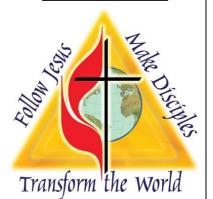


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The people of the United Methodist Church

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

> Rev. Julie O'Neal Pastor



**JOIN US** 

for our Sunday School classes 9:15 & 9:30 am, Fellowship Time 10:15 am, and Worship Service 10:30 am in our Sanctuary. Virtual worship is available through our website and Facebook page.

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# **Burkhead News**

# Annual Pine Needle Sale continues

The annual pine needle sale by Burkhead United Methodist Men is almost over! The **final delivery** will be **THIS SATURDAY**, **March 4th**. Please contact Murray Sink at

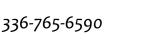


336-816-9579 with any questions or to place your order. Thank you for supporting the ministry of our United Methodist Men!

# WELCOME NEIGHBORS! THIRD THURSDAYS AT BURKHEAD UMC



FELLOWSHIP HALL 5250 SILAS CREEK PARKWAY



March 16, April 20, and May 18

from 11:30-1:00 Bring a bag lunch

Drinks provided

Thursday, March 16: **Game Day!** We'll have board

games, card games, and conversation. Thursday, April 20:

Health and Wellness Day!

We'll have a special speaker.

Thursday, May 18:

**Picnic Day!** We'll celebrate spring with a picnic; location TBA.



#### **Lectionary Readings**

These scriptures are used during our Sunday Worship Service. They are shared so everyone may read and study them throughout the week.

#### <u>5th</u>

Genesis 12:1-4a Psalms 121 Romans 4:1-5, 13-17 John 3:1-17 or Matthew 17:1-9

#### <u>12th</u>

Exodus 17:1-7 Psalms 95 Romans 5:1-11 John 4:5-42

### <u>19th</u>

1 Samuel 16:1-13 Psalms 23 Ephesians 5:8-14 John 9:1-41

#### <u>26th</u>

Ezekiel 37:1-14 Psalms 130 Romans 8:6-11 John 11:1-45

# Prayer Concerns and Praises



<u>February 5th</u> <u>Prayers:</u> Gloria McGurk, Meredith Mende Kejriwal, family of David Carter, China Moore, Burnette, Daryl Dixon, Richard & Jane Rogers & family, Wes White, Betty & Dave Moore, family of Marge Serrano

February 12th

<u>Prayers:</u> Barry Crotty, Gary Slate, Richard Rogers, Daryl Dixon, China Moore, Marge Serrano's family, Gloria McGurk, People of Turkey & Syria

#### February 19th

<u>Prayers:</u> Debbie Canter, Barry Crotty, Cindy Brock, Jane Rogers & family, Sean Kejriwal, Rick & Connie Mende, Sarah Howell, Nancy & Charles Flowers

#### February 26th

<u>Prayers:</u> Mike Price, Barry Crotty, Jim Sink, China Moore, Julie O'Neal

**Our Sincerest Condolences** are extended to the family of Marjorie Serrano. Marge passed away Monday, February 6, 2023. Her memorial service will be held later this year.

We also share our sympathies with Jane Rogers and the family of Richard Rogers who gained his wings February 16, 2023. His memorial service is Sunday, March 5th at 2:00 pm at Burkhead UMC. All are welcome to attend.

# Burkhead News

is a monthly publication of Burkhead United Methodist Church 5250 Silas Creek Parkway Winston-Salem, NC 27106 Website: burkheadumc.org Telephone: 336-765-6590 Rev. Julie O'Neal, Pastor extn 2 Rev. O'Neal's cell - 336-929-6001 Rev. O'Neal - joneal@wnccumc.net Darlene Davis, Church Secretary extn 3 Church Office - burkheadumc@gmail.com Financial Office - burkheadfinance@gmail.com Our church office is open Tuesday through Thursday from 10 am to 2 pm.

