

# The Shallowford Steeple

Lewisville United Methodist Church, Lewisville, NC

November 4, 2009

## LEWISVILLE UMC WELCOMES FORBUSH SHOW CHOIR!

The Forbush High School Show Choir will be performing here on Sunday, November 15, at 6:45 pm. A hot dog supper at 6:00 pm will precede the program. The Fellowship Hall will be the happening place for both the meal and the concert. There will be no

charge for either event; however, donations will be accepted as a love offering for the Show Choir. Come and enjoy a good time together.



## HARVEST SUNDAY: NOVEMBER 22



Harvest Sunday is a time when we remember our past and look toward our future, our Homecoming. **There will be only ONE WORSHIP SERVICE at 10:30 am with Sunday School starting at 9:15 am.**

Our special guest preacher will be **Rev. Jim Faggart**, who was our pastor for ten years from 1975-1985. He led our church through dramatic growth, with membership increasing 72% (from 341 to 589). Rev. Faggart is retired and living in China Grove.

A covered dish lunch will follow the service. The ladies of the November WHO Committee will receive your food and have it organized on decorated tables ready for the meal following morning worship. Plan now to come and bring former members, friends, and family.

## LEWISVILLE COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE

The annual Lewisville Community Thanksgiving Service will be held on Sunday, November 22, at Lewisville Baptist Church at 7:30 pm. Rev. Danny Leonard of Sunrise UMC will be preaching. An offering will be received for LCAP (Lewisville Community Assistance Program). Child care will be provided. A time of fellowship with refreshments will follow the service. Join us as we gather as a community and give thanks to God.





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**DATED MATERIAL**

## Ministry and Staff of the Church

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*Margy Smith*  
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*Kim Jackson*  
Preschool Director  
*Marcia Sexton*  
Secretary  
*Toni Jones*

**Gift for the month of November for Crisis Control:  
pasta noodles**

**LCAP gift for the month of November:  
juice boxes (any brand, any flavor)**



**Tuesday, November 10, is the  
deadline for news to be submit-  
ted for the November 18 issue  
of The Steeple.**

# One group news & events

**LewisvilleYouth.com** is your one-stop source for everything related to our ministry! You can find the full calendar of events at [www.lewisvilleyouth.com/onegroup-calendar](http://www.lewisvilleyouth.com/onegroup-calendar).

**Sunday, November 8:** Sunday Night Youth – Regular Schedule

4:30 – Hang Out

5:00 – Big Group

5:45 – Small Groups

6:15 – Dinner

**Friday, November 6:** “Love Is The Movement” – see below for details

**Wednesday, November 11:** Serve23 – 6:30 PM

**Friday, November 13 – Sunday, November 15:** Fall Girls’ Retreat

**Sunday, November 15:** Sunday Night Youth – Regular Schedule

**Wednesday, November 18:** Serve23 – 6:30 PM

**Sunday, November 22:** Sunday Night Youth – Regular Schedule

**Sunday, November 29:** No Sunday Night Youth – Thanksgiving weekend

**Sunday, December 6:** Sunday Night Youth – Regular Schedule

**Fall Girls’ Retreat at Lake Hickory!** All girls in grades 6-12 are invited to spend a fun weekend away November 13-15. More details and registration information is available at [www.lewisvilleyouth.com/girls-retreat](http://www.lewisvilleyouth.com/girls-retreat).

**Serve23 is a wonderful opportunity** for students to live out their faith in service to others. Every 2nd and 3rd Wednesday of the month at 6:30 PM, students will have the chance to serve people in our community at Vienna Village and the Bethesda Center. Go to [www.lewisvilleyouth.com/onegroup-calendar](http://www.lewisvilleyouth.com/onegroup-calendar) for more details and upcoming dates.

**Love is the Movement** - Come and be a part of the movement with this benefit show at Clemmons UMC from 9-midnight! The cost is \$5 at the door, with half of the proceeds going to the Bethesda Center. The show will feature a concert by the band The Decour; speakers Clark Chilton (youth minister at Clemmons UMC), Jesse Arnett, and Clyde Manning from the Bethesda Center; concessions; games; prizes; and some surprises too. All students are welcome and encouraged to bring their friends – we want to pack the place out to help the Bethesda Center fight homelessness in our city. Go to [www.lewisvilleyouth.com/onegroup-calendar](http://www.lewisvilleyouth.com/onegroup-calendar) for more details!

