



### NEW BIBLE STUDY ON THE BOOK OF REVELATION

Our pastor, Allan Van Meter, will begin a new Bible Study on the week of December 9 studying the Book of Revelation. The morning study will be on Mondays, starting at 10:30 a.m. The evening study will be on Tuesdays, starting at 6:30p.m. We will be using the Bible Study on the Book of Revelation from Dr. Mickey Efir.

We will run copies for all of the participants. Please let the office know if you plan to participate in the study so that copies can be made before the first session.

The first classes will be on December 9, at 10:30 a.m. and December 10, at 6:30 p.m.



### AUMC MEMBERSHIP

The year end is fast approaching and our church records need to be updated in preparation for the membership report that is due in January. We need updated lists for all Sunday School Classes and Church groups. This is also the time to indicate whether those listed are active or inactive. We are required to list only those who have been participating significantly in the class or group. Please let Shirley Cecil have your updated information.

Don't forget to update all your information regarding your address, phone numbers and email with the church office to be sure we have your current information for the upcoming new church directory.

Kimberly Eurillo Isley and husband Cade Isley are the proud parents of their son, Myles Fletcher Isley, born November 14<sup>th</sup>. The grandparents are Charles & Brenda Eurillo. Congratulations.

Shirley Cecil  
Membership Secretary

Where We Were Last Month						
Date	Offering Received	Budget Amount Received to Date	Budget Amount Needed to Date	Week #	Sunday School	Total Worship Attendance
11/03/2019	\$9,166.00	\$282,426.49	\$271,655.12	44	145	190
11/10/2019	\$5,324.00	\$287,630.49	\$277,829.10	45	117	176
11/17/2019	\$4,823.00	\$292,573.49	\$284,003.08	46	115	158
11/24/2019	\$14,102.26	\$306,675.75	\$290,177.06	47	113	160

<b>Building Fund</b>	
Given in November:	\$4,305.00
Received to date:	\$23,962.10



# December 2019

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#### WORSHIP TIMES

- 9:00 am  
Worship Service
- 10:00 am  
Sunday School
- 11:00 am  
Casual Worship Service

#### MINISTERS

The Congregation

#### STAFF

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**Custodians**  
Russ & Carol Carr

As I write this article, we see a world that seems to be full of pain, hatred, violence, and uncertainty. We see families fleeing countries that are being rocked by violence. We see others who believe their ideology is the only true one and that all means must be used to spread "their way." Is there any hope?

In Luke 3:4, the writer says, "...Prepare the way of the Lord..." Though the writer at the time was talking about John the Baptist, the writer is also talking to us here and now. Preparation is one of the themes of this Season of Advent as we prepare and celebrate the birth of God's only son, Jesus. It is a time to reflect on the significance of this Child of Peace. We also prepare for His coming again in the future when pain, sorrow, suffering, and sadness will go away. His coming again also brings hope that even if our life here is not easy or fair, in the end, we will finally find peace as we are surrounded by the love of God.

But sometimes we wonder if we have forgotten that Christmas is also a time for us to prepare for Christ's intervention in our lives here and now, even in the midst of suffering and violence. With all of the glitter, packages, meals and other events, we forget that Christmas is also supposed to be about the present. During this season, we should be preparing the way for the Lord in our hearts. We should be asking Him to come in and transform us, to push us in new directions, to push us into giving hope to a world that, at times, seems so lost and full of hopelessness. We should be preparing for His light to enter us so that we can spread that light into our church, our community, and our world.

**Our prayer for this season is that we will not get so wrapped up in gifts and gatherings that we forget to let the "Prince of Peace" into our hearts NOW.** We pray that we will invite Him in, that we will listen to His calling, and that we will come away from Christmas Day with a renewed sense to serve others just as Christ serves us each day. We pray for those who are suffering and for those who are causing the suffering.

Will we prepare the way for the Lord?

Our family wishes that all of you will find happiness during this Christmas season. And, may we all open our hearts to experience the true gift of Christmas, the birth of our Messiah, Jesus Christ the Prince of Peace. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!!

Love,  
Allan, Laura, Elizabeth, and Ashley

## IN THE NEWS

The Archdale-Trinity News of October 31, 2019 featured an article about Hopewell Elementary School's Trunk or Treat. **Lora Krpejs**, Kindergarten teacher, was among the treat distributors.

The High Point Enterprise of November 19<sup>th</sup> pictured **Jane Liebscher**, President of The United Way of Greater High Point as she participated in Marsh Furniture's pudding plunge.

The Archdale-Trinity News of November 21<sup>st</sup> featured articles on the Honor Roll recognitions for Wheatmore High School and Trinity High School. Congratulations to the following that were listed in the paper for their respective schools:

PRINCIPAL'S LIST FOR WHEATMORE HIGH SCHOOL: **Fletcher Gallimore** in Grade 11, **Madeline Work** in Grade 10 and **Adian Dean** in Grade 9

A-B Honor Roll for Wheatmore High School: **Brandel Kimmons** in Grade 12 and **Benjamin Walker** in the 10<sup>th</sup> Grade

Trinity High School A-B Honor Roll: **Cody Barker** in the 12<sup>th</sup> Grade, **Kacey Fulcher** in the 11<sup>th</sup> Grade and **Hannah Grissom** in the 11<sup>th</sup> grade



The Archdale UMW has **Apple Pies** available in the church office for **\$10 each**.  
(regular & sugar-free)



The Jeff Patterson Class has **Chicken Pies** available in the church office for **\$10**

