



# The Lamplighter

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## FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY . . .

### All You Need Is Love

The other week I was watching American Idol. The contestants were asked to sing songs this particular episode written by John Lennon and Paul McCartney. For some reason as I watched the American Idol contestants sing their choice of Beatles' songs I couldn't help but hear the refrain from one of their hits playing over and over in my head:

"All you need is love  
All you need is love  
All you need is love, love,  
Love is all you need."



So I asked myself, "Is that true? Is love really all we need?"

I began to think about the Bible's message regarding love. The Bible is actually pretty clear that love really is vital to life.

For example, followers of Jesus Christ are called to live out love in three key areas:

#### 1) Love God with all we've got!

<sup>29</sup> Jesus replied, "The most important commandment is this... <sup>30</sup> ...you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, all your mind, and all your strength. (Mark 12:29-30).

#### 2) Love other Christ-followers!

<sup>34</sup> So now I am giving you a new commandment: Love each other. Just as I have loved you, you should love each other. <sup>35</sup> Your love for one another will prove to the world that you are my disciples." (John 13:34-35).

#### 3) Love everyone we encounter in the world!

<sup>31</sup> The second (commandment) is equally important: "Love your neighbor as yourself." No other commandment is greater than these." (Mark 12:31).

So it seems that God's first call upon our lives is to love...to love God, love each other, and love the world.

What difference would it make in your life if you put love for God first?

What difference would it make in your life if you really loved your fellow Christ-followers?

What difference would it make in your life if you really loved every person you encounter today?

Jesus said the key to transforming our lives and our world is love.

Maybe John, Paul, George, and Ringo were right...all we need is love!

With Love In Jesus Christ,

John Franklin

### CHURCH FAMILY PICNIC

will be held at the church on Sunday, May 2, 2010, after the 10:30 A.M. service.

Entertainment will be by the EPIC

Praise Band.

Dress casual and bring a lawn chair and a dessert.

The rest will be provided, which

will include

Mrs. Evelyn's

Potato Salad!!!!!!

Hope to see

everybody there!



May 25, 2010

11:45 AM

“Stop And Smell The Roses”

After having lunch in the Bob Martin Hall, we will travel to Heaven Sent Roses on Reynolda Road to see and smell the many varieties of beautiful roses. You will be given helpful tips for growing successful roses and will dispel the myth that roses are hard to grow.



Make your reservation for lunch and join us for an enjoyable trip to the rose gardens and nursery.


Call Anne Ansley at 788-7417.

**UNITED METHODIST WOMEN’S SUNDAY is June 13th.**

*Friday, May 7, 2010*  
*6:30 o'clock in the evening*

**All  
Women's  
Banquet**

**IN THE  
MERRY  
MONTH  
OF  
MAY**



The **ALL WOMEN'S BANQUET** will be Friday, **May 7th** at 6:30 pm. Our theme is “The Merry Month of May.” This will be a fun night for all the Women of the Church. Please plan to attend. Tickets will be \$8.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children under twelve.

The **UMW Prayer Breakfast** is Saturday, **May 15th** at Centenary UMC for \$7.00 per person. Please join us.

The United Methodist Women’s Sunday is June 13th.

Please plan to attend the Spiritual Growth Retreat at Lake Junaluska June 18-19.



## Worship Helper Schedule for the Month of MAY

Position	May 2	May 9	May 16	May 23	May 30
2-3's Nursery	Pattie Pate Betty Linville	Stephanie Rehm Jim Yearly Darcy Steele	J. & K. Jackson Brett Burey & Leslie Mullinex	Nicole Stevens Valerie Quintana	J. & K. Jack- son Brett Burey & Leslie Mullinex
4-5's Nursery	Sherry Stevens (SS) Gail Ward Meredith Lindel	Cindy Bullock Ashley Griffin	Lisa Tomihiro Grace Parker	Nancy Smith Betsy Richardson	Lisa Tomihiro Grace Parker
Children's Message	Nicole Stevens	Lisa Tomihiro	Stephanie Rehm	Mitzie Kepley	Eddie Moser
Greeters	8:20 - Ken & Sally Blackburn, 10:30 - Forest & Rosemary Campbell Mike & Frances Olsen Patricia & Kevin Heath				
Captains & Ushers	Team 1	Team 2	Team 3	Team 4	8:20 S.Stevens R. Carter R. & H. Ely 10:30—Team 2

## BY Rev. Kari Howard, Assistant Pastor

I know that I have written about this before so please bear with me. I have taught about this occasion and made it a part of my life as I try to take this day seriously. This occasion is important to all United Methodists and many of our sister denominations. I have a secondary reason to remember and celebrate this occasion too (feel free to ask me about that.)

Aldersgate Day is the day that we United Methodists celebrate as the day that John Wesley's heart was strangely warmed. Wesley would say that this was the day he really became human, the day that he really felt that he did trust Christ for his salvation. It happened on May 24, 1738 at an evening society meeting at Aldersgate Street, London that he really did not want to attend, but God wanted him there. Here is the quote that he recorded in his journal:

"I felt I did trust in Christ, Christ alone, for salvation; and an assurance was given me that he had taken away my sins, even mine, and saved me from the law of sin and death."

