



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

Sunday In The Park With Burkhead UMC

Who: You, your neighbors, your family

What: Outdoor service & picnic lunch

When: Sunday, September 10th
beginning at 10:30 am (no
Sunday School classes this week)

Where: Leinbach Park on Robin Hood Rd across the street
from Mount Tabor UMC

Why: Let's share worship, lunch and enjoy God's creation!

We are so excited to have the chance to be outdoors and celebrate Burkhead and each other. Dress is casual because we want everyone to feel comfortable and relaxed.



We will **join together in worship at 10:30 am**. You can decorate the altar with flowers or anything from nature.

Bring a camp chair from home if you want seating other than at the picnic tables.

Following the worship service, we'll have an old-fashioned church picnic. Fried chicken, tea and lemonade will be provided. We would love your homemade sides and desserts to add to the meal.



There is a **sign-up sheet on the Information Table** located outside of the kitchen. Please let us know that you plan to come and what you are bringing to share.

After lunch – visit, play games, stroll the trail, or even take a nap!

Directions to the park: From Robinhood Rd, turn at the stop light for Mt. Tabor Church onto Norman Road. Make an immediate left onto Sally Kirk Road and the park entrance is on your left.

For GPS: 3635 Sally Kirk Road NW.

The parking lot and shelter are handicap friendly all on a smooth level surface.

Let's all join together for Faith, Food, Fun, and Fellowship!



Lectionary Readings

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

3rd

Exodus 3:1-15
Psalms 105:1-6, 23-26, 45b
Romans 12:9-21
Matthew 16:21-28

10th

Exodus 12:1-14
Psalms 149 or Psalms 148
Romans 13:8-14
Matthew 18:15-20

17th

Exodus 14:19-31
Exodus 15:1b-11, 20-21
Romans 14:1-12
Matthew 18:21-35

24th

Exodus 16:2-15
Psalms 105:1-6, 37-45 or Psalms 78
Philippians 1:21-30
Matthew 20:1-16

INFORMATION UPDATES



Church directories are available on the table outside of the kitchen. **PLEASE check your personal information** for any errors!

Also if you currently receive our phone notifications on your home phone and would like to receive them on your cell instead (or in addition to), please let the office know. We'll be glad to make those changes!

We have a number of members that we are not able to contact because we don't have an address, phone number or email for them. There is a list available from the office if you would like to help locate and reach out to our members. Your assistance is always appreciated! Thank you!



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*

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Our church office is open Tuesday through Thursday
from 10 am to 2 pm.

From the Financial Secretary's Desk

Financial Report:

	July	Year-to-Date
Budget Received	\$23,096.82	\$105,318.86
Budget Spent	\$ 9,880.64	\$127,892.84
Capital Camp. Recvd.	\$ 3,945.00	\$ 18,465.00
Capital Camp. Spent	\$ 2,340.49	\$ 14,042.94

Burkhead UMC received Gifts in Memory of Barry Crotty from John & Diane Lutes, Murray & Gale Sink, Taylor Crane, Greg & Kathy Lisle, Jere & Barbara Carter, Elaine Stewart, Keith & Becky Arnott, Marilyn Baird, and Julie O'Neal. Burkhead UMC is very appreciative of these remembrances of our members.

It's **Budget Preparation Time!** The Finance Committee is beginning to work on our budget for 2024. Our expenses are exceeding our income at this point in the year, so the committee is trying to develop a budget that is more in line with our expenses. If you have any suggestions, please contact Terry Blumenthal.

Thank you for supporting Burkhead UMC and its ministries! Please contact Darlene Davis with any questions at burkheadfinance@gmail.com or 336-765-6590 extn 4. Thank you.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

10th Clyde & Diane May, Jr.
 12th Don & Dawn Brown
 14th John & Dominique Patrick
 27th Bob & Alice Smith

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

2nd Evan Burton
 4th Alice Smith
 5th Ian Stephens
 6th Katherine DuBois
 8th Cameron Jordan
 8th Judy LaPrade
 8th Kevin Messick
 19th Gale Sink
 24th Debbie Canter
 24th Katharine Chipman
 25th Laura Smith
 28th Russ DuBois
 28th Larry Hurst
 30th Barbara Griset

Please let the church office if your birthday or anniversary has been omitted or is incorrect.
 Let's celebrate everyone!

