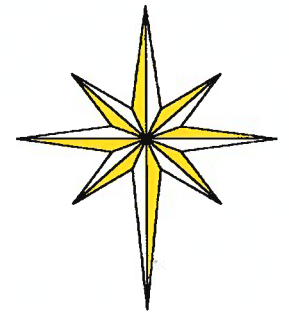




Bethlehem Star July 2022



July Events and Meetings

- July 4th Happy Independence Day
- July 5th 7pm Men in Christ
- July 11th 6:30pm GALS
- July 14th 6:30pm Church Council
- July 18th 10am Hands at Work
- July 19th 7pm Men in Christ
- July 20th July newsletter items due
- July 21st 10:45am-12:45pm Corner Table
- July 24th 5pm Trustees
- July 25th 6pm United Methodist Men @ Boxcar

Sunday morning worship times:

9:39am Praise Service in Fellowship Hall

11:00am Traditional Worship in Sanctuary

Wednesday Bible Study: 6:30pm in Fellowship Hall

Jesus Tykes and **Jesus Kids** classes meet during the 9:39am Praise Service.

The **Open Door Class** meets on Sunday mornings at 10am.

Youth meet on Sunday at 4pm. Students 6th-12th grade. Contact Eddie Hendershot at (828) 381-9001 for information.

KIDS B.L.A.S.T. meet on Sunday at 4pm. Students K - 5th grade. Contact Autumn Canipe at (828) 514-6974 for information. Follow the KIDS B.L.A.S.T. Facebook page for any changes in schedule.

****Please note:** All meetings and services are subject to change. Announcements will be made by the committee chairs, on the church's Facebook page or through the One Call Phone Tree system. If you need to update phone numbers or mailing addresses, please let Patricia Hoke know.

Births

Congratulations to Nick and Kaitlyn Bumgarner on the birth of their daughter, Charlotte Reese, born on April 10, 2022.

Sympathy

Sympathies to the family of Isabella Zaliagiris.

Sympathies to the Herman Phillips family.

Sympathies to the Tammy Saunders family.

Sympathies to the Marvin Leatherman family.

Sympathies to the Ray Burchfield family.

Sympathies to the Jane Ellis family.

Congratulations

Randall Sullins competed in the 2022 Carolinas Super Senior Championship on June 6-7 at Rolling Hills Country Club in Monroe, NC. After a tournament best 7 under par, 65 in the final round, Randall claimed the win with a score of 5 under par, 139 for the two day competition. Randall relied on concentration and prayer to pull out the win.



THANK YOU!

Adventure Island Vacation Bible School was held on Saturday June 11 with approximately 30 children attending. Everyone enjoyed games, stories, crafts, waterslides, lunch and snow cones. Thanks to all who helped make this year a success.



Attendance for June 2022

(includes Facebook LIVE views)

		9:39	11:00
May	29	54	20
June	5	49	30
June	12	84	22
June	19	68	30
Average		64	26



Anniversaries

- 10th McKenzie & Brandon Easter
- 24th Kennie & Diane Benfield
- 25th Roger & Tara Riffle
- 26th Steven & Carolyn Kale



The Christian Flag and the United States Flag have the same three colors; red, white and blue. The red on the Christian Flag represents the blood that Jesus shed for our salvation. The red on the US Flag represents valor (strength, courage, bravery). Blue on the Christian Flag represents the waters of baptism. Blue on the US Flag represents justice and perseverance. White on the Christian Flag stands for Jesus purity. White on the US Flag represents purity.

