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NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: If you have something to be included in an upcoming Monday issue of Chapel Echoes, your news item must be received in the church office no later than **12:00pm the Friday prior** to the Monday publication. Information may be emailed to: morrishapel@gmail.com, , brought by in person, or you may call the church office at 595-8101.

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CHAPEL ECHOES

May 20, 2013 / Issue 17



PASTOR'S MESSAGE: *From the Mouth of Lyons*

Praise the Lord! "Through the Covenant of Baptism we are initiated into Christ's holy Church . . . incorporated into God's mighty acts of salvation and given new birth through water and the Spirit. All this is God's gift, offered to us without price." With these words, we began a sacramental moment in both our Crossroads and 11am Worship Service yesterday as we welcomed 14 new professing members of the family of God called Morris Chapel, three of whom we baptized, and celebrate the baptisms of two other children. It was a glorious day!

Among our new members were the 9 youth of the Confirmation Class (introductions on page 3). Confirmation is the classes and process that young people (middle school age) undertake in which to make a personal profession of faith in Jesus Christ and join His church. Usually confirmation is a continuation of one's baptism from infancy or early childhood, but for others baptism and confirmation occurs at the same time. "Confirmation" literally means "with firmness." It means to make a firm decision about your faith in Jesus Christ. It is to formally accept the promises God makes to you at your baptism.

With joy we welcome all of the new members of the family of God called Morris Chapel.

In Covenant,


Pastor Dan Lyons

New Members of the Morris Chapel family of God

We welcome the following new members who joined the church membership through the Baptismal Covenant during the Crossroads Worship Service on May 19, 2013.

Russell Ashburn returns to Morris Chapel, having moved back to the area. He works for Volvo and as a disc jockey. He transfers his membership from another denomination. He is a part of the Faith & Friendship Sunday School Class. His address is 6614 Riverwood Road, Walkertown (27051).

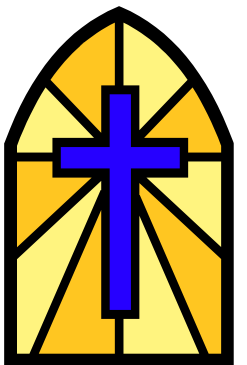
Michelle Brady professed her faith and was baptized. She is an oncology nurse with Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center. She is a part of the Faith & Friendship Sunday School Class. Michelle's children **Colin & Hannah**, 5th & 3rd graders at Walkertown Elementary School respectively, were also baptized and enrolled on the Baptized Roll. Their address is 5285 Esher Drive, Walkertown (27051).

Randy & Lynne Hackaday transferred their membership from another United Methodist church. Randy is retired from the United States Army and Lynne works in the medical field. They are a part of the Adult Fellowship Sunday School Class.

Bonnie Leed transfers her membership from another denomination. She works in the Tax Office for Forsyth County. She is engaged to be married to David Smith this October. She is a part of the Adult Disciples Sunday School Class.

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PRAYER CHAIN

The Week of May 19, 2013

For those in need of Hope & Healing:

Betty McNeil, Era Swaim Loflin, Jody Cadwell, Fred Owens, Walter Owens & Family, Colin Brady (broken arm), Linda Gilbert (niece of Doris Wilson), Jenny Bowman, Ellen Peterson, Don Murray, Rett Lyons, Troy Neal, Margaret Neal, Amy Macy, Tayshaun Hall, Marlene Dalton, Pastor David Crabtree, Jessica Hermance, Jackie Phelps, Lynn Evans, Norma Whitaker, Lee Carpenter, Linda Joyce, Lois Redmon, Dot Peacock, Henry Bennett, Harvey Neal, Sylvia Stockton, Sylvia Parham, Mary Alice Campbell, Pat Butler, Russ Essick, Phyllis Sisk, Phyllis Peddycord, Chris Logan, Linda Goodman, Jim Westmoreland

For those who Grieve: Gary Mundy and Family in the death of his sister, The Family of Graham East

