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Every Member

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Morris Chapel is a Stephen Ministry Church. When someone is in need of care a Stephen Minister is available to offer confidential Christian care & support. Contact Doris Wilson at 992-6356 for further information.

Morris Chapel United Methodist Church, Inc.

CHAPEL ECHOES

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CHILDREN’S MISSION & VISION STATEMENT
by Samantha Wesley, Director of Children’s Ministry

Greetings!

For several months now the children’s council has been praying and working on their Mission and Vision statement for the children’s department. After many conversations we came up with the following that I would like to share with all of you.

Mission statement: working together to grow the family of God

Vision statement:
† By providing a safe and loving environment that all children feel comfortable and welcomed thus resulting with the children wanting to invite their friends to be a part of the body of Christ;
† By being a place where children can grow, spiritually, physically, emotionally and socially in their faith;
† By learning how to be committed to Christ by developing children’s faith in reading the Bible, prayer, worship, witness, music, time and sharing of their talents;
† By learning and action we can make a difference in our community and worldwide through missions;
† By cultivating a relationship with Jesus and each other in all that we do even while we are having fun;
† By empowering our volunteers and parents through support, prayer and compassion.

Bottom line…it is all about sharing the love of Christ! I heard from one of our parents the other day that said her 2 ½ year old wakes up every morning and wants to go to church! I think that is so cool! We need to learn from our children and remember the simple joys in life that make us smile and want to be at church, praying, worshipping and sharing our faith with one another.

Grace and Peace,

Samantha

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: We are working hard to get the Chapel Echoes out each week on MONDAY afternoons. In order to accomplish this, if you have something to be included in an upcoming Monday issue, PLEASE get your news item to the church office no later than 12:00pm on the Friday prior. Information may be emailed to: morrischapel@gmail.com, brought by in person, or you may call the office at 595-8101.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION!!
PRAYER CHAIN

Week of October 14, 2012
Helen Byrd, Maudessa Linville (loss of a family member), Kenneth Flynn, Walt Wilson, Sharon Tate, Elaine Laws, Carli Laws, Austin Laws, Clark Hemrick, Rebecca Tuttle (who suffered a fall Friday night), Connie Youtz, Jack Muslen, Don Jones (had surgery October 17th), Mary Ellen Sheek (Chris Barrow’s sister), Harry Cheek, (former co-worker of Karen Dillon), Captain Steve Harris (serving in Afghanistan), Don Jones (recovering from surgery Wed. Oct. 17th), The Family of John William Seivers (JoPat Seivers father), Bethesda Center residents (from the 3D Devotional Visit on Sun. Oct. 14th), Please keep Morris Chapel’s Staff-Parish Relations Committee in your prayers as they proceed with the difficult task of searching for the right person to fill Pan Briles’ position as Director of Music Ministry. If you know of anyone who might be able to fill this position, please contact Pastor Dan or George King with that information.

THANK YOU, FRIENDS

Friends,

Thank you so much for the prayers, cards, calls, and messages these last two months during my surgery and recovery. Hopefully, I only have one more surgery to go to get rid of this for good! Please keep praying for healing and for sanity as I deal with this constant pain.

~ Elaine Laws

GIFT OF GRACE

The “Gift of Grace” is outreach to our community to provide for families who might not be able to have a Christmas. They can select clothes, toys, household items, and anything else you could need for Christmas. This is open to the community to come and shop. We will be collecting gently used or new clothing, shoes, toys, books, & household items. Please place donated items in the buckets outside the Chapel, Children’s department and the Faith in Action class. If you would like to help with set-up, sorting, gift wrapping, or being a “Santa Elf”, please contact Sharon Burnette at ssbrkb@msn.com or 306-2450. If pick-up is needed, please call Sharon Burnette or Debbie & Mike Causby at 595-2713.

