



**First Reformed United Church of Christ
Lexington, NC**

JUNE 2018



Dear Beloved Community,

The summer season starts soon. Beginning **June 17th**, our worship schedule will change. Worship will be at 10am in the chapel, and NO Sunday School. During the SS hiatus, think about various ways the church can engage in spiritual growth. Book discussions, small group Bible studies or topical discussions? I have a few ideas of my own, and I'd like to hear yours.

The Tutoring ministry finished May 21st. Thank you to **Patti Lovell, Jerry Lovell, and Bonita Hooper** for volunteering your time, knowledge, and teaching skills in order to help Lexington City School students learn. This ministry is small in number but Extra Large in impact! The students made tremendous strides in their progress from the beginning of the year to the end. Thanks be to God! If you have experience and would like to tutor in the Fall, please contact Dave Fulton.

This church began the discernment process of **Building an Inclusive Church** in the Fall of 2017. The mission is to **provide a hospitable and safe spiritual environment to people who are often marginalized by the institution of the church.**

While First Reformed UCC already reflects inclusive values in our day-to-day life and ministry, a specific **Welcoming Statement** sends a clear message and provides assurance to members, families, and others looking for an inclusive church home.

I was excited to present the DRAFT of the Welcoming Statement in worship on May 20th. It can be found on page 8 of this newsletter. **Please read through it, pray over it and give feedback.**

This statement will be circulated widely throughout the summer, with opportunities to give suggestions and ask questions.

After the summer, the Welcoming

Task Force will collect feedback and make changes if needed. Anyone is welcome to attend the Welcoming Task Force meetings.

I look forward to the summer with you!

Together with you in love,
Elizabeth



Frankie Hedrick



**WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!
Jeremy, Keri, Ethan & Kendyll Lovell**



Lisa Price



~ MEMORIALS ~ MAY 2018 ~

BETTY BATES

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FRUCC FRIENDSHIP CLUB

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DAVIS, KATHY & MATTHEW HINKLE

FRANK LEONARD

BETTY KEPLEY FORD

BILL & CAROLYN ROBBINS

CATHY & STEVE WAITMAN

~ THANK YOU NOTES ~

To our church family,

Mike and I would like to express gratitude for your prayers and concerns during our sister-in-law's recovery. It has been a comforting reminder of God's love at work during a difficult time.

To each of you, thank you for showing Doris and Jimmy the love of our wonderful church family.

Mike and Lynn Brown

**An acknowledgement has been received
from Pastor's Pantry for the \$1580.76
contribution received from the
Community Music Concert**

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To the Congregation,

The past three weeks have been extremely painful as I have been dealing with the Shingles. I think I'm beginning to see a turning point. I want to thank the members of First Church for all your prayers, cards, phone calls and food. You have been a blessing to me during this difficult time.

June Grubb

**An Acknowledgement has been received  
from Lancaster Theological Seminary for the  
contribution received for their scholarship  
program.**

**SAVE THE DATE!**

**WHAT:** Usher Appreciation Luncheon

**WHEN:** Sunday, August 19

**WHERE:** Fellowship Hall

**WHY:** To thank the ushers for their service and share updates of the new Usher Guidelines incorporating the sanctuary security system. Lynn McCarn will also review the operation of the life-saving AED system located in the Narthex and Fellowship Hall.

**Lunch will be provided for the ushers and their spouses.**

**Please notify the church office by Sunday, July 29 if you plan to attend.**

**MORNING GLORY CIRCLE** ~submitted by Susan Miller

Morning Glory Circle met May 2, 2018 in our church parlor. Rita Lohr opened the meeting. A treasurer's report was given by Deanna Michaels. The minutes of the last meeting were read by Susan Miller. Rita told about an apron sale available to members. She had one for demonstration. We then had to solidify our plans for the meal at the homeless shelter. The menu included hot dogs, baked beans, and ice cream sandwiches for dessert. Our program for the meeting was about the history of the church and the involvement of the circle. These memories were shared by Deanna Michaels and Mary Berrier. As usual with these two, much fun was had by all.