**Carolina Cross Connection information and registration forms** are now available online at [www.lewisvilleyouth.com/cc](http://www.lewisvilleyouth.com/cc). Trip dates are July 25-31, 2010, and registration is due by December 20. This wonderful trip is open to all students in 9<sup>th</sup> grade and above!

# UMW NEWS

## UMW CIRCLE MEETINGS:

- **The UMW Morning Circle** will meet on Monday, November 9, at 10 am in the parlor. Please bring toothpaste for our health kits.
- **UMW Circle 1** will meet on Monday, November 9, at 7 pm in the parlor.
- **The Circle of Concern** will meet on Tuesday, November 10, at 6:30 pm at Big Shotz in Clemmons. Please bring blankets for The Potter's House project.
- **The Melba Forbis Friendship Circle** will meet on Tuesday, November 17, at 7 pm in the Yokefellow Class.
- **The SOC (Sisters of Christ) Circle** will meet on Wednesday, November 18, at 6:30 pm in the parlor.

## **UMW COVERED-DISH DINNER AND PROGRAM: NOV. 5**

The United Methodist Women will meet Thursday, November 5, at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall for a covered-dish dinner and their annual Prayer and Self-Denial Program. Maxine Mast is in charge of the program.

All women of the church are invited to attend. Circle 1 will be the hostess group.

## **UMW READING GROUP November 10, 10 am in the parlor**



The United Methodist Women's reading group will meet on Tuesday,

November 10, at 10 am in the parlor. They will be discussing the reading program book: *A Perfect Love: Understanding John Wesley's A Plain Account of Christian Perfection*. Two copies of the book are in circulation. Contact Harriet Binkley to locate one. Then, read and join in the discussion.



## **LADIES' NIGHT OUT!!! (aka SNACK, CRAFT, & YAK)**

**Special thanks to Sandy Barrett for helping us make handcrafted cards at our October gathering!** Watch for upcoming details about our next night out together.

**The LUMC Preschool along with the SOC (Sisters of Christ) Circle would like to present *Changing the Font*,** part of a lecture series for women that covers a range of Human Service issues including communication styles, conflict management, parenting skills and cultural diversity. We invite you to join us Tuesday, November 17, from 6:30-8:00 pm in Asbury Hall. Shawn Ricks, an educational speaker, consultant, and trainer will be our speaker, showing us how small changes can lead to big results. Please contact Sarah Watkins (778-8933) by November 12 to reserve childcare.



## **FLOOD BUCKETS NEEDED**

Floods in the metro Atlanta area have about 10,000 homes in pretty dire straits. The Philippines were hit by massive rains from Typhoon Ondoy, destroying many homes and killing hundreds. The supply of United Methodist Flood Buckets has been exhausted and more are needed. We can get the supplies and package the buckets, so what we need are the funds to buy what's needed. Help us help those in flooding situations by giving to our Flood Bucket Fund. Make out your checks to LUMC and write "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

Oct. 25 Sunday School: 210  
Worship: 315  
Nov. 1 Sunday School: 182  
Worship: 260

### Promises to Keep: Gifts

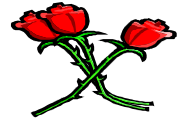
Oct. 25	General Budget	\$ 9,326.96
	Hunger Fund	\$ 127.00
	Caring for Kara	\$ 20.00
Nov. 1	General Budget	\$10,289.00
	Music Fund	\$ 50.00
	Flood Buckets	\$ 35.00



### General Fund Recap

Total Income for September	\$34,460.15
Total Expenses for September	\$42,230.74
	— \$ 7,770.59
Total Income Year to Date	\$327,762.00
Total Expenses Year to Date	\$335,342.42
	— \$ 7,580.42

# MEMORIALS



### General Budget Gifts:

In honor of **Keith Bingham** by David, Tanya, Casey, and Grayson Kivett;  
In memory of **Louise Reynolds** by Dorothy Jennings;  
In memory of **Helen Nichols** by Dorothy Jennings;

### Building Fund Gifts:

In memory of **Alice Brenny**, Herman White's sister, by the October WHO Committee;  
In memory of **Morgan Stebbins**, Bob and Donna Stebbins' grandson, by Reba Dull;  
In honor of **Nancy Fisher and the October WHO Committee** by Phyllis and Jimmie Moore;

### Music Fund Gift:

In memory of **Howard and Helen Nichols** by Martha and Todd Johnson;

### Caring for Kara Fund Gift:

In memory of **Luise Carleton**, Rich Carleton's mother, by Rich, Dave, and Mike Carleton.

