

Three Points and a Cloud of Uncertainty

When I started studying preaching in 1995, a common saying was that a sermon needed “three points.” My first preaching professor taught me that a sermon never really failed unless it had zero points to make. I have three points to make in this brief letter. But as I write near the end of August, I feel a little lost. There is so much uncertainty swirling around us which skews the vision and dulls the senses.

Point 1: Does not COVID seem to command the beginning and the end of most encounters, conversations, and reported news? COVID has impacted our church community (like our schools) as nothing we could have imagined. Most of my work since March 2020 has been about leading through COVID. It is exhausting because of the uncertainty and the multiplicity of opinions about the uncertainty. We do not want any member or visitor to suffer the physical and psychological challenge of COVID. I urge you once again to vaccinate yourselves as you are able and to follow the masking and health guidelines of health officials in North Carolina and Wake County. The immediate challenge to our ministry that COVID and its rapid spread across North Carolina poses, is that our fall plans for Kickoff Sunday (September 12) and for Sunday School are dependent upon volunteers to teach children and adults. If we cannot find enough teachers and leaders we will not be able to offer the programs. It breaks my heart to write this previous sentence. But that is where we are, and Presbyterians have always held that “truth is in order to goodness.” We can neither deny the effect COVID has had upon all of us nor can we wish it away.

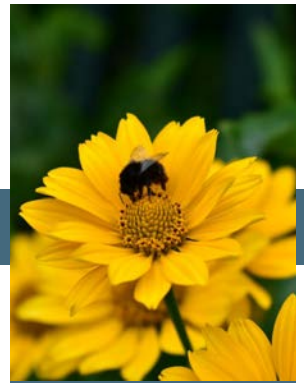
Point 2: There is so much uncertainty in the world. My prayer list is over a page long and includes: Afghanistan, Haiti, Western NC, Central TN, New England, school children, teachers, COVID patients, healthcare professionals, and out of control fires burning in western states of our country. We will pray. And then we will pray again. We will release funds to partners in Haiti, and if you would like to contribute to disaster relief simply direct a gift to our church marked clearly with “disaster relief” and we will find partners in affected locations or once again partner with Presbyterian Disaster Assistance to help as we can.

Point 3: September 19 we will dedicate our new and renovated spaces to the glory of God and celebrate our continuing 75th Anniversary with a BBQ. Note: McDonald Lane will be mostly closed (we will allow for parking for those with mobility challenges). Please RSVP through the church office to attend the BBQ which will have ample outside seating. As we mark 75 years, we do so with some uncertainty. Anniversaries are moments to thank God for the blessings of the past and to dream about the future. The future is always uncertain and every pastor you know (me included) wakes up in the middle of the night afraid that things will never normalize. I spend hours wondering: what will we keep from this time of ministry in COVID? What will we throw away? What will 2022 be like? Uncertainty is abundant these days.

But so are hope and faith. I have spent a lot of time with Psalm 121 lately. It ends like this: “The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time on and forevermore.” These words are an affirmation of hope and faith. I place my trust in them. Even in the swirl of uncertainty, our faith and trust are certain. I believe they are up to the challenge.

May hope, faith, and grace abound,

Christopher Edmonston, *Pastor*



SUNDAY WORSHIP TIMES

8:00, 9:30 and
11:00 a.m.
In Person Worship
in Sanctuary

Live Stream and
Facebook Live

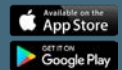
OnPoint@1704
11:00 a.m.
In Person Worship
in the Main Hall
Live Stream

In Person and Virtual
Sunday School
9:30 a.m.

Nursery
7:45 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.
Infants (L103)
through four-year
olds (L102)

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919-605-4593



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Jays & CONCERNS

IN THE CHURCH TRIUMPHANT

Mark Allen Bond – August 18, 2021

WMPC family members: wife, Barbara Bond and children Allen and Elizabeth Bond.

Margaret Cathey Milliken – August 18, 2021

WMPC family members: daughter and son-in-law, Jeanne Milliken Bonds and Bob Bonds.

Ann Elizabeth LeSturgeon Harris – August 19, 2021

WMPC family member: husband, Jack Harris.

PRAYERS AND CHRISTIAN CONCERNS TO

Mary Ann Turner and Rachel Turner, on the death of Mary Ann's uncle, Walter Bryan Turner, July 28, Durham, NC.

Lyman, Molly, Holden and Anna Kiser, on the death of Lyman's mother, Helen Sealy Kiser, August 4, Raleigh, NC.

Bo, Elizabeth, Jack and Kate Dempster, on the death of Bo's father, Joseph B. Dempster, August 12, Winston Salem, NC.

Julie, Marc, Mary Mac and Elizabeth Lyons, on the death of Julie's mother, June Miller Land, August 7, Kannapolis, NC.

NEW PRESBYTERIANS

Harrison James Hall, born May 14, child of Lila and Kevin Hall, grandchild of Meredith and Philip Miller.

Henry Grant Davis, born July 19, child of Allison and Ben Davis.

Miles Masterson Day, born July 28, child of Emily and Michael Day, grandchild of Debbie and John Day.

Campbell Holden Hunt, born July 31, child of Dalton and Brandon Hunt, grandchild of Fran Carruthers.

Thea Douglas Hadley, born August 19, child of Meghan and Ben Hadley, grandchild of Tricia and Scott Hadley, great-grandchild of Douglas Jamerson.

BAPTIZED

August 1 – Mason Allan Conklin, child of Kate and Bryan Conklin.

