

WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23

9:00 & 11:00am Worship
9:45am Sunday School
11:00am Kids Own Worship
4:00-6:00pm Women's Bible Study
(Reception Rm)
6:00-8:00pm UMYF Outing (TBA)

MONDAY, OCTOBER 24

4:30pm HPHE Basketball (FH)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25

9:15am Exercise (Multipurpose Rm)
9:30-11:30am Kindermusik Nursery
(Reception Rm)
6:30pm Prayz Choir&Musicians (FH)
8:30-9:30pm Adult Basketball (FH)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26

8:30am Preschool Teacher's Meeting
10:00am Intercessory Prayer
10:15am Preschool Chapel Time
6:15pm Christ Ambassadors
6:30pm AA Group (Multipurpose Rm)
6:30-7:30pm Handbell Ringers
7:30-9:00pm Chancel Choir

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27

9:15am Exercise (Multipurpose Rm)
4:30pm HPHE Basketball (FH)
6:15-7:30pm TOPS (Multipurpose Rm)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28

9:15-11:15am Friday Bible Study
(Reception Room)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30

Stewardship Sunday
9:00 & 11:00am Worship
9:45am Sunday School /
Breakfast / Covered Dish / FH
11:00am Kids Own Worship
4:00-6:00pm Women's Bible Study
(Reception Rm)
5:00-7:00pm UMYF / Trunk or Treat

USHERS:

Ron Butler, Capt.
Warner Black, Phil Wood
Bill Simmons, Mike Lopez

GREETERS:

Sue and Tyler Butcher

REACHOUT CALLERS:

Mardy and Glenda Shepherd

TRUSTEE OF THE

MONTH: Scott Yaudes

ACOLYTES:

HELPERS:

ALTAR GUILD:

Pat Hart, Patsy Moore

PRESCHOOL TEACHERS 9:00 CHILDCARE (RM 213)

Kelly Warren

11:00 BABIES/TODDLERS

Ginger and Sam Best

11:00 KIDS OWN WORSHIP MULTIPURPOSE ROOM

Amy Adams, Anna Bethel,
Kim Collins

CONVALESCING

Paul Collins, Pennybyrn
Jack Haley, Veterans at Salisbury
Willie Haley, Greensboro Place
Greensboro, NC

HOSPITAL REPORT

No one at this time.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Serving in the Military: Doug
Norton, Aaron Biel, Wes Craven,
Steven Hall

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Christ United Methodist Church

"Disciples in Action – Transforming the World"

Sunday, October 23rd, 2011

Prayz Service – 9:00a.m. – Fellowship Hall

Sunday School – 9:45a.m.

Worship – 11:00a.m. – Sanctuary

Speaker: Rev. Matthew S. Farabow

Message: "Vision and Hope are Inspirations of the Heart"

Scriptures: Joel 2:28, Matthew 6:31

Greater Things...

*"How great the love the Father has lavished upon us that we
should be called children of God and that is what we are."*

1 John 3

This newsletter article will be simple and to the point...

There is a story of Alexander the Great giving gold coins to a beggar on the roadside...
One of the king's subjects exclaimed, "Sir, copper coins would adequately meet a beggar's need, why give him gold?"
Alexander the Great responded, "Copper coins would suit the beggar's needs, but gold coins suit Alexander's giving."

What kind of coins suits us as children of God? Are we fully living our lives as ones who have been lavished with so many great things from God? Are we giving beyond our living?

William Arthur Ward said, "Giving is more than a responsibility-it is a privilege. More than an act of obedience-it is evidence of our faith." Is our faith evidenced in our willingness to give extravagantly back to God with all that we do and are?

Greater things are yet to be done...

in our church,

in our community,

and in our world.

Christ UMC has so many hopes, dreams, and visions for transforming our community and world and you are part of them.

Are you ready to help us reach out more and more to do great things? I hope so!

Join the conversation...come Sunday.

Grace and peace in Christ,

Matt

PS: Now that's simple and to the point!

Adult

The McFarland Sunday School Class will have pecans for sale around the end of October. One lb. bags of mammoth halves will be \$9.25, and 12 oz. chocolate covered will be \$8.00 each. Contact any McFarland Sunday School Class member to place your order. We're also selling flavoring and knives year-round. New item – Danny Duzit!

Chicken pies will be available for sale prior to the bazaar. If anyone is interested in purchasing pies (with or without vegetables) please call Laura Payne - 887-7052. No presales will be made after Sunday, October 30th, and all pies must be paid for and picked up by this date. The cost: \$10.

Celebration of 20 Years of ASP

Mark your calendars for Sunday, November 6, when we will have a "Celebration of 20 Years of ASP" following the 11 a.m. service. Everyone is invited to join in an inspiring recognition of those who have made this tradition of service possible within our congregation. Those who have children who went on past ASP trips, please forward this invitation and encourage them to come join us! We have photos from every year! Don't miss it! Lunch will be served (look for sign up sheets in Sunday School and outside the church office).