### *Please pray for those serving our country.*

**Logan Brinkley** - US Marines (friend of Rae Hicks)  
**Ian Burley** - US Navy (brother-in-law of Dylan Fling)  
**Matt Cain** - US Army (family friend of the McGavics)  
**Spencer Dyson** - US Marines (grandson of Don Miller)  
**Alec Gardner** - US Air Force (family friend of Sharon Crist)  
**Bryan Hayworth** - US Coast Guard (brother of Jami Coggins)  
**Jospeh Hennessey** - US Marines (nephew & Godson of Steven Durr)  
**Ginniffer Hobbs** - US Navy Sailor (niece of David McKinney)  
**Richard Ivy** - US Military, Louisiana (Lewis Stroud's grandson)  
**Jake Lawrence** - US Army (friend of Rebecca Kidd)  
**Marcus McKeregan** - US Navy (Gayle Rearwin's cousin)  
**Daulton Rogers** - US Marines (family friend of the McGavics)  
**Eric Schneider** - Afghanistan (Donn & Rachel Jackson's son-in-law)  
**Joel Summerlin** - Iraq and Afghanistan (Jill Connor's brother)  
**Zack Willey** - US Army (Chuck & Jane Liebscher's son-in-law)



**"Save us, LORD our God,  
and bring us back from among the  
nations, that we may give thanks to your  
holy name and glory in your praise."  
Psalm 106:47**



Remember  
in  
Prayer

#### **Please Pray For Our Homebound Members:**

Debbie Dean, Charles Dobbins, Mandy Forrester, Charlie Game,  
Mary Lou Hines, Steve Lax, Wayne McGavic, Don Miller,  
Ed Renn, Betty Roach, Nancy Roberts, Mary Jean Smith, Betty Warren

### Memorials

*In Memory of Kerma Hammer*

*Made by:*

*Hoyt & Kay Nichols*

*AUMC-Friendship Class*

*AUMC United Methodist Women*

*Peggy Johnson*

*Canopy Partners, LLC*

*In Memory of Cathy Presswood Rhyne*

*Made by: Marcia Guffey*

*In Memory of Tyler Crist*

*Made by: Sharon Crist*

*In Memory of Sarah Brock*

*Made by: Gary Brock*

*In Memory of Ruth Miller*

*Made by: Carla Mikhail*

*In Memory of Geraldine Nunn*

*Made by: Ruth Hughes*

*In Honor of Eric & Shelby Buchanan*

*Made by: AUMC Upper Reflections*

*Sunday School Class*

### DECEMBER EVENTS

Live Wreath Making Classes:

Tues, Dec 3rd 10:00am & Thurs, Dec 5th 6:30pm

Children's Christmas Program:

Sunday, Dec 8th 10:45am

in the Fellowship Hall (Sunday School at 9:30am)

Bible Study:

Monday, Dec 9th 10:30am

Bible Study:

Tuesday, Dec 10th 6:30pm

UMW Morning Circle:

Wednesday, Dec 11th 10:30am

(Lunch to follow the meeting)

Christmas Cantata: Sunday, Dec 15th 10:45am

(Sunday School at 9:30am)

Santa Cliff: Saturday, Dec 21st at 6pm

\*SOLD OUT\*

Christmas Eve Service: Dec 24th at 7pm

Christmas Day: Church Office Closed

# Happy Birthday

12/01 Sandi Beck	12/16 Peter Stevens
12/01 Greg King	12/16 Penny Stewart
12/01 Maxine Sechrest	12/16 Brian Tickle
12/02 Laynie Jo McCall	12/17 Tim Coggins
12/02 Lloyd Roberts	12/17 Madelyn Jensen
12/02 Pete Smith	12/17 Lora Krpejs
12/03 Vance Hollifield	12/17 Nelly Smith
12/03 Audy Parrish	12/18 Chris Colclough
12/04 Miles Talbert	12/19 Debbie Coltrane
12/04 Virginia Washburn	12/19 Wayne Harris
12/05 John Hamilton	12/19 Lori Lyons
12/05 Matt Watson	12/20 Joan Angel
12/07 Kip Johnson	12/20 Michael Felder
12/07 Libby McGavic	12/20 Shelley Kirby
12/07 Hoyt Nichols	12/21 Evan Gallimore
12/07 Megan Smith	12/22 Mackenzie Blossom
12/08 Mary Lou Hines	12/22 Zach Thompson
12/09 Abbey Cates	12/23 Aaron McKim
12/09 Sandra Sanders	12/24 Angie Britt
12/10 Mike Allred	12/24 Keith Gallimore
12/10 Jay Aspley	12/24 Barry Smith
12/10 Sam Brown	12/24 Robin Sulfridge
12/10 Jack Du	12/26 Richard Lambert
12/10 Wayne Huthmaker	12/26 Kirby Mazoo
12/10 John Lynch	12/26 John Todd
12/10 Erin Simpson	12/26 Linda Williams
12/11 Debbie Gaskey	12/27 Collin Metters
12/11 Luke Johnson	12/27 Jonas Metters
12/11 Lyn Smith	12/27 Robert Miller
12/11 James Stanley	12/28 Matthew Boles
12/12 Debbie Dean	12/28 Tanner Hamilton
12/13 Lindsay Wilson	12/28 Emily Romano
12/14 Dot Johnson	12/29 Adonna Paschal
12/14 Rodney Kirby	12/29 Laurie Smith
12/14 Ethan Paschal	12/29 Phyllis Wilson
12/15 Laura Burns	12/30 Ashley Boyle
12/15 Dee Hodgkin	12/31 Trip Hale
12/15 Pat McAnally	12/31 Cathy Hunt
12/15 Stephen White	

### Homebound Members Birthday

Our Homebound Members are very important members of our congregation. We would like to remind them they are remembered and thought of. If you would like to send them a birthday card, thinking of you card, or give them a call, this would mean so much to each of our Homebound Members.

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**December 12 Debbie Dean**

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