~ Special Gifts ~

IN MEMORY

In Memory Of : Stephen Amos III

Given By: *Teresa Clodfelter (Budget)*

In Memory Of : Nancy Shore

Given By: *Steve & Tammy Fulp (Budget)*

In Memory Of : Graham East

Given By: *Helen Byrd, Burnis & Kathryn Sell (Budget)*

Given By: *Larry & Jane Whicker (Building Fund)*

Given By: *Don & Bonnie Jones (Cemetery Fund)*

IN HONOR

In Honor Of : Bethesda Center

Given By: *Dana Dalton*



Morris Chapel T-shirts & Hoodie Orders

It's time again to get your Morris Chapel on!! Short sleeve & long sleeve T-shirts and hoodies are once again available for order. Order forms will be placed in Sunday School rooms & will need to be returned to Kathleen Lambert by June 2nd. Shirts will be back in time for VBS. Prices will be \$10 for adult & youth t-shirts sizes small to XL, 2xl & 3xl are \$12, long sleeve are \$15 for youth & adult & \$17 for 2xl & 3xl. Tie dye t-shirts are \$14 for youth & adult, \$16 for 2xl & 3xl. Long sleeve tie dye are \$16 for youth & adult, \$18 for 2xl & 3xl. Hoodies are \$21 for youth & adult, \$23 for 2xl & 3xl.

Special Thanks

A heart felt thank you is sent to the Jane Morris Circle for the beautiful "locally grown" roses that were delivered to me for Mother's Day and to the Preschool for the beautifully colored hand decorated Mother's Day card which came with them. God bless you all! Mary Ann Angel



Thank you for all the cards, thoughts, well wishes and prayers during my recent surgery. It really means a lot to know that so many people care. Thanks again, Jessie Dillon Hughes.

NEXT CHAPEL ECHOES: Monday, June 3rd

DEADLINE FOR ITEMS: Friday, May 31st by 12noon!

****Any items submitted AFTER the Friday deadline may be included in the following week's issue based on space availability****

OUR PRESENCE

Attendance for
May 19, 2013

Sunday School: 241

Worship Services:

8:45am: 30

9:00am: 111

11:00am: 175

Total: 316

OUR GIFTS

Week of May 19, 2013

Budget Receipts this week	\$ 6,779
Receipts to Date	\$ 160,457
Budgeted to Date	\$ 181,186
Ahead/(Behind)	(\$ 20,728)
Building Fund Receipts this week	\$ 1,444
Building Fund Receipts YTD	\$ 42,600
Remaining Building Fund Debt	PAID
Funds in Capital/Building Fund	\$ 271





VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - KINGDOM ROCK



June 23-27, 2013 ~ Preschool-5th grade

View our Kingdom Rock Website two ways, you can find out information as well as sign your child or children up:
1-go to www.morrischapel.org and look for link
2 - go to

<https://www.groupvbapro.com/vbs/ez/morrischapelwtown>

Join us for a rockin' good time as we learn about each other and Jesus!

*** PRAYER WARRIORS NEEDED ***

Help us pray for VBS! If you are interested in being a prayer warrior for our Kingdom Rock VBS this year please go to <https://www.groupvbapro.com/vbs/ez/morrischapelwtown> and when the home page comes up click on the volunteer registration tab, as you look through the jobs click on the APPLY button next to prayer warrior and sign up. If you don't have access to internet, just tell Sam you want to pray for VBS...**IT IS THAT EASY!** Praying for VBS is twofold...BEFORE VBS, pray for our upcoming VBS, the kids who will be coming and for the volunteers, that we will be able to share the love of Christ with all who come through our doors at Morris Chapel, as well as our planning and getting ready. Second, during the week of VBS June 23-27 to pray that the children, youth and adults experience not only a welcoming community, but learn that they can stand strong for God every day.
Any questions, please see Sam. Thank you in advance!

YOUTH NEWS

- SpiritUS (August 9-11) money is due A.S.A.P. Total is \$160.00 per person.
- Dodgeball Tournament- We are trying to organize a few dodgeball teams for a tournament on May 31st in Winston Salem, sponsored by the Brookstown UMC. Players of ALL AGES see Katie.
- "Sponsor A Youth"- You may notice "Sponsor a Youth" boards around the church, please take a moment to read and consider financially and/or prayerfully sponsoring our teens.
- Mark Your Calendars, the youth will have a "Chick-Fil-A" Spirit Night on June 5th from 5-8pm.
- "Happy, Happy, Happy" Lock In for grades 6-12; June 14th 6pm - June 15th 8am.



~ Confirmation Class of 2013 ~



*Back Row: Ethan Butler, Nick Murphy, Rich Lyons, Megan Curling, Brooklyn Whitney
Front Row: Wesley Briles, Kennedy Southern, Ashley Alexander, Morgan Whicker*

Ashley Alexander was professed her faith and baptized. She is a 6th grader at Walkertown Middle School and active in our mid-week youth ministry. Her parents are Amanda Alexander and Nick Alexander.