August 29 – Camille Durham Nelms, child of Samantha and Frank Nelms.

MARRIAGES

Lee Miller Clark and Ellis Edwards Minton, August 21, The Beaufort Hotel, Beaufort, NC. Ward is the son of Gina and Wes Minton. Lee is the granddaughter of Stacy Miller.

George Henderson Goodwin and Sarah Mills Sullivan, August 21, Raleigh, NC. George is the son of Bettie Goodwin.

CONGRATULATIONS TO

Cross Bowen and Jack Peterson, who received the Eagle Scout award on August 29 from Boy Scout Troop 395. Cross is the son of Joy and Will Bowen, and Jack is the son of Marty and John Peterson.

If you have experienced a birth, marriage or death you want to share with the church, email Rebecca Turner at rturner@whitememorial.org. If you have a relative or church friend who is hospitalized, call the church office or email Amy Claprod at aclaprod@whitememorial.org so our pastoral staff can reach out. If you have a pastoral care need outside of regular business hours, call our after hours pastor on call at 919-605-4593.

WORSHIP TIMES

On Sunday, September 12 we resume four worship services at 8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary and 11:00 a.m. in the Main Hall of the Edinburgh Building. You can also watch via live stream.

SAVE THE DATES

Sunday, September 12, Kick-off Sunday

Sunday, September 19, Celebration of our 75th Anniversary and dedication of Edinburgh Building, BBQ, games and much more. [RSVP required!](#)

WE HAVE RENAMED SOME SPACES!

The area formerly known as Geneva Hall has a new name, The Hub. This room in the Luther Building is the gathering area on Sunday mornings for our Youth, but also the place where people can gather for a quick chat, grab a cup of coffee or use the charging bar for devices. This space will still be referred to as room number L111 on our calendars.

Room K100 in the Knox Building is now a small dining room. We are now calling that Geneva Hall. It is the area that is hosting Men's Breakfast and Bible Study, Keenagers and other assorted meetings. Larger dining events will continue to be held in the Main Hall.

If you have any questions on spaces check our online campus map or call our office manager Colleen Aguirre, 919-834-3425, ext. 202.

YOU CAN FIND THE LATEST WORSHIP, HOSPITALITY AND SUNDAY SCHOOL REOPENING UPDATES ON THE [HOMEPAGE OF OUR WEBSITE](#). Throughout this newsletter you will see numerous events that require registration. Most registrations can be found on our website: www.whitememorial.org/register

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PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN 2021-2022 HORIZON BIBLE STUDY SATURDAY MORNING RETREAT

On Saturday morning September 11, 2021, all women are invited to a retreat focusing on the 2021-2022 Horizon Study, *“What My Grandmothers Taught Me.”*

The retreat will be in Pickard Hall from 9:00 a.m. - noon and is led by our very own Parish Associate Rev. Judy Yates Siker, author of the 2016 Horizon Study *“Who is Jesus - What a Difference a Lens Makes.”*

We hope you'll join us for this wonderful study and time to reconnect with friends and pick up some great Bible study aides for circles. Masks will be required, and tables will be spaced to allow for air flow and social distancing. The event will be available on zoom as well. There is no charge for the retreat, but pre-registration is required (whether in person or through Zoom): whitememorial.org/register.

If you have any questions please contact Gloria Johnson at gjohnson@whitememorial.org.

CLOTHING CLOSET RE-OPENS SEPTEMBER 1!

What is the Clothing Closet? Located on the first floor of the Witherspoon Building, it is a place members can bring clean and gently used women's, men's and children's clothing, socks, shoes and handbags. The clothing is picked up by our partner agencies. They also accept bed linens and towels. Please do not bring housewares or other items as there is no way for them to be distributed.

When is the Clothing Closet open? It is open the first and third Wednesdays each month from 8:00 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Please do not drop items off at other times as there is no one to accept them.

Are there volunteer opportunities? Yes! Shifts are two hours once a month. Please contact Paula Williams at rw78243@mindspring.com. This is a wonderful way to meet other volunteers and the members who bring in donations.

COMMUNITY ALLOCATIONS APPLICATION PROCESS

The Community Allocations Committee of White Memorial Presbyterian Church allocates funds given by the congregation to agencies in Wake County that provide for the needs of individuals and groups in the community where our church has strong commitment and involvement. While no precise definition is possible in assessing need, we consider agencies that attempt to provide basic needs, teach life coping skills, and promote self-sufficiency. The Community Allocations Application process begins in September of each year and awards are announced in February. All grant applications are due **Wednesday, September 1, 2021**. If you have questions contact Gloria Johnson, gjohnson@whitememorial.org.

75TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

SAVE THE DATE!



WMPC 75th Anniversary Celebration & Dedication of the Edinburgh Building

Sunday | September 19 | 2021
after 11:00 a.m. worship services

BBQ, live music, games,
children's activities, fellowship
and much, much more!

RSVP to whitememorial.org/register

To the glory...



The Flower Guild of White Memorial invites members to dedicate flowers for Sunday worship in celebration of a baptism, birthday or anniversary; in thanksgiving for or in memory of someone special; or just because you enjoy the flowers.

To make a floral contribution, contact Rebecca Turner at rturner@whitememorial.org or 919-834-3425, ext. 222 to coordinate available dates. Rebecca can also provide a list of recommended florists familiar with our Sanctuary.

The deadline for requesting flowers and publication of the dedication in the bulletin is noon two weeks preceding the Sunday being requested.

Thank you to all who support our Flower Guild ministry.

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THIS SEAT IS FOR YOU.