**FRIENDSHIP CLUB** ~submitted by Cathy Waitman

Friendship Club met at Southern Lunch on Wednesday, May 23. President John Smith led the meeting and announced the May birthdays. Eulene Shepherd had devotions. Pastor Elizabeth gave an update on our homebound members. After a delicious and filling lunch, members went to March Motor Cars on old highway 52 to walk the labyrinth that is on their property.

The next meeting will be the June 13 trip to the Butterfly Farm. We will not meet in July, but will start off a new year in August. Watch for announcements during the summer about the August meeting.

**WOMEN'S LIFE FELLOWSHIP** ~submitted by Glenyce Fulton

WLF met May 15th in the church parlor. Harriette Murphy presented devotions reflecting on Mother's Day and the fact many individuals do not consider being a mother an official job. In the devotional, a lady was applying for a job. There had not been much interest in her as a housewife and mother until she finally indicated her previous job title to be "Research Analyst in Childhood Development". When questioned as to what that job entailed, she tactfully described what she did while raising her children, which drew new interest in her as an individual. The jest of the devotional was we all have talents regardless of our background. Bonita Hooper served delicious refreshments. Thanks to all from our church who participated in the Tea Party at First United Methodist Church that was a benefit for Open Hands which raised \$1400. WLF will serve breakfast, snacks and lunch on July 12<sup>th</sup> to the children attending Arts Discovery Camp at Grace Episcopal Church. WLF plans to purchase aprons and have them embroidered which will be left in the kitchen for church members to use when serving at various church events. Our next meeting will be August 21<sup>st</sup> at Linda Sink's home. Please plan to join us.

**KIDS CLUB** ~ submitted by Alice Gray

Kids Club met on May 20. We discussed the importance of Memorial Day, including Flanders Fields and why poppies are associated with the holiday. The children were then put to task to make as many poppies as they could. The poppies covered the Memorial Day display that was placed on the chancel to honor all the men and women in the military who died so that we may have the freedom that we cherish. A special shout out goes to Nina Smith for her assistance.

# CONSISTORY HIGHLIGHTS

## FROM THE May 2018 MEETING

After the Pastor's Report...

Rev. Grubb is beginning a rotating process of visitation by incorporating those who signed the Time and Talent sheet to visit sick and homebound. Goal is to broaden congregational care.

**Board of Congregational Life:** Eddie Yates and Lena Johnson

Lena Johnson reported the Bereavement Committee captains worked on new guidelines for their committee. The new guidelines were approved and will become a part of the church manual. Lena thanked John and Vicky Gray for the May social.

**Board of Christian Education:** Jerry Lovell

The following report was sent by Jerry Lovell: Confirmation trip to Civil Rights Museum was a great experience. "UCC: Who We Are" Sunday School has begun. Donation sheets for the church picnic (June 10<sup>th</sup>) will be in Sunday school and the narthex. VBS on June 17-21 at Second Reformed UCC is being advertised. Graduation Sunday is June 3<sup>rd</sup>. Church trip to the Winston-Salem Dash game is June 3<sup>rd</sup>. No Sunday school classes will be held June 17<sup>th</sup> - July 29<sup>th</sup>. Worship begins at 10am in the chapel.

**Financial Report:** Denise Durham

Average weekly offering in the month of April was \$4,155.

Mid-year giving statements will be mailed out in July as a reminder of amount pledged versus what has been given through June.

**Property Committee:** John Smith

Allen Miller will begin to paint the sanctuary starting in June. The color will remain the same. Mr. Miller is exploring ways to clean columns and arches. New railing at the side entrance to the sanctuary has been installed. They are discussing ways to add more lighting at the pulpit and choir loft.

The Finance Committee wishes to report that pledges and offering donations are running behind the financial needs of the church. To meet expenses we need a weekly offering of \$5,099. Our weekly May average was \$3,044. We are behind approximately 25% in our year-to-date financial need. We encourage you to consider all the wonderful missions your contributions support and give as you are able. The seeds from your offering can yield a great harvest, "thirty and sixty and a hundredfold" (Mark 4:20). This is a vision where you will find fruitfulness, a vision that is "fruitful". You will be rewarded.

**Board of Worship and Sacrament:** Sylvia Walser and Deanna Michael

Sylvia Walser reported plans are being made to take communion to shut-ins. Rev. Horton provided a tentative schedule with dates.

