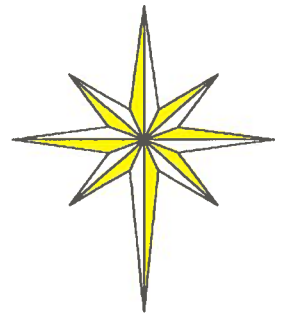


Bethlehem Star July 2023



July Events and Meetings

July 4 **INDEPENDENCE DAY**

July 6 6:30pm AA

July 13 6:30pm AA

July 17 10am Hands at Work

July 20 10:45am Corner Table

6:30pm AA

July 23 5pm Trustees

July 24 6pm United Methodist Men @ Boxcar

July 27 6:30pm AA

Sunday morning worship times:

9:39am Praise Service in Fellowship Hall
Jesus Tykes & Jesus Kids

10:00am Open Door Class

11:00am Traditional Worship in Sanctuary
Children's Church

Youth meet Sunday at 4pm. Students 6-12th grade. Contact Eddie Hendershot at (828) 381-9001 for information. **KIDS B.L.A.S.T.** meet Sunday at 4pm. Students K - 5th grade. Contact Autumn Canipe at (828) 514-6974 for information.
www.facebook.com/groups/183080758729790



This month we welcome our new Pastor, **Rev. Anthony L. Bell**. He comes to us from Cold Springs UMC in Concord. We look forward to meeting Rev. Bell and his family as he begins his ministry at Bethlehem UMC-Claremont.

Congratulations to

Tyler Johnson graduated from NCHS. (Libby Deal's grandson)

The CDC had 6 Pre-K graduates: Karsyn, Oliver, Abel, Savannah, Aubree and Crescent.

Abby & Austin Setzer are moving into their first home.

Sympathy to

Brianna Moser & family on the passing of her father.

Bill Hyatt family & friends.

David Ayers family & friends. (Darlene Clark's cousin)

Rev. Marsha Joyner family & friends.

Nate York & family on the passing of his grandfather.

Gary Winters family & friends.

James Wilfong family & friends. (Kathy Sigmon's uncle)

Wes Deal family & friends. (Conley Deal's nephew)

Coach David Elder family & friends.

Mayson Archer family & friends.

Chris Sigmon family & friends.

Denise Wineberger family & friends.

Eddie Ervin family & friends.

Thankful for

Shirley Harwell is officially in remission. Libby Deal's tests are clear. Danny Hedrick's surgery went well. Donna Reese's recovery is going well.

AA group thanks the church for opening our doors for them to meet. They are touching lives.

Attendance for June 2023

(includes Facebook LIVE views)

	9:39	11:00
May 28	114	
June 4	157	
June 11	70	35
June 18	73	32



ANNIVERSARIES

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

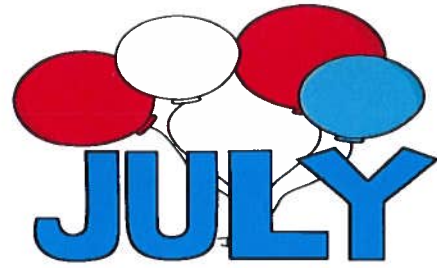


2023 Stewards

July 2	9:39	Dayne & Terri Miller Keri & Isaiah Hendershot
	11:00	Steven & Carolyn Kale
August 6	9:39	Kelby & Jenny Auldredge Ryan & Jeana Link
	11:00	Ron & Donna Sims

Alternates: Brittany & Khloe Riddle
Jason & Kristy Hedrick

Please let Sheila Miller know if you can not serve on your scheduled date. 828-234-1855



Happy Birthday

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

Mission Opportunities & Open Funds

BACKPACK PROGRAM—BENEVOLENCE—BLESSING BOX—
CARDS for ST. JUDE'S—CEMETERY—CORNER TABLE
EASTERN CATAWBA MISSIONAL NETWORK
ECCCM - GHCCM—GALS/COMMUNITY MEAL
GENERAL FUND - HANDS at WORK—HELPING HANDS
CHILDREN K5—LOVE PACKAGES—NOW
PARSONAGE—YOUTH

The Corner Table

Feeding Needs of Catawba County

COMMUNITY KITCHEN • BACKPACK PROGRAM • FROZEN MEALS

The date for this month is July 20th. Please let Avajeon Meadows know by Sunday, July 16th if you can help. Phone/text: 828-234-6519

The UWF are collecting change in baby bottles for the Pregnancy Care Center. Bottles will be available in the old kitchen and Fellowship Hall. We will be collecting through the last Sunday in July. Please take a bottle and fill with change, cash or check. Make checks payable to the Pregnancy Care Center.

