

UMM Full Breakfast Meeting POSTPONED

Due to the uncertainty of the impending weather conditions for today, the quarterly breakfast meeting of the UMM originally planned for today at 8:00am has been **postponed until next Sunday, January 15 at 8:00am**. Breakfast, prepared by Harold Butts, will include ham, grits, eggs, biscuits, juice and coffee. A nominal fee of \$5.00 will be collected for each person to help cover our expenses. Please let us know if you will join us by **Wednesday, January 11**.

It is our intent to participate in 2 – 3 various events or community activities in-between our quarterly meetings. Your suggestions at the meeting on the 8th are welcomed! We have arranged to receive 25 complimentary reserved seats to the Campbell vs. Gardner-Webb basketball game on February 1. Please reserve a ticket for yourself and a guest/s by contacting Harold Butts at hbutts@gmail.com. The deadline for registering is January 29.

Youth Bible Studies in January

On Sunday evening, January 15, the Youth will begin a new Bible study entitled, “Pillars of Character.” This study takes place after dinner from 5:30-7:00pm.

Beginning Wednesday, January 11, our Youth will begin a new Bible Study entitled, “Starting to Go Where God Wants You to Be” by Doug Fields and Brett Eastman. This study will help our young people gain a better understanding of God’s will and building community. This week’s lesson is “Connecting Your Heart to Others”. The study takes place from 6:30 to 7:30pm.

Kingdom Kids Fellowship Meets Next Sunday

Sunday, January 15, from 4:00pm to 5:00pm, children age 4 through Grade 5 are invited to meet in the 4th and 5th grade Sunday school classroom. We will read the Bible, sing, pray, make a craft and have lots of fun!

Youth Parent Meeting Today at 6:00 PM

Please plan to attend the Youth Parent Meeting this evening in the Fellowship Hall. We will share/present a tentative draft on the Winter/Spring Youth Calendar and gather your thoughts and input. At least one parent per family is requested to attend. There will be no other youth activities this evening. Thank you!

Outreach Smocking Class Sign Up

Outreach needs to know your interest in a 2017 Smocking and/or Sewing class. If interested, please contact the church office at 910-892-2339 or dsumc@nc.rr.com or stop by to sign up in person.

Human Relations Sunday, January 15

Turn on the news or drive around the outskirts of your town and you will find what Jesus called “the least of these.” Those living in the margins of society, struggling to survive. People like:

- An immigrant teenager in Texas’ poorest county, being recruited by a local gang
- A father struggling for sobriety in Little Rock, Arkansas
- An Oklahoma woman recently released from incarceration looking for work

Over and over Jesus served people like this, embracing them, and that’s what we want to model as the people of The United Methodist Church. To continue the ministry of Jesus, Human Relations Day has been established as a Special Sunday that calls all of our churches to participate in helping all God’s children to realize their potential.

The Better Life Group (BLG) is Gearing Up for 2017

Plans are underway for the BLG 2017 schedule of events. First up is the “Games ‘n Subs” event which will take place Tuesday, January 24. Watch the bulletin for the specific details to be announced. Other outings tentatively being planned are: lunch at the Meadow Restaurant on Thursday, February 23, and Movie Day in March.

The BLG plans an event for each month of the year. We invite and welcome everyone to participate! See Sharon Hundley, Huntsie Strickland, or contact the church office at 910-892-2339 for more details.

UMW Brunswick Stew Fundraiser is Sunday, January 29

The UMW Brunswick Stew Take-Out Sale is planned for Sunday, January 29 at 12:15pm after worship. The price is \$10.00 per quart. You can take a quart home for lunch and put an extra quart or two in the freezer for later in the winter. Thank you for your support of the United Methodist Women!

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