

| Su                        | M  | T                        | W  | Th                                    | F  | S  |
|---------------------------|----|--------------------------|----|---------------------------------------|----|----|
| 19                        | 20 | 21                       | 22 | 23                                    | 24 | 25 |
|                           |    | Lay Leadership Meeting   |    |                                       |    |    |
|                           |    | YOUTH MISSION TRIP       |    |                                       |    |    |
| 26                        | 27 | 28                       | 29 | 30                                    | 31 | 1  |
|                           |    | Youth Movie @ The Lumina |    |                                       |    |    |
| 2                         | 3  | 4                        | 5  | 6                                     | 7  | 8  |
| Back to 9 & 11 AM Worship |    | Youth D&D Game           |    | Serving @ TABLE                       |    |    |
| 9                         | 10 | 11                       | 12 | 13                                    | 14 | 15 |
|                           |    |                          |    | Chatham Ridge Worship Serving @ TABLE |    |    |
| 16                        | 17 | 18                       | 19 | 20                                    | 21 | 22 |
|                           |    | DR. DAN'S MUSIC CAMP     |    |                                       |    |    |

**The Disciples**  
Sundays @ 11 a.m.  
**One-Room Sunday School (K-5)**  
Sundays @ 9 a.m.  
(Bldg 105- Afterschool Room)  
**Summer Family Choir**  
Sundays at 9:30 a.m.  
(Sanctuary)  
**Summer Bells**  
(Email Dr. Dan Steinert)  
**Bible Study w/ Pastor Brad**  
Wednesdays @ 10:30 a.m.  
(Ascension Hall)  
**Bible Study w/ Pastor Brad**  
Wednesdays @ 6 p.m.  
(Bldg 105- Room 1)  
**Accidental Saints**  
Thursdays @ 10 a.m.  
(Bldg 105- Room 1)  
**Prayer Group**  
Thursdays @ 11:15 a.m.  
(Bldg 105- Room 1)



### THIS WEEK

**7/19 CHRISTMAS IN JULY**  
9 a.m. - One Room Schoolhouse & Fellowship  
9:30 a.m. - Summer Choir Practice  
10 a.m. - Worship Service  
10:30 a.m. - Youth Leave for Mission Trip  
11 a.m. - Communion, Disciples' Class, & Fellowship

**7/22** 10:30 a.m.- Bible Study w/ Pastor Brad  
Noon - Lay Leadership Meeting  
6 p.m.- Bible Study w/ Pastor Brad

**7/23** 10 a.m.- Accidental Saints  
11:15 a.m.- Prayer Group

### NEXT WEEK

**7/26** 9 a.m. - One Room Schoolhouse & Fellowship  
9:30 a.m. - Summer Choir Practice  
10 a.m. - Worship Service  
11 a.m. - Communion, Disciples' Class, & Fellowship

**7/28** 4 p.m. - Youth Movie @ The Lumina

**7/29** 10:30 a.m.- Bible Study w/ Pastor Brad  
6 p.m.- Bible Study w/ Pastor Brad

**7/30** 10 a.m.- Accidental Saints  
11:15 a.m.- Prayer Group

# WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

## NEW TO CHRIST UMC?

 Stay up to date on all things Christ UMC by scanning this QR code and signing up for our weekly newsletter!

## CONNECT WITH US

Whether you are a first time visitor, or you are ready to join, we'd love to get connected with you. We invite you to fill out one of the pink-topped communications cards in the pew pockets in front of you and place it in the offering plate.  
*A member of the pastoral team will reach out to you soon!*

## OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

## CONNECTING FAMILIES

**NURSERY** *(Ages 0-4)*  
Location: preschool hallway  
8:45 a.m.- 12:30 p.m.

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH** *(Grades K-5th)*  
Location: Ascension Hall  
During the 9 a.m. Service after the Children's Sermon