As we conclude the *Imagine Campaign*, we invite you to purchase a chair in honor of or in memory of someone.

The Main Hall is the epicenter of our new building. Here, families will gather to worship, concerts and events will be held, meals will be served, and fellowship will abound for generations to come. While the chairs themselves will not be inscribed, the names of those recognized will be acknowledged.

This is an excellent opportunity to participate in the *Imagine Campaign* if you have not done so. Chairs may be purchased for \$500 each.

www.whitememorial.org/register



SCAN ME



STEPUP GREETERS NEEDED!

StepUp is looking for smiling faces to welcome participants and volunteers as they attend Step 2 classes on Tuesday nights! Duties include greeting participants, offering hand sanitizer and masks, answering questions and offering assistance

with navigating the church grounds. All volunteers will also enjoy a meal and get to know the StepUp community!

About StepUp: Step 2 is a community program centered around supporting families in all walks of life. StepUp serves children ages 6 weeks to 21 years of age, singles, and entire multi-generational families. In Step 2, we offer classes like needs vs. wants, relationship building, budgeting and even networking. The children in Step 2 learn similar concepts as the adults who are enrolled, but on an age appropriate level. This is all done with the support of the StepUp staff and the encouragement of other community volunteers who attend class with enrolled families.

Timing: Starting September 14 from 5:15-6:45 p.m. for six sessions. The proposed dates are Tuesdays-September 14, 21, 28 and October 5, 12, 19. If volunteers are unavailable for any of the proposed dates, but still interested in taking part as a greeter, please contact Dayna Jameson, Volunteer Recruiter at djameson@stepupministry.org to discuss scheduling.

Location: White Memorial Presbyterian Church

Training: Training will be provided by StepUp prior to start date.

NURSERY AND NEWBORN COORDINATOR

White Memorial Presbyterian Church is pleased to announce the search for a Nursery and Newborn Coordinator. The Coordinator of Nursery and Newborn Ministries helps create a safe and welcoming environment in the Nursery, oversees the work of the Nursery Staff and volunteers, and coordinates ministry to families with newborns. If interested, please submit your resume with a cover letter to [Jennifer Eastman](mailto:Jennifer.Eastman@whitememorial.org).

THE WEEKDAY SCHOOL IS HIRING!

The Weekday School is looking for assistant and substitute teachers during the 2021-2022 school year. If you love children and want to work in a fun, exciting community, please contact Cynthia Baggett at cbaggett@whitememorial.org.

WMPC STROLLER GROUP

The WMPC Stroller Group is for parents of young children. We gather for strolls around the neighborhood and playdates at the playground. This is a great way to connect and fellowship with other parents of little ones! If you're interested in participating, please email Abby Timmerman ambreaux@ncsu.edu. All are welcome!

A/V VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Have you ever wanted to learn video, sound or lighting? We're looking for volunteers to help us stream sanctuary and OnPoint@1704 worship services. Experienced? Great. No Experience? No problem. We'll train. High schoolers are welcome to explore this opportunity. Check with your school to see if this qualifies for service hours. Contact Parker Gagnier at pgagnier@whitememorial.org for more information.

Celebrate with Outreach!



Come See,
Come Taste,
Come Hear,
Come to Action.

SUN
12
SEPT

9AM-
NOON

You're invited! Tour the new Outreach Room on Kick-off Sunday.

Make & Take Project: We'll have supplies on hand for you to make a care kit for the homeless.

Involvement: We will also have tables under the portico highlighting our outreach partners and ways we are involved.

SUN
19
SEPT

9AM-
2PM

75th birthday celebration

Drop by the Outreach Room on Dedication Sunday as the celebration continues! Our church wide collection in September will be Birthday Bags for all ages.

Items to assemble and place in your Birthday Bag:

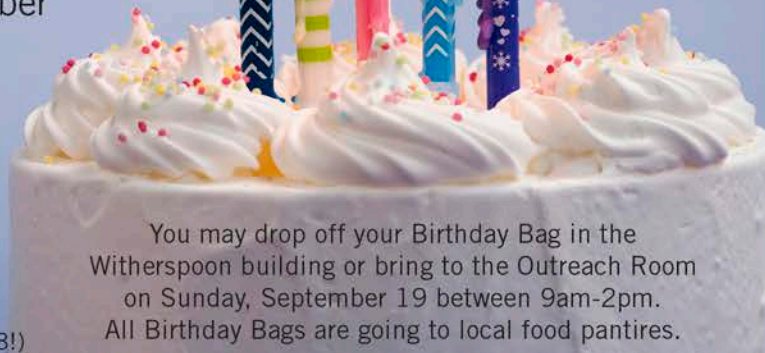
Cake Mix/Canned Frosting/Icing

Aluminum Cake Pan

Balloons

Cups & Plates plus any fun extras.

(all items can be purchased at the Dollar Store for about \$8!)



You may drop off your Birthday Bag in the Witherspoon building or bring to the Outreach Room on Sunday, September 19 between 9am-2pm. All Birthday Bags are going to local food pantries.