# Lectionary Study continues Monday nights at 7:00-8:15 in the parlor.

All are welcome to join in at any time; no registration is necessary.

Each week we will examine and discuss the scripture readings for the upcoming Sunday. Please join us!





Daylight Saving Time begins Sunday, March 12th at 2:00 am.

## From the Financial Secretary's Desk:

Financial Report:	January	Year-to-Date
Total Received	\$12,891.96	\$12,891.96
Total Spent	\$17,618.83	\$17618.83

We received Gifts in Memory of Harriet Lassing from Betty Bewley (for the Food Drive), from Ruth White and from Blain and Peggy Butner during January.

Please reach out to our Finance Office with any questions or concerns by emailing Darlene at burkheadfinance@gmail.com.

Notes of Appreciation
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• From The Salvation Army -

Dear Friends at Burkhead UMC,

I do hope you had a Blessed Christmas and Happy New Year. We cannot thank you enough for your support of our mission for the clients we serve here in Forsyth County, the children, the gifts, and so many things too many to name. We appreciate you more than you know. Thank you, as we together "Do the Most Good" for the most vulnerable of our neighbors. Robin Pardella, Volunteer Coordinator

From Board of Global Ministries

Dear Friends in Mission,

*Thank you!* The dear people you just helped with your gift to UMCOR may never have the opportunity to meet you, but if they did, I am certain their response would be — Thank you!

Together, may we continue to reveal the love of God for men, women, and children of<br/>all ethnic, racial, cultural and national backgrounds and to demonstrate genuine love<br/>for our neighbors.Grace and Peace,

Roland Fernandes, General Secretary

# **Burkhead Book Club**

Sunday afternoon, **March 19th at 5 pm** at the parsonage (3231 Blenheim Place). We will discuss **The Reading List: A Novel** by Sara

Nisha Adams and follow our discussion with a light supper. The book is available at the library, through Amazon, ThriftBooks and McKay's. If you've come before, you



know it will be fun. If you haven't yet joined us, come and take advantage of our moneyback guarantee! Dear Burkhead members,

Please ask me if you have any questions about items that are issues for you within Burkhead, within our Western North Carolina Conference, or within the United Methodist Church in general. Be in touch! Peace be with you, Julie O'Neal

Church office: 336-765-6590 extn 2; Cell: 336-929-6001

# March Community Meal

The Community Fellowship Meal will be Wednesday, March 8th at 6:00 pm

and will feature Honey Baked Ham, casseroles and dessert for \$6. First timers



and children eat free. Make plans to join us and invite your friends. The sign up sheet is on the table outside the kitchen.

# **2023 Directory Updates**

Please add this information to your current directory. There are directories available on our Information table.

Chipman, Katherine

336-413-4547

Lisle, Carrie

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Llanaj, Ilir 223 Quietwood Drive Winston-Salem, NC 27103

336-760-5778

Mende, Mitch 1515 Timberlake Drive Ashland, OR 97520 808-896-8465

Phipps, Stephanie Knight 1209 Myrtle Wood Lane Lewisville, NC 27023 336-945-1505 cell: 336-299-4567

**Rogers, Jane** cell: 336-590-0511

**Rogers, Jay & Cheryl** 102 Doe Crossing Lexington, NC 27295

**Stephens,** Ian 759 Bailey Road Franklin, NC 28734 cell: 336-682-6188

### Corrections:

**DuBois, Russ -** address unknown **Jones, Lib** - moved to Alabama, searching for her new address

# HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

13th Gale and Murray Sink

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- 1st Lori Howell
- 8th Scott Griset 9th Jessica Andrade
- 10th Dawn Brown
- 14th Mitch Mende
- 16th Mandi Marissa McGown
- 19th Jo Thomas
- 20th Mary Lib Shough
- 26th Murray Sink
- 26th Ansley Spencer
- 28th Jackie McGown
- 29th Keith Arnott
- 31st Bobbie Futrell
- 31st Logan Friddle 31st John Hedrick



# FORSYTH FAITH & FOOD GATHERING

I am excited to be able to invite you and anyone in your church and community interested to a FAITH AND FOOD gathering for the Forsyth County area on **March 21 from 10 to 3 at Centenary UMC** located at 646 West 5th St. Winston Salem. At this gathering we will share what's needed right now and how we can be part of the solution collaboratively. At this gathering:

 $\cdot$  We'll introduce partnerships – the ones we have and the ones we want.