**Board of Community Outreach:** Mark Smith

Libby O'Shea would like a representative from First Reformed UCC to be a member of the Grace Episcopal Church board that helps serve lunch on Sundays. Different churches help with this community service. Our church is designated to assist with serving lunch in the month of November.

**Evangelism Board:** Dave Fulton

The church pictorial directories have arrived. The cost per directory is \$20.

Average Weekly  
Attendance for  
**April: 95**

**Old Business:**

Lindsay Sink reported Jerry and Patti Lovell will serve as delegates for the Southern Conference Annual meeting in June. Rev. Elizabeth Horton and Rev. June Grubb will attend as clergy.

Gideon's Sunday is scheduled for June 24<sup>th</sup>.

The Welcoming Team finalized their draft for the Welcoming Statement for the church at their April 30<sup>th</sup> meeting. They also provided a tentative calendar for working through the process of approval.

**New Business:**

A new Funeral Policy including bereavement guidelines and funeral usher guidelines will be incorporated into the church manual. The Security Committee asked for consistory approval for an after-worship appreciation luncheon for ushers to give the church an opportunity to update them on new usher guidelines, incorporating the sanctuary security system and use of the life-saving AED systems located in the narthex and fellowship hall. A date is yet to be determined.

The next Consistory meeting is June 24th. There will not be a meeting in July.



## New Summer Worship Hours Begin June 17th

Worship will begin at 10:00am in the Chapel June 17th and continue through July 29th. There will be no Sunday School during this period. The plan is to resume Sunday school and regular worship time in the sanctuary the first Sunday in August if the painting is complete. Look for updates on the painting progress in the Sunday bulletins.

## ANNUAL CHURCH WORSHIP and PICNIC

### WILDCAT MOUNTAIN FARM

Sunday, June 10th at 11:00



**Worship service will not take place  
in the sanctuary on this day.**

The farm is a 579 acre hunting preserve located at 10000 Hwy #47 near Denton, only 19 minutes from the church. This beautiful property includes a unique hunter's cabin, a 26-acre lake teeming with fish, and terrific hiking trails! Folks are welcome to fish, hike, or just lounge. Attendees will need to bring lawn chairs (**if you have an extra chair to bring in case someone needs one, that would be helpful**), comfortable hiking shoes, and their own fishing gear and life jackets, if you're planning to use boats. Food sign-up sheets are in the Fellowship Hall and Narthex until June 3. Please help by signing up to bring needed items. We will still receive offering during worship. Hope to see you there!

**Directions to Wildcat Mountain Farm: 10000 Hwy 47, Denton**

#### **Special Note:**

**There is road construction on the route to Wildcat Mountain.**

**DETOURS ARE WELL MARKED.**

**Revised directions, if needed, will appear in the  
church bulletin and weekly emails.**

- Take Hwy 8 South to the stoplight at The American Children's Home/Junior Order Home
- Turn left onto Hwy 47 East (Shemwell Highway)
- Travel 3.5 miles, Hwy 47 East makes a sharp turn to the left (look for church picnic sign)
- After bearing left, travel 0.6 miles (still on Hwy 47 East).
- Turn left in front of Bethany United Methodist Church (look for church picnic sign).
- Travel 5.5 miles. The stone entrance to Wildcat is on the right.
- Turn into the entrance and drive  $\frac{3}{4}$  mile to picnic area.

**Carpooling from the church parking lot will be available.  
Please let the office know if you need a ride.**

## John's River Valley Camp 2018 Traditional Summer Camp Schedule

2018 [Registration](#) HAS BEGUN



Follow the links below for more information:

[http://jrvc.org/Summer\\_All\\_2018.htm](http://jrvc.org/Summer_All_2018.htm)  
<https://www.facebook.com/johnsrivervalleycamp/>

[June 24-30 Middle High Outpost/Caving \(Grades 7-9\)](#)

[July 1-7 Round Table Rendezvous](#)

[Junior Age \(Grades 4-6\)](#)

[Middle High \(Grades 7-9\)](#)

[Senior High \(Grades 9-12\)](#)

[July 15-21 Junior Age Classic \(Grades 4-6\)](#)

