

Stokesdale United Methodist Church

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

4th Sunday in Lent – March 10, 2024

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Jeff Fink, Music Director
Beth Southard, Music Assistant
Robin Howerton, Handbell Director
Sarah McKinney, Youth Director
Linda Curtis, Interim Office Manager

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Dr. Ed McKinney

GIRL SCOUT RECOGNITION

CHORAL INTROIT

"Surely the Presence"

GREETING

Come, let us walk in the light of the Lord.

That he may teach us his ways, and that we may walk in his paths.

HYMN OF PRAISE

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness" UMH No. 140

THE PSALTER

Psalms 112, UMH No. 833

GLORIA PATRI

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Catherine Brown

POCKET CHANGE SUNDAY

CHORAL ANTHEM

"Find Us Faithful"

GOSPEL LESSON

John 3:14-21 (NRSV)

SERMON – "Refreshment, Bounty, and Hope"

Rev. Bev Copley

CALL FOR COMMITMENT, OFFERING, AND PRAYER

Rev. Dr. Ed McKinney

HYMN OF RESPONSE

"Take My Life and Let It Be" UMH No. 399

During this hymn and the offertory, people are invited to bring their offerings and commitment cards to the chancel area. They may place their offering and estimated giving cards in the offering plates or on the altar rail. Please come down the middle aisle and return via the side aisle.

OFFERTORY

Handbell Choir

"Be Thou My Vision" and "For the Beauty of the Earth"

DOXOLOGY

UMH No. 95

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

Rev. Dr. Ed McKinney

THE LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN OF DEDICATION

"Freely, Freely" UMH No. 389

BENEDICTION AND BLESSING OVER LUNCH

Worship Service Streams Live at 11:00 AM

ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE: Stokesdale United Methodist Church | Streaming at stokesdaleumc.org links to Facebook Live.
| No Facebook account necessary.

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 \$ 53,742	Expenses \$ 60,268	
Land	Contributions \$ 4,945	Expenses \$ 2,931	Land Debt \$ 47,343.43

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.



As a Lighthouse Congregation, Stokesdale UMC is committed to remain a part of The United Methodist Church and serve those who have lost their church homes through disaffiliation or closure. We will partner in this work by providing a welcoming place, offering ministry opportunities, helping organize remnant groups in our community, and assisting individuals and groups in discerning their next steps as they find a new church home. See Pastor Ed or Pastor Donna for more information.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 10, 2024

Bible Study

Romans: A 12-Week Study started March 3rd at 5PM in the Fellowship Hall with each session lasting one hour. Study books are available in the Narthex. Please take one after you have signed the Bible Study List and mark as paid when you have done so. Everyone is welcome. Contact Rev. Dr. Allen C. Ridenour for more information.

Blood Drive

Next Blood Drive is scheduled for March 26th from 2–7PM. Call Randy Southard at (336) 908-1301 for an appointment or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter Code: Stokesdale UMC.

Dollars for Creekside

Creekside Manor can house 60 residents. SUMC gives each resident \$3 so they can purchase two items from the snack machines. We would like to be able to visit and give the residents dollars at least once a month. Thank you for your support!

Ellisboro Baptist Mobile Food Market – NEW LOCATION

Distribution Day: Friday, March 22nd from 3-5PM - Stokesdale UMC partners with Lot 2540 and others to provide frozen and fresh food to food insecure families in our community. The Ellisboro Baptist Church is located at 1604 Ellisboro Road, Madison. Crossroads Church will be hosting.

Good Friday CrossWalk

Come join us Friday, March 29th 11AM-1PM Start/Finish at Stokesdale UMC. Lunch is provided. A walk remembering the Seven Last Words of Christ.

Goshen Book Club

Next Meeting is Thursday, March 28th @ 5:30PM in the Parlor and everyone is welcome! Happy Reading!
Book of the Month: *The Secret Life of Sunflowers* by Marta Molnar

Grief Support Group

Next Meeting March 12th @ 10:30AM. Upcoming Meetings: March 26th, April 9th, and April 23rd
Contact Rev. Donna Friddle (336) 427-4813 or Rev. Dr. Ed McKinney (336) 643-4850 for more information.

GSM Food Pantry

Distribution Day: Saturday, March 23rd @ 9AM. Good Samaritan Ministries Food Pantry is open last Saturday of each month from 8:30AM to 10:30AM. ****We need 4 volunteers every month**.** **NEW LOCATION: Gideon Grove UMC.**

Maundy Thursday Service

Thursday, March 28th @ 7PM at Flat Rock UMC, 6720 US 158 in Stokesdale.

Men's Group

The Men's group will hold its next meeting on Sunday, April 14th at 7:30AM in the Fellowship Hall. Please contact Todd Thomas at (336) 423-4916 if you would like more information. All men are welcome.