 $\cdot$  We'll examine our ministry contexts – the assets and the needs.

 $\cdot$  We'll explore the deep relational work that's needed for sustainability, resiliency and thriving community work.

• Finally, we will consider how we can work together in collaborative ways that will be more effective and help transform communities.

There will be no charge for this gathering or for lunch. Please feel free to contact me at <u>reaster@wnccumc.org</u> or text/call 336.239.1759. Use this link to sign up: <u>https://wnc-reg.brtapp.com/</u> FORSYTHFAITHANDFOODGATHERING

Many Blessings, Renee Easter

Open Arms Community

Loving God and Neighbor since 2000

Join the Outreach Committee as we invite and welcome friends and neighbors to Burkhead on the **third Thursday of the month** for a time of fellowship and/or learning. Let's get out of the house and give a boost to our health and wholeness!

We will meet from **11:30-1 pm in the fellowship hall** (or other location as announced). **Bring your lunch** and a friend or neighbor and join us for some fun! Drinks will be provided.

Our first event will be a game day with **board and card games on March 16**. On April 20 we will enjoy a special speaker on Health and Wellness. On May 18, we will get outside and enjoy a picnic together.

If you have an idea for an activity you would like for us to host, let anyone on the Outreach Committee know. After such a long time of social distancing with Covid, it will be great to get back to some more fun together. Pick up a flier at the information table to share with others.

## **Easter is Coming!**

Please help us provide a fun Easter for the children at the Salvation Army Center of Hope Shelter. We have been asked to **provide candy filled eggs** for an Easter Egg Hunt. Please <u>bring plastic eggs and individually wrapped candy and place it in the bin at the church</u>. If you need help shopping, speak to Gale Sink. Thank you for your help!

## Thank you for Helping to Feed the Hungry

Thank you to those who provided desserts for a meal recently at The Dwelling, a worship community that grew out of the homeless community in Winston-Salem. This meal was provided by SPARK and Burkhead.

Also, thank you to those who have been providing a meal every month for the children at Open Arms Community. We provide this meal on the second Tuesday of the month. If you can help provide this kid-friendly meal for about 15 children, please sign up on the information table.

## **Music for Food Concert**

On Sunday, March 26 from 2-3 pm, at Augsburg Lutheran Church, join the Black Mountain Trio from the UNC School of the Arts for a concert to raise funds and food to support Crisis Control Ministry's food pantries. Please bring non-perishable food or a donation to support the food pantry.

**Open Arms Community** will be hosting one, or possibly two, youth volunteer in mission teams. These teams will be running a Vacation Bible School for children in the neighborhood in the earlier part of the day and helping out with other projects such as painting and organizing during the latter part of the day. However, in order for them to come serve our community, we need some help from our local church partners. **The youth mission group is coming July 16-22, 2023.** 

We are looking for some local volunteers to help welcome the volunteers in mission and offer them some hospitality by showing them around the city. If you know someone who might be interested in that, please let us know.

Thanks for all you do. Rev. Julie Wilson March 2023







# 2023 Spring Lay Servant Ministry Courses

Here are some opportunities for everyone, not just our Lay Servants. If you are interested in one or more courses, please register at <u>https://wnc-reg.brtapp.com/LayServantMinistrySpringCourses</u> 2023YadkinValley. Ask Julie or Darlene if you have any questions.

