



# Chapel Hill

## UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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**February 10, 2012**



**CHAPEL HILL UMC**

### STAFF

*Dawn Self*

*Children's Ministry*

*Heidi Tolle*

*Youth Ministry*

*Sherry Vineyard*

*Adult Ministry*

*Kathy Guttierrez*

*Music Director*

*Lynna Harbison*

*Accompanist*

*Jennifer Tidwell*

*Office Manager*

*Rev. JoNell Lindh*

*Pastor*

### Weekly Staff Hours

Church Office:

Monday – Thursday 8:30am-4:30pm  
and Friday 8:30am-1pm

Sherry Vineyard:

Monday – Wednesday 9am – 5pm

Heidi Tolle:

Monday – Wednesday 10am – 2pm

Dawn Self:

Monday – Wednesday 9:30am – 2pm

Kathy Guttierrez:

Wednesdays, 10am-10pm;

2nd Tuesday/month 4pm – 9pm



### LENT

Rediscovering the Fast

Chapel Hill UMC has been challenged by the United Methodist Women to fast from sundown Tuesday, Feb. 21<sup>st</sup> until 6:00 on Wednesday, Feb. 22. We will break that fast at 6:00pm on Wednesday with a light meal together before we go into the Sanctuary for the traditional Ash Wednesday service which officially heralds the beginning of the season of Lent.

Take the challenge. Fasting is an ancient means of grace and has been exercised as a spiritual discipline for generations. John Wesley fasted on Wednesdays and Fridays from 4 am until 4 pm. The time he would have spent eating and drinking, he spent praying and going through a rigorous time of self-examination of conscience. Many will give the money they would have spent on food to the church as an added discipline.

If you choose to fast, ponder these thoughts from one of my favorite authors, Macrina Wiederkehr:

Fasting makes me vulnerable and reminds me of my frailty. It leads me to remember that if I am not fed I will die. Standing before God hungry, I suddenly know who I am. I am one who is poor, called to be rich in a way that the world does not understand. I am one who is empty, called to be filled with the fullness of God. I am one who is hungry, called to taste all the goodness that can be mine in Christ.

Come join others, even if you decide not to fast, at the brief service of repentance and forgiveness at 7:00 pm on February 22. The service is a means of beginning our journey of remembering Christ's passion. It is like the melody line in the rich harmony of a symphony. Come re-experience sin confessed and sin forgiven with our sisters and brothers in this body of Christ and bring a friend.

Your servant and His,  
Pastor JoNell

### CONFIRMATION CELEBRATION



We are 9 members strong and really digging into some great faith learning. Ask any Confirmand anything about God and they'll be able to tell you. Well, maybe almost anything. Sunday was tight learning about our God the creator, the lover, the forgiver, the Messiah, the Spirit, the personal counselor, etc.....

We are looking forward to travelling to Trietsche UMC on Feb. 19 for Confirmation Celebration with about 1,000 other Confirmands and Bishop Bledsoe. Pizza will be consumed, songs will be sung and games will be played and friends will be made. What fun. Glory be to God!!!

Blessings, Pastor JoNell



# Prayers of our People

Miguel (AnaLaura Gamborino's nephew)  
 Family of Ray Dooley (relative of the Romine's)  
 JJ Johnson (Debra Fuls Grahams's mother-in-law)  
 Dave Blair  
 Frances Glancy's father  
 Doris Hancock (Jan Wooldridge's mother)  
 Lane Minton  
 Tom Cravens (Rev. Joyce Cravens' son)  
 Bishop Earl Bledsoe & Leslie  
 Kay Sellers (friend of GISD director)  
 Brian Seveland (friend of Kelly Page)  
 Family of Gladys Englert (Denise Maxwell's mother)  
 Freddie Adams  
 Dana Good  
 Maxine Osburn  
 Ruth Fuls  
 Marcie Woodard (Martha Lusk's niece)  
 Bob Mason  
 Ray Mills (friend of the Putnam's)  
 Jimmy Blunt (Jennifer Tidwell's cousin)

*Names will be shown on the  
 Prayer Requests for two weeks.  
 Please call the office if you want prayers extended.*



## When is Bible Storytelling Night? Sunday, February 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM

Come enjoy the great talents from the GPS & Class Menagerie Sunday school classes and the Choir.

### Who is invited?

**YOU ARE ~ and your friends and family.**

Feel free to invite a neighbor or friend who would enjoy a fun evening of Bible stories. This is a multi-generational event, everyone is welcome.



