



# Weekly CHATTER

June 12, 2022

Worship Service in the Family Life Center and Online.



**WORSHIP UPDATE.** This Sunday, we will meet in the Family Life Center as we celebrate our high school and college graduate classes of 2022. Remember, you can join for worship 1) in-person, 2) via zoom and 3) via YouTube. Links for ZOOM and YouTube can be found on the church's website.

**LOOKING AHEAD.** On **June 19th**, we will commission members of the youth mission team and celebrate the return to Lake Junaluska for the annual conference meeting. And on **June 26th**, we will begin a new summer sermon series, "The Right Direction," based upon *Proverbs 22:6*. Using a series of children's books, we will explore the "Good News" through stories made for both young and old. Want to nominate a possible selection? Call 704-553-1327, ext. 111, or email Pastor Sherri at revsebarnes@gmail.com.

**FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE 2019, THE WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH** will be returning to an in-person meeting at Lake Junaluska from Thursday, June 16th through Sunday, June 19th. Please be in prayer for Pastors Sherri, David, and Sherry as they attend along with your lay members Pat Wolfe, Maria Alvarado, and Anne Lisk. The conference will be a time of worship, celebration, fellowship, business, and learning. Proceedings will be available via livestream at <https://www.wnccumc.org/ac2022>, and you are strongly encouraged to join us for worship on Friday at 10:30 a.m., Saturday at 11:00 a.m. and at 7:30 p.m. You will also be able to access recordings once conference ends.

**PRAYER CROSS.** Friends, you may have noticed a new addition to the church's entryway, and a special thanks to the Susanna Circle for their care of it. 1 John 5:14 says "This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us."

**Neighbors, members, passersby are invited to add to this cross.** The process is a simple one and mirrors what we have been doing in our gathered prayer time each Sunday at 9:30 a.m. When at the church, you may fill out a written prayer card and add it to the prayer box on the wall opposite the table, and your voice will be added to our prayer ministry. Or you may choose to offer your prayer at the cross.

**You are then invited to**

- 1) Choose colored yarn for prayer or
- 2) Choose white yarn for answered prayers and then
- 3) Loop/tie the yarn on the cross.

Over the coming year, we hope to see the prayers and God's grace multiplied.



**THIS PAST SUNDAY WAS PENTECOST - the birthday of the Church of Jesus Christ.** No matter in what language you say it - Gêzuar Ditëlindjen, Zorionak!, shêngri kuàilè, Alles Gute zum Geburtstag, Buon compleanno, Heppi Berdej, Feliz aniversário!, Grattis på födelsedagen, A freylekhn geburtstog, or Penblwydd Hapus - it is a day of celebration for Christians everywhere. At

St. Andrew's UMC, the communion bread was baked by many joyful workers and served along with the juice during the church service.

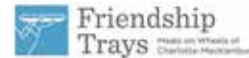
**PLEASE JOIN IN CELEBRATING** Betty Moore's 92nd birthday by flooding her with cards. Cards may be sent to: **Betty Moore**, Matthews Glen, 733 Plantation Estates Dr., Matthews, NC 28105



**ST. ANDREW'S UMC DOG PARK IS NOW OPEN.** Feel free to bring your fur babies for a romping fun time. **Park hours:** Monday-Friday 2:00 p.m. until dusk, and Saturday-Sunday all day until dusk.

**TEKOA LABOR DAY.** Registration is now open! Go to <http://tinyurl.com/TekoaLaborDay> to register. Email Kevin Ward (kjlw2517@gmail.com) if you have any questions!

**CONDOLENCES** to the family of Frank and Shirley Clontz on the death of their son, Richard Clontz, who passed away on May 27th. A Celebration of Life will be held at St. Andrew's UMC on Saturday, June 25th at 2:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary.



**WOW! YOUR DONATION OF 47 POUNDS WILL GO A LONG WAY TO FEED OUR NEIGHBORS IN NEED.**

Thank you! A Loaves & Fishes/Friendship Trays client, Katie, recently picked up food boxes to feed her family at a mobile pantry. "I just wanted to reach out and thank you. My family of 4 got food from you yesterday for the first time as CMS was closed. I literally cried after opening all the food. My daughter said her heart was filled with so much joy. Thank you all so much for helping our family during this hard time. We appreciate all you do, and I look forward to giving back one day." Thanks to you, moms like Katie won't have to worry about how to feed their children during this difficult time. Again, thank you for thinking of those who work the front lines providing nutritious food for our neighbors in need.

In service, Lindsey Houser  
Community Engagement Coordinator



- 12 Laura Padilla
- 12 Van Snyder
- 12 Amy Ward
- 13 Brad Barnes
- 13 Bill Maxson
- 15 Ken Farrar
- 16 Bob Reynolds
- 18 Greg Parker



**WORSHIP SERVICE  
JUNE 12, 2022**

9:00 a.m. - Worship  
Through Prayer

10:00 a.m. in the  
Family Life Center  
"A Message from  
Our Graduates"

Matthew 9:9-13

11:00 a.m. - Spiritual  
Formation and Fellowship  
for Children, Youth,  
and Adults.

**REGULAR CHURCH  
OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday-Thursday  
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.  
Closed on Fridays.

**ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL  
MEETING, JUNE 26TH.**

(All Online)

3:00 p.m. - SPRC  
5:00 p.m. - Finance  
7:00 p.m. Trustees

**JUST A GENTLE  
REMINDER** that

St. Andrew's remains  
"mask optional."

With the recent uptick in COVID cases, we encourage everyone to remember best care practices -- social distancing is encouraged, masks are suggested especially if you consider yourself in the vulnerable health category, and frequent hand washing and use of sanitizer is recommended.