Wesley Briles confirmed his faith. He is a 6th grader at Walkertown Middle School and has been active at Morris Chapel all his life. His parents are Brad & Angie Briles, grandparents Roger Briles and Pan Briles. Brad Cook is Wesley's mentor.

Ethan Robert Butler confirmed his faith. He is a 6th grader at Walkertown Middle School. He plays the guitar in the youth praise band. His parents are Chad & Jennifer Butler, grandparents Robert & Pat Butler. Steve Pegram is Ethan's mentor.

Megan Curling confirmed her faith. She is a 6th grader at Hanes Middle School. She sings in the youth praise band and is assisting with our U-Stream worship broadcast. Her parents are Del & Jan Curling. Lori Cook is Megan's mentor.

Rich Lyons confirmed his faith. He is a 7th grader at Walkertown Middle School. He is a Star Scout in our Boy Scout Troop. His parents are Pastor Dan & Krista Lyons. Buddy Walker and Wesley Hutchins are Rich's mentors.

Nick Murphy was professed his faith and baptized. He is a 6th grader at Walkertown Middle School and active in our mid-week youth ministry. His parents are Evan & Dana Murphy. Mike Causby is Nick's mentor.

Kennedy Southern confirmed her faith. She is a 6th grader at Hanes Middle School and participates in our youth ministry. Her parents are Darron & Betsy Southern and Jenny & Bo Fulton, grandparents Larry & Jane Whicker. Angie Briles is Kennedy's mentor.

Morgan Whicker confirmed her faith. She is a 6th grader at Kernersville Middle School and has been active at Morris Chapel all her life. Her parents are Ladd & Amy Whicker, grandparents Larry & Jane Whicker. Debby Pegram is Morgan's mentor.

Brooklyn Whitney confirmed her faith. She is a 6th grader at Kernersville Middle School and serves with our nursery ministry. Her parents are Robert & Dana Whitney, grandparents Harvey & Jeanette Neal. Debbie Causby is Brooklyn's mentor.



Long Range Planning Committee

By the time you read these words, our congregation will have passed yet another milestone on our continuing walk of faith and service. This month the final payment will have been made on the loan from our last building program, the retirement of an approximately one million dollar note in just 5-1/2 years. No small feat--but this congregation has demonstrated a solid heritage of faith and foresight. In 1978, our beautiful Sanctuary, Chapel, and first classroom wing were completed at a cost then of \$700,000. Thirteen years later, in 1991, the new education wing, Family Life Center, and Fellowship Hall relocation were completed at a cost of \$1.2 million dollars. Sixteen years later, in October of 2007, we completed our latest expansion of classrooms and renovations at a cost of approximately \$1.7 million dollars. And now, as a major debt obligation fades behind us, we seek and need a vision to guide our continued walk of faith and service.

Last year, a Long Range Planning Committee was formed to begin the process of assessing the needs and desires of the ministries of this congregation both now and ten years from now. From information gleaned via congregational surveys conducted last fall, a listing of projects is being compiled and prayerfully formulated into recommendations that will be ultimately presented to the congregation for consideration. And while we are still early in the process, there are some clear trends emerging. We are blessed with a wonderful facility that has evolved over the past 35 years and there is a strong desire that we do everything possible to fully utilize and be good stewards of what God has provided. After 35 years of use, there are needs in portions of our facility for updates and renovations that will require funding well beyond our currently yearly budgeted maintenance amounts. And from the same surveys, there are growing ministries and visions for the future that need to be supported by our facility either through repurposing of existing spaces or carefully thought our future expansion.

Working through these opportunities is a formidable task, but it is not an insurmountable one. We just need to listen to what God tells us to do and then follow His will. You, the congregation of Morris Chapel United Methodist Church, have reflected that approach with your faithful support of our past capital needs through giving to the Building Fund. Going forward into the future will be no different. At the April Church Council meeting, a proposal was made and approved to rename the Building Fund to the Capital/Building Fund to better reflect the anticipated usage of this fund going forward. More details will be provided at an update/feedback session from the Committee on June 30th during the 5th Sunday Assembly.

The Long Range Planning Committee continues to welcome inputs and ideas on our future. The members are listed below; feel free to express your thoughts one-on-one or join us in one of our committee meetings. Our meetings are typically held on the 1st Monday evening of each month at 7:00pm.

