

CHURCH FINANCES

In order to keep everyone up to date on our church finances, we will be printing the year to date expenses and income in the bulletin and Messenger.
Year to Date Expenses as of July 31, 2011 \$461,944.28
Year to Date Income as of July 31, 2011 \$421,767.58
Net Deficit as of July 31, 2011 \$(40,176.70)
Copies of the 2011 budget are available upon request. Contact either Jerry Smith 475-6597 or Peggy May 472-7718-ext22.

ADOPT-A-FRIEND

Homebound Visitation Committee invites you to join them in the ministry of visitation by adopting a friend. We need teams of two to visit twice a month. This is a simple way to make a difference in someone's life. Please prayerfully consider joining us in this ministry. Call Prentice Weldon or Martha Burrow.

UMW GENERAL MEETING

Monday, September 12, 2011 Dinner - 6:00 pm
Reservations by noon on Wednesday, September 7

2011 PARENT SUMMIT

September 10, 2011
CEC Building 8am - 2:15pm
Call Lynda Hepler to pre-register
(472-7718 ext. 36)

COLLEGE STUDENT INFO. NEEDED

We need current addresses for our college and graduate students. If you have a loved one in school please contact the church office (336) 472-7718 with updated mailing addresses! THANK YOU!

Created By God

Tweens, Faith, and Human Sexuality

Parent Information Session September 11, 2011 6:30 p.m.

Communicating with children can be difficult at times, especially on the topic of human sexuality. Created By God is a 2 day group study designed for 'tweens (5th – 6th graders) and emphasizes a healthy Biblical and Christian perspective on humans sexuality, values, and relationships. It deals with the basics of growth and sexual development, giving young people an opportunity to obtain accurate information, as well as a better understanding of what it means to be wonderfully created by God. Come to this information session designed to answer any questions you may have about this program and how Created By God can help meet the needs of parents and "tweens."

WEDNESDAY EVENING PROGRAMS

5:30 PM supper and 6:15 PM program.

- 9/7 Mission Trip to Honduras-George Ling
- 9/14 Overview of Trip to Paris and to Normandy Landing Beaches
- 9/21 Children's Program
- 9/28 Vietnam Experience-Rip Cord in Retrospect, Bruce Bundy

Dinner will cost \$6.50 per adult and \$4.00 per child children (preschool eat free); maximum for family is \$15.00. The deadline for reservations each week is Tuesday at 12 noon. Please call the church office: 336-472-7718. ALSO NOTE: August 17th will be our first fellowship supper back from summer break, EVERYONE needs to call into the church office for reservations, please indicate if it is to be put on the standing list.

Opportunities Through The Week

SUNDAY, September 4

Daily Bible Reading-Proverbs 3:1-12
8:30 Nursery Care
8:50 Contemporary Worship-Jarrett Hall
9:45 Sunday School
9:45 Program of Christian Discipleship
Boy Scout Room

10:00 R. L. Pope Class: Jim McGhee
11:00 Worship Service-Sanctuary
NO UMYF

MONDAY, September 5

Daily Bible Reading-Proverbs 23:15-19
CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
NO Scouts

TUESDAY, September 6

Daily Bible Reading-Psalm 84:8-12
5:30 Chicks-JR. High Room
6:30 Nominations & Leadership Development Committee meeting-Library

WEDNESDAY, September 7

Daily Bible Reading-Joshua 23:1-8
5:30 Fellowship Meal
6:00 Kids Club
6:15 Program: Mission Trip to Honduras, George Ling
6:30 Disciple IV Bible Study
6:30 H.S. & M.S. Small Group
7:15 Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, September 8

Daily Bible Reading-Psalm 91:9-16
9:15 Disciple IV Bible Study
10:30 Chicks-Library
6:00 Yoga
6:15 Praise Vocal/Band Rehearsal

FRIDAY, September 9

Daily Bible Reading-Proverbs 1:8-15

SATURDAY, September 10

Daily Bible Reading-Proverbs 4:1-9
8:00-2:15 2011 PARENTS SUMMIT

SUNDAY, September 11

Daily Bible Reading-Proverbs 4:10-15,20-27
8:30 Nursery Care
8:50 Contemporary Worship-Jarrett Hall
9:45 Sunday School
9:45 Program of Christian Discipleship
Boy Scout Room
10:00 R. L. Pope Class: Allen Brown
11:00 Worship Service-Sanctuary
12:00-6:00 UMYF
6:30 Created By God

ALTAR AND ARTS

As you are Spring cleaning, please remember to save your hand bags for the Altar and Arts Committee's Handbag Sale in November. We are hoping to purchase four altar cloths for the chapel.

