WUMC Weekly Update: June 5, 2024

1. Worship

Last Sunday was a beautiful journey through our baptism waters to the table of Christ as we celebrated the Baptism of Ariana Grace Thornton and closed the service with communion. There was much to celebrate so I hope you will watch the service on <u>Facebook</u> or <u>YouTube</u> and not just read the attached sermon.

2. "If you love me, tend my sheep"

This command from Jesus was given to his disciples as a call to reach out and care for those in our faith family. **This Sunday, June 9 from 3-5** we will have a training session to become better equipped at caring for one another through Lay Shepherd Ministry.

Becoming a Lay Shepherd means being assigned one or two people for which you will be responsible for showing loving care to as you keep them connected to the life of the church. Please consider joining this important ministry and let's make sure our flock stays connected.

3. <u>SUMMER LITERACY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED BY THIS FRIDAY</u> – if you would love working with children and would like to volunteer with the Summer Literacy Program, please call or email Dottie no later than this Friday. The SLP Lead Teacher would like to know how many volunteers we have and what area interests you most so she can do a volunteer schedule. The dates of camp are June 17th – July 19th with two days off for July 4th (July 4th & 5th). Please make sure you also let me know any conflicts you have so we do not schedule you for that time. Camp runs Monday – Friday each week from 8am – 3pm.

Make sure to <u>include what days and times you are available</u>. <u>We</u> still <u>need Meal and Snack helpers, Walking Field Trip Chaperones and volunteers to listen to children read</u>. Please be in prayer about how God is wanting to use you for this important ministry. <u>I need all volunteer names by this Friday; June 7th.</u>

4. Community Connections are Vital - We need you!

Currently we have many people in our faith community who are having health struggles and are unable to attend many church functions, We realize that this can lead to them feeling left out or isolated at a time when they need their church the most. While Pastor Karen and the Visitation Team visit folks, we have a need for forming better connections with more people.

On **Sunday, June 9 from 3-5 p.m. Pastor Karen will lead a Lay Shepherd Training session**. A Lay Shepherd is a person trained to walk alongside someone who is, for various reasons, at risk for feeling disconnected or isolated. Once trained, you would be matched with one or two people and tasked with reaching out to them weekly. It may be simply to mail them a bulletin with a note attached, a phone call, a personal visit, etc.

Click Here to Register!

5. UWFaith

The United Women of Faith will be hosting a meal followed by musical entertainment on Wednesday June 12th, beginning at 6PM. James Randolph, the grandson of Jim and Laura Davenport, will sing, play the guitar and piano following our meal. You may remember hearing James sing a solo and perform with our church choir. Please make plans to attend and feel free to invite your friends and neighbors! Donations will be accepted.

- 6. Bible Study This Week Bible Study tonight at 5:30pm on Revelation in the Fellowship Hall
- 7. Coffee with Karen meets each Tuesday at 10am at Talia's
- 8. Make plans now to join the Friday Night Foodies this Friday at 5pm at Cagney's.

9. Church Leadership Council (CLC) meeting has been moved from Sunday, June 16 to Sunday, June 30st at 12:30 pm. due to scheduling conflicts.

10. Important Dates to Remember.

Join us Sunday for worship at 10am & Sunday school in the Ecclesia Room at 11am.

June 7th Hand in Hand will host End of Year Celebration for Moravian Falls Teachers & Staff

June 9th Lay Shepherd Training 3 - 5pm

June 12th UWFaith Dinner and Music. Entertainment provided by James Randolph. James is the son of Adam and Laurie Randolph and the grandson of Caroline Randolph and Jim & Laura Davenport.

Donations will be accepted. All monies raised will go towards getting the stump removed so repairs can begin on the sidewalk damaged by the tornado a few weeks ago.

June 13th UMM Annual Golf Tournament; Thursday; at Oakwoods Country Club.

June 16th Father's Day

June 17th American Red Cross Blood Drive

June 26th M.O.M - MRC (Mission Response Center in Terrell, NC) from 9am - 1pm

June 30th CLC Mtg. at 12:30 pm

11. Prayer List (names in BOLD are our most recent prayer requests)

Betty Beshears Keith Summerford Richard Ayers

Francois Hughes Pruitt Healthcare Rm. 205

Gretchen Barelski, Chuck Byers, **Diana Cecil**, Susan Conway, Brayden Crawford, and his mom, Jim Day, **Charles Drum**, Kyson Farley, Billy & Kay Hayes, **Greg Luck**, Kent & Brenda Lunsford, John Mabry, Sherry Mabry, Joy Miller, Stephen Nobles, **Glenda Pierce**, Ann Snyder, Mary Summerford, Bob Taylor, Herb Taylor, Sarah Webster, T.A. Welborn, Tempa Welborn, Ricky Wiles, Seth Wilson, Darlene Winslow, **Gary York**, Ukraine, our planet in crisis, the US, Israel, Gaza and Middle East, for God to bring Peace to all World Leaders, everyone impacted by last week's tornado and the **UMC Conference**.

NURSING FACILITIES: Betty Beshears (Pruitt Health – Hospice Care), 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