HAITI SCHOOL SUPPLIES UPDATE

As many of you recall, White Memorial collected school supplies for Haiti Outreach Ministries in February. With over 1800 students attending HOM schools, supplies continue to be desperately needed for the 18 preschool, 36 primary and 19 secondary school classes. With the political unrest and exorbitant inflation, it is extremely difficult to find many everyday school items in Haiti. Thanks to your generosity, and the generosity of a Haiti supporter who underwrote the costs of shipping, 14 cartons of supplies were delivered in July, in time for the start of school. Pens, crayons, markers, rulers, glue sticks, and construction paper were sent, along with other requested supplies. Many thanks to everyone who contributed to this effort! *Mesi anpil!*



Diane Payne, Barbara Bond, Cindy Mason and Gloria Johnson packing supplies

HAITI DISASTER RELIEF

We are working with Haiti Outreach Ministries as they work with church connections in the areas hardest hit by the disaster. You can contribute to the Haiti earthquake by designating funds as **Disaster Relief** on your contribution.

HELP EDUCATE A CHILD IN HAITI

Students are scheduled to return to school in Haiti on September 6 and your student sponsorship gift can make a difference in a Haitian child's life. The primary and secondary schools that are a part of Haiti Outreach Ministries (HOM) school system educate over 1,800 students, from pre-kindergarten (age 3) through grade 13. Currently 28%, or more than 550, of the students are 'unsponsored.' The cost of a Primary school sponsorship is \$420 annually (\$35 monthly). Secondary school sponsorship is \$720 annually (\$60 monthly).

Student sponsorships are a key component of the HOM ministry. While the amount to sponsor a student is modest by US standards, these funds are a financial lifeblood for the HOM schools. Sponsorship funds are what allow HOM to keep the school doors open, lunches provided, books furnished, and young minds expanded. Sponsorships allow HOM to pay high-quality teachers, which has a ripple effect of benefiting their families and putting money back into the Haitian economy. While students' families are asked to contribute what they can towards school costs, the reality is that many simply cannot, and no student is turned away due to inability to pay. **STUDENT SPONSORS ARE DESPERATELY NEEDED.**

New sponsors often sign up after taking a mission trip to Haiti, but the on-going difficulty of travel has contributed to a sponsor shortfall. The good news is that two generous HOM donors have pledged to donate \$15,000 per year for the next three years to match new student sponsorships—that is nearly 40 primary school sponsorships to match! This is a remarkable gift that would go a long way towards closing the gap in student sponsorships. Many WMPC members sponsor a student.

Would you consider sponsoring a student today?

Visit <https://www.haitiom.org/sponsor-online> to see students without a sponsor and get started. Through the online HOM portal, you can search for a student whose profile speaks to your heart and get involved immediately.



Rebecca White transporting packed cartons of school supplies for shipment

For more information or questions regarding Haiti student sponsorships please contact Carol Vassey at c.vassey@gmail.com

THE CHURCH HAS LEFT THE BUILDING

Sometimes you just have to be there! We've had limited opportunities to connect this year, and as we return to a more engaged lifestyle, hands on opportunities can make a difference for us and our neighbors in need.

Each quarter, the outreach committee will spotlight a few of the over 30 agencies that our church financially supports. We will coordinate group volunteer opportunities to highlight the important frontline services these agencies offer in our community. Our focus for the fall will be agencies addressing housing insecurity.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING

remains one of the greatest needs due to the fast rate of population growth in Wake County. The number of individuals experiencing episodic homelessness is increasing rapidly, and when people remain homeless for longer periods of time it becomes increasingly difficult to establish a more secure future. Join our church family as we work together this quarter with the following agencies addressing this need. [Reserve your spot and let's take our church on the road!](#)

OAK CITY CARES

contact Debbie Fox
debfox@bellsouth.net

Oak City Cares is a hub for connecting individuals and families, who are at risk of, or are experiencing homelessness, to coordinated services that create a path to stable housing and renewed hope. OCC staff coordinates services offered by human service professionals, medical providers, and other specialists from multiple partners at one location to reduce the frustration of accessing multiple services and to decrease the odds that the family or individual experiences long term homelessness.

Join us to host weekend meals at the center:

Saturday, September 25
12:30-3:30 p.m.

Sunday, October 24
12:30-3:30 p.m.

Sunday, November 14
12:30-3:30 p.m.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

contact Eric Miller
eric_miller@ncsu.edu

Habitat for Humanity is a nonprofit organization that helps families build and improve places to call home. Habitat addresses homelessness by building - believing that affordable housing plays a critical role in strong and stable communities. Join us to support current Habitat projects. You may work all or any part of the day:

FIESTA BUILD

(Working with Hispanic Community on site in Cary)

September 18 workers to build and a group to provide lunch

October 16 workers to build

PRESBYTERIAN BUILD

(Working with other Presbyterian Churches on site in Apex)

October Wall Build

November 6 workers to build and a group to provide Lunch

December 4 workers to build

NOTE IN THE POCKET

contact Ruth Landers
ruth@landers.me

Note in the Pocket provides clothing to impoverished and homeless schoolchildren in Wake County with dignity and love. They believe that it is unacceptable for children to be limited in their educational and social development because they do not have appropriate clothes for school. Our church volunteer group will help to sort, quality check, size, and fold clothing donations received from the community:

Tuesday, September 28
9:00 a.m. - noon

Thursday, October 28
1:00-4:00 p.m.

Thursday, November 18
1:00-4:00 p.m.

SEPTEMBER CHURCHWIDE COLLECTION

This month we will be collecting socks and underwear for men, women and children. We will distribute to StepUp, Note in the Pocket, Healing Transitions, Haven House and to other agencies as needed. Please place items in the red bins outside of the Witherspoon building

WOMEN'S MONTHLY FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON

All women are cordially invited

Monday, September 13

Edinburgh Building | Main Hall | 12-1:00 p.m.

All are invited to attend the Women's Monthly Fellowship Luncheon at noon on Monday, September 13. The Luncheon will be held in the Main Hall of the Edinburgh Building. Register by noon, Friday, September 10 at whitememorial.org/register.

