



Burkhead

United Methodist Church
5250 Silas Creek Parkway
Winston-Salem, NC 27106

Rev. Dr. Carl Manuel, Jr.
Pastor



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worship through
our website or
Facebook page.
We will hold an
outdoor service
each Sunday
at 10:00 am.
Please call the
office and let us
you will be here.



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Burkhead News

"The work of the church is essential.

*The work of caring for the lonely, the marginalized,
and the oppressed is essential.*

*The work of speaking truth to power and seeking
justice is essential.*

*The work of being a loving, liberating, and life
giving presence in the world is essential.*

*The work of welcoming the stranger, the refugee
and the undocumented is essential.*

*The work of reconciliation and healing and caring
is essential.*

*The church does not need to "open" because the
church never "closed". We who make up the
Body of Christ, the church, love God and our
neighbors and ourselves so much that we will
stay away from our buildings until it is safe.
We are the church."*

~ from the Bishop-elect of the Episcopal Church
in the Diocese of Missouri, Deon K. Johnson

*"To pray is to grasp heaven in one's arms,
to embrace the Deity within one's soul,
and to feel one's body made a temple of the Holy Spirit."
~ Charles H. Spurgeon*

From the desk of Rev. Dr. Carl L. Manuel, Jr.



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My dear sisters and brothers of Burkhead United Methodist Church. How can I say thanks to a group of God fearing loving people who care so much for their pastor and his mother the three years that I have been the pastor of this great church? I was welcomed with gifts of all kinds, cards and restaurant gift cards to 10 star eating places in the Twin City. Each of you have gone beyond the call of duty to make me feel like a king from 2017-2020. You invited me into your beautiful homes in the summer, fall, winter and spring year round.

I really have enjoyed my stay in Winston-Salem all because of people like you and your families. You were very kind to my mother, Dr. Nan Phelps Manuel, during the time she was sick with me in Winston and Greensboro and some attending her homegoing service on October 28, 2019 at high noon at the St. James Presbyterian Church in Greensboro. You showed your love and support to your pastor during this sad time in my life.

The time has come to say good-bye to a group of outstanding followers of Jesus Christ who shared their gifts of love not only to me but to the community. Each of you will always have a special place in my heart as long as I live. To my staff - the late Ginny Carswell, Darlene, Sandra, Guy (especially for coming in to record and post my video messages) and Tom, God bless you, thank you. I will miss you.

With Tears from my heart Good-Bye Burkhead, I love you very much. I will see you soon.

I know that Rev. Julie O'Neal will be blessed to have members like she will receive when she starts her journey with you as the new pastor of Burkhead.

Yours in Christ,
Rev. Dr. Carl Manuel, Jr., Pastor
July 2017-June 2020

From the Financial Secretary's Desk:

Financial Report:

	April	Year to Date
Total Received	\$14,059	\$68,294
Total Spent	\$21,719	\$86,145

We have accessed funds through the end of April from our Loan from the United Methodist Foundation and paid out this same amount to two construction companies—amount received and then spent was \$169,783. In May we also received and paid out another \$50,806. We are nearing the end of the work and estimate another \$75,000 or so in expenses to complete the work.

A memorial has been received from Ralph and Bobbie Futrell in memory of Jean Alexander.

Conference and district apportionments have been paid through June 2020.**News for you regarding Tax Law for 2020**

Here is some information regarding the CARES Act that pertains to a lot of us. This act suspends the individual charitable contribution limitation of 60% of adjusted gross income for the 2020 tax year and **creates a \$300 charitable contribution deduction that is available to taxpayers who do not itemize deductions.**

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

13th Mike & Peg Price
 19th Barry & Joan Crotty
 19th Paul & Betty Powers
 21st Keith & Becky Arnott
 24th Jim & Jane Ray
 24th Bucky & Erin Smith
 29th Terry & Lynn Blumenthal

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

2nd Sarah Blumenthal
 4th Bill Bishop
 4th Kathy Lisle
 4th Erin Smith
 13th Beth Campbell
 18th Abby Kelpin
 20th Charo King
 26th Daniel Blumenthal
 26th Anne Pruitt
 29th Carrie Lisle

Please notify the church office if your anniversary or birthday has been left off or is incorrect. We want to include everyone in celebrating these occasions.

Notes of Appreciation were received from:

- Samaritan Ministries for our recent donation of \$258. *"Thanks for caring and sharing."*
- UMCOR US Disaster Response and Recovery for our donation of \$100.

Congregational Prayers

Members: Our Church, Our Pastor - Rev. Dr. Carl Manuel & family, Our Homebound Members, Marty Butner Covington, Betty Friddle, Bobbie & Ralph Futrell, Steve Gentry & Brenda Raker-Gentry, Jean Hole, Cameron Jordan, Harriet Lassing, Meredith Mende & Sean Kejriwal, Rick Mende, Jo Nicholas, Betty & Paul Powers, Mary Lib & Aaron Shough
Family & Friends: Donna & Ted Carson, Dick Collier, Todd Craven, Nicholas Crain, Allan Donley & family, Anne Donley, Drunette, Eddie & family, Chad Edwards, Kimberly Howard Green, Wanda Hobson, Sarah Howell, Ed Jones, Betty & George Mack, Vanessa Maculaitis, Faye Marchant, Misty McGuire, Michael, Rick Randall, Renee's family, Greyla & Reuben Ricardo & their Cuban families, Kitty Roberts, Chloe Smith, Chris Thore, Tom Turnbull & family

Please read the following update from Bishop Leeland and the WNCC Cabinet:

5.20.2020 Covid-19 Update

The Bishop and Cabinet continue to recommend strongly that you follow the Conference, CDC, and state guidelines for the slow re-opening of churches. Jesus calls us to protect the most vulnerable among us. Our continuation with virtual, drive-in, or outdoor worship at least through June 30 is a way to love one another by not putting others at risk. Please remember that persons can transmit this virus without showing signs of being infected.