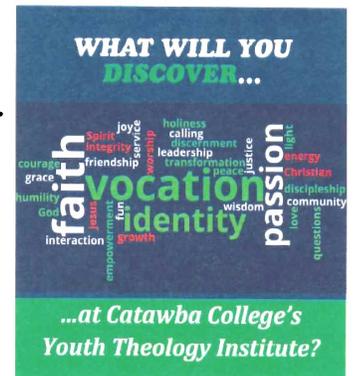
[July 15-21 Beginners \(Grade 3\)](#)

## Be a Part of DISCOVER Program at NO COST

*Discover* challenges formative middle and high school youth prior to college life. Students will have the opportunity to *discover* God in new ways; *discover* who they are as children of God; *discover* how to live out their faith; and *discover* what they are called to do vocationally. The week-long institute consists of dynamic learning experiences designed to stimulate theological and moral reflection, as well as afternoon trips to nearby sites consistent with that day's theme and designed to bring participants closer to God's creation and love! Each week-long session takes place at Black Lake Retreat Center located in Asheboro, NC.

All of these activities will take place through the guidance and instruction of excellent college professors and pastors with the help of college students who will be serving as camp counselors and working closely with the participants in all of the activities.

To learn more about *DISCOVER* and to apply, visit [catawba.edu/discover](http://catawba.edu/discover)



**DISCOVER DATES are:**

• **June 24-30:** Returning Middle School Youth

• **July 15-21:** First time Middle School Youth

• **July 22-29:** First Time Senior High Youth

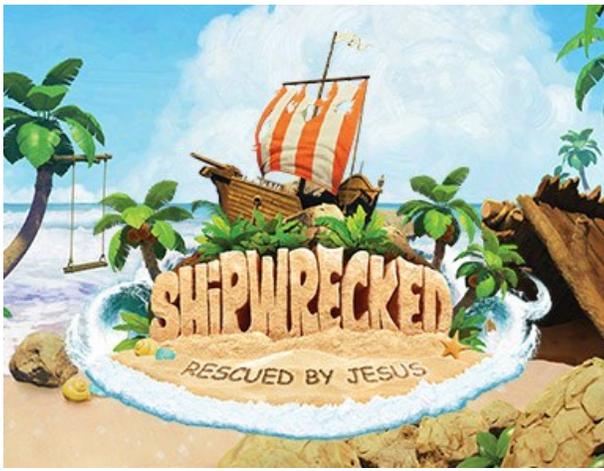
• **July 29-August 4:** Returning Senior High Youth

## Community Garden Gets Two New Raised Metal Beds ~submitted by Edgar Miller

May has been another busy month in the First Reformed UCC Community Garden. Thanks to a grant from the Lexington Garden Club obtained by Sylvia Walser and Aurelia Smith, and the assistance of workers from Open Hands Ministry, the Garden now has two very large raised metal beds. Each bed holds around 75 cubic feet of soil. The U-shaped bed by the playground will be used for a pollinator garden with plants to attract bees, butterflies and other pollinators. The long bed by Dominos will be used for warm weather vegetables like peppers and eggplants. The Open Hands workers and church volunteers assembled and filled the beds on two Saturday workdays in May. A final

workday on May 26 was used to knock down the rye/clover crop and add soil to the corner bed to prepare for sweet potato planting in June. Plans are in the works to dig up the potatoes the kids planted on March 18 on Sunday, June 24. Please let Edgar Miller know if you'd like to volunteer in the Garden.





## REGISTER NOW FOR

### Vacation Bible School "Shipwrecked"

**Second Reformed UCC**

**June 17 – 21**

**Meal 5:30 – 6:00**

**Program 6:00 – 7:30**

#### Children

**Preschool...Fifth Grade**

**(Nursery available for under age three)**

#### Themes

**Sunday: When You're Lonely – Jesus Rescues!**

**Monday: When You Worry – Jesus Rescues!**

**Tuesday: When You Struggle – Jesus Rescues!**

**Wednesday: When You Do Wrong – Jesus Rescues!**

**Thursday: When You're Powerless – Jesus Rescues!**

**Middle/High School and Adults: "WORSHIP 101: VBS - It's Not Just for Kids Anymore!"**  
**Class with Rev. Jim Luck**

These are just some of the questions we'll be exploring in our Adult VBS class this month. Each night we'll study a little, but we will also sing, look at art and experience other ways of worshipping. So come with your questions, come ready to learn and come ready to have some fun. After all,