COURSE	LEADER	DATE	TIME	LOCATION	ADDRESS/NOTES
Basic Course in Spanish	Oscar Zuniga	May 12 & 19 and June 2	6:00pm – 9:20pm	Marvin UMC Winston-Salem	4401 Indiana Ave.
Basic Course in English	Bart Milleson	March 25 and April 22	9:00am - 3:00pm	Crossnore Community Winton-Salem	1031 Reynolda Rd. Lunch Provided
Advanced Course: "La Evangelizciòn Transformador	Sonia Baca-Zuniga	May 12 & 19 and June 2	6:00pm – 9:20 pm	Marvin UMC Winston-Salem	4401 Indiana Ave.
Advanced Course: From Your Heart to Theirs	Julie Wilburn	April 22 & 29 and May 13 & 20	10:00am- 12:30 pm	Mt. Tabor UMC Winston-Salem	3543 Robinhood Rd.
Advanced Course: Lay Servants Lead in Conflict Resolution	Chuck Ireson	March 18 & 25	9:00am – 3:00pm	Pine Grove UMC Winston-Salem	1130 Jonestown Rd. Lunch Provided
Advanced Course: Leading Bible Study	Sandra Ireson	March 18 & 25	9:00am – 3:00pm	Pine Grove UMC Winston-Salem	1130 Jonestown Rd. Lunch Provided
Advanced Course: Transforming Evangelism: Lead in Evangelism	Pamela Blackstock	March 18 and April 15	9:00am - 3:00pm	St. Paul UMC Winston-Salem	2400 Dellabrook Rd. Lunch Provided
Advanced Course: Life Together in the United Methodist Connection	Renee Easter with Brief Perspective by Sam Moore	March 25 and April 22	9:00am- 3:00 pm	Crossnore Community Winston-Salem	1031 Reynolda Rd. Lunch Provided

# **Music on the Hill Returns**

Music will again ring from Burkhead in May and June with four favorites returning to "Music on the Hill." The Sunday afternoon concerts in the Fellowship Hall will begin at 6 pm. Bring your dancing shoes, well, except maybe for the gospel program. Flyers will soon be made available for posting around the neighborhood. There will be no charge.

May 7: None of the Above - Bluegrass May 21: Sweet Dreams – Smooth jazz June 4 : Richard Harding – Favorites June 11: Cornerstone Quartet – Gospel

#### 36th Annual Shepherd's Center Used Book Sale May 4 - May 6, 2023

The Shepherd's Center of Greater Winston-Salem will hold its **36th Annual Used Book Sale** on **Thursday**, **May 4** & **Friday**, **May 5** from **9 am** to **9 pm**, and on **Saturday**, **May 6** from **8 am** to **2 pm**. On Saturday all items are ½ price. **Parking and Admission are FREE**! The sale will be held in the **Education Building** at the **Winston-Salem Fairgrounds**. Entrance for parking is through **Gate 5 from Deacon Blvd**. This is truly a **book sale with a purpose**!