## 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.

### STEWARDSHIP CORNER

God sets no boundaries on His giving to us. In the words of Martin Luther, "He richly and daily provides me with all that I need to support this body and life." In response to God's great love for us and His bountiful gifts to us, we, in faith, share with others the wealth that has been given to us. God uses us as conduits of His love and His goodness so that we can help those in need.



Harry Houdini, the famed escape artist issued a challenge wherever he went. He could be locked in any jail cell in the country, he claimed, and set himself free quickly and easily. Always he kept his promise, but one time something went wrong. Houdini entered the jail in his street clothes; the heavy, metal doors clanged shut behind him. He took from his belt a concealed piece of metal, strong and flexible. He set to work immediately, but something seemed to be unusual about this lock. For 30 minutes he worked and got nowhere. An hour passed, and still he had not opened the door. By now he was bathed in sweat and panting in exasperation, but he still could not pick the lock. Finally, after laboring for 2 hours, Harry Houdini collapsed in frustra-

tion and failure against the door he could not unlock. But when he fell against the door, it swung open. It had never been locked at all! But in his mind it was locked and that was all it took to keep him from opening the door and walking out.

The doors to Jesus are always unlocked, but we tend to see them as locked, as we refuse to accept the ways of God. You see, God has created us to operate in certain ways. For instance, God created us to be generous. He knows that how we deal with our financial resources and possessions will determine how strong our relationship with Him is. For some, the desire of wanting to be closer to God, to be alive and joyful in one's relationship with Jesus Christ, seems to be a locked door that somehow can't be opened. The Bible teaches us that the door will seem to be locked, until one deals with their attitudes and beliefs about stewardship. In our minds, the door to an amazing relationship with Jesus seems to be locked because of our own selfishness and lack of generosity. The good news is that the door is actually unlocked and God wants you to enter. Our Stewardship Campaign is our time to evaluate our relationship with Jesus and to see that His doors are always open.

*Keith*

**The Circle of Concern is collecting new blankets of all sizes to donate to The Potter's House in Winston-Salem.** The Potter's House is a non-profit organization established to minister to the needs of those individuals and families living in the inner city of Winston-Salem. If you would like to contribute, please bring your blanket to the church **by November 9th**, or you may contact Beth Houff or Ellen Farmer to make other arrangements. Thank you for your generous concern for others!



## **“FAITHFUL GIVING IN HARD TIMES”**

As our Stewardship Campaign continues, we thank all those who have participated by turning in their 2010 Commitment Cards. These cards are tools for you to demonstrate your “first fruits” offering to God, and they enable your church to make better financial decisions. If you have not turned one in yet, you are encouraged to do so as soon as possible. Extra cards can be found in various places, or call the church office and we'll send you one. Children's cards are also available. Youth may use the adult cards.



## **VETERANS SUNDAY**

On Sunday, November 8, Lewisville UMC will be honoring our veterans at both worship services.

## OUR CHURCH FAMILY.....

### Congratulations to.....



° Ben and Emily Morris on the birth of a son, Reuben F. Morris V (Quentin), on October 21. Proud grandparents are Skip and Jan Morris.

° Mike and Robin Speas on the birth of a daughter, Amelia

Rosalie, on October 22. Amelia has two sisters, Maria and Gaby.

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

° Geoff Rudy in the death of his father, George Rudy, on October 28;

° Bo Houff in the death of his stepfather, Ray Jenkins, on October 28.

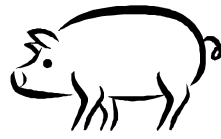
### A new small group is forming to study Francis Chan's book "Crazy Love."