- ◆ Why are Baptist and Catholic and Pentecostal worship services so different?
- ◆ Is there a right way to do worship?
- ◆ Why can't the minister/music director pick some "real" hymns to sing?
- ◆ Why do some churches take communion every Sunday?
- ◆ What is the difference between Eucharist, the Lord's supper and communion?
- ◆ Why is worship always at 11 a.m. on Sundays?
- ◆ Why doesn't every church have a baptistery?
- ◆ Why are church sanctuaries so different? Is it just a matter of personal taste?
- ◆ What is the lectionary and what does it have to do with worship?
- ◆ Why do some churches do a lot of responsive readings while others don't?
- ◆ Do churches still fight about contemporary vs. traditional worship?
- ◆ Why are so many weddings and funerals not taking place in churches?
- ◆ Why do some people raise their hands in worship while others complain when they do so?
- ◆ Why does my church not have any statues, paintings or stained glass in the sanctuary?
- ◆ Is there any hope to reach younger people without embracing drums and electric guitars?
- ◆ Have we always done worship this way? What did worship used to be like?
- ◆ Are there new worship trends? What will worship be like in 25 years?

**Grace Episcopal Church** is requesting a member of FRUCC to serve on the board of Grace Food Ministries. This ministry, through Grace Episcopal Church, serves meals to the needy each Sunday and also provides bagged food twice per month. Currently, volunteers from our church serve in this ministry each November.

Grace Episcopal Church is looking for someone who is passionate about helping this population of the community. Meetings are usually held the first Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. at Grace Episcopal Church. Please contact Mark Smith at 336-337-9666 or [msmith@gwsmithlbr.com](mailto:msmith@gwsmithlbr.com) if you are interested.



## Building An Inclusive Church (BAIC)

### **DRAFT of Welcoming Statement**

If you are searching for a place to experience God's wondrous and inclusive love, we invite you to join us at First Reformed United Church of Christ.

Following the example of Jesus, we believe that God's love, Christ's church, and the power of the Holy Spirit are for all people. We believe our unity as one body in Christ transcends worldly differences, and that no matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.

First Reformed United Church of Christ is an Open and Affirming congregation, which means we welcome into the full life and ministry of the church all people, regardless of ability, age, education, ethnicity, family or marital status, gender identity or expression, income, nationality, political affiliation, race, sexual orientation, or any other distinction.

At the baptismal font and at the communion table, from the nursery cribs to the church leadership, whether you were raised in a church or have never before attended one, we affirm and celebrate the diversity of God's children as a blessing and welcome you to First Reformed United Church of Christ.



~Submitted by Kivi Miller

Our Girl Scout Troop requests prayers for traveling mercies this month, as our big trip out West is finally here!

We'll leave Charlotte on Tuesday, June 19 for Los Angeles. We are staying in a hostel in Santa Monica, two blocks from the beach. We'll dip our toes in the Pacific Ocean, tour Hollywood, and visit the Griffith Observatory in the evening to learn about the stars.

On Thursday, we'll explore museums in downtown LA and make our way to Union Station, where we will get on Amtrak for a long overnight ride through the desert to the Grand Canyon. We raised enough money to afford the sleeper cars, thankfully!

We'll spend Friday, Saturday and much of Sunday exploring the South Rim of Grand Canyon National Park, learning about the geology, architecture, and Native American culture of the area.

Sunday afternoon we'll board a motor coach for a five-hour bus ride to Las Vegas. We'll end our trip with a night at Paris Las Vegas, watching the Bellagio Fountains water show. We'll fly back home to North Carolina on Monday morning.

Thank you to everyone who has supported our fundraising efforts, including the Declutter Challenge and Yard Sale, Girl Scout Cookie Sale, Grow and Go Girls at the Farmers Market, and private donations.

(You can follow our adventure at [Facebook.com/girlscouts2160](https://www.facebook.com/girlscouts2160).)



Members of the Friendship Club enjoyed lunch at Southern Lunch in Lexington, then traveled to the Labyrinth at March Motor Cars. Pictured above left are Eulene Shepherd, Patti Lovell, Lib Sink, John Smith and Elizabeth Horton. Pictured above right are Patti Lovell, Cathy Waitman, Eulene Shepherd, Lib Sink, John Smith and Joanie March of March Motor Cars.