## Key Points Regarding the Disaffiliation Process from the United Methodist Church

- 1. There are currently churches in our denomination that will be seeking to disaffiliate in order to become independent churches or eventually join a new Methodist denomination known as the Global Methodist Church (GMC). These efforts have been facilitated by the Wesleyan Covenant Association (WCA), an organized group made up of the most conservative United Methodists who are against the full inclusion of LGBTQ persons in the church.
- 2. The main issue that has driven the new denomination and disaffiliation centers around human sexuality. Specifically questions of LGBTQ ordination and gay weddings in the church are the two points of contention regarding our Book of Discipline.
- 3. With General Conference the denomination's top lawmaking assembly postponed to 2024, plans for a formal denomination-wide separation over theological differences are up in the air. That leaves disaffiliation decisions up to each of the 53 U.S. annual conferences regional bodies consisting of multiple congregations. United Methodist annual conferences have a lot of leeway in administering church disaffiliations. Some conferences are looking to use their reserves to cut the exit costs. Some are adding more financial obligations. Even with these variations, the number of church exits is climbing.
- 4. Currently in the Western NC Annual Conference, a church that wishes to disaffiliate must agree to pay up to two years of apportionments and all unfunded clergy pension liability, as detailed in Paragraph 2553 of the 2016 Book of Discipline, as updated by the 2019 General Conference. The reason for this is the trust clause which specifies that the property of the church is held by the conference. For small churches, this amount would be tens of thousands of dollars and for mid-sized churches the cost would be in the hundreds of thousands.
- 5. For a church to disaffiliate, there is a process that involves the district's guidance. A super majority of members (a <sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> vote) would be needed to approve disaffiliation. Afterwards, the Annual Conference would vote to approve disaffiliation. Following disaffiliation, a church can remain independent, join the GMC, or another Methodist denomination (such as the Wesleyan Church, Free Methodist Church, etc.).
- 6. Currently the United Methodist Book of Discipline states that the practice of homosexuality is incompatible with Christian teaching, that practicing LGBTQ clergy cannot be ordained, and that same gender weddings cannot be performed in our churches or by our clergy. LGBTQ people are considered of "sacred worth" by our church discipline.
- 7. In some more progressive churches, there have been gay weddings performed. Conferences in the western, northeast, and mid-Atlantic parts of the US have been more lax in enforcing the Discipline regarding gay clergy and same gender weddings. The WCA and other conservatives cite the breakdown in following the Book of Discipline as reason to leave the denomination. Progressives view the issues surrounding full inclusion of LGBTQ persons as a human rights issue not unlike past reform efforts in the church with African Americans and women.
- 8. Contrary to rumor, churches do not have to vote to stay in the United Methodist Church. There have been false claims by some persons who suggest that the United Methodist Church is changing its doctrine. The continuing United Methodist Church will uphold the traditional beliefs as found in our Articles of Religion. This includes belief in the Trinity, the Resurrection, Virgin Birth, Divinity of Christ, Sufficiency of Scripture for Salvation, Original Sin, Free Will, and the Methodist understanding of Grace. We will continue to affirm the historic doctrine of the faith as shared via the Apostles' Creed.

# **March 2023**

Join us each Sunday at 10:30 am for Worship Service in our Sanctuary.							
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
			1	2	3	4 Pine Needle Deliveries	
<b>5</b> 2nd Sunday in Lent 9:15 & 9:30 am - Sunday School 10:15 am - Fellowship Time 10:30 am - Worship Service with Communion 2 pm - Memorial Service for Richard Rogers	6 7:00 pm - Lectionary Study	<b>7</b> 7:00 pm - Boy Scout Troop 911	8 6:00 pm - Community Fellowship meal friends food & fellowship	9	10	11 9:00 am - District Office Training 5:00 pm - SPARK'Dwell Collegiate group arrives	
12 3rd Sunday in Lent Girl Scout Sunday 9:00 am-SPARK Meet and Greet 9:15 & 9:30 am - Sunday School 10:15 am - Fellowship Time 10:30 am - Worship Service	13 6:00 pm - Girl Scout Troop 1929 <i>Lectionary</i> <i>Study is</i> <i>cancelled</i> SPARK 'Dwell Collegiate group here	14 10:30 am - Outreach Committee 7:00 pm - Boy Scout Troop 911 SPARK 'Dwell Collegiate group here	<b>15</b> 1:00 pm - Y.A.R.N. Ministry SPARK 'Dwell Collegiate group here	<b>16</b> 11:30 am to 1:00 pm - Third Thursdays, Game Day SPARK 'Dwell Collegiate group departs	<b>17</b> 6:00 pm - Girl Scout Troop 1929 overnight event	<b>18</b> 8:00 am - Girl Scout Troop 1929 departs	
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