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| George Walker, LRPC Chair | Darrell Westmoreland | Jack Hester |
| Betsy Wilson | Janet Neal | Samantha Wesley |
| Darron Southern | Brad Briles | Pastor Dan Lyons |
| Lauren Evans | Howard Webster | |



Memorial Day Recognition



MEMORIAL DAY VETERAN RECOGNITION - We will be honoring all veterans (current and past) at Morris Chapel on Sunday, May 26th. To ensure that your family member or friend is included in the service, please submit his or her name to the church office by Wednesday, May 22nd.

Community News

Austin Caviness will be the speaker for the May 23rd meeting of the Maple Springers, the older adult ministry of Maple Springs UMC, 2569 Reynolda Road in Winston-Salem.

* Donation Items Needed *

- Crisis Control** - Whole wheat or low sodium crackers
- Food Pantry** - Toilet paper, toothpaste and spaghetti sauce
- Operation Christmas Child** - Toothbrushes and toothpaste

MINISTRY TEAMS FOR 5/26/13

8:45am Service

- Greeters** - Eddie Campbell, Robin Neal;
- Worship Leader** - Steve Pegram

9am Service

- Crib Nursery** - Todd & Jessica Dixon
- Toddler Nursery** - Tammy Younts

11am Service

- Greeters** - Adult Fellowship Class
- Worship Leader** - Spencer Evans
- Ushers** - Pete Howard (C), Fred Hepler, Sammy Evans, Neil Fishel, Chad Butler, Darrell Westmoreland

Acolytes

Acolytes - TBD

Children's Church (Ages 3-5 & Grades K-2nd) - Jennifer Boles

Crib Nursery - Debra Freeman & Loretta Sloan

Toddler Nursery - Debbie & Mike Causby

Evangelism Visitor Follow-up - Spencer Evans & Rebecca Tuttle

Youth Snacks - NO YOUTH (Memorial Day)



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\$100 a week or \$25 a Day
Pay for the days you need!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
June 23rd - 27th
6:15pm - 8:30pm

**** NOTICE ****

Due to Memorial Day on Monday, May 27th, there will be no ECHOES publication that week.

All submissions will be included in the following week's publication on June 3rd.

Thanks!



SMILE!
2013 Morris Chapel UMC Pictorial Church Directory Coming Soon!



Photography appointments available from May 4 - May 22.

This is a great opportunity to update that old family photo!

Two ways to book your appointment:

Visit the online sign-up list at www.timetosignup.com/smootphotography or contact Sharon Burnette at 306-2450 or ssbrkb@msn.com

* All participants receive a complimentary 8x10 print and directory. *

Our Goal is 100% participation from all churchgoers. *Remember: You don't have to be a member to be in the directory – you're still a part of the Morris Chapel family!*

A portion of all proceeds from print sales will benefit Morris Chapel Missions

Directory Services provided by Smoot Photography

Echoes Newsletter - "Folding & Fellowship"

Looking for something to do on Monday afternoons? Morris Chapel is interested in possibly setting up "folding teams" for future Echoes publications. If you are interested and could volunteer on Monday afternoons from 1-3pm once a month or bi-weekly (or whenever your schedule permits), please contact the church office. *We will be contacting you soon with a preliminary June schedule.* Thank you so much!

Chapel Ramblers

"Breakfast for Supper" Event - Friday, May 31st in the Fellowship Hall at 6pm. Please sign-up on the list on the bulletin board outside of the crib nursery so that we will know how much to cook. The cost will be \$5.00 per person.



Important Dates

Wednesday, May 22, 2013 at 10:00am - Garden Club Meeting (Room 39)

Sunday, May 26th - Last day to drop off items for Armenia in the Bill Vanhoy/Ron Williams Sunday School Classroom (Room 21)

Tuesday, June 11, 2013 at 6pm - Jane Morris and Wesley Circle Joint Meeting at the home of Rebecca Tuttle.