UPDATE YOUR ADDRESS BOOK  
WITH OUR PASTOR'S  
NEW ADDRESS!

**Dan, Elizabeth, Megan, Patrick & Parker Horton**  
**303 Overbook Drive**  
**Lexington, NC 27292**

Ladies from First Reformed UCC joined with others at First United Methodist Church for a “High Tea” on Saturday, May 5th. This was a community fundraiser for Open Hands Ministry. Pictured left to right are Eulene Shepherd, Gennie Lou Byerly, Myra Thompson and Bonita Hooper.

**CRISIS MINISTRY SHELTER MEAL**

Members of the Willing Workers class along with members of the Morning Glory Circle provided the meal for the Crisis Ministry Adult Shelter on Monday, May 14. Thank you for your help in this important ministry!

Pictured from left to right: Ginger Revalee, Deanna Michael, Susan Miller, Rita & Buddy Lohr and Myra Thompson



# From Cathy Waitman - Director of Christian Education

Summer is right around the corner and school will be out in several days. It's time for family vacations, summer camps, and lots of travel. There will also be many church-related activities this summer.



Our first outing will be to see the Winston Salem Dash play the Carolina Mudcats on Sunday, June 3 at 2:00. We have 40 people going this year and hope to have great weather and lots of fun!

On Sunday, June 10, we will be going to Wildcat Mountain for our annual Church Picnic. The worship service will begin at 11:00, then Mike and "His Gang's" delicious hamburgers and hotdogs will be served for the picnic. If you have not signed up for something to bring, please call or email me to see what is still needed.



Wednesday, June 13, the Friendship Club members, along with grandchildren, other family and friends, will be going to the All-A-BUTTERFLY Flutter Butterfly Farm in High Point. Tickets are \$7.00/person. We will leave from the church at 9:00 that morning, tour the farm, and eat lunch at Chick-Fil-A or wherever else you choose.



Father's Day will be June 17. The youth will have a service project on this day and dig potatoes in the community garden on June 24. They gather together for Children's Church only once during the months of June and July.

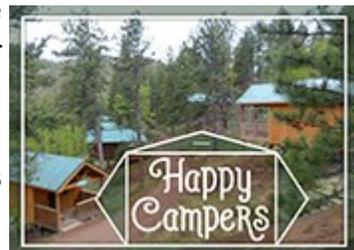


Vacation Bible School will be held at Second Reformed UCC from June 17 – 21. A light

supper will be served at 5:30 and classes will be from 6:00 to 7:30. The theme for the youth is "Ship Wrecked." There will be an adult class, led by Rev. Jim Luck, entitled "Worship 101" See the ad in the newsletter for the topics that will be discussed.

We will not have Sunday school from June 10 – July 29. Starting August 5, all adults will meet in the Fellowship Hall to learn some background information about Dietrich Bonhoeffer and Clarence Jordan. This will be in preparation for Al Staggs visit in September.

A couple of our children are going to Johns River Valley Camp. Pastor Elizabeth will be one of the leaders the week of July 15. If your child is interested in attending, let Elizabeth or me know as soon as you can.



I am planning some youth activities for later in the summer. One is a trip to Adventure Landing in Winston Salem to play mini-golf, ride bumper boats, and play arcade games. The tentative date is July 24 at 10:00. Another idea is a movie afternoon on August 14. Kids can bring their sleeping bags to sit on, play back-to-school bingo, and eat popcorn and candy during the movie. Please let me know if you want to attend.



Please come and worship with us as many times as you can this summer! We miss you when you are gone, but we realize everyone needs some time away to rest and relax. Spread God's love as you go!