ONE NATION UNDER GOD

July

- 1st Debbie Caldwell
Jay Abernathy
- 2nd Leah Hefner
- 3rd Bryan Parlier
- 4th Montana Canipe
- 7th Nancy Alexander
- 8th Fred Sigmon
Gabe Sigmon
- 10th Winter Setzer
- 11th Rick Sigmon
- 12th Diane Benfield
Wyatt Sigmon
- 15th Robert Miller
Karlee Wilson Moser
- 16th Chris Miller
- 17th Adalyn Auldredge
- 18th Amy Miller
Donna Reese
- 19th Ian Harris
- 20th Carole Miller
- 21st Nancy Murray
- 23rd Evan Miller
Elaine Miller
- 24th Jearld Leonhardt
- 25th Olivia "Libby" Deal
- 29th Cody Plemmons
- 30th Anita Loftin
Charleigh Ann Setzer
- 31st Kathleen Sigmon
Dianne Elliott

Mission Opportunities

The **BLESSING BOXES** are an on-going mission for our church. Please donate canned foods and other non-perishable food items. Toiletries, personal hygiene and laundry items are accepted. Monetary donations can be given also.

School is out for summer and many children in our area do not have enough food. Please remember them when you are shopping and buy extra (non-perishable, easy to open) food to share.

LOVE PACKAGES collects Christian literature to be sent all over the world to spread the word of God. Gently used Bibles, study books, devotional books and CDs are accepted. (No Guideposts) Containers are in the fellowship hall and old kitchen.

The **Backpack Program** is a program of the Corner Table. There are 34 schools participating with approximately 1300 children enrolled. Food and money donations are appreciated. The next month to volunteer at the warehouse will be September. Please let Sheila Miller know if you would like to help pack bags.

The **UWF** is collecting all occasion greeting cards for **St. Jude's Ranch for Children**. New cards (with or without envelopes) and the front of used cards are accepted. *Cards from other charities, Hallmark, Disney and American Greetings can not be accepted due to copyrights.*

The third Thursday of each month from 10:45am to 12:45pm is the designated day and time for our church to volunteer at **The Corner Table** in Newton. The date for this month is July 21st. Please let Avajeon Meadows know by Monday July 18th if you want to help. Call or text, 828-234-6519.

ECCCM needs volunteers in the following areas: Food pantry, food distribution, warehouse, drivers, Thrift store. This month they need gallons of bleach, plastic grocery bags and egg cartons. Thrift Store needs summer items such as bikes, outdoor toys & furniture, water toys & beach towels and home furnishings. The store also accepts gently used clothing & shoes, baby items and home items. A complete list can be found at <https://www.ecccm.org/donations>.

VOLUNTEERS are AWESOME

ECCCM will hold an informational lunch meeting on Tuesday July 26th for the upcoming **Hunger Walk** on Sunday October 16th. This meeting is to learn about sponsorship, starting a team, walking, or raise support and spread the word. Please let Patricia know by Friday, July 22nd if you would like to attend.

GHCCM is currently in need of toiletry items: trial size deodorant, shaving cream, body lotion, shampoo & conditioner, soap. Full size items: toothbrushes, combs, razors, feminine hygiene products.

GHCCM is gearing up for the *Farm to Fork... Returning to Our Roots* event on Saturday, September 10, 2022 at Hart Square. Save the date.

Family Care Center of Catawba Valley needs volunteers to help remove old overgrown raised beds and general cleanup around the main campus. They are collecting the items for welcome home baskets: Walmart/Target gift cards, laundry baskets & detergent, basic cookware, cleaning supplies, new pillows. For more information, contact rachelheck@familycarecenter.org. Two upcoming fundraisers for FCC are an amateur golf tournament at Glen Oaks Golf Club Sept. 23-25 and a pro/am tennis tournament at Lake Hickory CC Oct. 21-23.

Bethlehem United Women in Faith (UMW) would like you to join us in helping the **Pregnancy Care Center** by taking a baby bottle to fill with cash, check, or change. Bottles will be in a basket in the Fellowship Hall and in the old kitchen in the church. We will be taking up money through Sunday, July 31st.

Phillip Williams with **Gideons International** was our guest speaker on June 19th. Our total offering was \$1,364. Phillip brought a display for us filled with greeting cards for the Send a Card. Donate God's Word program. It is in the Fellowship Hall. You can also find cards at sendtheword.org.

