

# Stokesdale United Methodist Church

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

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent – March 26, 2023

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WELCOME	
CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP	<i>"Dem Bones Gonna Rise Again"</i>
CALL TO WORSHIP	
CENTERING OUR LIVES FOR WORSHIP	
GREETING	
OPENING HYMN	<i>"Breathe on Me, Breath of God" No. 420</i>
CALL TO CONFESSION	
PRAYER OF CONFESSION	
WORDS OF FORGIVENESS	
CHILDREN'S TIME	<i>Elaine Christopher</i>
PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION	
OLD TESTAMENT LESSON	<i>Ezekiel 37:1-14</i>
ANTHEM	<i>"I Am The Bread of Life"</i>
NEW TESTAMENT	<i>John 11:28-45</i>
SERMON	<i>Seeking: Can These Bones Live?</i>
AFFIRMATION OF FAITH	
SHARING JOYS AND CONCERNS	
PRAYER HYMN	<i>"Spirit of the Living God, Fall Afresh on Me" No. 393</i>
PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE	
VISIO DIVINA AND SILENT PRAYER	
THE LORD'S PRAYER	
PRAYER HYMN	<i>"Spirit of the Living God, Fall Afresh on Us" No. 393</i>
MISSION MOMENT	<i>John Thornton</i>
OFFERING	
DOXOLOGY	
CLOSING HYMN	<i>"Can These Bones Live"</i>
BENEDICTION	

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 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

<b>General Budget</b>	Contributions \$ 64,511	Expenses \$ 66,244	<b>Digital Sign Debt</b>	\$ 4,622
<b>Land</b>	Contributions \$ 3,784	Expenses \$ 4,397	<b>Land Debt</b>	\$ 66,372

**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

#### **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: Stokesdale UMC

### 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, April 27<sup>th</sup>. Book of the Month: Daughter of Cana by Angel Hunt.**

Everyone is Welcome! Happy Reading!

#### **Grief Support Group**

**Next Meeting April 4<sup>th</sup> at 10:30am. Upcoming Meetings: Apr 18<sup>th</sup>, May 2<sup>nd</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, April 29<sup>th</sup> @ 9AM.** Host: Oak Ridge UMC

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

**Distribution Day: Friday, April 28<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 April 11<sup>th</sup> @ 1pm. Location: SUMC Fellowship Hall**

#### **March Youth Activities**

<b><u>March 26:</u></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 Jeanne Hardin-Richardson*  
**IN HONOR OF:** *Ray & Gwen Comer a donation was received from Linda, Allen and Laura Comer*  
**IN HONOR OF:** *Jane Hartman a donation was received from Lisa Joyce*  
**IN MEMORY OF:** *William Honeycutt a donation was received from Lisa Joyce*  
**IN MEMORY OF:** *Murray Honeycutt a donation was received from Lisa Joyce*  
**IN MEMORY OF:** *Cotton Honeycutt a donation was received from Lisa Joyce*  
**IN MEMORY OF:** *Juanita Preston a donation was received from Lisa Joyce*  
**IN MEMORY OF:** *Bonita Beshears a donation was received from Lisa Joyce*



**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.**

**EVENTS THIS WEEK:**

<b>TODAY</b>	10AM	Sunday School
	11AM	Youth worship
	11AM	Worship Service
	5PM	Bible Study
<b>MONDAY</b>	3-6PM	Operation Xcel
	6PM	Girl Scouts
<b>TUESDAY</b>	Noon	Word & Table
	1PM	Al-Anon Meeting
	2-7PM	Blood Drive
	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 – March 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	Edith Beasley	Rylie Cole
Bill Preddy	Emily Walthall	Shirley Gourley
Bob Simpson	Gene Tiesler	Susan Bullock
Bobby & Rachel Gauldin	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:*

Lori McKenzie	Amanda Edmundson	Kaylene Peebles
Robbie Dailey	Donna Takase	Amber Queen
Diana Queen	Sandra Dix	Earl Brooks
Jack Southard	Todd Southard	Dinah Johnson
Marie Ashley	Duke Elkins	Dave Connors
Clint Blackburn	Tommy Huff	Shirley Friddle
Carol Martin	Tim Isley	Jacob Shore
Family of Pat Kagey		