Wesley had struggled with working out his salvation. He had struggled with really feeling the weight of his burdens and sin lifted. He had struggled not with belief in God but that God was really actively involved in his life. Until this point Wesley had tried to do all the right and good things, to be in all the right and good places and to offer his own abilities to the good of God's purposes.

It made it seem like he was doing right and it seemed that he was a good Christian. It wasn't until the Holy Spirit came into his life and

convicted him that it was not through human efforts that we please God, but by giving up the self that we obtain assurance of forgiveness and assurance of God's presence in our lives.

United Methodists celebrate Aldersgate Day in many ways but it is not usually on the same level as Christmas or Easter and really not even as celebrated as Pentecost. However, it should be a day for all of us to look deep inside and assess our own relationship with Jesus Christ.

Have we sought true forgiveness from Jesus Christ and are we living in that forgiveness? Are we too often trying in our own power to reach God? Are we trying to do things in our power? As I am reminded from our time with Beth Crissman from Plowpoint Ministries: Are we doing the good things or the God things? Do we know the difference?

Because of John Wesley's heart warming experience many of us have understood our own faith and we have had a church denomination with which to belong. Let me remind you that salvation is free for the asking and so is the assurance of your salvation. John Wesley would want us to feel what he felt.

2 Corinthians 6:1-2 says: "As God's fellow workers we urge you not to receive God's grace in vain. For he says, "In the time of my favor I heard you, and in the day of salvation I helped you." I tell you, now is the time of God's favor, now is the day of salvation."

Blessings,

**Kari**

### The First Annual AUMC Giving Day

**Who?** All Members and Friends of Ardmore

**What?** A Day of Volunteering Together at Different Places in Winston-Salem

**When?** May 15, 2010; 7:15-1 and/or 12:15-5

**Where?** At the Church and Around Winston-Salem

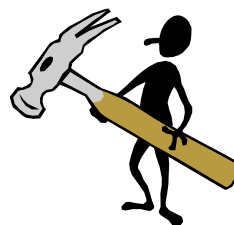
### The First Annual AUMC Giving Day

WORKING TOGETHER TO SERVE OTHERS

**MAY 15th**

Forgot to turn in your registration card???

Contact Sally Lindel NOW,  
before you miss it!



## Wednesday Night Fellowship Dinner:

Don't forget to make your reservation for our weekly fellowship time! Check your weekly bulletin for each Wednesday's menu. Evelyn is cleaning out the freezer and using up everything she's got! May is the last month for the Wednesday dinners until summer is over.

So COME ON OUT, WHILE YOU STILL CAN! Evelyn makes it goooood.

RESERVATIONS are required for Fellowship Meals. Complete a little blue card (in the pew) and drop it in the offering plate. If you wish to make this a *permanent* reservation, please make a note of that at the top of the card. You can change your reservations as needed by calling the church office.



### DISTRICT EVENT

**LOCATION:** MAPLE SPRINGS UMC COKESBURY ROOM

**MAY 23, 20**

**TIME:** 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm

### *FAMILIES, FAITH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE*

Clergy and Laity are invited to this informative seminar. The District received a grant which will help those who have been impacted by substance abuse. This is a wonderful opportunity to learn more about this devastating disease and ways in which we can help one another.

If you have any questions please contact Dr. Patty Suggs at 336-918-2974; pksuggs@yahoo.com.

"The Adventure Sunday School Class would like to thank all those people who helped make the **Easter breakfast** a meaningful part of Easter worship. Special thanks to Elizabeth Martin, Carolyn Coram, Louise Hutchinson, Anne Collins, and all those who donated flowers and time to decorate Bob Martin Hall. A big thank you to the Youth for serving, and the New Seekers Class for cleaning up afterwards. And of course, a thank you and a hug goes to Evelyn for the buns, sausage and assistance. We appreciate your time, talents, and service for our church family."

**This call came into the office** on Friday, April 23rd, from an unknown caller. She said, "My son-in-law just brought me over to the yard sale and he was so impressed with the workers.! He is Episcopalian but he said if he were not he would be tempted to come to Ardmore United Methodist Church because the people were so kind and helpful. Thank you."



#### OUR PRAYERS and CONCERNS:

- for people separated from God and lost in sin
- for Peace with Justice in the World
- for friends and family who are in need of healing: Matt Williams, Carl Stevens, Shirley Steele, Ted & Dee Trull, Emma Lineberger, June Crummett, Judge Alexander, Randy Carter, Jane Pate, Tony Needham, Wilda Cheek, Jane Reade, Elaine Via, Bob Wilkinson, Nita Lackey, Zachary Long (great-grandson of Margaret & Lanvale Reese), Norman Silva & Family (Cindy Kern's friends), Dianne Spainhower, Gerri Dee Crummett, Patty Whisnant, Dick Smith, Ed Baity, Jane Reade
- for those who are suffering around the world: the people of Haiti and Chile
- for those serving in the military: Adam Jarmus (friend of Danny Steadman) serving in Afghanistan
- for families who are grieving the loss of a loved one: Meredith Macy's grandmother, Tamara's mother,
- Carolyn Sue Miller , passed away Friday morning, April 23.