**Bible  
 Story-  
 telling  
 Night  
 2011**

## Calendar of Events



### Sunday, February 12

- 8:30 am Silent Prayer Gathering
- 8:45 am Early Prayer Service
- 9:00 am Confirmation Class
- 9:15 am Sunday School
- 10:30 am FAMILY WORSHIP
- 11:30 am Children's Council meeting
- 11:45 am Sonshine Choir
- 4:00 pm UMYF

### Monday, February 13

- 11:00 am Companions in Christ (library)
- 2:00 pm Mary Martha Circle
- 7:00 pm Worship Team meeting

### Tuesday, February 14

- 10:00 am Nurture meeting
- 11:00 am Community Together meeting (library)
- 12:30 pm UMW Book Club
- 3:00 pm Companions in Christ Group 2 (library)
- 6:00 pm Evangelism meeting
- 7:00 pm Adult Education meeting
- 8:00 pm COM meeting

### Wednesday, February 15

- No Staff meeting
- 6:00 pm Chapel Bells
- 7:00 pm Coin Club
- Plus 4's Square Dancers*
- 7:30 pm Chancel Choir

### Thursday, February 16

- 1:00 pm Trailblazers
- 7:00 pm *Yellow Rockers Square Dancers*

### Friday, February 10

- 4:30 pm Daisy Scouts (fellowship hall)
- 6:30 pm Prayer Team (conference room)

## FAMILY WORSHIP

*February 5, 2012*

### ATTENDANCE

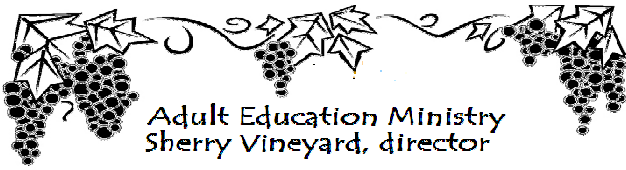
**WORSHIP SERVICE 140**  
**Sunday School 74**

### GUESTS

Marilyn Hartman, Dominic & Nicolai Williams,  
 Martha Khoury Sanders, Gene Riggs

### FINANCIAL REPORTS

Weekly Budget Offering 2012	\$5,324.00
Weekly Actual Offering	\$5,989.46
Year-to-Date Budget Offering	\$38,944.00
Year-to-Date Actual Offering	\$33,393.74
Communion Offering	\$315.45



Adult Education Ministry  
Sherry Vineyard, director

Chapel Hill United Methodist Church  
LENTEN JOURNEY 2012 Event

April 3 & 4

10:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M. & 4:00 P.M. – 8:00 P.M.

Lenten Journey is a personal, spiritual and creative experience offered in a community setting. Eight meditation centers provide an environment and instructions for a private and self-paced meditation on the Seven Last Words of Christ.

Chapel Hill United Methodist Church will hold our Lenten Journey 2012 event on Tuesday April 3 & Wednesday April 4, 2012.

Two sessions will be held each day with hours for both days at 10:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M. and 4:00 P.M. – 8:00 P.M. Bulletins from Spiritual Ministries Institute are being prepared showing all local churches that are holding the event for 2012, and Chapel Hill UMC will be listed among them.

We will distribute the bulletins to the surrounding churches and communities as we did last year, inviting everyone to come. You won't want to miss Lenten Journey 2012.

**Chapel Hill UMC Emmaus Community Members,**

It's time to begin holding regular CHUMC Emmaus community meetings at our church. After our last 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday presentation about **Walk to Emmaus**, we are receiving inquiries to sponsor several CHUMC men and women.

A by-product of being active in the local Emmaus group is that many of our church leaders were inspired by their Walk and have become outstanding servant leaders from their participation in a 4-day weekend.

Some participants who have gone on the **Walk** have said that their lives were changed! Let's have a re-organization meeting here at the church on Sunday, February 12, following church services. It will be brief. All we have to decide is what day and time we can meet regularly here at the church. We can meet in the Sunday Morning Prayer room off Fellowship Hall. **Let's commit to being active in the Emmaus Community again!** See you there!

**ARE YOU A PRAYER WARRIOR?**

**Do you feel that prayer can make a difference?**

**Everyone Welcome to Participate in Chapel Hill UMC Weekly Prayer Service**

Prayer Service during the week is changing from the old day and time to a new day and time.

We will be meeting at the church on Fridays from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. weekly. And, we will stay with a 1-hour format and dismiss on time.

The prayer list provided by Chapel Hill UMC will be used. In addition, we will pray for any other individuals or circumstances needing prayer and known to participants of this prayer group.

We would love to have you join with us for prayer weekly, but we will welcome you on those Friday evenings whenever you can come!



