

## Wilkesboro UMC Weekly Update – April 16, 2025

**1. Worship** We had a lovely Palm Sunday celebration as we explored what it means to "open the gate of righteousness" and follow Jesus. You can read the attached sermon but you will really miss the full beauty of worship, so I hope you will watch the video on [Facebook](#) or [YouTube](#).

**2. Bible Study** Join us at 5:30 tonight for our Holy Week bible study in the Ecclesia Room. We will take a few weeks off and begin a new series of study on May 14th.

**3. Tenebrae Service is Thursday at 7 p.m.** We cannot get to Easter without the journey to the cross. Sunday, we celebrated with Palms but Thursday, we must acknowledge the pain and sorrow of the crucifixion - Easter can't be fully appreciated without that reflection.

Join the Chancel Choir, a guest ensemble of musicians, Dr. Dennis Mayer/organist, Matt Ledford/narrator, Jennifer Ledford/acolyte, under the direction of Pastor of Worship and the Art, Dr. Jim Brooks, as they present "In the Shadow of the Cross."

We join at the communion table and remember the journey to the cross. Please invite others to attend with you.

### 4. Easter Celebrations!

**6:30 a.m. - Community Sunrise Service:** Wilkesboro UMC joins with St. Paul's Episcopal Church & FBC of North Wilkesboro at the Wilkesboro Town Commons stage for a beautiful celebration of the resurrection!

**7:15 ish - Easter Breakfast:** The UMM will provide a light Easter Breakfast in the fellowship hall following the Sunrise Service. (We may have some special music at the breakfast, I'm awaiting confirmation)

**10:00 a.m. - Easter Worship Celebration:** We're excited to welcome Barry Bauguess (Trumpet) as our guest musician for the day as he joins Pastor Jim and the choir from songs of Easter celebration as we rejoice in the risen Christ.



### *Easter Sunday Schedule*

**6:30 a.m. Easter Sunrise Service**  
at Wilkesboro Town Commons

**7:30 a.m. Easter Breakfast in Fellowship Hall**  
The guys said they will be fully prepared to feed a crowd.

**10:00 a.m. Easter Worship with special music**

**11:00 a.m. Sunday School**

*\*The regularly scheduled CLC meeting today has been cancelled.*

## 5. Ribbon Cutting and Refreshments for the Daycare Wing: Thursday, April 24 @ 11 a.m.

Wilkesboro UMC and Wilkes Community Partnership for Children will co-host a ribbon cutting ceremony in the fellowship hall. Bishop Ken Carter will be our guest as well as others from the community.

## 6. UMM Golf Tournament is June 5<sup>th</sup> at Oakwoods Country Club – Shotgun Start 1pm

This tournament is in memory of Wayburn Clonch; a dedicated member of WUMC. Each year, the UMM host the Annual Wayburn Clonch Memorial Golf Tournament as way to remember the contributions Wayburn and his family made not only to this church but also our greater community. In honoring the Clonch family, the UMM chooses a tournament honoree each year whose contributions and dedication to Wilkes County and our church family mirror that of Wayburn's. This year's honoree is Robert Rizoti. For nearly forty years, Robert owned and operated Oakwoods Grocery, serving his community with dedication and care. He has lead the United Methodist Men's group as president for the past thirteen years; a role he considers both an honor and a joy.

This **Captain's Choice** tournament: **\$75 per player.**

Up to two **Mulligans** pp may be purchased at **\$5** each.

### Prizes will be awarded:

- 1<sup>st</sup> \$100 OCC Gift Card per player
- 2<sup>nd</sup> \$ 50 OCC Gift Card per player
- 3<sup>rd</sup> One Dozen Golf Balls per player

### For More Information:

Mike Cooper: (336) 262-6970  
Robert Rizoti: (336) 262-4260  
Russell Golds: (828) 406-0741

Longest Drive (Men & Ladies) and Closest to the Pin (on all Par 3's)

### Mail Checks to...

Russell Golds  
707 Saint Cloud Dr.  
Statesville, NC 28625

## 7. EVENTS THIS WEEK

April 17th – April 22nd

Tonight  
Thursday  
Friday  
Sunday  
Monday  
Tuesday

**Bible Study Tonight at 5:30pm**  
**7pm Tenebrae Service** in the sanctuary.  
**The Friday Night Foodies meet at 5pm every Friday at Cagney's.**  
For HE is Risen! Please see the Easter Schedule posted on the front page.  
The **church office is closed** today in observance of the Easter holiday  
**Coffee with Karen** at Anchor Coffee at 10:00am

**UPCOMING EVENTS** To add an event, please call the church office or email Dottie at [admin@wilkesboroumc.org](mailto:admin@wilkesboroumc.org).

**PlayWorks Blessing and Dedication by Bishop Carter** April 24<sup>th</sup> at 11am.

## 8. Prayer Requests

Susan Blackburn, Pastor Jim Brooks, **Chuck Byers**, **Diana Cecil**, Margaret Cooper, **Brenda Dale**, Jim Day, Charles Drum, **Hal Emery**, Kyson Farley, **Ronnie Farley**, Francois Hughes, **Kimberly Hughes**, **Shannon Hughes**, **Tom Kinlaw**, **Yvonne Ladouceur**, Greg Luck, Sherry Mabry, Glenda Pierce, **Debbie Reeves**, Ray and Mary Jane Rich, Robert Rizoti, Amber Thornton, Donnie Thornton, Mary Summerford, Keith Summerford, **Bob Taylor**, David Taylor III, Jeramie & Crystal Taylor, Herb Taylor, Lee Tedder, Cecil Walters, TA. Welborn, Edgar Wilcox, Derrick Wilson, **Becky Wilson**, **Seth Wilson**, D. Young, Gavin Young, **Gary York**, Ukraine, our planet in crisis, the US, Israel, Gaza, Middle East for God to bring Peace to all World Leaders, our mountain counties, our president and our country's leadership.

**NURSING FACILITIES:** Brenda Dale (Wilkes Health and Rehab), Bobbi Blake (Rose Glen Village), Barbara Groce (Wilkes Assisted Living), Jenny Miller (Westwood Hills Nursing and Rehab Facility), Caroline Randolph (The Pines in Davidson) and Rosie Shephard (Rose Glen Manor)

Happy Easter!