This 12-week study group will meet on Monday evenings from 7-8:30 pm, beginning November 9, at the home of Jesse and Hunter Arnett, 348 Lewisville Trails Road in Lewisville. The first evening will be a night for group members to get to know each other, and then the next ten weeks will focus on a chapter per week using a DVD study guide. Child care will be provided and copies of the book will be available to purchase for \$5 apiece on the 9th. Contact Jesse at 339-7933 or email him at [jesse@lewisvilleumc.org](mailto:jesse@lewisvilleumc.org) if you have questions.

### DID YOU KNOW THAT LUMC HAS A BOOKSTORE?

You'll find it on our website [www.lewisvilleumc.org](http://www.lewisvilleumc.org). On the left is a link to our "Virtual Bookstore" with Cokesbury Bookstore. You can order books, Bibles, church supplies, etc. Lewisville UMC receives a portion of all sales made through our Virtual Bookstore.

### Methodist Men's Barbecue: Saturday, November 7 4-7:30 pm, Fellowship Hall



Chopped pork barbecue or chicken with baked beans, slaw, roll, drink and dessert. Eat in or take out. Adults: \$8.00; children, \$4.00. Proceeds go to United Methodist Men's charities.

**BIG THANKS** to the October WHY Committee from the Melba Forbis Friendship Circle for clean-up and repair after the bazaar.



### Highlights of October 26th Administrative Board Meeting:

24 members of the Administrative Board met on October 26. Leadership and staff reports were given. We have a great need for flood buckets at a cost of \$60 each. Approximately 50 church members worked here or in the community on Servant Day. Jon Reynolds has agreed to buy back the lot he donated in Shallowford Lakes which will not support a septic system. The budget for 2010 is being prepared. Staff salaries have been approved. The 2010 slate of officers was approved. The fire marshal has inspected and approved the fire doors. It is imperative that doors with magnets remain open and doors without magnets remain closed. Junaluska Associates will celebrate their 100th Anniversary in 2013 and have asked us to commit \$2013 to this event.

Sylvia Yarnell  
Secretary, Administrative Board

(The complete minutes of the October 26 Administrative Board Meeting are available in the church office.)

## A BIG THANK YOU!

Thanks to all who participated in Servant Day.

Projects accomplished were:

- soup labels cut and sent to Bethlehem Center
- shoe boxes wrapped for Operation Christmas Child
- light bulbs replaced, windows washed, and baseboards cleaned in the sanctuary
- 3rd floor storage area cleaned out and organized
- painting done at The Children's Home
- items collected for Crisis Control
- cleaned and organized room for Children's Church
- raked outside and cleaned inside at Open Arms

After approximately three hours, participants returned to Asbury Hall for lunch of soups and sandwiches and a time of sharing their experiences.

## PARENTS' NIGHT OUT!



The Girl Scouts of Troop 40701, hosted here at Lewisville UMC, will be holding a parents' night out on November 13 here at the church from 5:30 pm until 8:30 pm (deadline to sign up is Nov. 10). Also, on December 5 we will have an afternoon planned from 1:00 to 5:00 pm (deadline to sign up is Dec. 1).

If you have questions or are interested in coming, please contact Sherry and Cecilia Armstrong at 766-1100. This will be a night of fun and activities for the kids and the ages we will be hosting will be 3-10 years old.

### THE FLU SEASON IS UPON US!

Don't forget that we have plenty of sinks for hand washing and hand sanitizer at many locations throughout the church. Also, remember that the general guideline is that if you and/or your child has been sick within the past 24 hours, please consider staying at home. Thanks for helping to keep all of us healthy during the year.



**LUMC exam survival care packages are being assembled to mail near the middle of November to our college students.** If you would

like to donate items, please drop them in the boxes located in the nar-

thex or in the main entrance to our education building. Suggested items are listed below:

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| snack food        | Post-It Notes |
| hard candy        | Crystal Light |
| gum               | index cards   |
| microwave popcorn | Pop Tarts     |
| breakfast bars    |               |

**November 15 is the deadline to bring donations. Thanks for your help.**

## WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER

**(Pot Luck)**

**Join us on December 2 for a Wednesday Night Pot-Luck Supper at 6:30 pm in the fellowship hall.** The food and fellow-

ship are great fun, so be sure to include an LUMC evening in your plans!