September's Luncheon Program is an Introduction to *Learning from the Women in Matthew's Genealogy of Jesus*, the study guide for this year's Circle Study. We are fortunate to have Assistant Pastor Judy Yates Siker present the introduction and overview.

GIVE BACK. SERVE.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S PROJECT FOR SEPTEMBER

We have an exciting new project for September: The **No Women, No Girl Initiative**.

We will be collecting every day essentials for women and girls who are in a crisis situation in Wake County. These items include body, dental, hair and menstrual care items as well as bus passes.

CIRCLE INFO

Circles meet on Monday, September 13 unless otherwise noted. For circle membership information, please contact Julie Leon 919-475-0861 or Harriet Worley 615-477-7648.

Circle A: 10:00 a.m., C200; Reps. - Nancy Long, Carol Lynn

Circle C: 10:45 a.m., K302; Reps. - Rebecca Spanbauer, Paula Williams

Circle D: September 16, 11:00 a.m., The Ballroom; Rep. - Ramona Deener

Circle E: 10:00 a.m., K200; Reps. - Nancy Heathcote

Circle F: 9:45 a.m., C304; Reps. - Ann Lichtner, Maggie Black

Circle G: 10:00 a.m., C100; Rep. - Louise Hartung, Kathy Auman

Circle I: Circle lessons will be sent by email the second Monday of every month.

Printed copies for Springmoor residents will be in the internal mail;

Rep. - Susie Jackson

Circle K: September 14, 6:45 p.m., In Homes; Rep. - Julia Reeder

Circle L: September 15, 7:00 p.m., W400; Reps. - Kathy Kidd, Jackie Mullin

Circle M: September 21, 7:00 a.m., The Hub; Reps. - Susan Allen, Miriam Dorsey

Circle N: September 14, 11:45 a.m., Glenaire Auditorium;

Reps. - Kitty Clements, Blanche Nichols

Circle O: September 14, TBD, C203; TBD

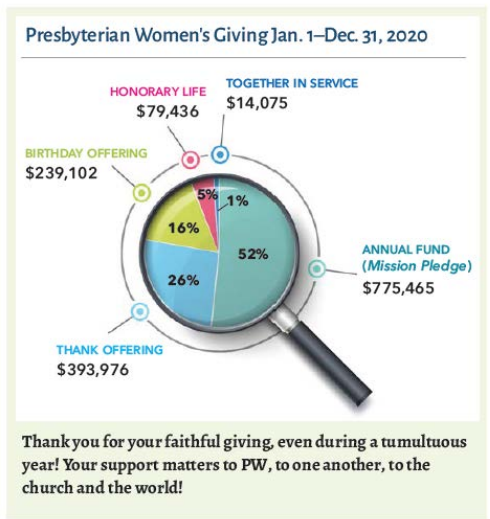
All women of the church are invited to join a circle. Please contact Julie Leon, juliealeon@gmail.com 919-475-0861 or Harriet Worley, jfworley@nc.rr.com 615-477-7648 for more information.

MILESTONES FROM OUR PRESBYTERIAN HERITAGE

PWUSA - WHITE MEMORIAL PW are connected to our national Presbyterian Church USA. We hope to share a few facts each month to better connect us to our heritage.

1832: PC GENERAL ASSEMBLY passed a motion stating disapproval of women speaking and praying in public. **PW organized missionary tracts**, Bible, Ladies Aid, and Cent Societies in reaction to the church's stand that women were not to be heard. Cent Societies were so named because members paid a cent each week to belong. The collected funds were used to support community outreach.

1874: PW ESTABLISHED the first major mission outreach project, still in existence today, the Occidental Mission Home for Girls in San Francisco. The home is an intervention in supporting Asian girl immigrants who are abused. Today the home is called The Cameron House, named after the founder.



WMPC MAJOR MISSION 2021



Please make a gift to support WMPC's 2021 Major Mission Partner. [You may also give online.](#)

OUR GOAL IS TO RAISE AT LEAST \$100,000.00 FOR TLC, AND EVERY DOLLAR RAISED WILL BE MATCHED UP TO \$50,000.

Major Mission at White Memorial is a church wide fund-raising effort to help organizations in the community and the world that are in the process of building new facilities, renovating or undergoing expansion. TLC (Tammy Lynn Center) is our Major Mission for 2021. Since the early 70s, TLC has provided hospital-level care with 24/7 support within a home-like setting for children and adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. By 2040, Wake County's rising population will have an estimated 38% increase in the number of people living with an intellectual or developmental disability. TLC's top priority is the construction of a new Intermediate Care Facility for the most medically fragile of their residents. Please join this effort in making TLC a caring and compassionate place to live.

MEANING AS MILLENNIALS + 20s@WMPC

Meaning as Millennials and 20s@WMPC are teaming up. Whether you have been to one of these groups before, or you are joining for the first time, you are welcome and invited! We meet Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. on Zoom for fellowship and engaging conversation. Stay tuned for other in-person social opportunities! If you have any questions or want to learn more, please contact Pastoral Resident Anne Galliher at agalliher@whitememorial.org.

MEN'S BREAKFAST & BIBLE STUDY

In person & Zoom | [Registration required for both Breakfast Line 7:00 a.m. | Bible Study 7:30 a.m.](#)

Men of all ages are invited to enjoy fellowship and Bible study (either in person or via Zoom.) The preaching pastor of the week leads a short Bible study related to the upcoming Sunday sermon. Bible study, breakfast (bring your own) and prayer conclude around 8:00 a.m. each week. Contact for the group is Don Thompson, dthomps1ing@gmail.com.