**Davidson County Extension  
Master Gardener Volunteer Association**

Presents Its

**14th ANNUAL GARDEN TOUR**

**SATURDAY, JUNE 2 (10:00 AM-4:00PM)**

**SUNDAY, JUNE 3 (1:00-5:00 PM)**

**Willow Creek Area**

East of NC Hwy 109 and North of N. Old Greensboro Road between Wallburg and High Point

**\$15 TICKET with MAP, good for BOTH Days**

Advance Ticket Sales May 10-June 2 at 1:00 PM

Backyard Retreat, 106 S. Main Street, Lexington

Price Nursery, 130 Westchester Drive, High Point

**See flyer on bulletin board outside of the church office**

For tour information updates, consult NC State Extension Master Gardener Volunteers, Davidson County Facebook Page,  
<https://davidson.ces.ncsu.edu/> or call 336-250-3014 or 336-210-5365

**NEWS FROM THE WNCA SOUTHERN CONFERENCE**



The Southern Conference 53rd Annual Gathering scheduled for **June 21-23, 2018**, hosted by the Western North Carolina Association, will be held at Canterbury School located at 5400 Old Lake Jeanette Rd. in Greensboro NC. Jerry and Patti Lovell will be delegates of First Reformed UCC. Rev. Elizabeth Horton and Rev. June Grubb will also attend.

This will be an excellent agenda filled with thought-provoking educational workshops, fellowship, a pig pickin' outdoor casual celebration dinner featuring a Bluegrass Band, youth mission activities, a conference choir, relationship building, praise, worship and yes, the business of the Southern Conference.

**Church Women of the Southern Conference** are planning an expression of Southern hospitality as a "welcoming" component to the Annual Gathering. Volunteers from Church Women of The Southern Conference are needed to assist in extending hospitality to the clergy, delegates, and visitors at The Canterbury School. Since WNCA is hosting the event this year, Yolanda Adams and Patti Lovell, members of the WNCA Church Women, are the contacts for this endeavor and need all of your help. They are asking for donations of cookies, water, juice, sodas, breakfast items and such, or even monetary contributions to help offset expenses. Help is also needed for set up and clean up. Make checks payable to the Southern Conference and put in the memo Annual Gathering hospitality. They can be mailed to 252-B West 5th Street, Burlington NC 27215.

Please consider how you or our Women's Life Fellowship might be able to help make the Hospitality Room a welcome change of pace during the Conference. Please let us hear from you by June 4, 2018!

Co-chairs contact information: Yolanda Adams: [ministry@uccasheville.org](mailto:ministry@uccasheville.org)  
Patti P. Lovell [plovell53@yahoo.com](mailto:plovell53@yahoo.com)

## Thank You JUNE 2018 Stewards!

**Liturgist:** John Gray

**Youth Liturgist:** Jonathan Kepley

**Ushers:** **Chairperson:** Jeff Hutchens

Ann Hoffman, Alisa Johnson, Kelsey Johnson, Jerry Lovell

**Plate Attendant:** Cheryl Walser

**Youth Usher:** Parker Horton

**Sound Tech:** Dave Fulton

**Bible Steward:** Ava Miller

**First Sunday Social:** Clifford & Paula Lopp

**Acolyte:** Ethan Lovell

### **GREETERS:**

June 3 Carolyn Yocum

June 10 PICNIC

June 17 Anne Bevan

June 24 Michell Winters

### **NURSERY:**

June 3 Lynn Brown & Belinda Yates

June 10 PICNIC

June 17 Alice Gray & Vicky Gray

June 24 Keri Hartle & Ashlee Snider



**PRAYER CONCERNS:** Remember those in the Armed Forces. To add a name to the prayer list please fill out a prayer request card located in the backs of the pews, contact Sylvia Walser at 336-225-2964 or the church office at 336-248-2617.

**CHURCH MEMBERS:** Doug Sink, Ruth Fritts (Hinkle Hospice Home), Marguerite Leonard, Doug Sink, June Grubb, Peggy Bates, Ruth Fritts, Margot Everhart, Margie & Vogen Everhart

**HOMEBOUND MEMBERS:** Lib & Jimbo Hinkle, Jo Hudson, Valerie Price, Rita Tussey, Adena Wall, Marzell Crotts, Hoyle Potts, Doris Flynt, James Everhart