# More of What is going on around Ardmore



Welcome  
Our New  
Members

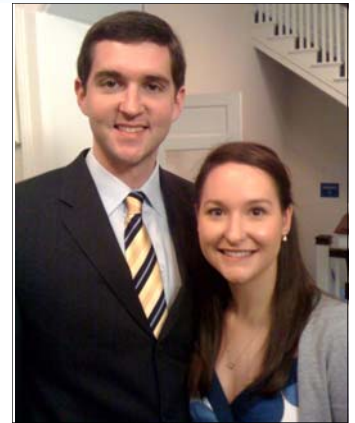


Loren and Judy Lundgren joined Ardmore UMC on March 28, 2010.

WELCOME! to two nice couples who have recently joined our congregation!

The Lundgrens reside at 605 Schaefer Ct., Clemmons, 27012. Their phone number is 766-8081.

The Mitchells also live in Clemmons at 6295 Gough Ct., Clemmons, 27012. Camron & Amy were married at Ardmore UMC on December 12, 2009.



Camron and Amy Mitchell joined Ardmore UMC on April 4, 2010.

### Memorial Gifts & Honorariums

- IN MEMORY OF STELLA "CHICKIE" MOSER: Mr. & Mrs. Larry Martin, Mr. & Mrs. Harry Steele, Dr. & Mrs. John Franklin Howard, Mr. Don Dwiggin*
- IN MEMORY OF CLYDE ROBINSON'S BIRTHDAY: Mr. Wesley Robinson*
- IN MEMORY OF HT HARTLEY: Mr. & Mrs. Larry Martin, Mr. William Murphy*
- IN HONOR OF LOUISE HUTCHINSON: Mr. & Mrs. Clint Coram*
- IN HONOR OF LUCY BRYANT: Mr. & Mrs. Roy Nifong*
- IN HONOR OF SARAH PENRY: Mr. & Mrs. Clint Coram*
- IN HONOR OF CAMRON & AMY MITCHELL: Mr. & Mrs. John Colbert*
- IN HONOR OF CAROLYN CORAM: Mrs. Treva Jackson, Ms. Kathy Garner, Mr. & Mrs. Larry Martin*

**CONGRATULATIONS to JOHN HOWARD** who will be representing the Western North Carolina Conference this summer in Germany at the Global Young People's Convocation. He is one of five young people going from our jurisdiction and **the only one invited** to attend from our conference. This is an honor for John and also our conference. Our prayers will go with you, John, for safe travels & a fruitful conference.

Ardmore UMC has started a Career and Business Strategy Group to provide networking opportunities for both employed and unemployed people in our community. Whether you are looking for job leads or business prospects, we are the group for you! We meet every other Wednesday, from 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm, in room 319 (above the kitchen on the top floor). Dinner is available at 5:30 pm for only \$5.00 per adult (please help us be sure to have enough for you by making your reservation online at <http://www.mychurchevents.com/calendar/calendar.aspx?ci=G1H2O9K5K5H2N8N8H2>). Childcare is available from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm. Please contact Timothy Binford at 336-761-1702 or [tcbinfo@bellsouth.net](mailto:tcbinfo@bellsouth.net) for more info. Our next meeting is May 5th.



Thanks,  
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"Empowerment and Equality through Education."

## STEWARDSHIP REPORTS

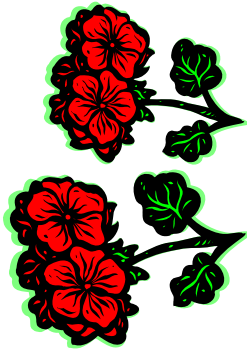
### Our Gifts: Tithes, Offerings, and Gifts Received Each Week

Rec'd the Week of	Apr 4	Apr 11	Apr 18	Apr 25
Rec'd to Budget:	\$25,023.70	\$15,505.80	\$6,357.00	\$13,663.72
SS Offering:	n/a	\$36.00	\$28.00	\$28.00
Other Gifts:	\$100.00	\$130.00	\$390.00	\$94.00
<b>Total Gifts:</b>	<b>\$25,123.70</b>	<b>\$15,671.80</b>	<b>\$6,775.00</b>	<b>\$13,785.72</b>

### Our Time: Attendance last month

Attendance	Apr 4	Apr 11	Apr 18	Apr 25
Sunday School	Easter	142	retreat 8	126
8:20 AM	Fellow. 195	43	39	36
10:30 AM	Break. 210	196	149	165
10:20 EPIC	Worsh. 357	45	45	50
<b>Total</b>	552	284	241	251