During this time, we encourage you to form a team to review the “*Guidelines for In-Person Worship & Ministry*”, “*24 Questions to Consider Before Re-Opening*”, “*Risk Assessment for Churches*” from our Conference Chancellor, Greg Huffman, and the article by Alex Shanks. Doing so will help your local church approach re-opening in faithful ways. Health officials continue to remind us that permission to do something may not be the wisest course of action. We are counting on clergy and laity leaders to resist rushing back into in-person worship and putting their congregations and communities at risk. Please take the time needed to discern what’s safest for your local church and community.

Burkhead is in the process of developing a plan for Worship. We will keep you informed.

May 26, 2020

Greetings Clergy and Laity of the Yadkin Valley District,

As you are aware District Superintendent Mike Bailey will retire at the end of June. Normally our District would have a gathering to honor him for his years of ministry. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the guidelines for social gathering issued by Bishop Leeland, we will not be able to do that. We have discussed this with Mike and he is in agreement.

We do want to acknowledge his years of ministry and thank him for the three years spent in the Yadkin Valley District. If you and/or your church would like to contribute to a gift honoring Mike, we are suggesting a donation to UMAR which is a ministry close to Mike’s heart.

There are three ways you can do this:

- You can send a check to the District office, made payable to Yadkin Valley District, and indicate on the memo line that it is in honor of Mike. The address is 1031 Reynolda Road, Winston-Salem, NC 27104.
- You can make a donation online directly to UMAR at www.UMARinfo.com/donate. There is a place to mark it in honor of someone.
- You can mail the donation directly to UMAR at UMAR Services, Inc., 5350 77 Center Drive, Suite 201, Charlotte, NC 28217.

If you would like to send a card or note of appreciation to Mike, please mail those to the District Office and they will be sent to Mike.

We would appreciate cards and donations being sent by June 28, 2020.

We invite you to share this information with your churches or other individuals who might like to participate by making a contribution or sending a card.

Blessings to each of you,
Yadkin Valley District Superintendency Committee

BURKHEAD'S NEW PASTOR

The Rev. Julie O'Neal, Burkhead's new pastor, will begin her ministry with us and move into our parsonage on July 1. She prefers to be called Julie. She comes to us from Christ United Methodist Church in Weaverville, North Carolina, in the Blue Ridge District. Julie's first Sunday in the pulpit will be July 12.

Her husband, Ross, lives in Mooresville and is the pastor of Central United Methodist Church Mooresville. Julie and Ross have two adult sons and one grandchild that live in Greensboro. Her move to Winston-Salem will put the family closer together.

Prior to serving as a pastor, Julie taught both high school and college-level English and served as a Christian Educator.

Burkhead is and always has been involved heavily in outreach. Some of Julie's outreach training, such as "*Courage to Serve*", "*Messy Church Training*", "*Poverty Simulation via Circles*" and "*Called and Gifted*", will be great additions.

An event will be held in July for members to have an opportunity to introduce themselves and welcome Julie to our congregation. Members will receive a notification to inform them when and where.

Beth Dixon, SPRC

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Outside Perimeter of the Church

I have begun to work on the outside of the Church in order for it to look nicer. Dawn Brown and her family are joining me in this effort. A work day is scheduled Thursday, June 4, at 2:00 p.m. We would like to have you join us in this labor of love and hard work.

First, we are going to work on sprucing up the two entrances into the Narthex. On the office side, we hope to move the nardinas closer to the wall and on the circle side, work on the area outside the Parlor so it looks nicer for our outside worship services in June. Other areas we hope to improve are around our marquee on Silas Creek Parkway and as you enter the parking lot, the garden with the birdbath. Then move on to others as time allows.

Beth Dixon

ANNUAL PORT-A-PIT BBQ FUNDRAISER

Since I am a committee of one (didn't receive any volunteers) and only two individuals volunteered to perform their same tasks as last year, I am waiting another two to three months to see what happens with the virus. Then I will poll last year's chairpersons for input on whether to proceed or call off the BBQ sadly losing the \$5,000 plus it generates and the fellowship of our folks. If we don't move forward, think of ideas on how to replace that income loss.

The net proceeds of \$5,440.98 from the 2019 BBQ have not been designated. Think of these suggestions for the use of the proceeds. If you have others, please provide them to me by July 1. If no responses by then, this is how we spend our proceeds.

\$ 2,200 Operating Budget

\$ 2,200 Capital Campaign

\$ 1,040 Hamilton-Davis Room - to finish the project*

\$5,440 2019 Proceeds

*(Some money was donated). The purpose is to turn the room into a meeting room that the Church can earn income from.

Beth Dixon, Chair

June 2020

Join us each Sunday for our Outdoor Worship Service beginning at 10:00 am						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 	2	3	4 1:00 pm - Reopening Church Committee meeting	5	6 8:00 am to 12:00 pm - Girl Scout Training, Hamilton Davis room
7  8:30 am - H.O.P.E. 10:00 am - Communion 5:00 pm - Church Council meeting	8 6:30 pm - Trustees Committee meeting	9	10	11	12	13
14 	15	16	17	18	19	20 
21 	22	23 Deadline for Newsletter Articles	24	25	26	27
28 8:30 am - H.O.P.E.	29	30		<p style="text-align: center;"><i>“So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with My righteous right hand.” Isaiah 41:10 (NIV)</i></p>		