Prayer Concerns and Praises

July 30th

Prayers: Kim Jackson, David Bethune, Claudetta Wall, SPARK'Dwell campers
 Praises: Greg Lisle

August 6th

Prayers: Family of Claudetta Wall, Kim Jackson, David Bethune, Dr. Sam Moore
 Praises: Greg Lisle

August 13th

Prayers: Arthur Disher, Misty McGuire, David Bethune, the devastation of the Maui Lahaina fires

August 20th

Prayers: Shane Plott, Lee Lallance, Elaine

August 27th Prayers and Praises will be listed in the October newsletter.



Notes of Thanks from Grace UMC Youth, Mt. Juliet, TN

Thank you so much for welcoming us into your church. It was absolutely amazing and so comfortable. - Emery

Thank you for letting us stay at your church. It was amazing - Cadi

Thank you for letting us stay at your wonderful church - Gabriella

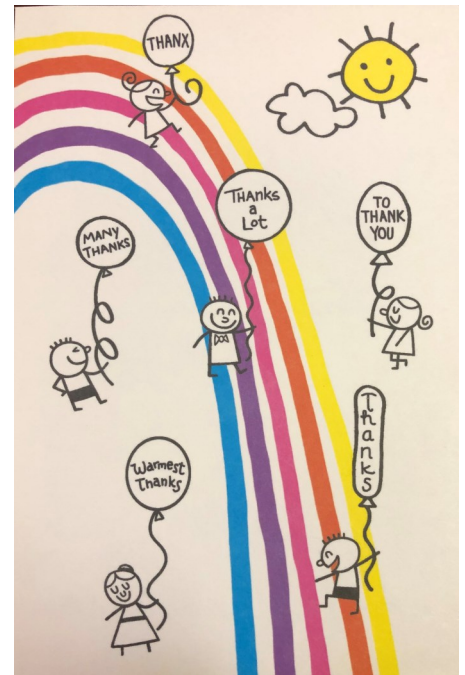
Thank you for letting us stay. Your church is a beautiful church.

Thanks for your kindness. - Addi

Thanks for letting us stay in your church! I appreciate your generosity. - August

Thank you for sharing your beautiful space with us! God bless you all and the incredible ministries at Burkhead! - Grace UMC Youth

Burkhead members - Thank you for sharing your church home with our youth group. Sleeping in quiet AC comfort was only the best thing after long hot days. The kitchen made meals so easy. Most of all thank you for your prayers for our group. - Mindy Oldham, Grace UMC Youth



A Note of Appreciation from Samaritan Ministries

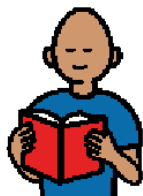
Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We're grateful for our partnership with Burkhead and appreciate the many ways you help care for our guests.

Sincerely,
Jan Kelly,
Executive Director

THE BOOK CLUB IS BACK FOR SEPTEMBER

The book for September is **Come Tell Me How You Live** by Agatha Christie Mallowan. This book gives details of real events in Agatha Christie's life that helped her write some of her wonderful mysteries. We will meet on the third **Sunday, September 17th** for supper and fun discussion at Pastor Julie's Home (3231 Blenheim Place). The discussion will **start at 5 pm** and supper will begin about 6 pm. Feel free to join us.



Submitted by Lynn Blumenthal

SEEKING JUSTICE, LOVING MERCY, AND WALKING HUMBLY TOGETHER WITH GOD

For six weeks this summer, SPARK and The Dwelling collaborated to bring Spirit-and-Service Learning to over 250 youth and adults! Each week was unique; we partnered with so many wonderful community members and organizations and worked on 46 different projects.

This summer, we introduced and built upon service sites. For instance, several groups worked in the store warehouse and entertained children while parents received services at A Storehouse for Jesus - a non-profit meeting needs in Mocksville, NC. Groups also went to Peacehaven Mobile Home Park; Spark runs an after-school program with that community, and we were excited to carry programming into the summer for four weeks.

Another special moment - out of many - was during Session 4. Spark'Dwell hosted a partnership dinner prepared by a service group to thank our partners for allowing us (and you!) to come alongside them this year.