# MAY



Keep this page on your refrigerator so you can see what's going on at church!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>25</b> 8:20 AM Worship 9:15 AM Sunday School 9:30 AM Confirmation Class 10:20 AM EPIC Worship (Contemporary) 10:30 AM Traditional Worship 11:45 AM <i>Worship Committee (Lunch Provided)</i> 5:00 PM Jr. & Sr. High UMYF 6:30 PM Boy Scouts	<b>26</b> 9:00 AM TTWS (Preschool) 6:30 PM <i>Board of Trustees Meeting</i> 6:30 PM Brownie Troop 40587 6:30 PM Brownie Troop 41668 6:30 PM Cub Scout Pack 749 6:30 PM Jr. Troop 41709 6:30 PM <i>Mission &amp; Outreach Meeting</i> 6:45 PM Amb. Troop 40017 6:45 PM Jr. Troop 40382 6:45 PM Jr. Troop 41682	<b>27</b> 9:00 AM TTWS (Preschool) 11:45 AM <i>Young at Heart</i> 6:30 PM Evangelism Meeting	<b>28</b> 9:00 AM TTWS (Preschool) 1:00 PM Staff Meeting 4:30 PM K-2 Kid Space 4:30 PM Preschool Choir 5:00 PM Children's Choir I 5:00 PM Chiming Children 5:00 PM Preschool Kid Space 5:30 PM **Fellowship Dinner** 6:15 PM Children's Choir II 6:30 PM Companions in Christ 6:45 PM Staff Parish Committee	<b>29</b> LAMPLIGHTER MAILED 9:00 AM TTWS (Preschool) 6:00 PM Bells of Gladness 7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir	<b>30</b> 9:00 AM TTWS (Preschool) 12:00 PM CHURCH OFFICE CLOSSES AT 12 NOON	<b>1</b>
<b>2</b> 8:20 AM Worship 9:15 AM Sunday School 9:30 AM Confirmation Class 10:20 AM EPIC Worship (Contemporary) 10:30 AM Traditional Worship 5:00 PM Jr. & Sr. High UMYF 6:30 PM Boy Scouts	<b>3</b> 9:00 AM TTWS (Preschool) 6:30 PM Brownie Troop 40587 6:30 PM <b>Brownie Troop 40587 Awards Dinner</b> 6:30 PM Cub Scout Pack 749 6:30 PM Jr. Troop 41709 6:45 PM Cadettes 6:45 PM Sr. Troop 40216	<b>4</b> 9:00 AM TTWS (Preschool) 10:30 AM Prep Lamplighter for Mailing 6:00 PM Deborah Circle 7:00 PM Miriam Circle (with childcare)	<b>5</b> 9:00 AM TTWS (Preschool) 1:00 PM Staff Meeting 4:30 PM K-2 Kid Space 4:30 PM Preschool Choir 5:00 PM Children's Choir I 5:00 PM Chiming Children 5:00 PM Preschool Kid Space 5:30 PM **Fellowship Dinner** 6:15 PM Children's Choir II 6:30 PM Career Search & Strategy 6:30 PM Companions in Christ	<b>6</b> <b>National Day of Prayer</b> 9:00 AM TTWS (Preschool) 6:00 PM Bells of Gladness 7:00 PM Sanctuary Choir	<b>7</b> 9:00 AM TTWS (Preschool) 12:00 PM CHURCH OFFICE CLOSSES AT 12 NOON 6:00 PM <b>All Women's Banquet</b>	<b>8</b> 9:30 AM Private Birthday Party