**ONE ROOM SUNDAY SCHOOL** *(Grades K-5th)*  
Location: Bldg 105, Afterschool Room  
During the 10:00 a.m. hour

**YOUTH GROUP** *(Grades 6th-12th)*  
*Meets September-May*  
Location: Bldg 103, youth suite (upstairs)  
Middle School: 5 p.m. - 7 p.m.  
Combined Dinner: 6 p.m.  
High School: 7 p.m.- 8 p.m.  
*For more information, contact Pastor Lee,  
Pastor of Children & Family Ministries  
(lbarnes@christmethodist.org)*

## WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

*The United Methodist Hymnal (UMH) and The Faith We Sing songbook (TFWS) can be found in the pew pockets in front of you, words will also appear on the screens.  
\*Please stand as you are able*

## GATHERING MUSIC

"Carol of the Bells"  
"What Child is This"

- Leontovich  
- Vandall

## WELCOME

## READING OF THE UMC MISSION & VISION STATEMENT

The United Methodist Church forms disciples of Jesus Christ who, empowered by the Holy Spirit, love boldly, serve joyfully, and lead courageously in local communities and worldwide connections.

## \*OPENING HYMN

"O Come, All Ye Faithful"

UMH #234

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

## WHAT IS A VOCATIONAL CALLING?

Traditionally, a vocational calling referred primarily to God's summons into ordained ministry, missionary service, or another explicitly religious role. It emphasized divine initiative, personal discernment, and faithful obedience to a particular form of service. Today, Christian vocation is understood more broadly as the calling shared by all believers to love God and neighbor through every area of life. A person's occupation may be one expression of that calling, but vocation also includes relationships, community involvement, caregiving, creativity, and daily discipleship. Christian vocational calling therefore means using one's gifts, opportunities, and work to participate faithfully in God's purposes in the world.

## CALLED TO SERVE

This summer, we will explore the variety of ways God calls us throughout our lives. From our vocations to our daily living, God is always at work in all that we do. As we prepare for this time of what we hope will be deep, fruitful discernment in our congregation, we invite you to participate in the Spiritual Gifts Inventory (QR code below). If you've done this before, do it again! It can be interesting to see which gifts come to the forefront of our lives in different seasons! We hope that you will join us this summer, from the pew or the beach, as we dig deeper into the ways God calls us all to be part of the ministry of the church.

**SPIRITUAL  
GIFTS  
INVENTORY**

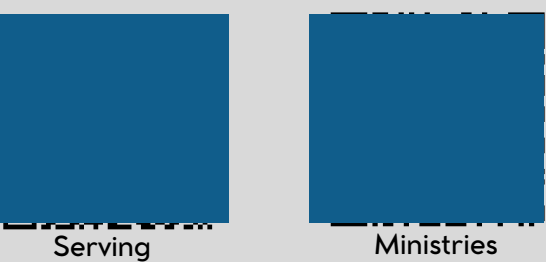


## PARTICIPANTS IN WORSHIP

## MORE CUMC STAFF

# SERVING & MINISTRIES AT CUMC

Want to get involved at CUMC? We're looking for volunteers (hospitality, counters, ushers, communion servers, children & youth ministries, A/V, & more) and would also love to know which ministries you're interested in (women's groups, men's groups, fellowship opportunities, Sunday School Classes, & more). Scan the QR codes to share where you feel called to serve and connect!



## WAYS TO GIVE

Giving Online

## SUMMER WORSHIP RHYTHM

Beginning Sunday, July 5th, we will move to our summer worship rhythm! This means that during the month of July, we will gather for one service at 10 a.m. Our summer services will combine elements from both our 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. services. We hope these combined services will feel like a family reunion, and we look forward to the fellowship that will come!