Missions Update

Please go to www.stokesdaleumc.org and click on the **MISSIONS** tab for more information.

Senior Resources

Come join us Thursday, March 14th from 10:30AM–12PM Location: Fellowship Hall. Senior Resources of Guilford meets at SUMC on the 2nd Thursday of each month from 10:30AM - 12PM. Make sure to RSVP at (336) 373-4816 x265 or ruraloutreach@senior-resources-Guilford.org for your FREE lunch.

“Spring Into Action” Clean Up Day

Trustees invite all those with a “green thumb” or otherwise to join us on Saturday, March 16 at 9:00 to help in sprucing up the landscaping around the church. We’ll be springing into action by trimming shrubs and spreading pine needles in preparation for Easter services. Be sure to bring gloves and pruning shears if you have them. Refreshments will be provided.

Please use SignUp Genius to register and receive updates.
Click this link to sign up: <http://tinyurl.com/sumcpringcleanup>

Scan
QR code



Stokesdale Fire District BBQ Pork Butts Sale

Saturday, March 23rd pick up time 9:30AM \$40 per butt. PRE-ORDERS only!! To order call (336) 643-0790.
Orders taken until March 11th.

United Women in Faith

Next Meeting: March 12th @ 3PM in the Fellowship Hall. Interested in being a part of our group? Contact Elaine Christopher for more information.

A tour to Revolution Mills and lunch is scheduled for Thursday, March 21, 2024 at 10:30. This is the first flannel mill in the South opened by Moses and Ceasar Cone in 1898. By 1930 it was the largest exclusive flannel mill in the world. Now it is an historic property. Contact Kathy Hanko (304-319-1305) to reserve a spot.

Volunteers Needed

April 23rd – May 3rd the General Conference is looking for volunteers for their Welcome Team. For more information and to apply go to www.WelcomeToGC.org.

Youth

March 10th – 10-11am Session 2: Wesley & the Methodists	March 24th – 10-11am Session 4: Music & Lyrics
March 17th – 10-11am Session 3: The Connection	March 31st – Easter

GIFTS IN MEMORY OF / IN HONOR OF:

IN MEMORY OF JUANITA PRESTON: *a donation was received from Lisa Joyce*

EVENTS THIS WEEK:

TODAY	10AM	Youth: Session 2
	10AM	Sunday School
	11AM	Worship Service
	5PM	Bible Study
MONDAY	6PM	Girl Scouts
	7PM	Missions
TUESDAY	10:30AM	Grief Group
	Noon	Word & Table
	1PM	Al Anon
	3PM	UWF
	7PM	Trustees Meeting
WEDNESDAY	6PM	Handbell Practice
	7PM	Choir Practice
THURSDAY	10:30AM	Senior Resources
SATURDAY	9AM	Spring Clean Up Day

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Prayer Sheet – March 10, 2024

Shut-Ins:

Rev. Bryan Fox	Kathy Martin	Mickie Halbrook
Carole Pegram	Leola Vaughn	Phyllis Green
Diane Preddy	Lucille Friddle	Rev. Steve Joyce
Judy York		

Our Servicemen:

Chris Seagraves – Air Force	Gehrig Hopper – Air Force
Chris Beck – Air Force	Kellen Pearson – Air Force
Christopher Quesenberry – Air Force	Mike Tumlin – Army
Craig Rush II – Army	Robert Massingale – Army
Jay Christopher – Navy	Roger Rich – Army
Jon Belote – Army	

On-Going:

Angela Holt	Emily Walthall	Rob Coles
Bill Preddy	Gayle Williams	Rylie Cole
Bob Simpson	Gene Tiesler	Shawn Monroe
Bobby & Rachel Gaudin	Ray & Gwen Comer	Shirley Gourley
Brian Landreth	Jacob Shore	Stephen Hubbard
Carmen Wilmer	Julie McCormick	Todd Southard
Carol Martin	Kevin Spradling	Tommy Huff
Chris Southern	Linda Osborne	Tony Wilcox
David Westmoreland	Pam Clinard	Vartkes Ajemian
Dock Coleman	Patrick Cahill	Yorkie York
Edith Beasley		

Others:

Douglas Watts	Lori McKenzie	Amanda Edmundson
Donna Takase	Jack Southard	Sandra Dix
Elaine McCollum	Melinda Gibson	Bruce Overby
Andy Hoover	Bob Simpson	Sandy Freeman
Tim Isley	Eldridge Goine	Shirley Friddle
Thea Howard	Tommy Price	Lori Tuttle
Murray Family	Avah Idol Family	Kim Hauser
Julie Shouse	Sara Saulpaugh	