<p><b>9</b>  <b>Mother's Day</b>  <b>8:20 AM</b> Worship  <b>9:15 AM</b> Sunday School  <b>9:30 AM</b> Confirmation Class  <b>10:20 AM</b> EPIC Worship  (Contemporary)  <b>10:30 AM</b> Children's Choirs I &amp; II to Sing  <b>10:30 AM</b> Traditional Worship  <b>5:00 PM</b> Jr. &amp; Sr. High UMYF  <b>6:30 PM</b> Boy Scouts</p>	<p><b>10</b>  <b>9:00 AM</b> TTWS  (Preschool)  <b>1:00 PM</b> Mary Circle  <b>6:30 PM</b> Brownie Troop  41668  <b>6:30 PM</b> Cub Scout  Pack 749 Covered Dish  <b>6:30 PM</b> Finance  Committee Meeting  <b>6:45 PM</b> Amb. Troop  40017  <b>6:45 PM</b> Jr. Troop  40382  <b>6:45 PM</b> Jr. Troop  41682  <b>6:45 PM</b> Sr. Troop  40216</p>	<p><b>11</b>  <b>9:00 AM</b> TTWS  (Preschool)  <b>10:00 AM</b> Esther Circle  <b>10:00 AM</b> Martha Circle  <b>10:00 AM</b> Rachel Circle  <b>7:00 PM</b> Ardmore  Neighborhood Assoc</p>	<p><b>12</b>  <b>9:00 AM</b> TTWS  (Preschool)  <b>11:45 AM</b> Retired  Ministers' Lunch  <b>1:00 PM</b> Staff Meeting  <b>4:30 PM</b> K-2 Kid Space  <b>4:30 PM</b> Preschool Choir  <b>5:00 PM</b> Chiming  Children  <b>5:00 PM</b> Preschool Kid  Space  <b>5:30 PM</b> **Fellowship  Dinner**  <b>6:30 PM</b> Companions in  Christ  <b>7:00 PM</b> Church Council  Meeting</p>	<p><b>13</b>  <b>9:00 AM</b> TTWS  (Preschool)  <b>6:00 PM</b> Bells of  Gladness  <b>7:00 PM</b> Sanctuary  Choir</p>	<p><b>14</b>  <b>9:00 AM</b> TTWS  (Preschool)  <b>9:00 AM</b> TTWS Teacher  Luncheon  <b>12:00 PM</b> CHURCH  OFFICE CLOSES AT 12  NOON</p>	<p><b>15</b>  <b>8:00 AM</b> The Giving  Day  <b>3:00 PM</b> Wesley  Foundation Dinner</p>
<p><b>16</b>  <b>Church Picnic</b>  <b>8:20 AM</b> Worship  <b>9:15 AM</b> Sunday School  <b>9:30 AM</b> Confirmation Class  <b>10:20 AM</b> EPIC Worship  (Contemporary)  <b>10:30 AM</b> Traditional Worship  <b>5:00 PM</b> Jr. &amp; Sr. High UMYF  <b>6:30 PM</b> Boy Scouts</p>	<p><b>17</b>  <b>9:00 AM</b> TTWS  (Preschool)  <b>6:30 PM</b> Brownie Troop  40587  <b>6:30 PM</b> Cub Scout  Pack 749  <b>6:30 PM</b> Jr. Troop  41709  <b>6:45 PM</b> Cadettes  <b>7:00 PM</b> Girl Scouts  Recognition Service</p>	<p><b>18</b>  <b>9:00 AM</b> TTWS  (Preschool)  <b>6:00 PM</b> ADK Teacher's  Group  <b>6:30 PM</b> UMM</p>	<p><b>19</b>  LAMPLIGHTER INFO DUE  <b>9:00 AM</b> TTWS  (Preschool)  <b>1:00 PM</b> Staff Meeting  <b>5:30 PM</b> **Fellowship  Dinner**  <b>6:30 PM</b> Career and  Business Strategy  <b>6:30 PM</b> Children's  Choir Concert  <b>6:30 PM</b> Companions in  Christ</p>	<p><b>20</b>  <b>9:00 AM</b> TTWS  (Preschool)  <b>6:00 PM</b> Bells of  Gladness  <b>7:00 PM</b> Sanctuary  Choir</p>	<p><b>21</b>  Cadettes Camping Trip  <b>9:00 AM</b> TTWS  (Preschool)  <b>12:00 PM</b> CHURCH  OFFICE CLOSES AT 12  NOON  <b>6:00 PM</b> Church Night  at the Dash Baseball  Stadium</p>	<p><b>22</b>  Brownie Troop 41668  Cookout &amp; Awards  Ceremony</p>
<p><b>23</b>  <b>Pentecost</b>  <b>8:20 AM</b> Worship  <b>9:15 AM</b> Sunday School  <b>9:30 AM</b> Confirmation Class  <b>10:20 AM</b> EPIC Worship  (Contemporary)  <b>10:30 AM</b> Preschool Choir &amp; Chiming  Children Perform  <b>10:30 AM</b> Traditional Worship  <b>2:00 PM</b> Mandelstamm Bridal Shower  <b>5:00 PM</b> Jr. &amp; Sr. High UMYF  <b>6:30 PM</b> Boy Scouts</p>	<p><b>24</b>  <b>9:00 AM</b> TTWS  (Preschool)  <b>6:30 PM</b> Board of  Trustees Meeting  <b>6:30 PM</b> Brownie Troop  40587  <b>6:30 PM</b> Brownie Troop  41668 Bridging  Ceremony  <b>6:30 PM</b> Cub Scout  Pack 749  <b>6:30 PM</b> Jr. Troop  41709  <b>6:30 PM</b> Mission &amp;  Outreach Meeting  <b>6:45 PM</b> Amb. Troop  40017  <b>6:45 PM</b> Jr. Troop  40382  <b>6:45 PM</b> Jr. Troop  41682  <b>6:45 PM</b> Troop 40216</p>	<p><b>25</b>  <b>9:00 AM</b> TTWS  (Preschool)  <b>11:45 AM</b> Young at  Heart</p>	<p><b>26</b>  <b>9:00 AM</b> TTWS  (Preschool)  <b>1:00 PM</b> Staff Meeting  <b>4:00 PM</b> GriefShare  <b>5:30 PM</b> Fellowship  Dinner  <b>6:30 PM</b> Children's  Choir Awards  Ceremony  <b>6:30 PM</b> Companions in  Christ  <b>6:45 PM</b> Staff Parish  Committee</p>	<p><b>27</b>  LAMPLIGHTER MAILED  <b>9:00 AM</b> TTWS  (Preschool)  <b>6:00 PM</b> Bells of  Gladness  <b>7:00 PM</b> Sanctuary  Choir</p>	<p><b>28</b>  <b>9:00 AM</b> TTWS  (Preschool)  <b>12:00 PM</b> CHURCH  OFFICE CLOSES AT 12  NOON</p>	<p><b>29</b></p>
<p><b>30</b>  <b>Trinity Sunday</b>  <b>8:20 AM</b> Worship  <b>9:15 AM</b> Sunday School  <b>9:30 AM</b> Confirmation Class  <b>10:20 AM</b> EPIC Worship  (Contemporary)  <b>10:30 AM</b> Traditional Worship  <b>5:00 PM</b> Jr. &amp; Sr. High UMYF  <b>6:30 PM</b> Boy Scouts</p>	<p><b>31</b>  <b>CHURCH OFFICE</b>  <b>CLOSED</b>  <b>Memorial Day</b></p>	<p><b>1</b>  <b>9:00 AM</b> TTWS  (Preschool)</p>	<p><b>2</b>  <b>9:00 AM</b> TTWS  (Preschool)  <b>1:00 PM</b> Staff Meeting  <b>4:00 PM</b> GriefShare  <b>5:30 PM</b> **Fellowship  Dinner**  <b>6:30 PM</b> Career and  Business Strategy</p>	<p><b>3</b>  <b>9:00 AM</b> TTWS  (Preschool)  <b>6:00 PM</b> Bells of  Gladness  <b>7:00 PM</b> Sanctuary  Choir</p>	<p><b>4</b>  <b>9:00 AM</b> TTWS  (Preschool)  <b>12:00 PM</b> CHURCH  OFFICE CLOSES AT 12  NOON</p>	<p><b>5</b></p>