Open Flower Dates:

September 25 October 2, 16, 23, 30
November 6, 13

Call Beverly Myers 476-7621 to reserve a date



CCM FOOD FOR THE MONTH:

RICE



DIAL-A-PRAYER 475-1114
Sponsored by the R. L. Pope Bible Class

FOOD MINISTRY 475-9696 472-7718

R.L. Pope Bible Study Class is broadcast on **WGOS-AM 1070**

IMPACT COMMUNITY 2011 is coming!!!! OCTOBER 1, 2011.

WE WILL NEED YOU!

Keep up: Facebook: "Impact Thomasville", Twitter: @ImpactTville

IMPACT COMMUNITY: Coupons for troops

We are currently collecting coupons for our military families which can be used overseas to help our troops pay for their grocery bills. Bring your coupons (any items and any expiration date past August 1 will do). You don't even have to cut them or sort them, this will be done during our IMPACT event!

IMPACT COMMUNITY: Food Trailer

On Saturday September 24, 11 AM - 7 PM, our church will be responsible for providing volunteers to help with the IMPACT COMMUNITY TRAILER (which will be stationed downtown), where we are collecting food, new socks and underwear. Let Rodney know if you are willing and available to take a shift, as soon as possible!

**MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
THOMASVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA**

Ministers

IVAN H. M. PEDEN
Senior Minister

PEGGY A. FINCH
Associate Minister

RODNEY W. DENTON
Associate Minister

LYNDA C. HEPLER
Minister of Children & Families

**September Fourth, Two Thousand Eleven
TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**



HOMEcoming, SEPTEMBER 18, 2011

Mark Your Calendar!

Come and Welcome

The Reverend Doctor Hugh Claude Young, Jr.

You are invited to spend the day with MUMC's church family on Homecoming Sunday. What a great opportunity!

Here are some exciting things to do:

Delicious Homemade Buffet Breakfast in Jarrett Hall – 8:00 – 8:45am

Contemporary Worship – 8:50am – With Praise Team

Sunday School Classes – 9:45am

Traditional Worship – 11:00am – Guest bagpiper and Chancel Choir

Homecoming Covered Dish Luncheon following 11am service – CEC

Visit with Claude and Betty Jean Young and other church friends

STAY THE DAY!

Celebrate our unity in diversity

ORDER OF WORSHIP
MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

September 4, 2011 **11:00 A.M.**

Morning Worship Broadcast over WGOS-AM 1070
Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

GATHERING AND GREETING

Prelude Mr. Brian Vannoy
Processional in A Major
Guilmant

Lighting of the Altar Candles Mr. Neal Faircloth

Chiming of the Hour

Call to Worship Ford
Come, Sing
“Sing, sing the joy of the Lord! With thankful voices gratefully raised in hymns of harmony and praise, come sing the joy of the Lord!”

Responsive Greeting The Reverend Doctor Ivan H. M. Peden
Minister: I greet you in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.
May Christ’s Peace be with you.
People: And also with you.

PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

*Hymn of Praise: UMH No. 310 A. H. Ackley/ACKLEY
He Lives

*Affirmation of Faith: The Apostles’ Creed – UMH No. 881
The Reverend Rodney W. Denton

**I believe in God the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;**

**And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried;
the third day He rose from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*Gloria Patri UMH, No. 70
**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it
was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

*Passing of the Peace *Shalom to You UMH No. 666* E.S. Eslinger
**Shalom to you, now, shalom, my friends.
May God’s full mercies bless you, my friends.
In all your living and through your loving,
Christ be your shalom, Christ be your shalom.**

PRAYER AND MEDITATION

Pastoral Prayer Reverend Denton

The Lord’s Prayer
**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come,
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those
who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the
power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Prayer Response Chancel Choir
Lead Me Lord
“Lead me, Lord, lead me in thy righteousness, make thy way plain before my face.
For it is thou, Lord, thou, Lord only, that makest me dwell in safety.”

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

+Welcome and Parish Notes Dr. Peden

The Offering
Offertory Abt
Ave Maria
*Doxology
*Prayer of Dedication The Reverend Rodney W. Denton

Children’s Sermon The Reverend Lynda C. Hepler
(Please join the Chancel Choir in singing “Jesus Loves The Little Children” as the children move to the Chancel area for the Children’s Sermon)

THE WORD AND PROCLAMATION

Theme Song for Preaching Series: *Just A Closer Walk with Thee* (refrain only)
Please remain seated

**Just a closer walk with thee, grant it, Jesus, is my plea, daily walking close to thee:
Let it be, dear Lord, let it be.**

*Gospel Lesson: Luke 24:13-21, 28-35 Reverend Denton
Minister: This is the Gospel of our Lord.
People: Praise to you, O Christ!