THOSE SERVING AT MORRIS CHAPEL - October 28, 2012

8:45am Service
Greeters - Eddie Campbell, Robin Neal
Worship Leader - Steve Pegram

9am Service
Toddler Nursery - Shannon Loyd, Denise McCoig
Crib Nursery - Patricia Evans

11am Service
Greeters - Faith in Action Sunday School Class
Worship Leader - Spencer Evans
Ushers - Teddy Weavil (C), F.C. Dillon, Steve Joyce, Todd McPeak, Darron Southern, Johnny Stevens
Acolytes - Marissa Freeman, McKara Walker
Children’s Church - Greg Scott (K/1/2) & Robin Scott (3/4/5)
Toddler Nursery - Ann & Dylan Stevens
Crib Nursery - Dana & Howard Webster
Evangelism Visitor Follow-up - Pat & Robert Butler
Youth Snacks: Kathleen & David Lambert, Amy & Ladd Whicker

Sign up to serve as a Communion server!
Let Pastor Dan know if you are interested by contacting the office (595-8101) or by email (dlyons@wnccumc.net).

OUR PRESENCE

Attendance for October 21, 2012
Sunday School: 230
Worship Services: 263
8:45am: 35
9:00am: 116
11:00am: 112

OUR GIFTS

Week of October 21, 2012
Budget Receipts this week: $3,296
Receipts to Date: $332,503
Budgeted to Date: $352,911
Ahead/(Behind): ($20,407)
Building Fund Receipts this week: $863
Building Fund Receipts YTD: $100,512
Building Fund Loan Balance: $81,607
On Wednesday, December 5th, Morris Chapel will be going on our annual trip to Charlotte for Operation Christmas Child to work in the shoe box processing center. We have room for (24) people. Please call Spencer at 830-9714 or Rebecca at 595-8754 to sign up. We will be taking the church bus and leaving at 8am, returning around 4:30pm that same day.

Thank you,
Spencer Evans.

BABY SHOWER
Everyone is invited to join in celebration of the birth of Kallen Robertson, son of Brooke & Josh Robertson, who was born this past August.

An “Autumn Baby Shower” is being held on Sunday, October 28th from 2pm-4pm in the Fellowship Hall as a “floating” reception.

The Robertson’s are registered at Target.

HANDBELLS & CHOIR
NOTE: Practices for Handbells & Chancel Choir scheduled for October 31st have been rescheduled for Monday, October 29th - same times & rooms!

EARLY VOTING
Early voting at the Walkertown precinct is October 29th- November 3rd. For early voting, you may vote in any Forsyth County precinct EXCEPT on November 6th (Election Day), when you are only allowed to vote in the precinct in which you are registered. The Walkertown Library will be open for early voting:
10am - 7pm (Oct. 29-31)
10am - 5pm (Nov. 1-3)
Anyone needing a ride to the Library for early voting may call JoAnn Carmichael at 595-8664.
Remember...EVERY VOTE COUNTS!

SCHEDULE FOR OCTOBER 31ST “TRUNK-A-TREAT”
4:30pm Set up in parking lot and Family Life Center
5:30-7pm Hot Dog Supper (donations accepted - money collected will go toward Youth Ministry.)
6-6:40pm Costume judging
6:45-8pm Trunk-A-Treat (side parking lot beside Family Life Center)

If you don't have a trunk or hatchback or a truck that you are decorating for the event, bring a lawn chair and come watch the kids trick or treat, and be an active part of the festivities! ALL AGES ARE WELCOME!
CHILDREN’S CHOIRS

Children’s choirs practice is at 6:30pm. Practices are held the 2nd & 4th Wednesday nights of the month (during the school year) from 6:30pm-7pm. Please note that in November, the dates for practice are changed to: November 7th & 28th!!

**The Sunshine Kids Choir** is for children in Kindergarten thru 5th Grade.

**The Rainbow Connection Choir** is for children 2 years old to Pre-K.

YOUTH

Attn: Middle and High School Parents and Youth - Don’t forget Study Hall and Midweek Bible Study. We meet each Wednesday (Youth Room) from 2pm-6pm and supper is included!