Charge Conference Meeting

Christ UMC will be hosting a Cluster Charge Conference on Sunday, November 20th, at 2:00p.m. There will be a brief worship service and then presentations by churches. The Cluster Charge Conference will include the following churches:

Montlieu-Welch Memorial UMCs, Memorial UMC, First UMC, Christ UMC, Ward Street UMC, Wesley Memorial UMC, Rankin Memorial UMC, Lebanon UMC, Highland-Northwood UMCs, Oakview-Spring Hill UMCs

Disciple Bible Outreach Ministries of NC

On Saturday, October 22nd, the 5th Annual Great Pumpkin Run will be held at Jamestown United Methodist Church to benefit Disciple Bible Outreach Ministries of NC, Inc. This 5K Run and 1 Mile Walk will begin from the back of JUMC at 8:30a.m. Registration begins at 7:45a.m. This is a fun event for the entire family! Funds raised go to support bible studies in correctional settings throughout the state. Please come and join us for the Pumpkin Run! You may register online at www.disciplebibleoutreach.org.

Family Promise of Greater Guilford County

On Thursday, November 3rd, at 6:30p.m. at Starmount Forest Country Club, you are invited to attend the annual fund raising dinner and help Family Promise (formerly Interfaith Hospitality Network) put an end to family homelessness. **New in 2011 – a Reverse Raffle!** Grand Prize: 10% of raffle ticket sales (\$1000-\$3000); 1st prize: 4 day/3 night beach trip; 2nd prize: original personal artwork. There will be many door prizes, including a night's stay at the Proximity Hotel, a night's stay at the Biltmore Hotel in Greensboro, tickets to Triad Stage, and many others. Stay tuned for more details about the evening. It will be a full evening of dinner, fellowship, fundraising, and FUN! We can't wait to see you there!

Ticket Price - \$100 (includes dinner and raffle ticket). Winner need not be present to win. For more information email secretary@GIHN.org or call Frank Biel at 336-812-1815.

Habitat for Humanity Homes

Habitat in High Point is accepting applications for families who would like to own a home. If you are currently living in an unsafe, overcrowded or unaffordable area and are willing to put forth the effort to change your family's future, then this opportunity may be for you. For information, call 887-8388, ext.10, or visit www.HabitatHP.org to register for our next Orientation Information Session.

Lake Norman Luncheon Cruise

A Young at Heart outing on the Catawba Queen riverboat is taking place on Saturday, October 29th. To keep transportation costs down we're going to try to carpool but we need several more volunteer drivers. Can you volunteer to drive? The cost of the lunch and cruise will be about \$25 per person which includes sharing with gasoline expenses. If you didn't sign up at the recent Young at Heart meeting, contact Dennis Chesney at 454-4184 or email at dkchesney@hotmail.com to make your reservation.

Parent Empowerment Summit

On Saturday, November 5th, Southwest Guilford High School will host a Parent Empowerment Summit from 9:00a.m. until 12:30p.m. Parents and Guardians can learn more about high school requirements, athletic ambition realities, post-high school planning, teenage drama, dangers facing today's youth, family conflict resolution, service learning and more! Child care, breakfast and door prizes will be available.

For more information please contact Michelle Phillips at phillim2@gcsnc.com or Julie Nichols at nicholj@gcsnc.com or at 819-2970. The school is located at 4364 Barrow Road, High Point, NC.

Reading Connections

Reading Connections, the largest community-based adult literacy agency in the state, is seeking volunteer tutors. The agency provides free literacy services to adults in Guilford County who wish to improve their basic reading skills. Volunteers do not have to have any teaching experience. Any adult over 18 with a GED or high school diploma can be a volunteer tutor, and Reading Connections provides training and resources to help volunteers be successful teachers. Reading Connections' tutor training schedule can be found on their website calendar at www.reading-connections.org. For more information or to sign up for an orientation session, please contact Kyri Murdough (kmurdough@readingconnections.org) or call 884-7232 in High Point, 230-2223 in Greensboro.

Shopping Extravaganza Bazaar

It's Bazaar time! Just like the changing of the leaves, Fall brings a time to have church bazaars. This year's bazaar will be Saturday, November 5th, in the Fellowship Hall. Time: 8:00a.m. until 2:00p.m. Setup times are as follows: **Thursday night, November 3rd, from 6:00p.m. until 8:00p.m.; Friday morning, November 4th, from 10:00a.m. until 1:00p.m.**

The cost: \$25 per table. Each table will be approximately (8) feet long. If you do not need a whole space, you may share with someone. One person is to be responsible for payment and registration. (No split payments).

APPLICATIONS WERE DUE BY SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15TH, AND CANCELLATIONS MUST BE MADE IN WRITING BY TUESDAY, OCTOBER 25TH. THIS WILL ALLOW US TIME TO FILL ANY CANCELLED APPLICATIONS.