Thanks for the School Supplies

The Outreach Committee and Open Arms Community offer their sincere thanks to everyone who donated school supplies for the children. This will help them get off to a great start this school year. This is not a comprehensive list of our donations, but some of the highlights are:

7 backpacks, 32 dozen pencils, 31 packs of filler paper, 33 boxes of crayons, 27 boxes of colored pencils, 40 spiral notebooks, 48 glue sticks, plus over 150 other assorted items. You have made a real difference in the community!



Third Thursday Health and Wellness Events

We have been having so much fun at our Third Thursday events! These events are open to the community and are designed to bolster our health and wellbeing. In August, we had a great time line dancing! It didn't matter if we made mistakes, it was just fun to move to the music and we got a great workout, too. Thank you Jamie and Albert for leading us!



Coming up on **September 21 from 11:30 am - 1 pm**, we will have a travel talk entitled "**Journey out West**". Maybe you have missed traveling during the last few years or maybe you want to revisit some places you have been previously. Maybe you want some good ideas of places to go or just want to visit without actually going there. This is your opportunity to "visit" some places in the western part of our country. Bring your bag lunch and invite some friends to join you!

Wondering what else we have in store for the next few months? October 19 will be a Halloween themed hot dog lunch in conjunction with the YMCA. November 16 will be a craft sampler. December 21 will be Christmas Around the World.

Mark your calendars and let someone on the Outreach Committee know if you have any ideas for future events you would like to participate in.



Port-a-Pit Chicken BBQ

**Saturday,
November 4**

11 am — 7 pm

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GET READY! Tickets for the Port-a-Pit Chicken BBQ are going on sale in early September. Ask Gloria for your tickets.

Ticket prices are the same as last year. Meals are \$12, half a chicken is \$9, and three chicken halves are \$25. Call Darlene at the church office for more details (336-765-6590, ext. 3)

"Ah, September! You are the doorway to the season that awakens my soul... but I must confess that I love you only because you are a prelude to my beloved October."

- Peggy Toney Horton

An Introduction to Lay Servant Ministry: The Basic Course

This course is a foundational, prerequisite course for all courses in Lay Servant Ministries. Participants are encouraged to discover and employ personal spiritual gifts as God intended and to consider the importance of exercising servant leadership, developing future leaders, remaining rooted in consistent spiritual practices, and being part of a group that holds members accountable in their discipleship.

Course Instructor: John Crane - (704) 678-2877, johncrane.nc@gmail.com

Course Location: Online via Zoom

Course Dates: Course will be taught over four consecutive Mondays - Sept. 11, Sept. 18, Sept. 25, & Oct. 2. Students must attend all four sessions to get credit for completing the course.

Course Time: 6:30pm - 9:00pm ET

Target Audience: This course is intended for adults who want to better understand their gifts of caring, leading, and communicating and how they can use their gifts more effectively as leaders in their local church. The course is open to anyone, but we especially encourage Lay Leaders, committee chairpersons, and committee members to attend. *It is a required course for anyone wishing to become a Certified Lay Servant, Certified Lay Speaker, or Certified Lay Minister.*

Cost: \$25.00 per person, plus participants are required to obtain their own copy of the required textbook.

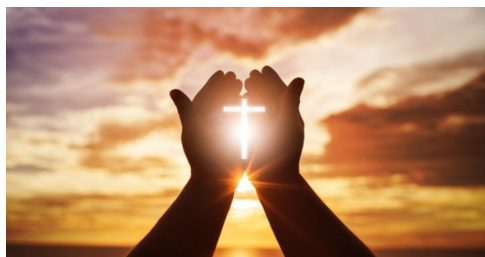
Required Textbook: *Lay Servant Ministries – Basic Course* by Sandy Zeigler Jackson and Brian Jackson, published by Discipleship Resources, 2013, ISBN: 978-0-88177-626-3. The textbook may be purchased through Upper Room Ministries, Cokesbury, or Amazon.com (Kindle Edition also available), or other retailer of your choice. Please ensure you purchase and receive the textbook by Friday, September 8th. Registrants will receive an email prior to the first class outlining the first reading assignment.

Computer requirements: Participants must be able to join the Zoom meeting using a computer, laptop, or tablet that has a microphone, speaker, and video camera.

Registration Deadline: Wednesday, September 6, 2023. Once you register, you will receive a confirmation email with the Zoom meeting information.