POWERFUL TOOLS FOR CAREGIVERS

Learn how to handle stress, improve self-confidence, communicate better, improve your ability to make tough decisions, locate helpful resources and more. Powerful Tools for Caregivers is six 90-minute sessions of practical training that provides caregivers with tools and strategies to better cope with their unique challenges. Class will meet every Monday from October 11-November 15 from 6:00-7:30 p.m. in K-100 (Geneva Hall). Space is limited. For more information, or to register, contact Lisa Hoskins at The Center for Volunteer Caregiving at 919-460-0567 or lhoskins@ctrolcare.org.



Women's Retreat

REST. RESTORE. RECONNECT.
JANUARY 28 - 30 | 2022

The Women's Retreat is back!
Please join us for a time to rest, restore and reconnect together in fellowship and sisterhood. We are excited to welcome back guest speaker Anna Rainey Dickson.

SAVE THE DATE FOR THE 2022 WOMEN'S RETREAT.

When: January 28 - 30, 2022

Where: Pinehurst Resort, Pinehurst, NC

Guest Speaker, Anna Rainey Dickson

DETAILS ON REGISTRATION COMING SOON.



THE LITURGICAL ARTS GUILD PRESENTS:

The art of WMPC member Betty Landes

Recently, the Liturgical Arts Guild offered an open invitation for members to showcase their artistic talents. Over the summer we will be sharing some of their submitted features. We hope you enjoy as much as we do.

A look into Betty's Inspiration & Art

Betty Landes is a professional art educator and an accomplished mixed media artist whose innate curiosity and deep appreciation for God's creation are visible in her work. Her love of icons goes back to a 2013 spiritual formation conference where she was introduced to the field by Rev. Dr. Bruce Rigdon, a Presbyterian minister and authority on Eastern Orthodoxy. From there, Betty has studied under three iconographers and an egg tempura artist, learning to make her own paint with egg yolk and ground pigments. She serves on the White Memorial Liturgical Art Guild and is a member of the Arts Ministry at West Raleigh Presbyterian Church.

Do you have an artistic talent you'd like to share with the congregation? Whatever your medium we'd love to see. Please send photo(s) of your work to Associate Director of Music and Worship Arts Eric Nanz at enanz@whitememorial.org.



DON'T FORGET YOUR FLU SHOT

With all that is going on, don't let flu season catch you off guard! Hayes Barton Pharmacy will be offering flu shots to all members on Wednesday, September 15 and October 6, from 3:00-6:00 p.m. in C200. You must be a least 14 years old to receive a flu shot at WMPC. Please bring your insurance card. [Registration is required.](#)

SHIIP: SENIOR HEALTH INSURANCE INFORMATION PROGRAM

Health Ministry is pleased to offer this presentation on Medicare 101. When you enroll in Medicare, you have some choices to make, and this can be puzzling. SHIIP can help you get started understanding parts A, B, D, Medicare supplement or Advantage plans, and annual open enrollment dates for making changes to your plans. This information will help you navigate what can be a confusing process.

Registration required at whitememorial.org/register.
1:00-2:00 p.m. | K100 (Geneva Hall) and Zoom
Thursday, September 23

OUTREACH KNITTING GROUP

(Formally know as the Russia Knitting & Crocheting Group)

We have a new name, but will be in service for the same purpose. Gather around and enjoy fellowship and friends while knitting and crocheting starting back on Tuesday, September 7 at 9:30 am in W400. We have plenty of yarn, patterns, hooks and needles. Everyone is welcome to join us for coffee and lots of conversation. Any questions call Faye Senter 919-805-0897 or fsenter@bellsouth.net.



OUTREACH SEWING GROUP

For many years a dedicated group of women who love to sew has made various items for our Russia Mission Partner in

Smolensk. We have made clothing and coloring book bags for orphanage children, and colorful quilts for the beds at their Rodnik conference center. Recently we have made the scapula that our WMPC choirs wear during Advent and Lent, and currently we are making useful tote bags for WMPC Outreach ministries. Our Sewing Group meets the third Monday of each month and we are excited to be beginning again on September 20. We would love to have new folks join us for our mornings of sewing followed by a special time of fellowship over lunch, which is provided. Please call Susie Jackson at 919-876-9641 for more information. Also, if anyone has a portable sewing machine that you are no longer using, our group would love to have your donation, so women who are not able to bring a machine can join us to sew.

NAMI: NATIONAL ALLIANCE ON MENTAL ILLNESS

NAMI Basics | NAMI Peer-to-Peer
NAMI Family-to-Family

NAMI is the nation's largest grassroots mental health organization dedicated to building better lives for the millions of Americans affected by mental illness. NAMI works to educate, advocate, listen and lead to improve the lives of people with mental illness and their loved ones. If you or someone you know is struggling, you are not alone. Visit <https://nami-wake.org/> or call 919-848-4490 for more information on support groups and educational resources.

HEALING PRAYER

Healing Prayer is an intensive form of intercessory prayer focusing on an individual's mental, emotional, physical and spiritual needs to provide a sense of balance and facilitate self-healing. Healing Prayer sessions are usually 20 to 30 minutes. If you are interested in experiencing a healing prayer session, please contact Mary Ann Turner at 919-833-2475 or maturner2.mat@gmail.com.