## LIVING OUR CALL TO MISSION

Bishop Goodpaster has asked for every church in the Western North Carolina Conference to be involved in the WNCC day of mission and evangelism. Impact Community Day is fast approaching and **we need your help**. The Winston Salem District Design Team has met and have coordinated the following events that will take place on **Saturday, June 5<sup>th</sup>**, followed by a celebration service on June 6<sup>th</sup>. Many of the events will be highlighted at annual conference the following week. There is a list of needs associated with each project. There are several ways to participate. We need small groups in Ardmore UMC willing to come together to support one or more of the projects outlined here. If you are willing, or would like more information or ideas please contact **Eva Jane Felts** at [ejfelts@triad.rr.com](mailto:ejfelts@triad.rr.com) or 945-5928 or **Rev. Kari Howard** at [kari@ardmoreumc.org](mailto:kari@ardmoreumc.org) or 723-3695 ext. 108.

- **Block Party for the Homeless and Their Neighbors**

East 11th Street between Patterson and North Chestnut Streets, 10 am to 2 pm  
Coordinator: Laura Elliott, [laura.elliott@eisir.org](mailto:laura.elliott@eisir.org)

**Ardmore UMC Contact: Eva Jane Felts**

**Needed:**

- **Each church** to collect small toiletry items, pop-top canned goods, cracker and snack packs, plastic utensil packs (If you have business connections, who would help with this that would be most welcome.)
- **Free-standing tents for shade/rain**
- **Music groups to perform**
- **Tables and chairs and transportation for both**
- **Volunteers to run games and hand out prizes and gift bags (Great for youth groups)**
- **Food items to prepare and serve (UMM, UMW or Sunday School/Disciple classes would be good at this)**
- **Bottled water, canned drinks, ice and coolers (A corporate connection to donate any of these items would also be helpful.)**
- **There will be a children's books and food drive at this site**

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- **Playground Build at Piedmont Park Housing Complex**

East 29th Street east of N. Liberty, beginning at 9 am  
Coordinator: Eileen Ayuso, [eileenayuso@gmail.com](mailto:eileenayuso@gmail.com)

**Ardmore UMC contacts: Clint & Carolyn Coram**

**Needed:**

- **Each church** to hold a collection for matching funds to buy playground materials.
- **Volunteers comfortable with outside work of all skill levels; any familiar with playground construction on June 5th**
- **Volunteers to prep site a few days in advance of construction**

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## IMPACT COMMUNITY

RETHINK CHURCH



- **Thunder on Thurmond, a Community Day**

Saints Home United Methodist Church,  
Thurmond Street, 10 am to 5 pm  
Coordinator: Golethia Irving, [golethia@gmail.com](mailto:golethia@gmail.com)

**Needed:**

- **Packaged hotdogs, hamburgers and buns and drinks**
- **Health care providers that would like to offer medical screenings -- BP, cholesterol, diabetes, etc.**
- **There will be a children's books and food drive at this site**

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- **Children and Family Service Day**

Maple Springs United Methodist Church,  
Reynolda Road, 9:30 am to 12 pm  
Contact: Kate May, [kate@maplesprings.org](mailto:kate@maplesprings.org)

**Needed:**

- **There will be a children's books and food drive at this site**
- **Four Children's Ministers/Directors to be a project leader (project and materials will all be in place)**
- **Broken crayons, empty water bottles, children's snacks and juice boxes (No nuts please)**
- **Ingredients for dog biscuits**

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- **Painting and Repair**

The Children's Home, Reynolda Road, 9 am to 2 pm  
Contact: Bob Reddick, [bobreddick@hotmail.com](mailto:bobreddick@hotmail.com)

**Needed:**

- **Volunteers with basic to advanced painting and minor repair skills.**

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- **CLOSING CELEBRATION AT THE CHILDREN'S HOME**

A barbecue for all volunteers and contributors, 3 pm to 6 pm

**Needed:**

- **Music performers**
- **Volunteers to set up, serve and clean up**
- **Paper products, hot dogs, hamburgers, buns and drinks**
- **There will be a food and children's books collection at this site**

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## ♪ A Musical Note

**The Sanctuary Choir!** Those of us who participated in the "Stop Hunger Now" event on March 24<sup>th</sup> at Konnoak Hills UMC had a wonderful time! As part of 100 volunteers, we packaged around 13,350 meals in about an hour! Several of our choir members will be participating in another mission-gearred event on **May 26<sup>th</sup>**. They will be part of a 100-voice choir made up of choir members from churches around the area celebrating **Aldersgate Day**, the day that celebrates John Wesley's 'evangelical conversion.' The celebration will take place at **Main Street UMC in Kernersville** and will be a Wesley Hymn Sing, with carols sung by the choir and congregation. There will be a brass group made up of players from various churches, as well. During the service, a love offering will be taken up, to benefit the Open Arms Community. Mark your calendars! They have a goal of at least 300 congregants, so come and sing and listen!