**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD**  
**You and your family are invited to participate in this outreach ministry sponsored by the LUMC youth.**

Brochures are available in the church office, in the narthex, or from June or Jesse, but let me share with you a brief description of what takes place.

Boxes and information are now available.

**First**, you and your family get a shoe box and fill it with small toys, school supplies, hygiene items, and other items such as hard candy, socks, gloves, flashlights, t-shirts, watches, small books, whatever.

**Next**, you fill out the form and enclose \$7.00 to cover the cost of postage.

**Last, bring it to church on or before November 8th** and put it in the box in the narthex or the west wing lobby.

Questions? Call June Hayes, 945-3203. **This year's goal is 225 shoe boxes!** So, join us and happy packing! Let's spread God's love throughout the lands!

**IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO HELP!**



**"CLUB 45"**

Mark your calendars for "Club 45" back in action on November 19 in the second floor youth rooms. We will have pizza and drinks to begin our evening at 6:30 pm. After we enjoy a meal together, we will be preparing ourselves for the coming of Advent in some fun ways. "Club 45" is for our current 4th and 5th grade students. We will conclude our time together at 8:00 pm. Please make plans to join us!

**WOULD YOU LIKE TO HELP?**

If you would like to help with any of the special services during the Advent and Christmas Season (Hanging of the Greens, lighting the Advent candles, etc.) at either the 8:30 am or the 11 am service or at other special services, please contact Crystal Spicer (946-5168) or June Hayes at the church (945-3203).



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This year we will again use poinsettias during the Christmas season. You may order through the church office or purchase your own. If you order through the church, the cost will be \$7.25 per poinsettia.

**Deadline to order: Sunday, November 29.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Please order \_\_\_\_\_ poinsettia(s) for me. (\$7.25 each, if you buy through the church.)

I will provide \_\_\_\_\_ poinsettia(s) (wrapped and with a bow.)

In memory of \_\_\_\_\_

In honor of \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ I will pick up my poinsettia(s) after worship on December 20th.

\_\_\_\_ I do not plan to pick up my poinsettia(s).

**If you provide your own poinsettia(s), please bring them to the church by Friday, December 11th. You may leave them in the vestibule.**

## SHARING IN MINISTRY

### GREETERS AND USHERS

#### **(8:30 AM SERVICE)**

Nov. 8 Randy and Jo Beth Melton  
Nov. 15 Art and Linda Lyon  
Nov. 22 No Early Service  
Nov. 29 Paul, Crystal, and Alli Spicer

### WHO COMMITTEE

#### **December WHO Committee**

**Chairs: Harriet Binkley and Millie Orrell**

Betty Hall	Becky Bingham
Christy Wiseman	Kim Roberts
Jan Morris	Linda Martin
Rebecca Keith	Millie August
Paige Ballus	Una White
Wanda Carleton	Sandy Barrett

### WHY COMMITTEE

#### **December WHY Committee**

**Chairs: Jesse Arnett and Mike Jones (Toni)**

Mark Alexander	Skip Morris
Kevin Clark	Percy Russell
David Shanks	Frank Foster
Mitchell Johnson	Paul Green
David McGuire	Jeff Hall
David Miller	Larry Peddycord
Brian Burkhart	

### Children's Church Schedule

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

Nov. 8 Jennifer Buck and Barbara Bryant  
Nov. 15 Brad and Marcy Daniel  
Nov. 22 No Children's Church  
Nov. 29 No Children's Church  
Dec. 6 Rod and Debbie Ruperto

**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

Nov. 8 Suzanne Farlow and Hannah Houff  
Nov. 15 Sherry and Cecilia Armstrong  
Nov. 22 (Harvest Sunday: one service at 10:30 am)  
Nov. 29 Kim and Neal Roberts  
Dec. 6 Kim and Neal Roberts

### 11:00 am Nursery Schedule

Nov. 8 Kristin Melvin  
Nov. 15 Ashley Gwynn and Cheryl Gross  
Nov. 22 (Harvest Sunday: one service at 10:30 am)  
Kim and Neal Roberts  
Shelly and Jeff Ferner  
Nov. 29 Rod and Debbie Ruperto  
Dec. 6 Dan and Margaret Williams