To Register: <https://wnc-reg.brapp.com/IntroductiontoLayMinistryTheBasicCourse>

Discover, Develop and Deploy Spiritual Leaders to Make Disciples of Jesus Christ for the Transformation of the World.



The Wesley Covenant Prayer

“I am no longer my own, but thine. Put me to what thou wilt, rank me with whom thou wilt. Put me to doing, put me to suffering. Let me be employed by thee or laid aside for thee, exalted for thee or brought low for thee. Let me be full, let me be empty. Let me have all things, let me have nothing. I freely and heartily yield all things to thy pleasure and disposal. And now, O glorious and blessed God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, thou art mine, and I am thine. So be it. And the covenant which I have made on earth, let it be ratified in heaven. Amen.”

Forrest Chapel UMC welcomes prayed-for new members

About a year ago, a small group of church members at Forrest Chapel UMC in Hartselle embarked on a prayer journey.

The group began meeting right after Sunday morning worship service each week to pray. The time was brief and to the point. The prayer was for God to send the church five new families.

Jennie Turney, a longtime member of the congregation, shared that her daughter's large church in another state was praying for 25 new families. She challenged her own church to do the same on a smaller scale. They decided to pray for God to send five new families.

"For a small country church, this seemed like a big ask!" said Patty Andrews. *"We hadn't really grown at such a rate over the last several years."*

The group decided not to have any big events to attract people. They were just going to pray. They met in a room off the narthex for about five minutes of prayer each week. Six to eight people were involved, taking turns leading the prayer time.

"We didn't have strangers immediately lining up at the door, begging to join," said Andrews. *"We didn't even have a strategic plan of action. We just had a real desire to share the love of Christ with our friends, family and community, offer a place to meet together to worship God and provide space to experience the love of God, the peace of Christ, and the transforming power of the Holy Spirit."*

Since the group started praying, Forest Chapel has added six new members. *"We are very thankful for our six new members, and for God's love, mercy and grace,"* she said. *"God is so faithful!"*

Rev. Jonathan Todd, newly appointed to the church, was impressed. *"One of the sacred God-given gifts of a United Methodist minister is to discover the image of Jesus Christ and to encounter the work of the Holy Spirit present at a new appointment,"* he said. *"During a season of turmoil in the UMC, it is exciting to see a congregation centering on making disciples of Jesus Christ. Forrest Chapel accomplishes this with the Christ-like work of genuine and loving hospitality. In a simple yet sincere commitment to prayer, the congregation prayed for God to bring five new families to the church. By the time I arrived, God had answered this prayer."*

They also didn't have a preconceived notion of the definition of family. *"We are a welcoming congregation. We will welcome whoever God sends us,"* said Andrews. New members received into the congregation included someone recently widowed, a transfer from another denomination and some folks from a nearby disaffiliated United Methodist Church. *"Of course, the children's director was praying for families with kids,"* she said with a laugh.

"Knowing that God is working in and through this congregation is inspiring as a newly appointed minister," said Rev. Todd. *"I work to discover what God is doing and find ways to accomplish the work."*




District Superintendent Rev. Vicki Cater was impressed as well. *"A lot of churches talk about prayer, teach and preach about prayer. But Forrest Chapel UMC got down on their knees and prayed. Their hearts were in agreement with God's will and their prayers were answered. Exciting to see where their prayers will take them from here."*

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For more articles go to: https://folio.umc.org/index.php/email/emailWebview?md_id=29172.

September 2023

Join us each Sunday at 10:30 am for Worship Service.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3 9:15 & 9:30 am - Sunday School 10:15 am - Fellowship Time 10:30 am - Worship Service with Communion	4	5 7:00 pm - Boy Scout Troop 911	6	7	8	9
10 10:30 am - Outdoor Worship Service at Leinbach Park 	11 6:00 pm - Girl Scout Troop 1929 6:30 pm - Finance Committee meeting	12 7:00 pm - Boy Scout Troop 911	13 6:00 pm - Community Fellowship Meal	14	15	16 9:00 am - District Office Training
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24 9:15 & 9:30 am - Sunday School 10:15 am - Fellowship Time 10:30 am - Worship Service 5:00 pm - Church Council	25 6:00 pm - Girl Scout Troop 1929 	26 7:00 pm - Boy Scout Troop 911	27	28	29	30