A Mother is a wonderful creature constructed almost entirely of love and this she can express in a million ways from hugs and kisses and good cooking and patient listening, to stern lectures and strict rules and repeated use of the word “no”.

Like snowflakes, no two mothers are alike but they have a number of things in common. Name anything...a mother can be found washing it, roasting it, polishing it, getting rid of it, packing it, teaching it, redecorating it, loving it, or talking it over at PTO or UMW.

A mother cares about, and for almost everything...gardens, pets, the state of the nation, a worn spot in the rug, hungry people, and most of all, father and her children. For these she can do anything, dare anything, and fight for anything, necessary for their happiness.

A mother is not always an angel. She will often disagree with you, expect too much of you, criticize your choice of friends, and bring up the subject of work when you feel least energetic. But she’s always ready to love you and help you when you need her the most.

Often times you don’t always tell a mother how much you love her or how much you wish the most wonderful things in the world will come to her because there are no words that express feelings so deep and sincere. Somehow, though, you feel she understands what’s in your heart. Mother’s always do. To all the Mother’s – HAPPY MOTHER’S DAY. May you always be that special person to your children and family.

Rev. Warren Miller
Let us remember to continue to provide non-perishable food items as much as possible to continue to keep our Food Pantry fully stocked. Items may be left at the Pantry Door, church office or in the grocery cart located in the narthex. We will also be collecting jams and jellies for SD Resource Center for month of May.

**OPEN INVITATION TO ALL WOMEN**

The United Methodist Women of Central Church meets the 1st Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the UMW Room downstairs. ALL Women are invited to fellowship as women with a purpose in our church and community.

UMW will sponsor a “rest stop” for the Charlotte/Mecklenburg Police Memorial Bike Ride to Washington DC on Monday, May 9th. Riders will be stopping in at 3:00 p.m. at the hut for refreshments. Volunteers are asked to arrive by 2:00 p.m.

New Hospitality Welcome Bags have been prepared for visitors who attend our worship services. Special thanks to Nancy Sexton, Joanne Harrold and Cathy Ward for heading up this project.

Several ladies attended to UMW Prayer Breakfast on Saturday, April 30 at Central UMC in Albemarle and while attending donated 4 birthing bags to missions.

Special thanks to Judy Bowman and Glenda Futrell for updating the children activity bags for Sunday morning worship hour.

Other UMW Ladies (Judy Bowman, Glenda Futrell, JoAnn Smith and Louise Dockham) visited the students at Badin Lake to assist Megan Caulder’s class.

**SPECIAL THANKS...**

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**UNITED METHODIST MEN**

UMM Meetings are held the 2nd Sunday of each month at 8:00 a.m. Join In...May 8 & June 12.

Special Thanks to UMM for purchasing new flags for the flag poles and repairing the church walking trail. It all looks wonderful! It is a blessing to the community and all who enjoy these Eagle projects.

Did you know there are welcome cards for all who visit the walking trail inviting them to our church? Be sure to take one, read it while you walk, keep it or return it for the next person, there are plenty to go around....check them out in the information boxes located at both entrances to the trail.

**STOP HUNGER NOW Pack-A-Thon**

Rice Bags packaging will be held on Saturday, May 7 at 10:00 am at South Davidson Fire Dept., Hwy. 109 South. Volunteers are needed.

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Believers Learning and Sharing Together

**B.L.A.S.T.** Meets every Sunday at 10:00 a.m. in the Youth Room. Ages are middle school and high school students until attendance in each age group increases. Got an idea or concept for an event, social or activity for our youths, let your ideas be known!!! Volunteers and guest speakers are welcomed.

*Bring a friend and join us for a Blast as we learn about Christ!*

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**K–5TH CLASS**

Join Sarah Morris and Kitty King’s Class as they teach our children ages from Kindergarten to 5th Grade.

Sunday morning at 10:00 a.m.
There’s always snacks, crafts, and a bible lesson.
“Don’t forget to bring your new bible to class — this will help you learn more about God’s Holy Word!”

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**Children’s Choir Sings**

**Joyful Sounds for us all**

Special Thanks to Nathan and Shawna Kinley for teaching the Children’s Choir to make joyful sounds for the Lord!

Children’s Choir meets every Sunday at 9:30 a.m. in the Hut. Join today!

**SPECIAL MUSIC throughout the year!!**

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**Thank You**

Special Thanks to Kathy Baum for helping get the BLAST class started over a year ago.

Your efforts and participation in our youth program will be missed.

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**PRESCHOOL GRADUATION**

Thursday, May 26
6:00 PM—Sanctuary
Covered dish following.

**FIELDTRIP & FAMILY DAY**

Dan Nicholas Park
Tuesday, May 31

Best of Luck!