**OUR FRIENDS:** Kelly Greathouse, Patti Hartzog (friend of Glenyce Fulton), Patsy Bailey Via (Peggy Bates' sister), Sandra Johnson (friend of Patti & Jerry Lovell), Dennis Yocum (Carolyn Yocum's son), Ikie Trexler (friend of Mike & Lynn Brown), Eddie Wray (friend of Lisa Nelson), Lynn Younts (friend of Susie Smith), Susan & Joe Calloway (friends of Patti Lovell), Kiana Sinz (friend of Patti Lovell), Eliza Paris (friend of Sylvia Walser's granddaughter), Ronald Yates (Eddie Yates' dad), Harold Peoples (friend of Cheryl Walser), Rev. Jamie Armstrong (1<sup>st</sup> UMC) and his wife, Rev. Elizabeth Graves, Ashley Hutcheson (Heidi & Ron Hutcheson's daughter-in-law)



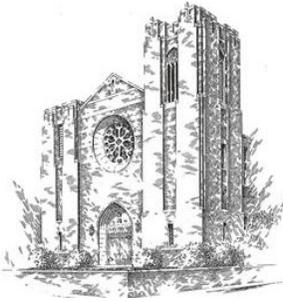
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| <b>3 GRADUATION SUNDAY</b><br>9:45 JAM<br><i>UCC: Who We Are</i><br>10:30 First Sunday Social<br>11:00 Worship<br>2:00 WINSTON SALEM DASH GAME | <b>4</b><br>10:00 Staff Meeting<br>6:30 Open Hands Meal {FH}                               | <b>5</b>                                                      | <b>6</b><br>11:00 Morning Glory Circle {P}                    | <b>7</b><br>5:30 Yoga {P}<br>7:00 Square Dancing {FH}  | <b>8</b>  | <b>9</b>  |
| <b>10</b><br>11:00 WORSHIP AT WILDCAT MOUNTAIN & CHURCH PICNIC                                                                                 | <b>11</b><br>6:30 Open Hands Meal {FH}                                                     | <b>12</b>                                                     | <b>13</b><br>10:00 Friendship Club: Butterfly Garden          | <b>14</b><br>5:30 Yoga {P}<br>7:00 Square Dancing {FH} | <b>15</b> | <b>16</b> |
| <b>17 FATHER'S DAY COMMUNION SUNDAY</b><br>10:00 Worship in the Chapel<br>5:30-7:30 Vacation Bible School 2nd Reformed UCC                     | <b>18</b><br>6:30 Open Hands Meal {FH}<br>5:30-7:30 Vacation Bible School 2nd Reformed UCC | <b>19</b><br>5:30-7:30 Vacation Bible School 2nd Reformed UCC | <b>20</b><br>5:30-7:30 Vacation Bible School 2nd Reformed UCC | <b>21</b>                                              | <b>22</b> | <b>23</b> |
|                                                                                                                                                |                                                                                            |                                                               |                                                               | Southern Conference Annual Meeting                     |           |           |
| <b>24</b><br>10:00 Worship in the Chapel<br>11:15 Consistory                                                                                   | <b>25</b><br>6:30 Open Hands Meal {FH}                                                     | <b>26</b>                                                     | <b>27</b>                                                     | <b>27</b><br>5:30 Yoga {P}<br>7:00 Square Dancing {FH} | <b>29</b> | <b>30</b> |

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**NEXT COMMUNITY MEAL**

**Tuesday, July 24**

**5:00pm Fellowship Hall**

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**SUMMER WORSHIP  
HOURS**

**June 17-July 29**  
Worship at 10:00am  
in the Chapel

**Church Office Hours:**

Monday—Friday  
8:30am to 12:30pm



**BIRTHDAYS**

- 8 Brian McKerlie
- 11 Frankie Hedrick
- 13 Beth Callicutt
- 17 Rich Johnson
- Carolyn Spivey
- 21 John Gray
- 22 Peggy Bates
- 25 Scott Gray
- Alisa Johnson
- 28 June Grubb
- Ron Hutcheson
- Gladys Snider

**ANNIVERSARIES**

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- Craig & Donna Coe
- Buddy & Frankie Hedrick
- Irvin & Doris Sink

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- Lindsay & Linda Sink



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**4<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Tournament for Hunger**  
**Four Man Captain's Choice**

**Saturday, June 16, 2018**  
**Lexington Golf Club, Lexington, NC**

Registration: 1:00 pm • Tee-off: 2:00 pm • Cost: \$60 per player (\$240 per team)

**Registration and Sponsorship forms  
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