

# Stokesdale United Methodist Church

Where we are reflecting God's love in the heart of the community.

First Sunday in Lent – February 26, 2023

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WELCOME

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

*"Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"*

CALL TO WORSHIP

CENTERING OUR LIVES FOR WORSHIP

GREETING

OPENING HYMN

*"Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days" UMH 269*

CHILDREN'S TIME

*Elaine Christopher*

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

*Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7*

ANTHEM

*"He Looked Beyond My Fault and Saw My Need"*

GOSPEL LESSON

*Matthew 4:1-11*

SERMON

*"Who will you listen to?"*

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM AND RECEPTION OF NEW

*Derek, Rachel, and Marshall Foy*

MEMBERS

*Doug and Beverley Watts*

*Mike Friddle*

*Mary O'Brien Irons*

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

SILENT PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING

IN OUR PRAYERS

DOXOLOGY

CLOSING HYMN

*"Seek Ye First" UMH 405*

BENEDICTION

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 26, 2023

### Worship Service Streams Live at 11:00 AM

ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE – Stokesdale United Methodist Church | ON OUR WEB-SITE – [www.StokesdaleUMC.org](http://www.StokesdaleUMC.org)

### Mask Wearing Policy

For those at risk of illness, wearing a face mask is recommended while in the building. Please respect the choices of others and continue to follow health and safety guidelines.

**Church Wi-Fi**                      ORBI75-GUEST                      no password required

**General Budget**                      Contributions                      \$45,408                      Expenses                      \$21,640

**Land**                      Contributions                      \$1,501                      Expenses                      \$2,931

### Children's Sermon Time

Our services are streamed live. If you do not want your child to appear on the camera, please have them sit on the gray chairs in front of the pews.

## SUMC Upcoming Events

### **Ray Comer's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday Party**

Come join us on Sunday, March 5th from 2-4PM in the Fellowship Hall to celebrate Ray Comer's 90th Birthday!

### **Grounds Beautification Day**

Come join us on Saturday, March 25th @ 9AM. Volunteers needed to help trim shrubbery and spread pine needles.

### **American Red Cross Blood Drive**

As a reminder the next blood drive is scheduled for **March 28<sup>th</sup> from 2:00pm – 7pm.**

Call Randy Southard at 336-908-1301 for an appointment or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter Code:

## SUMC Regularly Scheduled Meetings

### **Bible Study**

The **Genesis Bible Study** continues each week on Sunday at 5:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall and via Zoom. Please join us in person or via Zoom for any and all sessions. Also, please let Rev. Ridenour know of your interest so you can receive the Zoom connection. Phone 336-331-2727 (text or voice) or email [allen.ridenour@outlook.com](mailto:allen.ridenour@outlook.com).

### **Goshen Book Club**

The Goshen Book Club will meet the fourth Thursday each month at 5:30PM in the Parlor.

**Next Meeting is Thursday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>. Book of the Month: The Last Ballard by Wiley Cash.**

Everyone is Welcome! Happy Reading!

### **Grief Support Group**

**Next Meeting March 7<sup>th</sup> at 10:30am. Upcoming Meetings: Mar 21<sup>st</sup>, Apr 4<sup>th</sup>**

Contact Rev. Donna Friddle 336-427-4813 and/or Rev. Dr. Ed McKinney 336-643-4850 for more information.

### **GSM Food Pantry**

**Distribution Day: Saturday, March 25<sup>th</sup> @ 9AM.** Host: Oak Ridge UMC

### **Quail Acres Mobile Food Market**

**Distribution Day: Friday, March 24<sup>th</sup> from 3-5PM**

### **Senior Resources**

Did you know the Stokesdale Rural Outreach Program for seniors meets at Stokesdale UMC every month?

**Come join us Thursday, March 9<sup>th</sup> from 10:30-12:00PM Location: Fellowship Hall.**

\*\*Make sure to RSVP at 336-373-4816 x265 or [ruraloutreach@senior-resources-Guilford.org](mailto:ruraloutreach@senior-resources-Guilford.org) for your FREE lunch.

### **United Women in Faith**

United Women in Faith meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month at 1PM.

**Next Meeting March 14<sup>th</sup> @ 1pm. Location: SUMC Fellowship Hall**

### **February Youth Activities**

February 26 – 4-5pm Session 5: A Loving Church

### **Operation XCEL**

Afterschool program for K-5<sup>th</sup> grade. Please contact Vivian Mestre at 336-423-7566 for more information.

## New Digital Church Sign

Consider a donation above and beyond your regular giving for the New Digital Sign. We already have gifts providing over half of what we need. Please designate your gift for "Digital Sign." Thank you!



**SUMC Lighthouse Congregation** - Stokesdale UMC is a Lighthouse Congregation of The Western North Carolina Conference of The United Methodist Church, in partnership with The United Methodist Collective of the Western NC Conference.  
**See Pastor Ed or Pastor Donna for more information.**

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### EVENTS THIS WEEK:

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<b>TODAY</b>	10AM	Sunday School
	11AM	Worship Service
	4-5PM	Youth Session 5: A Loving Church
	5PM	Bible Study
<b>MONDAY</b>	3-6PM	Operation Xcel
	6PM	Girl Scouts
<b>TUESDAY</b>	Noon	Word & Table
	1PM	Al-Anon Meeting
	3-6PM	Operation Xcel
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	10:30AM	Preaching Meeting
	3-6PM	Operation Xcel
	6PM	Handbell Practice
	7PM	Choir Practice
<b>THURSDAY</b>	3-6PM	Operation Xcel
<b>FRIDAY</b>	3-6PM	Operation Xcel
<b>SATURDAY</b>		

*Stokesdale United Methodist Church  
Prayer Sheet – February 26, 2023*

*Shut-Ins:*

Betty Shelton	Bryan Fox	Judy York
Diane Preddy	Leola Vaughn	Lucille Friddle
Kathy Martin	Mike Hall	Phyllis Green
Mickie Halbrook	Ruth Thomas	
Rev. Steve Joyce	Carole Pegram	

*Our Servicemen:*

Brandon Estrada – Army	Chris Seagraves – Air Force
Christopher Quesenberry – Air Force	Craig Rush II – Army
Chris Beck – Air Force	Mike Tumlin – Army
Jay Christopher – Navy	Roger Rich – Army
Robert Massingale – Army	Kellen Pearson – Air Force

*On-Going:*

Angela Holt	Emily Walthall	Rylie Cole
Bill Preddy	Gene Tiesler	Shirley Gourley
Bob Simpson	Gwen Comer	Susan Bullock
Bobby & Rachel Gauldin	Jacob Shore	Todd Southard
Brian Landreth	Jimmy York	Tommy Huff
Carmen Wilmer	Julie McCormick	Tony Wilcox
Carol Martin	Linda Osborne	Vartkes Ajemian
Chris Southern	Rob Coles	Yorkie York
Edith Beasley		

*Others:*

Riley Scott Willetts	Lori McKenzie	Amanda Edmundson
Robbie Dailey	Kaylene Peeples	The Queen Family
Patty Goodman	Sandra Dix	Jack Southard
Donna Takase	Bruce Willard	Tommy Huff
Al Hartman	Teddy Royal	Duke Elkins
Dave Connors	Clint Blackburn	Cindy Farrand
Gayle Williams	Daniel Carmon	Susan Creed