6:30-8:30 p.m. | Chapel

Wednesday, September 22 - December 22

RISE AGAINST HUNGER NEEDS YOU

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3

9:00 A.M. -NOON

PICKARD HALL

Rise Against Hunger will be back on campus for a meal-packaging event on Sunday, October 3, 9 a.m. - noon, Pickard Hall. This is a great family project and a great way to get service hours. We plan on packaging 10,000 meals, so come for all or a part of the time. The event is sponsored by the Community Service Committee. We also need people available for set-up and clean-up. If you have any questions, please contact Gloria Johnson at gjohnson@whitememorial.org or 919-834-3425, ext. 207. We will be set up with safety in mind.



FIT AFTER FIFTY

Anyone is welcome to join us for 20 minutes of cardio, 20 minutes of resistance exercises, and a five-minute cool down. On Tuesdays Gina Minton will teach and on Fridays there will be a workout video to follow.

9:45-10:30 a.m. | Pickard Hall

Tuesdays | September 21 - November 9

9:45-10:30 a.m. | Pickard Hall

Fridays | September 24 - November 12



T'AI CHI FOR EXERCISE

T'ai Chi is a gentle art that is physically rewarding and mentally stimulating, and brings a feeling of well-being, as well as relaxation,

improved balance, and coordination. Social distancing will be observed. For more information, contact Honey Music at honeyjmusic@gmail.com.

5:30-6:30 p.m. | Pickard Hall

Mondays | September 13 – December 20

(No class September 6 or October 25)

\$64 for an 8-week session or \$8 drop-in per class



PICKLEBALL AT WMPC!

Mondays | 2:00-4:00 p.m.

Wednesdays | 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Pickard Hall

Fun, social and friendly. The rules are simple and the game is easy for beginners to

learn. Whether you are new to the game or an experienced player, come join the fun! Paddles and balls are available for use. Pickleball is played with a paddle and a plastic ball with holes and combines many of the elements of tennis, badminton and ping-pong. This is fun for all ages and skill levels and can be played as doubles or singles. No open play on September 6 & 8. Want to know more about Pickleball? Visit <https://usapickleball.org/what-is-pickleball/>

GENTLE YOGA

Gentle Yoga is designed for aging bodies. Classic poses will be taught with emphasis on alignment to keep our bodies structurally sound. Movement is slow and mindful. Students must be able to get up and down on their mat. A yoga mat and blanket are required. \$8 per class. For more information contact Beth Robinson at elizabeth.robinson44@gmail.com.

8:30-9:30 a.m. | C200

Tuesdays | September 14 - November 9

THE MONTH OF September

Keenagers

If you are 55 years old +,
we invite you to join Keenagers this fall.

If you would like to know more
(or receive Zoom information),
please contact Leigh Ann Dailey at
ldailey@whitememorial.org.

KEENAGERS MEETINGS WILL OCCUR MOST THURSDAY MORNINGS AT 10:45 A.M.

September 2

*Election, Installation of Officers
for 2021-22 year and Bingo*

September 9

Oils of the Bible
presented by Mary Ann Turner

September 16

*Trip to History Museum to view
Toy exhibit leaving at 9:30*

September 23

Hymns of Racial Justice
presented by Kathy Hart

September 30

What is TLC (Tammy Lynn Center)?
presented by Heather Miller,
Director of Marketing
and Events for TLC

IN PERSON AND ZOOM

SAVE THE DATE! VBS 2022!

It's not too soon to mark your calendars for Vacation Bible School 2022! Monday, June 13 - Friday, June 17, 2022. See you then.

WMPC CHILDREN'S CHOIR IN PERSON THIS FALL! REGISTRATION OPEN

The WMPC Children's Choir will return to an in-person format this Fall. Children will be grouped according to age and participate in weekly rehearsals on Wednesdays from 4:30-5:30 p.m. where they will learn music concepts and vocal technique and have an opportunity for faith formation and fellowship. The Children's Choirs will serve as worship leaders in both the Sanctuary and OnPoint services throughout the year and will participate in an end-of-year musical culmination in the Spring. Registration for Children's Choir is open to rising Kindergarten through 5th graders. Register online at whitememorial.org/register or contact Kelly Gold at kgold@whitememorial.org with questions.

WMPC YOUTH CHOIR IN PERSON THIS FALL! REGISTRATION OPEN

The WMPC Youth Choir will return to an in-person format this Fall and will meet on Sunday afternoons from 3:45-4:50 p.m. Youth Choir will regularly serve as worship leaders at both the Sanctuary and OnPoint services throughout the year. Youth will learn music concepts and vocal technique and have an opportunity for faith formation and fellowship. Registration for Youth Choir is open to rising 6th-12th graders. Register online at whitememorial.org/register or contact Kelly Gold at kgold@whitememorial.org with questions.

WMPC YOUTH WORSHIP BAND

Do you have musical talent? White Memorial needs it! Help provide meaningful worship and strengthen our church's sense of community by participating in the Youth Worship Band (rising 6th-12th grade). The band is under the direction of Eric Nanz, Associate Director of Music and Worship Arts. Participants will be offered opportunities to lead music in worship and in youth group activities. Rehearsal times will be tailored toward the availability of those who sign up for the band. Register online at whitememorial.org/register or contact Eric Nanz, Associate Director of Music and Worship Arts with any questions at enanz@whitememorial.org.

2021-2022 CONFIRMATION CLASS REGISTRATION NOW OPEN

Confirmation Class registration for 2021-2022 is open at whitememorial.org/register. Rising 8th graders (as of July 1, 2021) are welcome and encouraged to sign up.