And, though I can hardly believe it, I believe it is time to start getting ready for the **Summer Pick-Up Choir!** This is a chance for you to learn an anthem and sing with the Sanctuary Choir during the 10:30AM services during the summer. All you have to do is show up in the choir room on a Sunday morning at 9:45AM, learn the anthem, and then sing with us! It's a lot of fun and I hope we will see some new faces this summer! The Pick-Up choir begins officially on **Sunday, June 20<sup>th</sup>!** :)



**Bells of Gladness:** Listen for them to ring on May 16<sup>th</sup>! Now in the ranks: a new church member, Diana Long, and several of our youth, Preston and Grant McMillan and Blake Ware!



**Wednesday night choir news!** Beautiful singing from the Preschool Choir on April 18<sup>th</sup>! The Children's Choirs I and II will sing on **Sunday, May 9<sup>th</sup>**- finishing out their choir year- and the Preschool Choir will sing and the Chiming Children

will ring on **Sunday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>**- finishing out *their* year! We will have a brief choir recognition ceremony during the final Family Night Supper, on **Wednesday, May 26<sup>th</sup>**, where we'll thank them for all their dedication and hard work through-out the 2009-2010 program year! :)



**EPIC Music:** If you are interested in helping out with the EPIC Praise Team, contact Synthia Folwell for more information!

**The Ardmore Brass:** Our own brass band sounded fantastic at the Easter service! Thank you, guys, for all your hard work. They are practicing again, getting ready to play at some future date yet to be determined. If you are interested in playing in this group, please contact Dreama Lovitt, who will put you in contact with Leroy Foster. [music@ardmoreumc.org](mailto:music@ardmoreumc.org)



Upcoming:

**April 25:** Emma Slater will play the prelude at the 10:30AM Traditional service!

**May 2:** Marya Katz, a wonderful Hammer Dulcimer player, will share her playing and singing with us at the 8:20AM and 10:30AM Trad. Services. She is in town as part of the 16<sup>th</sup> annual Winston-Salem Dulcimer Festival, held at College Park Baptist April 30<sup>th</sup>-May1st. Feel free to check it out- they pull in great players and teachers from around the country! J

**May 9-** The Children's Choirs I and II sing!

**May 16-** The Bells of Gladness ring!

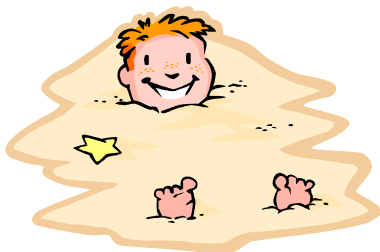
**May 23-** The Preschool Choir sing and Chiming Children ring!

**May 30-** The Sanctuary Choir sings a lovely piece by Telemann!

## YOUTH NEWS

**MAY is here...**plan to participate on the 15th with fellow youth to help Sally achieve her gold award in scouts by volunteering at the 1st ever **Giving Day**. See Sally Lindel to sign up.

SpiritUs Youth trip — rising 6th graders & up, sign up now for the trip to Fort Caswell Beach at Oak Island, NC - August 20-22... deadline is fast approaching. \$50 deposit due date extended to May 9th. Call Nicole with questions.



## Men's Retreat

April 16-18 were the dates for the **Ardmore UMC Men's Retreat** at the Valle Crucis Conference Center in Valle Crucis, NC. Ardmore men gathered for a weekend featuring beautiful warm days, cool nights, trout fishing, entertaining fish stories, conversation and laughter on the deck, great food, and times for spiritual renewal. Dr. Howard led the weekend theme: **"Love Is The Greatest."** Dr. Steve Felts was the retreat planner and trout fishing guide. One person who attended said, "I'm looking forward to the next retreat!"



**LOVE  
is the**

**GREATEST!**

### Shepherd's Center Used Book Sale to be Held **May 6 – 8, 2010**

The Shepherd's Center of Greater Winston-Salem will hold its 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Used Book Sale on Thursday, May 6 and Friday, May 7 from 9 am to 9 pm, and on Saturday, May 8 from 8 am to 1 pm. The sale will be held in the Education Building at the Dixie Classic Fairgrounds. Entrance for parking is through Gate 5 from Deacon Blvd. There is no admission and there will be thousands of used books and other items on hand at exceptional prices.

The Shepherd's Center is an interfaith ministry whose mission is to support and promote successful aging through direct services, educational, volunteer and support programs for older adults.

The Shepherd's Center relies heavily on individuals for the financial and volunteer support of our ministry with older adults in the community. During 2009 over 500 volunteers provided in excess of 25,000 hours of service in our community. Over 3,000 individuals benefited from the programs and services. The Faith In Action Care Program, staffed predominantly with volunteers, served the needs of over 1,500 individuals and families during the year while responding to over 2,700 transportation and 480 minor home repair requests. Attendance of over 15,000 was recorded in the wide variety of daily health and wellness programs and activities offered through our Senior Center locations.

All proceeds of the sale benefit the ministry's programs and services for older adults in our community. For more information contact the Shepherd's Center at 748-0217 or visit [www.shepherdscenter.org](http://www.shepherdscenter.org).