**Music Notes**  
~ Kathy Gutierrez



**Last Chance for Choir Camp Stocks!**

This Sunday, February 12, will be the last time you can purchase stocks to assist our 3<sup>rd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> graders going to Choir Camp. We are about half way there with the stock purchases made Sunday, Feb. 5<sup>th</sup> to being able to send the children with no additional cost to their parents.

If you purchased stocks this past Sunday, February 5<sup>th</sup> - thank you so much! The stock cost is \$10.00; please make checks payable to Chapel Hill UMC (we also take cash.)

Youth Notes... with Heidi Tolle



Hello Congregation!

**Last call for Souper Bowl contributions! Cans can still be brought in this week. If you'd like to make a cash/check donation for the purchase of additional cans, see Jennifer at the church office.**

Thanks to you, the Youth were able to collect over 500 canned good items! We will be delivering them to Metrocrest some time this month. We'd like to double our number next year, so be ready to help when the next Souper Bowl comes around.

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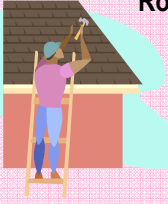


The Youth Sunday School has begun an interesting new study of **Ecclesiastes**. The first chapter reminds us that we cannot find true meaning in "anything under the sun", which literally means, "apart from God". We found comfort in the fact that even great and mighty King Solomon hit rock bottom at times and wondered "what is it all about?" We discussed the idea from chapter one that "there is nothing new... from ancient civilizations to modern technological civilizations... much has changed, but not humanity. People then and now have the same struggles, the same basic needs and emotions, the same desire to find meaning in life. That means that a book like Ecclesiastes is very relevant to today's youth who are trying to figure out their place in the world. They can feel like old king Solomon really "gets" them. I am excited to lead the youth Sunday school through this series, which asks them to consider what is truly of value in their life, and points them towards fulfillment in a life with Christ.

Thank you to all who attended the Parent Meeting on Sunday. Please turn in the yellow, blue, and orange forms as soon as possible. If you were unable to attend, expect to receive the handouts in the mail this week. If you do not have youth of your own, but would like to contribute to our program with your ideas, council, or volunteerism, please contact me this week and ask for a volunteer survey!

God's grace and peace to you and yours! --Heidi Tolle

## Roof-Top Opportunity with Labors for Neighbors!



Our friends at Labors for Neighbors have asked us if we can participate in their March 2<sup>nd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> roofing project in Oklahoma. We had our sights on the April trip, but that was claimed by another church team.

**What will I do?:** Load up gear at about 5:00 pm on Friday night, then drive to OK, enjoying pizza en route and fellowship and prayer with the other volunteers. **Saturday:** up and at 'em early with prayer and instruction and a day of well coordinated roof rebuilding. Very safe, you can stay on the ground if you feel it is necessary; there will be plenty of work to go around! **Sunday:** up for breakfast and on the road home. We'll stop at a Methodist church along the way and join them, all wearing our L4N t-shirts. *The last several trips have been to OK Indian mission sites, we believe this is so for this trip as well.*

**Who?:** Adult Missioners, and accompanied 16 - 18 year olds needed.

**How much does it cost?:** The cost is \$95 per person. We have a small budget to help willing missioners who would like to go - last trip it covered about 1/2 of this cost for participants –

**Bottom line: come if your hands and heart are willing, pay what you can and a way will be made for the rest!**

More info at: [www.laborsforneighbors.org](http://www.laborsforneighbors.org)

Please reserve YOUR spot on the sign up sheet in front of the church office.

Thanks! ~Outreach Team



## **Found:**

**Small gold bracelet (found in ladies room) and a copy of Homer's The Odyssey**

**Both items will be available for you to pick up in the church office.**

**~Jennifer, church secretary**

## **Where have all the UMBRELLAS gone?**

Do you happen to have one of the "church" umbrellas.... maybe forgot it in your car (like I've done MANY times) or left it inside your garage, etc....?



If so, please bring it back to the church so we can fill up the both umbrella stands for the next time it rains!

Thank you very much for your help!

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**Mission:** To glorify God as Lord by reaching out and making disciples for Jesus Christ.

**Vision:** Guided by Christ-centered confidence, passion and dedication, we pray for the Holy Spirit to so ignite us that together we will surpass even our own dreams. With faithfulness we will recognize and use our many spiritual gifts. With enthusiasm we will grow physically and spiritually. With love we will expand our outreach. With diligence we will broaden our mission ministry. With excitement and joy we will teach God's word.

**Philippians 4:13: I can do all things through Him who strengthens me.**