Thanks, The UWF

Cleaning and re-organization of the storage areas in the Fellowship Hall kitchen area has been done. Shelves in the back storage area on the left side have been labeled. There are shelves for the GALS, the United Methodist Men, and for general church use. The area on the right side houses the washer, dryer and the cleaning supplies for the dishwasher. The Pantry in the back of the kitchen area near the ice machine and freezer is now CDC food storage. This will provide an easier way for each group using the kitchen to get to their items and also inventory quantities prior to any events. Please help keep the designated spaces clean and organized.

The CDC Yard Sale raised over \$700 on Saturday, June 17th. Sabrenia, staff and the kids are very grateful for all the donated items given to the CDC for the yard sale.

The grand total given to the Miracle of Bethlehem campaign was \$74,269.67.

thank you

Dear Food Committees of Sherryl McClellan & Carole Miller,

Thank you all for your kindness shown by serving the delicious meal after Mama's service. It was a good time for family fellowship and the meal was just what we needed.

Sincerely,
The Family of Celesta Winn

Dear Bethlehem church family,

Our family sends this word of thanks to you all. We thank you for your cards, calls and visits while Mama was still at home and later in assisted living. She always looked forward to receiving her newsletter and bulletins as well as her Sunday School literature and Upper Room. Thank you for sending those to her. And for the cards and visits, we can't thank you enough. She always enjoyed those and was quick to share with Sheila and me that "so & so" had visited or she received a card from someone.

Mama loved you all, her church family, and asked us often about someone on the prayer list. Now we thank you for your kindness in thoughts and prayers for our family at this time.

Sincerely,
The family of Celesta Winn
Sheila, Carolyn & Chris

Summer

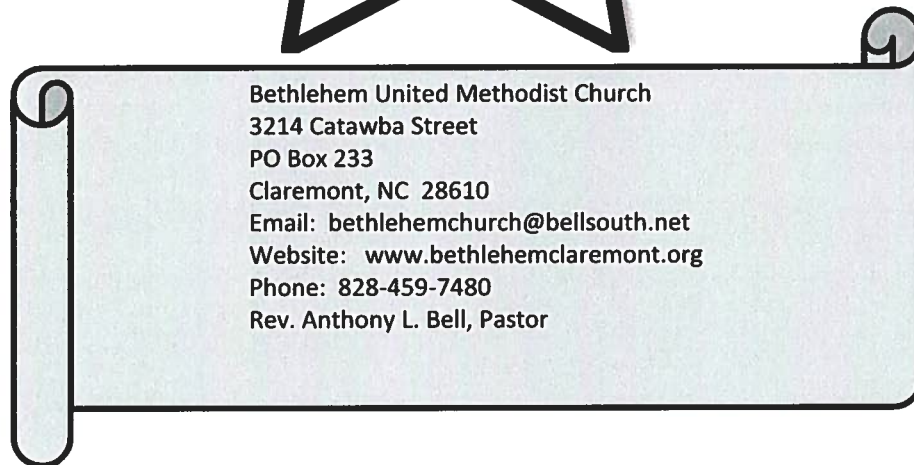
(abcb poem 5/18/09)

What do we see when we think of summer?

Red, orange and yellow
Staying home, playing games
Being happy and mellow

Trips to the ocean and river
Camping, swimming, fun
Going away to summer camp
And naps under the sun

Wishing everyone a happy and safe summer!



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Worship Services:

- 9:39 AM Praise Service - Fellowship Hall
- 11:00 AM Worship - Sanctuary
- Facebook Live: [Bethlehem UMC-Claremont, NC](#)
- FM 90.1 in your car