WANTED: “YOUTHFUL” HELPING HANDS

Need some help in the yard with leaves? Extra help around the house? Help with some minor repairs? The youth are offering a service day of mission to our Morris Chapel Congregation on Saturday, November 17th. The youth will come to your house and work on any project that you need help getting done.

In order for us to organize work crews, there will be sign-ups in the Bill Vanhoy/Ron Williams and Robert West Sunday School classes. Or, you can call the church office and leave your name, phone number and job or project description. We will be in touch with you about the time and specifics. If you have any questions, please speak with Josh Britton or one of the youth counselors.

Thank you...we look forward to serving your project needs.

BETHESDA CENTER “3D” THANK YOU!

Thank you to everyone who has supported the Bethesda Center with your prayers, time and meals. This is a mission that is dear to my heart because I feel we are making a difference in someone’s life - even if only for a few minutes.

I am ready to sign up volunteers for next year, so please contact me if you are willing to volunteer your time one or more months. Jesus said: “What you do for the least of these you do for Me.” He also said: “If you love Me, feed My lambs.”

You will be blessed for your service and ministry to those in crisis and need.

To volunteer for future dates, please contact: Sherry Gray at (336) 595-3767

BAZAAR TIME IS HERE!!

It’s hard to believe that this weekend, Saturday, October 27th, the Church Fall Bazaar will open its doors at 8am to welcome everyone who has been eagerly anticipating this incomparable, once a year extravaganza!! Everything is being put in its place for Saturday morning’s opening...all that is left now is YOU.

So...come one, come all, come big, come small, just be sure to COME EARLY!!

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We are very thankful and appreciative to all who so generously donated their time and talents to the Bazaar, and we are grateful for the wonderful garden, grown by Bill & Pat Gordon, that made it possible to have the good vegetables and fruits to can and preserve!

We could not have done it without EVERYONE’S HELP!!

Thank you for your countless contributions...Lucille Ashburn and the Bazaar Committee.

Morris Chapel
Church Fall Bazaar
Saturday, October 27, 2012
8am - 11am
(Family Life Center)
Breakfast available too.
THANKSGIVING FOOD COLLECTION

The children of Morris Chapel have begun their Annual Thanksgiving Food Collection drive. This event will run from Sunday, October 7th - Sunday, November 11th. Children were given a bag in Sunday School Sunday (Oct. 7th) and asked if they would please place a few non-perishable items in it and return it to their Sunday School teachers on or before Sunday, November 11th.

Items collected will be donated to the Morris Chapel Food Pantry and the Second Harvest Food Bank of Northwest NC. If your child was given a bag, please encourage him or her to participate in this mission. Food is a vital part of daily life, but for many, food is scarce and not readily available. Your child can help ease this burden on families in our town and surrounding communities. If your child did not receive a bag, please request one from their Sunday School teacher, or contact Amy Whicker at (336) 402-3544. If you do not have children in the Children’s Department, but would like to help Morris Chapel with this cause, any donations would be welcome. A donation box is located at the intersection of the Children’s Department hallways.

Thank you all so much and, Thanks for GIVING this THANKSGIVING!

CHILDREN’S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM PRACTICES

It is that time of year again for the Children’s Christmas program practices. Please be in prayer for this wonderful celebration!

All practices are important and recommended. Please prayerfully consider this commitment. We hope ALL 1st - 5th graders will choose to be in the Morris Chapel Christmas program.

Below are the dates and information for each practice session:

- **Sunday, October 28th** 5pm-7pm (Hospitality Room 39)
- **Sunday, November 11th** 5pm-7pm (Hospitality Room 39)
- **Sunday, November 18th** 5pm-7pm (On Stage FLC)
- **Saturday, December 1st** 9am-11am (On Stage FLC)
- **Saturday, December 8th** 9am-11am (Dress Rehearsal On Stage FLC)
- **Sunday, December 9th** 9:30am CHRISTMAS PROGRAM! Please report to the Stephen Ministry room at 9am sharp!!

If you have any questions or concerns, please call Debbie Causby at 595-2713 or Kathy Walker at 996-7065. Thank you for allowing us this opportunity to work with your children.
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