

Stokesdale United Methodist Church

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

2nd Sunday in Lent – March 5, 2023

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Jeff Fink, Music Director
Beth Kasai, Music Assistant
Robin Howerton, Handbell Director
Sarah McKinney, Youth Director
Sharon Moon, Office Manager

WELCOME

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

"Hymn of Promise"

CALL TO WORSHIP

CENTERING OUR LIVES FOR WORSHIP

GREETING

OPENING HYMN

"This is a Day of New Beginnings" UMH 383 vs 1-4

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

CHILDREN'S TIME

Mike Turner

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Genesis 12:1-4a

ANTHEM

"On Eagles Wings"

GOSPEL LESSON

John 3:1-17

SERMON

Seeking: How do we begin again?

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

RESPONSE

"This is a Day of New Beginnings" UMH 383 vs 5

SHARING OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

SILENT PRAYER

OFFERING

DOXOLOGY

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

THE LORD'S PRAYER

SHARING OF BREAD AND CUP

CLOSING HYMN

"Lift High the Cross" UMH 159

BENEDICTION

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 5, 2023

Worship Service Streams Live at 11:00 AM

ON OUR FACEBOOK PAGE – Stokesdale United Methodist Church | ON OUR WEB-SITE – 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 \$50,495 Expenses \$41,287

Land Contributions \$1,749 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 90th Birthday Party

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

Pi Day Celebration

Come join Operation Xcel on **Wednesday, March 15th from 5-7PM** for a Pi Pizza Night!

\$5 Donations must be submitted to Ms. Vivian by March 10th to order pizza. 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 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 28th 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.

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 23rd. Book of the Month: The Last Ballad by Wiley Cash.

Everyone is Welcome! Happy Reading! +

Grief Support Group

Next Meeting March 7th at 10:30am. Upcoming Meetings: Mar 21st, Apr 4th

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 25th @ 9AM. Host: Oak Ridge UMC

Quail Acres Mobile Food Market

Distribution Day: Friday, March 24th 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 9th from 10:30-12:00PM Location: Fellowship Hall.

****Make sure to RSVP at 336-373-4816 x265 or ruraloutreach@senior-resources-Guilford.org for your FREE lunch.**

United Women in Faith

United Women in Faith meet the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 1PM.

Next Meeting March 14th @ 1pm. Location: SUMC Fellowship Hall

March Youth Activities

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| <u>March 5: 3:45 – 4:45pm</u> Session 6: Experiencing God | <u>March 12: 10-11am</u> Session 7: The Bible | <u>March 26:</u> help lead worship |
| <u>March 19: 4-5pm</u> Session 8: Hitting the Mark: Sin & Grace | | |

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.

THANK YOU: The students of SUMC Operation Xcel and Ms. Vivian would like to acknowledge and thank Karen and Fred Bragg for their generous food donation, and EVERYONE for their loving food donations! It makes my heart full when I come in Monday mornings and find cereal boxes in the classroom. – Ms. Vivian

THANK YOU: Operation Xcel would like to thank Jeff Fink for all the Girl Scout cookie donations!

IN MEMORY OF: *Violet Lemons a donation was received from Jeane Hardin-Richardson*

IN MEMORY OF: *Violet Lemons a donation was received from Teddy & LuAnn Royal*

IN MEMORY OF: *Violet Lemons a donation was received from Class of Andrew*



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:

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| TODAY | 10AM | Sunday School |
| | 11AM | Worship Service |
| | 2 - 4PM | Ray Comer's 90 th Birthday Party |
| | 3:45 - 4:45PM | Youth Session 6: Experiencing God |
| | 5PM | Bible Study |
| MONDAY | 3 - 6PM | Operation Xcel |
| | 6PM | Girl Scouts |
| | 7PM | Missions |
| TUESDAY | 10:30AM | Grief Group |
| | Noon | Word & Table |
| | 1PM | Al-Anon Meeting |
| | 3 - 6PM | Operation Xcel |
| WEDNESDAY | 10:30AM | Preaching Meeting |
| | 3 - 6PM | Operation Xcel |
| | 6PM | Handbell Practice |
| | 7PM | Choir Practice |
| THURSDAY | 10:30AM | Senior Resources |
| | 3 - 6PM | Operation Xcel |
| FRIDAY | 3 - 6PM | Operation Xcel |
| SATURDAY | | |

Stokesdale United Methodist Church
Prayer Sheet – March 5, 2023

Shut-Ins:

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| 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:

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| 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:

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| 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:

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| Lori McKenzie | Amanda Edmundson | Robbie Dailey |
| Kaylene Peeples | Sandra Dix | Donna Takase |
| Ranna Lathan | Jack Southard | The Queen Family |
| Patty Goodman | Al Hartman | Bruce Willard |
| Bob Listokin | Duke Elkins | Dave Connors |
| Clint Blackburn | Cindy Farrand | Daniel Carmon |
| Teddy Royal | Gayle Williams | Tommy Huff |
| Shirley Friddle | Tim Isley | Carol Goins |