**CLASS of 2016**

We Love You,
Mrs. Crouse & Mrs. Talbert
Sunday Worship Leaders — May and June, 2016

Ushers
MAY
David Skeen & Steve Harris
JUNE
Buddy & Nancy Sexton

Greeters
MAY
Betty Morris & Gilda Morris
JUNE
Lawrence & Bobbie Ridge

Children’s Time
MAY 8: Rev. Miller
MAY 15: Cathy Ward
MAY 22: Harrison Park
MAY 29: Tina Lanier

JUNE 5: Rev. Miller
JUNE 12: Ann Crouse
JUNE 19: Debbie Sigmon
JUNE 26: Beth Ligon

Lay Readers
MAY 8: Jocelyn Kearns
MAY 15: Stewart Sexton
MAY 22: Harrison Park
MAY 29: Miranda Morris

JUNE 5: Margaret Harris
JUNE 12: Chase Cross
JUNE 19: Randall King
JUNE 26: Cathy Ward

Acolytes
MAY 8: Chase Cross
MAY 15: Austin Calhoun
MAY 22: Emma Walton
MAY 29: Logan Lester

JUNE 5: Casey Calhoun
JUNE 12: Chase Cross
JUNE 19: Joseph Smith
JUNE 26: Cindy Calhoun

Altar Flowers
MAY 8: Cathy Ward
MAY 15: Kitty & Randall King
MAY 22: Harrison Park
MAY 29: Family of Joe & Willie Taylor
JUNE 5: Sharon Cranford
JUNE 12: Gilda Morris
JUNE 19: Annette Barbee, Myra Flowers & Lee Terrell
JUNE 26: Russ Davis

To place flowers on the altar for a special occasion or remembrance, call Billie Allison at 859-0485.

Offerings Received
Mar. 6 $6,029.00
Mar. 13 $3,076.69
Mar. 20 $3,076.69
Mar. 27 $6,648.00
Apr. 3 $4,852.80
Apr. 10 $3,691.00
Apr. 17 $5,334.50
Apr. 24 $4,810.40

Non Budget Receipts
Lilies $90.00
Emergency $225.00
Stop Hunger Now $967.75

Church Members
Lexi Baum, Janice Esposito, Dick Getz, Pam Harrison, Lillie Hill, Danny Hill, Jerrie Lomax, Diza Morris, Addie Phillips, Craig Sigmon, Johnnie Sigmon, Othell & Ava Lee Surratt, Sam Whitlock and Peggy Wilkins

Mountain Vista
Jack Briggs Rm #73
Mack Cranford Rm #94
Edith Sigmon Rm #59
George Tillotson Rm #89
Vae C. Davis Rm #92
Hervey Yates Rm #112
Margaret Hunt Rm #108
Odessa Gallimore Rm #52

Piedmont Crossing
Ramona M. Cranford
Taylor Glen, Concord

Military
Matt Beanblossom, Brian Sexton, Ryan Smithling

Congratulations!!

Shawna Kinley

recognized on May 1, 2016 as this year’s recipient of the UMW Special Recognition Pin!

We love you, Shawna!

Our Prayer Concerns

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CONGRATULATIONS CLASS OF 2016

GRADUATION SUNDAY—June 12
High School Graduates—Chase Cross
Miranda Morris
Alana Zeitany—UNC at Chapel Hill
Dr. Alex Zeitany—UNC Medical School

CELEBRATIONS & PRAISES

It’s A Boy Thing!!!! Exciting new births in our church family...

NICHOLAS ARES SOFIA
February 15, 2016
(7 lbs. 9 oz.)
Son of Haven and Joe Sofia
Grandson of John & Cindy Lomax
Great-grandson of Jerrie Lomax

ELWOOD GRAYSON CALHOUN
February 3, 2016
(7 lbs. 4 oz.)
Son of Roger & Cathy Calhoun
Brother of Casey, Austin, Cindy
Hailey, Joseph and Adeline

GATLIN RIVER CROUCH
February 23, 2016
(8 lbs. 7 b oz.)
Son of Adam & Deana Crouch
Brother of Emmitt & Addie
Grandson of Chuck & Debbie Crouch

If you have a Celebration or Praise you’d like to share with your church family, whether it is an engagement, wedding, birth announcement or special event, let us hear from you!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

May 22—11:00 am
Community Service in Harrison Park

June 5—11:30 am
Mt. Ebal Service
Central Service at 10:00 am

VITALITY EVENTS

Ice Cream Social
June 12 ~ 2—4 p.m.

AND

Kids Carnival
June 25~Time TBA

“There’s No Place Like Home for Isabella!”
Being on stage is like home to her...playing the lead role of Dorothy in the Wizard of Oz at Twin City Stage. She performed 5 nights plus rehearsal. Pictured here with her Granny & Pop Pop—Ann and Austin Cook! Great job, Isabella, keep up the good work—you’re sure to be a star one day!

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TAKE ACTION

2016 VBS will teach children to Follow Jesus—The Light of the World!

Volunteers are needed!!!
Dates are August 3-5
(Wed.-Friday)
6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Remember the fall bazaar when canning vegetables, making jams and jellies, etc. Contact Kitty King for more details or email her at kittyking@triad.rr.com

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May the Glory of God Bless Each of You on the Celebration of Your Special Day!

