

## WUMC Weekly Update: March 6, 2024

### 1. Worship

The Third Sunday in Lent was celebrated with a beautiful communion service led by Jim Brooks and District Superintendent Lory Beth Huffman as they explored how Jesus clears the way for worship that is purposeful and powerfully focused on God. You can watch the service on [Facebook](#) or [YouTube](#) or you can read Jim's attached sermon.

This Sunday, the Fourth Sunday in Advent, we will explore how God's love for the world has saved us.

### 2. Bible Study

We start back with Bible Study tonight at 6 p.m. in the fellowship hall. For the next four weeks we will be looking at the Spiritual Exercises that draw us closer to God in this season of Lent. Join us for laughter, learning, and leaning deeper into our faith.

### 3. Holy Week/Easter Schedule

Please make plans to invite family, friends, neighbors and coworkers to our Holy Week/Easter worship opportunities.

Sunday, March 24 @ 10 a.m. - Palm/Passion Sunday

Wednesday, March 27 @ 6 p.m. - Holy Week Bible Study

Thursday, March 28 @ 7 p.m. - Tenebrae/Maundy Thursday service

Sunday, March 31 @ 7 a.m. - Easter Sunrise Service (Wilkesboro Town Commons)  
@ 10 a.m. - Easter Worship/Cantata

### 4. Charge Conference Update

We are grateful for all who attended our Called Charge Conference on February 25, 2024 and pleased to share that the Charge Conference voted unanimously to approve Jim Brooks' candidacy for Certified Lay Ministry. We pray for Jim and affirm our support as he follows this path into ministry.

**5. Coffee with Karen** meets at Talia's at 10am on Tuesdays for a cup of coffee and a chat.

**6. Rise Against Hunger (RAH) Church wide packing event on this Sunday; March 10<sup>th</sup> at 1:30pm.**

We need everyone as we package 10,000 meals. This is our largest volunteer event of the year!

### It Starts With a Meal

At Rise Against Hunger, It Starts With a Meal, and it leads to resilience, self-sufficiency, education, empowerment and bright futures in communities worldwide. Every day Rise Against Hunger meals are served around the globe in medical clinics, vocational training programs, elder care facilities and schools. Each meal is a moment to celebrate.

### Are Rise Against Hunger meals nutritious?

Rise Against Hunger meals pack a nutritious punch! Our volunteer-packaged meals both provide caloric intake and contain 20 essential vitamins and minerals. Research has shown that one in three people in developing countries is adversely affected by vitamin and mineral deficiencies.

### Why is it important to not just provide food but to provide nutritious food?

Food security does not exist without nutrition security. The two are inextricably linked because adequate nutrition is necessary to truly alleviate hunger.

## 7. Relay for Life Card and Game Party Fundraiser Tuesday; March 12<sup>th</sup>

**Suggested Donation: \$10 per person. All monies raised will go to Relay for Life. Your \$10 covers a soup lunch and your game(s) for the day.**

**Please reserve your spot by calling Dottie at (336) 818-0552 or emailing the church office at [admin@wilkesboroumc.org](mailto:admin@wilkesboroumc.org).**

*We need to know if you are going to host an entire game table and how many people will be at your table or if you would like to be added to another table so we know how many tables to set up and how many people we need to be prepared to host.*

**8. Friday Night Foodies** –meet each Friday night at 5pm at Cagney’s. Everyone is invited!

**9. Don’t forget to Spring Forward this weekend! Daylight Savings Time starts Sunday morning at 2am.**



## 10 Some important dates:

**Join us Sunday for worship at 10am & Sunday school in the Ecclesia Room at 11am. Please join us! We'd love to have you!**

**Tuesdays at 10am**, make plans to join us for **Coffee with Karen** at **Talia's**.

**TONIGHT – Bible Study this week. Bible Study at 6pm.**

**Every Friday at 5pm** join the **Friday Night Foodies** at **Cagney's**.

**Sunday; March 10<sup>th</sup> – Rise Against Hunger Church Wide Packing Event at 1:30pm** in the **fellowship hall**.

**Tuesday; March 12<sup>th</sup> – Relay for Life Card and Game Party/Soup Lunch Fundraiser**

**EASTER Schedule of Events:** Please see item # 3 on the update for a complete list of dates & times.

## 11. We continue to pray for....

Ann Snyder – is in the hospital at Baptist after experiencing some fluid build-up and rapid heart beat.

Joy Miller (Margaret Cooper's niece) is having BP and heart issues.

TA Welborn is at home now recovering.

The Family & Friends of Vernadeen Stokes

Susan Conway, Jim Day, **Charles Drum**, Kyson Farley, Billy & Kay Hayes, Francoise Hughes **Kent & Brenda Lunsford**, **John Mabry**, Sherry Mabry, **Ann Snyder**, **Debbie Summers**, Mary Summerford, Herb Taylor, Sarah Webster, **T.A. Welborn**, Tempa Welborn, Ricky Wiles, Seth Wilson, Darlene Winslow, Ukraine, our planet in crisis, the US, Israel, Gaza and Middle East , and for God to bring Peace to all World Leaders.

**NURSING FACILITIES:** Betty Beshears (Rose Glen Manor), Mary Lou Brooks (Villages of Wilkes), Brenda Dale (Wilkes Health and Rehab), Bobbi Blake (Rose Glen Village), Wanda Garwood (Rose Glen Village), Barbara Groce (Villages of Wilkes), Jenny Miller (Westwood Hills Nursing and Rehab Facility), Caroline Randolph (The Pines in Davidson), Rosie Shephard (Rose Glen Manor)

Blessings,  
Dottie