We would appreciate all vendors setting up prior to the event but if you have special circumstances, please let me know in advance so we can develop a plan. **United Methodist Men** will serve a pancake breakfast from 7:30a.m. to 11:30a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Thanks again for your support and I look forward to seeing each of you! If you have any contact: Phyllis M. Lopez, by email: pmlopez@northstate.net; or 336-431-0422; (office); 336-475-5928 (home); or 336-847-8771 (cell)

Stewardship 2012

This year Christ UMC will be focusing on Stewardship for the month of October. The Stewardship Committee has purchased copies of the book (1 copy per family please) Practicing Extravagant Generosity: Daily Readings on the Grace of Giving by Robert Schnase at no cost for the congregation. If you would like to make a donation towards the book however, the cost was \$6.00. Matt will be preaching on Extravagant Generosity throughout the month of October. Stewardship packets will be in the mail in the near future. We hope that more and more CUMC members and friends will practice extravagant generosity in the upcoming year. We have much to be thankful for and will experience afresh the joy of serving God through generosity.

Sunday School Class

Are you Looking for a Sunday School class? The Acts Sunday School Class is beginning Max Lucado's study of the book of Hebrews. We will start off with a covered dish breakfast and an overview of the study on November 6. Books will be available to pick up and we'll start Lesson 1 the next Sunday. Anyone looking for a Sunday School class is invited. For information call Laura Payne at 336-887-7052.

Thanksgiving Baskets

It's that time of year! Each year at Thanksgiving, our church has been giving out Thanksgiving baskets to needy families in the area. Last year we gave out 54 baskets! We need your help to start collecting for this project. Mike Lopez will be in charge of this project, and he will need volunteers from the Sunday School classes and church members to help with packing the baskets. Listed below are the items we need:

- 1) You should purchase turkeys (8 lbs. to 10 lbs.) A sign up sheet will be posted on the glass window at Carol Briley's office, and on the Fellowship Hall doors.
- 2) We also welcome donations to help purchase turkey(s).

- 3) Canned goods needed: green beans and corn.
- 4) Instant mashed potatoes.
- 5) cookie mix and brownie mix (no cake mix).

You will see large boxes at four locations: the Narthex, Carol Briley's office, the Fellowship Hall and outside the church office. Please place your canned goods at any of those locations.

All turkeys will need to be at the church by Sunday, November 20th. (If you have room, please keep them home till then as the freezer at the church will only hold so much!) Remember, it takes ALOT of canned goods to fill 65 baskets....so we need to start bringing in those cans each week! So many of you are already so faithful to bring in your donations weekly, and we are grateful for that. We will need an extra surge between now and Thanksgiving, so that we can keep helping those in need weekly, while at the same time preparing to fill the boxes for Thanksgiving. Again, thank you for your support. Mike Lopez, Missions Committee Chairperson

Trunk or Treat at CUMC

Plans are underway for an evening of "Holy"ween fun at CUMC. We invite everyone to join us on October 30th, 5pm – 7pm for TRUNK or TREAT. Food, games, prizes & most importantly – candy are on the menu for the evening. **YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!!** Volunteers are needed to decorate their trunks and pass out candy during the evening. The decorations don't have to be too over-the-top, but the more decorated the trunks, the more fun for the kids. There will be a prize for the most original/best decorated trunk! To volunteer, please contact Kim Collins at 554-5787 or ChristUMCYouth@northstate.net.

Veteran's Day Parade

Mark your calendars for the Veterans Day Parade on Sunday, November 13th, at 3:00p.m. in downtown High Point. The parade is an annual event to honor veterans. The procession will begin on Green Dr. ending on Montlieu.

Youth

BELK Charity Sale: Our first fundraiser for the Summer 2012 ASP trip is the Belk Charity Day Coupon Sale! Purchase a \$5 Belk coupon and receive \$5 off your first purchase during the Charity Day Sale from 6:00 to 10:00a.m., Saturday, November 5! We are able to keep 100% of the proceeds from the sale of coupons, so buy them for teachers, for friends or for yourself ...Go early to the Belk sale, then head straight over to church for the Fall Bazaar! What a great way to get some early Christmas shopping done! The first 100 customers in each store that Saturday also receive a FREE Belk gift card, valued anywhere from \$5 to \$1,000! All adult ASP volunteers have coupons available, including the Batts, Bowlings, Farabows, Hamiltons, Claire Stringfellow, Craig Kivett, Doug Taylor and Mike Lopez. Pat Bowling

Memorials

In Memory of Hellen Miller

given by Elizabeth P. Swallen	given by Elizabeth W. Edwards
given by Gurney L. Stroud, Jr.	given by M. Graham Morgan
given by The Upper Room	given by Terry C. Cox
given by Zack and Elaine Clinard	given by Bill and Liz Simmons
given by Faydene, Jerry, Mike and Jenny Newton	and Faye Newton Braud

Honoraria

In Honor of Frieda and Tom Harrington

given by Bobby and Nancy Yates

In Honor of Margaret Mitchell

given by The Upper Room

Worship Attendance

Sunday, October 9 th , 2011		Sunday, October 16 th , 2011
Sunday School	129	130
9:00 Worship Service	50	49
11:00 Kids Own Worship	10	13
11:00 Worship Service	<u>187</u>	<u>155</u>
Total Worship Attendance	247	217