MAY & JUNE 2013

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
19 - CONFIRMATION SUNDAY  12pm - Confirmation Luncheon 4pm - Youth Open Gym (FLC) 4pm - Youth Worship Rehearsal (49) 5pm - Youth	20 6:30pm - Girl Scouts (FH) 7pm - Men's Chorus Practice 7pm - Church Council (43) 7:30 & 9pm -Men's Basketball (FLC)	21 10-11am - Food Pantry Open 6pm - Missions Committee (21) 6:30pm - Boy Scouts (FH) 7pm - Cub Scouts (FLC/Classrooms)	22 10am - Garden Club (39) 2-6pm - Youth Study Hall & Midweek(FLC) 6:30pm - Children's Choir Practice 7pm - Praise Band Practice 7:15-8:45pm - Chancel Choir	23 10-11am - Food Pantry Open 7pm - Preschool 4's Graduation (Sanctuary & FLC) 7pm - Finance Committee (Office)	24 - Last Day of Preschool 7:30am - Sr. High Breakfast (FH) 4:45pm - Youth High School Retreat to Camp Caraway (Bus leaving at 5pm)	25 Youth High School Retreat to Camp Caraway
26 - Memorial Day Service  8:45am - Men's Chorus Sing Youth High School Retreat to Camp Caraway - Returning Home (~1:30pm) NO YOUTH TODAY	27 - Memorial Day NO SCHOOL (WSFCS) 6:30pm - Girl Scouts (FH) 7:30 & 9pm -Men's Basketball (FLC)	28 10-11am - Food Pantry Open 6:30pm - Boy Scouts (FH) 7pm - Cub Scouts (FLC/Classrooms)	29 2-6pm - Youth Study Hall & Midweek(FLC) 7:15-8:45pm - Chancel Choir	30 10-11am - Food Pantry Open 7pm - Praise Band Practice (FLC)	31 7:30am - Sr. High Breakfast (FH) Noon-9pm - Ramblers "Breakfast for Supper" Event (FH)	1 - JUNE All day - FLC Reserved (K. Watson) 5-8pm - Music Ministry Picnic (Curling's Farm)
2-Graduation Sunday  10am-2pm - Graduation Luncheon (FLC) 4-5:30pm - Youth @ Park 6pm - East Forsyth Baccalaureate Service (Sanctuary & FLC)	3 6:30pm - Girl Scouts (FH) 7pm - Men's Chorus Practice 7pm - Long Range Planning (22) 7:30 & 9pm -Men's Basketball (FLC)	4 10-11am - Food Pantry Open 6:30pm - Children's Council (22) 6:30pm - Boy Scouts (FH) 7pm - Cub Scouts (FLC/Classrooms)	5 2-6pm - Youth Study Hall & Midweek(FLC) 5-8pm - Youth Chick-fil-A Spirit Night (Kville) 7:15-8:45pm - Chancel Choir	6 10-11am - Food Pantry Open 7pm - Praise Band Practice (FLC) 7pm - Stephens Ministry (40)	7 7:30am - Sr. High Breakfast (FH) 5-9pm-Private Event (A. Stevens)	8 10am - Children visiting Heritage Members at Arbor Ridge 6-9pm - Private Event (A. Colona)
9 Noon-5pm - Eagle Ceremony for Jody Colona (Sanctuary & FH)  4pm - Youth Open Gym (FLC) 4pm - Youth Worship Rehearsal (49) 5pm - Youth 5-9pm - Bethesda Visit (Wesley Circle)	10 6:30pm - Girl Scouts (FH) 7:30pm-Staff Parish Relations (40) 7:30 & 9pm -Men's Basketball (FLC)	11-WSFCS: Last Day of School 10-11am - Food Pantry Open 6pm - Jane Morris Circle/Wesley Circle Joint Meeting (Rebecca Tuttle's home) 6:30pm - Boy Scouts (FH) 7pm - Cub Scouts (FLC/Classrooms)	12 9am - Kitchen Committee (39) 9am-2pm - "Chaos with Katie" (Church/Habitat ReStore) 6:30pm - Children's Choir Practice 7:15-8:45pm - Chancel Choir	13 10-11am - Food Pantry Open 7pm - Praise Band Practice (FLC)	14 8:30am - Ramblers Breakfast @ Olympic Fri 6pm-Sat 8am-YOUTH LOCK-IN (FLC)	15 Fri 6pm-Sat 8am - YOUTH LOCK-IN (FLC)
16 - Father's Day Men's Chorus Singing at 8:45 & 11am Worship Services Children's Choirs Singing at 11am Worship Service 3-8pm - Chapel Connections (D.Lyons-Fellowship Hall)	17 6:30pm - Girl Scouts (FH) 7pm - Men's Chorus Practice 7:30 & 9pm -Men's Basketball (FLC)	18 10-11am - Food Pantry Open 6:30pm - Missions Committee (21) 6:30pm - Boy Scouts (FH) 7pm - Cub Scouts (FLC/Classrooms)	19 9am-2pm - "Chaos with Katie" 7:15-8:45pm - Chancel Choir	20 10-11am - Food Pantry Open 7pm - Praise Band Practice (FLC)	21 7-5pm - Youth Canoeing Event in Jefferson	22