Birthday & Anniversary Celebrations

**MAY Birthdays**
1- David Luther, Cori Floyd, Laura Hearn
2- Brenda Wilson
3- Mike Lanier, Addilyn Crouch
4- Thelma Luther
5- Ashleigh Kiser, Thomas Critcher
6- Michelle Conner
7- Eric Morris, Brandon Marshall, Jillian Gorno, Boone Hinesley, Emily Lovell, Lauren Moses
8- Kim Smith, Janice Baldwin, Thomas Sexton, David Garrison
9- Madelyn Daniel, Morgan Pleasants
10- Janice Sigmon, Hadley Briggs, Bill Dearhake, Madison Pleasants, David Hedrick, Shane Ingold
11- Meredith Sexton, Ashley Pleasants, Jack Briggs
12- Poppy Watkins, Katie Brower, Andrew Allen, Bobbie Ridge
13- Olivia Carter, Anna Morris
14- Joseph Calhoun, Danny Smith
15- Sonja Grubb, Laurie Briggs
16- Simon Ostrander, Jackson Whitlock, Te Baldwin, Rickie Workman
17- Lori Rayburn, Lauren Hulin, Dawn English
18- Mandy Tucker, Michelle Sexton, Daelyn Bean, Summer Cook
19- Hannah Baldwin, Brandon Garner, Anna Garner
20- Daniel Smith, Bailey Baldwin
21- Ronnie Steed, William Hinesley
22- Will Barbee, Nathan Kinley
23- Al Penry, John Pleasants, Reid Crouse
24- Richard Everhart
25- Cathy Jackson, Nathan Crouch, Tracey Marshall
26- Tina Lanier, Shawn Crouch, Deacon Jones, Jack Briggs II
27- Kimberly Ostrander, Martha Beyeler, Jason Hilton
28- Brian Sexton
29- Alan Rudisill
30- Anne Crouse
31- Libby Hall

**MAY Anniversaries**
5- Brandon & Candace Shore
11- John & Lanette Tysinger
13- Curtis & Peggy Marshall
14- Sandy & Kelly Young
15- Ronnie & Tonya Haneline, Dick & Sandi Johnson
16- Joel & Katie Clark, Randall & Kitty King
19- Bo & Debbie Johnson
20- Ronnie & Virginia Harrison, Lee & Jennifer Hinesley
24- Norman & Susie Hubbard
25- Robert & Teresa Stevenson
26- Wes & Jordan Taylor
27- Dennis & Wendy Cagle
29- Shad & Sylvia Morris, David & Brandy Pope
30- Payne & Meagan Caulder

**JUNE Birthdays**
1- Sara Tugwell, Dillon Vestal, Aron Naponen, Isabella Carroll
2- Rodney Nance
3- Kim Bivens, Nancy Futrell, Larry Morris, Ben Rivenbark
4- Jacob Rudisill, Matthew Morris
5- Randy Lawson, Rhonda Workman
6- Daniel Parker Jr., Chris Simpson, Bo Johnson
7- Mack Cranford, Roger Ligon
8- Leann Hamilton, Noah Wood, Cathy Ward, Casey Calhoun, Alex Kirkman, Marvene Surratt
9- Tommy Frazier, Cindy Calhoun
10- Leann Parker, Charles Garner
11- Polly Hedrick, Lindey Steed
12- Evelyn Bircher, Diza Morris, Allyn Morris
13- Bonnie Lanier, Candace Smith, Katheryn Tysinger
14- Matthew Lanier, Karen Argo, Warren Miller, Eddie Jackson
15- Keith Kirkman
16- Jessica Baum, Ava Lee Surratt, Jamie Surratt, Justin Morris, Alex Montgomery
18- Julia Layne, Angie Nelson, David Hearn
19- Ken Beck
20- Stewart Grubb, Rick Phillips, Paul Sexton
21- Danielle Lawson
22- Jackson Sommers
23- Andy Dockham, Ellrie Kiser
24- Jake Jones, Thomas May
26- Jake Baldwin, Braxton Coleman, Joe Harrold
27- Aaron Smith, Conrad Harrold
28- Anna Frazier
29- Ann Wolford, Heather Hedrick
30- Kevin Kiser, Phoebe Gallimore

**JUNE Anniversaries**
1- Gene and Amelia McIntyre
3- Michael and Amy Rowell
6- Anthony & Ashley Pleasants
7- Steven & Lisa Grubb
8- Ronnie & Louise Newsom
10- Dale & Rhonda Spencer
14- Jay & Joanna Stone, Steve & Julie Sexton
15- Chris & Andrea Linthicum
16- Danny & Brenda Burton, John & Celie Sexton
19- Thompson & Sarah Skeen
20- Will & Jana Sigmon, Ames & Polly Sexton
21- Tony & Karen Argo
23- Terry & Judy Bowman
24- Robbie & Dawn English, Patrick & Denese OHara, Matt & Courtney Howard
25- Roger & Vickie Smith
26- Arnold & Emily Lovell
27- Roby & Diza Morris
28- Ben & Addie Futrell
29- Tom & Jeanette Beamblossom
30- Joseph & Cameron Ligon, Wayne & Linda Markham
30- Reid & Ann Crouse
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