# MAY BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday To You...

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|--------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 1 Thomas Freeman   | 5 Doug Brawley      | 12 Tom Johnson          | 19 Will Sawyer     | 28 Robert Foster   |
| 1 Patricia Heath   | 6 David Rathbone    | 13 Helen Yandell        | 20 Judge Alexander | 29 Debra Sizemore  |
| 1 Katie Isley      | 7 Hank Spainhour    | 13 Betty Williams       | 22 Clint Coram     | 29 Anderson Parker |
| 1 Graham Howard    | 7 Margaret Tuomi    | 13 Cliff Harvel         | 23 Ed Baity        | 30 Mabel Hucks     |
| 2 Wilda Cheek      | 7 Amy Carol Parsons | 13 Anderson knott       | 23 Robin Reid      | 30 Amy Stuart      |
| 2 Joan Ross        | 8 Patty Whisnant    | 14 Anna Blackburn       | 24 Bradley Parrish |                    |
| 2 Joe Hunter Reins | 9 John Spainhower   | 15 Polly Alspaugh       | 25 Mavis Hedrick   |                    |
| 2 Lee Stokes       | 9 Carol Corum       | 15 Wendy Adams          | 25 Dennis Bachman  |                    |
| 4 Bill Cobb        | 9 Emily Brianna Ray | 17 Ruth McDonall        | 26 Sally Sharpe    |                    |
| 4 Ruth Martin      | 10 Mackenzie Palmer | 17 Virginia Kennedy     | 26 Scott Clingan   |                    |
| 4 Peggy Brewer     | 10 Blake Ware       | 17 Tommy White          | 27 Janice Snider   |                    |
| 4 Alex Patten      | 11 Harry Steele     | 17 John Franklin Howard | 27 Logan Brawley   |                    |
| 5 Mary Stuart      | 12 Treva Ward       | 17 Griffin Gough        | 28 Jane Reade      |                    |



## Vacation Bible School 2010!!!

June 21-25  
8:50 AM - 12 Noon

### Galactic Blast Vacation Bible School 2010

will be a cosmic combination of faith and fun where your kids develop a personal relationship with God through Jesus Christ. Through daily missions, your kids will see space like never before, gain a new perspective on our planet Earth, and learn easy "green" earth tips they can practice at home. Fill out this registration form or register online at

[www.ardmoreumc.org](http://www.ardmoreumc.org) - look for the VBS link on the front page.

For more information, contact  
VBS Co-Directors Leslie  
Mullinix at 725-1180 and  
Cindy Bullock 408-8007 or  
Eddie Moser at 473-6194.

IT'S GOING TO BE A  
BLAST!!

### Vacation Bible School Registration Form

June 21-25, 2010 8:50 AM – 12:00 PM

Please fill out one form for **each person** registering for Vacation Bible School.  
Registration is open from April 19 to June 15 unless otherwise noted.

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Class/Grade completed in the **2009-2010** school year  
(Preschool Three's, Preschool Four's, K, 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>): \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s) Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Information (Who do we contact in the event of a medical emergency?):

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies, if any: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Person who will pick up your child: \_\_\_\_\_

Does your family currently have a church home? Circle: Yes or No  
If yes, what is your church name? \_\_\_\_\_

\*Please return completed form to the church office or drop it in the offering plate.

THE WINSTON-SALEM DISTRICT OF THE UMC PRESENTS:

**"CELEBRATE ALDERSGATE"**

A CHORAL FESTIVAL BASED ON WESLEY HYMNS

TO SUPPORT THE "OPEN ARMS" COMMUNITY

WEDNESDAY, MAY 26<sup>TH</sup>

7:00 P.M. MAIN STREET UMC, KERNERSVILLE

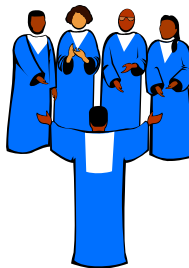
**CONGREGATIONAL HYMN SINGING,  
SATB CHOIR AND BRASS ENSEMBLE**

**DIRECTED BY DR. JON BROTHERTON OF GREENSBORO COLLEGE**

**Participating choirs are from:**

**Mt. Tabor, Main Street, New Hope, Konnoak Hills, Bunker Hill, Ardmore**

The concert is free. A Love Offering will be taken for the "Open Arms" Community, a cooperative ministry of the Winston-Salem District and the Western North Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church. Questions? Contact Donna Cooke, District Education Consultant, (336) 727-1222 or [dcooke@wnccumc.org](mailto:dcooke@wnccumc.org)



**What is Aldersgate Day?**

Aldersgate Day, celebrated on May 24<sup>th</sup> by Methodists, is a commemoration of the day in 1738 that John Wesley experienced his heart being "strangely warmed." It is named for the location of his conversion: Aldersgate Street in London. For more information, check out the Wikipedia article at [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Aldersgate\\_Day](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Aldersgate_Day). This year, the Methodist churches in our area will be celebrating Aldersgate Day with a choral festival based on Wesley hymns at Main Street UMC in Kernersville on Wednesday, May 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:00PM. A love offering will be taken up for the Open Arms Community, which is in desperate need of our financial support. For information about how some of our very own choir members will be participating, please check out the Musical Note article on page 9.