## SUNDAY FORMATION & FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

(July 5 - 26)

- 9:00 a.m. - One Room Schoolhouse led by Pastor Lee Barnes (Building 105)
- 9:00 a.m. - Coffee & Fellowship (Ascension Hall)
- 11:00 a.m. - Disciples Class led by [redacted]
- 11:00 a.m. - Coffee & Fellowship (Ascension Hall)

## PSALTER LESSON

*Sung Response: "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus"*

***Come, thou long-expected Jesus, born to set thy people free.***

Lord, you have examined me.  
You know me.  
**You know when I sit down and when I stand up.**  
**Even from far away, you comprehend my plans.**  
You study my traveling and resting.  
You are thoroughly familiar with all my ways.  
**There isn't a word on my tongue, Lord, that you don't already know completely.**  
You surround me—front and back.  
You put your hand on me.  
**That kind of knowledge is too much for me; it's so high above me that I can't reach it.**

***Come, thou long-expected Jesus, born to set thy people free.***

## COMMISSIONING MISSION TRIP PARTICIPANTS

Pastor Lee Barnes

## SCRIPTURE LESSON

Philippians 4:1-9

## SERMON

Called to Serve: The Call of a Lifetime

Pastor Kristen Hanna

## MUSICAL REFLECTION

"We Three Kings"

-Yowell

## INVITATION

Psalms 139:1-12, 23-24  
UMH ##196

Where could I go to get away from your spirit?  
Where could I go to escape your presence?  
**If I went up to heaven, you would be there. If I went down to the grave, you would be there too!**  
If I could fly on the wings of dawn, stopping to rest only on the far side of the ocean—  
**even there your hand would guide me; even there your strong hand would hold me tight!**  
If I said, "The darkness will definitely hide me; the light will become night around me," even then the darkness isn't too dark for you!  
**Nighttime would shine bright as day, because darkness is the same as light to you!**  
***Come, thou long-expected Jesus, born to set thy people free.***

## CONFESSION

We send you forth with our prayers into the heart of our nation's capital. May you look beyond the monuments to see the heartbeat of the people, serving every community with humility, compassion, and love. We pray for your safety, your strength, and your unity as a team. Go out to be the hands and feet of Christ, listen deeply to those you meet, and bring the light of hope to the city. We trust that God will protect you, guide you, and bring you home transformed. Amen.

## \*PASSING OF THE PEACE

## PARDON

## SERVING SPOTLIGHT

Julie Lowery

## OFFERTORY SONG

"Creating God, Your Fingers Trace"

CUMC Summer Choir

-Dare/Steinert

## \*DOXOLOGY

"Angels We Have Heard on High"

UMH #238

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

## \*APOSTLES' CREED

## \*CLOSING HYMN

"We Three Kings"

UMH #254  
Stanzas 1 & 2

## \*MISSIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

## \*BENEDICTION

## SENDING MUSIC

"Joy to the World"

-Smith

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*You are invited to join us for coffee, snacks, and treats for children immediately following the worship service in Ascension Hall, directly across from the Sanctuary. If you want to learn more about the church, a pastor will be there to greet you.*

# CHRISTMAS... IN JULY?

Christmas in July began in 1933 at Keystone Camp, a girls' summer camp in Brevard, North Carolina. Campers celebrated with carols, gifts, a decorated tree, Santa Claus, and cotton "snow." The idea later spread through a 1940 film, wartime gift drives for soldiers and missionaries, and seasonal retail promotions. Hallmark further popularized the tradition with its Christmas in July movie programming. Today, it offers a festive midsummer escape and a cheerful way to enjoy holiday spirit during the summer heat.

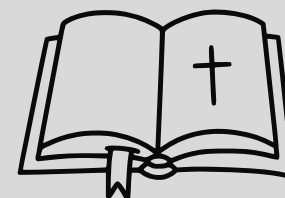


## SUMMER BIBLE STUDY WRAP-UP

We had an amazing turn out for Pastor Brad's new Bible Study groups this summer!

The last meeting of the series  
will be  
**Wednesday, August 5th**

Don't worry, there is more to  
come this fall!



## PRAY FOR OUR STUDENTS THIS WEEK

As our students embark on their mission trip to Washington DC, we invite you to join us in prayer for them:

*Gracious God, bless our youth as they prepare to travel to Washington, D.C. Open their hearts to serve with compassion, courage, and joy. Keep them safe, deepen their faith, and help them see Christ in every person they meet. Amen.*

