for a minimum two-year commitment for this volunteer position.

This is a great opportunity to use your special skills to serve God and His Church.
Persons willing to consider this should contact Pastor Keith.



SHARING IN MINISTRY

GREETERS AND USHERS

(8:30 AM SERVICE)

June 22 Kyle and Lori Gee
June 29 Jason and Marci Harvey

WHO COMMITTEE

July WHO Committee

Chairs: Lizzie Mock and Betty Leslie

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| Toni Jones | Greta Frye |
| Sue Darby | Elise Ward |
| Lorraine Kirk | Anne Kirkman |
| Cathy Shelor | Emily Sturdy |
| Debbie Norman | Lynn Skipper |
| Gail Bargoil | Julie Morris |
| Patricia Earle | Ginger Davis |
| Leigh Anne Miller | Mary Mullis |

WHY COMMITTEE

July WHY Committee

Chairs: Barry Brown and Ed Smith

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| Jon Reynolds | Ken Howard |
| June Booe | Dan Williams |
| Mark Davis | Roy Sparks |
| Roy Edwards | Rick Leach |
| Kevin Hayes | Art Lyon |
| Jeff Hice | Randy Orr |
| Jeff Ferner | |

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

June 22 Daniel and Angie Choplin
June 29 Ken and Denise Criss
July 6 Crystal Spicer and June Hayes
July 13 Jeff and Sarah Watkins

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

June 22 William Farlow and Sam Rains
June 29 Sharon and Eva Hill

11:00 am Nursery Schedule

June 22 Rod and Debbie Ruperto
June 29 Terri and Clay Vogler
July 6 Ellen and Lee Ellen Farmer
July 13 Silesia and Elissa Clark

Volunteers needed for 11 am Nursery beginning in the summer! Please consider volunteering if your children are nursery age, and remember that even if you do NOT have children in the nursery, we welcome your help. Please call Kristin Melvin at 946-2975 if you can help.

JULY BIRTHDAYS

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| 1 Joe Brewster Trevor Howe Carol Hutton Betty Leslie Catherine Trosan | 18 Jeff Eads Charles Johnson Christopher Miller Diane Vogler Martha Williams |
| 2 Houston Hunter Lou Kirk Caroline Saalweachter | 19 Jack Hall Andrew Harper Thomas Hurst Randy Melton |
| 3 Sara Brewster | 20 Savannah Hauser Dick Herring Ray Trosan William Watkins |
| 4 Margaret Lee Alex Maglio Billy Robbins Janet Sizemore | 21 Greg Hampton Olivia Morris Nikki Robbins Amanda Vining |
| 5 Floyd Craft Glenn Yarnell | 22 Mike Skipper Kevin Yow |
| 6 Spencer Ballus Nancy Cranfill Tanya Kivett | 23 Ethan Dankwardt Max Earle Leah Shellberg |
| 7 Randy Simmons | 24 Hank Allen Brandon Byrd Jackson Hayes |
| 8 Roy Sparks | 25 David Lee Dodder Katie Herring Trent James Sarah Watkins |
| 9 Alex Bingham Anna Layton Judie Leach Paul Spicer Melanie Swing | 26 John Trivett Frances Schweighart Don Schweighart |
| 10 Hope Daniel | 27 Wayne Hutchens Debra Mabe Alex Stebbins Adam Wells |
| 11 Brad Daniel Brittany Dawn Neal Ron Smith Trevor Stilphen | 28 Sandra Mock Zach Schlagel |
| 12 Doug Beatty Ty Choplin Owen Driskill Jennifer Duggins Kathleen Mundy Trudy Portis Dona Stilphen | 29 Jerry August Josh Collins Carson Crider Monica Hunolt Gizelle Jones Manda Snow |
| 13 Finley Church Kevin Clark Victoria Karlek | 30 Judy James John Simmons Ryan Stroud |
| 14 Kristina Able Ruth Conrad Leigh Howard Mark Pettenati Melissa Skinner | 31 Brittany Booe Brian Byrd |
| 15 Cary Floyd Jennifer Hunter | |
| 16 Courtney Bates Burgan Campbell Eric Horsley | |
| 17 Jennifer Little Kelly Scott | |



JULY ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 John and Aprell Taylor
- 2 Kirk and Cindy Rieger
- 3 Skipp and Kristen Crider
Greg and Maura Hampton
- 5 Dick and Marie Wagner
- 7 Gaylon and Joan Howe
- 11 Randy and Jo Beth Melton
Jeff Hall and Donna Coram
- 15 Grayson and Dorene Bates
Randy and Susan Orr
- 16 William and Suzanne Farlow
Mark and Britt Anne McClelland
Dan and Margaret Williams
- 17 Barry Brown and Angie Pantazopoulos
- 19 Kyle and Janet Shuping
- 21 Ken and Giszelle Jones
- 25 Kevin and Silesia Clark
- 26 Bobby and Tamara Walsh
- 28 Brian and Judi Burkhart
- 29 Jon David and Kelly Crider
- 30 Roger and Sherry Armstrong

