

# Stokesdale United Methodist Church

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

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent – March 12, 2023

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WELCOME

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

*"Wade In the Water"*

CALL TO WORSHIP

CENTERING OUR LIVES FOR WORSHIP

GREETING

OPENING HYMN

*"Fill My Cup, Lord"*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

CHILDREN'S TIME

*Mahalia McGee*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

*Exodus 17:1-7*

ANTHEM

*"Come to the Water"*

GOSPEL LESSON

*John 4:5-26*

SERMON

*Seeking: "Will you give me a drink?"*

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

SILENT PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING

DOXOLOGY

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBER

*Mary O'Brien Irons*

CLOSING HYMN

*"The Water God Gives Us"*

BENEDICTION

## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 12, 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      \$55,975                      Expenses                      \$44,815

**Land**                                      Contributions      \$2,444                      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

### **Pi Day Celebration**

Come join Operation Xcel on **Wednesday, March 15<sup>th</sup> from 5-7PM** for a Pi Pizza Night!  
**\$5 Donations.** If anyone is interested in donating a sweet pie of any kind, it's greatly appreciated.  
*Thank you. – Ms. Vivian*

### **Grounds Beautification Day**

Come join us on **Saturday, March 25<sup>th</sup> @ 9AM.** Volunteers needed to help trim shrubbery, spread pine needles and removed old flowers from cemetery.

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

As a reminder the next blood drive is scheduled for **March 28<sup>th</sup> from 2–7pm.**  
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 Ballad by Wiley Cash.**  
Everyone is Welcome! Happy Reading!

### **Grief Support Group**

**Next Meeting March 21<sup>st</sup> at 10:30am. Upcoming Meetings: Apr 4<sup>th</sup>, Apr 18<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, April 13<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**

### **March Youth Activities**

<b>March 12: 10-11am</b> Session 7: The Bible	<b>March 19: 4-5pm</b> Session 8: Hitting the Mark: Sin & Grace	<b>March 26:</b> help lead worship
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### **Operation XCEL NEEDS Volunteers**

Volunteers needed to help our children with homework time and/or reading time.  
Please contact Vivian Mestre at 336-423-7566 for more information.

**IN HONOR OF:** *Ray Comer a donation was received from Randy Southard*

**IN MEMORY OF:** *Violet Lemons a donation was received from Tommy & Cynthia Huff*

**IN MEMORY OF:** *Violet Lemons a donation was received from Lucille Friddle*



**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	Youth help with worship
	10AM	Sunday School
	11AM	Worship Service
	2 - 4PM	Ray Comer's 90 <sup>th</sup> Birthday Party
	5PM	Bible Study
<b>MONDAY</b>	3 - 6PM	Operation Xcel
	6PM	Girl Scouts
<b>TUESDAY</b>	10:30AM	Grief Group
	Noon	Word & Table
	1PM	Al-Anon Meeting
	1PM	UWF
	3 - 6PM	Operation Xcel
	7PM	Trustees
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	10:30AM	Preaching Meeting
	3 - 6PM	Operation Xcel
	5-7PM	Pi Pizza Celebration
	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 – March 12, 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	Edith Beasley	Rylie Cole
Bill Preddy	Emily Walthall	Shirley Gourley
Bob Simpson	Gene Tiesler	Susan Bullock
Bobby & Rachel Gaudin	Gwen Comer	Todd Southard
Brian Landreth	Jacob Shore	Tommy Huff
Carmen Wilmer	Jimmy York	Tony Wilcox
Carol Martin	Julie McCormick	Vartkes Ajemian
Chris Southern	Linda Osborne	Yorkie York
David Westmoreland	Rob Coles	

*Others:*

Al Hartman	Lisa McGee	Tim Isley
Family of Joe Bryant	Shirley Friddle	RD Hunt
Carol Martin	Gayle Williams	Daniel Carmon
Cindy Farrand	Duke Elkins	Dave Connor
Clint Blackburn	Lisa Joyce	