Anthem Wood
Slow Me Down
“Slow me down, Lord, I'm goin' too fast, Can't see my brother when he's goin' past.
Miss a lot of good things, day by day; Won't know a blessing when it comes my way.
Slow me down, Lord, I'm goin' too fast, Can't see my brother when he's goin' past.
Everybody's rushin', everybody's rushin' all around! Slow me down, Lord! Slow me
down, O Lord! Slow me down, Lord, I'm goin' too fast, Can't see my brother when he's
goin' past. Miss a lot of good things, day by day; Won't know a blessing when it comes
my way. Slow me down, Lord, I'm goin' too fast, Can't see my brother when he's goin'
past. Can't see my brother, slow me down, O Lord!”

Sermon Dr. Peden
Preaching Series: “Walk with Me”: Part 9
“Walking With Our Eyes Open”

SENDING FORTH

*Hymn of Response, UMH 454 C. H. Scott/OPEN MY EYES
Open My Eyes, That I May See

*Benediction Reverend Denton

*Benediction Response Amen Chancel Choir

*Chimes of the Holy Trinity

*Postlude Guilmant
Recessional in A Major

Participants in today’s service:

The Reverend Doctor Ivan H. M. Peden
The Reverend Rodney W. Denton, Associate Minister
The Reverend Lynda C. Hepler, Minister of Children & Families
Mr. Brian Vannoy, Organist
Mr. Danny Frye, Music Director

“We welcome our Choir Scholars for 2011-2012 - **James Brunson, Amy Mercier,** and **Monyae Williamson.** All three students are music majors at High Point University and bring a wealth of experience to Memorial United Methodist Church. This summer, you may have seen and heard James and Monyae singing with the Junaluska Singers. If you visited the Northeast this summer, you likely could have seen and heard Amy singing throughout her community as she has quite the budding solo career! We are delighted to have these tremendous musicians and outstanding young people with us and I hope you'll say “hi” when you have the chance.” *Danny Frye*

LARGE PRINT HYMNALS are available in the Narthex. Just ask an usher if you need one. **Chief Usher:** Gerry Crowder **Leaders:** Don Clinard, Carey Eanes, Zeb Hanner, J. H. Williams, Charles Wade **Today’s Ushers:** Norman Crews, Rob Williams, woody Huneycutt, Bick Craig, Mike & Janice Lanning Randall Tysinger **Today’s Greeters:** Jamie Hiatt, Don Clinard, Priscilla Joyce, Elaine Rabon, Dorann Edwards **HEARING DEVICES** are available in the Narthex. Please ask an usher for assistance.

Nursery Care is available for children ages infant to 5 years in the main building from 8:30 am to 12 noon. Directions to the Nursery from the Sanctuary: Exit sanctuary at doors on either side of the chancel area. At the bottom of the steps, follow directional signs to the nursery located on the ground floor in the south wing. Our caring nursery staff will be there to meet you!

Children's Worship is held in the Chapel following the Children's Sermon. Directions to the Chapel from the Sanctuary: Exit sanctuary at doors on either side of the chancel area. At the bottom of the steps, follow directional signs to the Chapel located on the ground floor in the north wing. Children ages 4 and up are invited to come for their own style of worship including music, storytime, video, role play and other activities. Parents are asked to pick up their child after the worship service is in the chapel.

PRAYER LIST

If you or a loved one would like to be added to the prayer list, please contact Lorna McCullough at 475-6026. If you put a name on the list, please keep in touch and let us know how he/she is doing as names will be removed after 3 weeks. During the week, please pray for:

Military personnel stateside and overseas	Tracy Brinkley
Becci Cagle	Sharon Van Vechten
Wayne Leonard	Andrea Cain
Jane Dorton	Ralph Link
Elaine Branson	Jody Ballard

We extend our deepest sympathy to Jennifer Cross on the death of her father, Jimmy Lynn Cross, who died Sunday, August 28, 2011.

The Flowers Are Placed On The Altar To The Glory Of God and in memory of Emily Helen Clinard by Julie, Don and Ella Clinard.

We are delighted to welcome Jesse and Barbara Hill as new affiliate members. They retain full membership at Pleasant Hill UMC.