We're back with a wonderful lineup
for Season Four!

Join Us
2021-22 Concert Series

Come to one, come to all - they're free!

Sunday | September 26 | 2021 | 3pm | Sanctuary
Winterreise, Franz Schubert
Adrian Smith, baritone; Kirsten Homdrom, piano
<http://www.adrian-n-smith.com>

Sunday | October 24 | 2021 | 3pm | Main Hall
Jazzical with Joel, Joel Martin, piano
Sponsored by Mickey and Angie Faulk
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P2LIFZbiJNA>

Sunday | February 27 | 2022 | 3pm | Main Hall
Carmen Inside Out
Kirstin Chávez, mezzo-soprano; Qiao Zheng Goh, piano
<https://www.carmeninsideout.com/>

Sunday | March 27 | 2022 | 7pm | Sanctuary
WMPC Music Ministry Lenten Program:
John Rutter's *Requiem* and
75th Anniversary Commissioned Works

Sunday | April 24 | 2022 | 3pm | Main Hall
Raleigh Ringers, David Harris, director
<https://rr.org/>

Sunday | May 22 | 2022 | 3pm | Sanctuary
Classical and Celtic, Anita Burroughs-Price, harp
<http://www.anitaharp.com/>

This class uses Cancer Companions devotionals, videos and Bible lessons to explore how we can draw closer to God as we go through difficult times.

Sundays, September 12 - November 14, 2021
4:30-6:00 p.m. | Zoom

Seeing
GOOD
in Your Cancer Journey

Here's a look at our weekly topics:

September 12: Introduction
September 19: Faith
September 26: Questions
October 3: Healing
October 10: Prayer

October 17: Stress Reduction
October 24: Relationships
October 31: Communication
November 7: No class
November 14: Healthy Living

Questions: contact

Jean Williams, Parish Nurse at 919-834-3425, ext. 234, jwilliams@whitememorial.org
or Jim Ferry, Parish Associate at 919-834-3425, ext. 208, jferry@whitememorial.org

Register: www.whitememorial.org/register





FEELING ADRIFT?

Does your life feel like a continual challenge, filled with one problem after another? Is there one concern that is taking over your life? We all have times when it would be helpful to have someone walk with us on our journey to provide companionship and support. Our trained Stephen Ministers want to be that Christian companion for you. Please consider a Stephen Minister as you search for the pieces and peace you need. The relationship is free and confidential, and provides a safe place to express your thoughts and concerns.

To learn how you can receive a Stephen Minister's confidential care, contact Nancy Beninger at nmpeterson@gmail.com or Judy Yates Siker, Parish Associate, at jsiker@whitememorial.org.

"Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ."

- Galatians 6:2



stephen
MINISTRY

SEPTEMBER IS MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH

Your Mental Health and Wellness Ministry wants to recognize September as a time to acknowledge our commitment to our mission and serving you, the White Memorial Presbyterian Church community.

Our mission is to promote mental wellness by building and sustaining a culture of love, help and hope through advocacy, support and education. As a part of that mission, we will strive to reduce the stigma of mental illness and addiction and to welcome and promote inclusion of all people in the life of this faith community.

2021-2022 PLANNING CALENDAR

Our planning for the 2021-2022 Calendar includes

- Fall Educational Program
- Spring Educational Program
- 2nd Annual Congregational Book Read

Look for announcements of these events in future newsletters.

PEER SUPPORT GROUP

We are excited to be launching a Peer Support Group for our members who have concerns with stress, anxiety, depression and other mental health issues. This Peer Support Group will provide a place to share concerns, resources and input from others with similar concerns. We are looking to mid-October/November for the first meeting. We will be getting the word out with full details.

If caring for our congregation through this ministry is giving you a nudge, please contact Penny Carlo at pennycarlo1@gmail.com or Cate Church Norman at cchurchnorman@whitememorial.org.



MENTAL HEALTH &
WELLNESS MINISTRY



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2021

Our church campus came alive the week of August 2 – 6 with our long-awaited Knights of the North Castle Vacation Bible School! Directed by Olivia Edwards and Emy Hanson, our fun program involved 148 children, 48 youth helpers, 71 adult volunteers, and many snack providers. We kept everyone as safe as possible with mask-wearing while indoors and keeping children in pods.



The valiant knights of VBS learned about the strength of God’s power and armoring up with truth, justice, peace, faith, and salvation. They explored how the Bible characters used that protective armor and how that armor works in their own lives as they follow and serve God.



The children experienced five Bible stories through music, movement, art, science, musical movement, and drama.

Some examples of their fun week of growing in faith:

- Singing and playing chimes to “God Is So Good”
- Traversing through the Knights of the North Castle obstacle course, including the Tunnel of Truth and the Hoops of Hope
- Creating shields, crowns, stained glass windows, friendship flame bookmarks, and painted papier-mâché crosses
- Singing, playing percussion instruments, and moving to “Know that God Is Good”
- Experimenting with an air cannon and a shakes table
- Playing Cat and Mouse with a parachute
- Dancing to Knights of North Castle, Earthquake, and Hot, Hot Burning Up (the children’s three favorites)
- Singing “Shadrach,” “Goliath,” and “Everywhere I Go” (comforting during a pandemic)
- Playing Orff instruments and chimes to “Calm to the Waves” and “Love Has Come”
- Dramatizing tableaux – presented by 4th and 5th graders – as a review of the Bible stories for the rest of the children



Our VBS service project was three-pronged:

- 1) VBS children brought in \$1,245 to purchase toys and games for Duke Children’s Hospital in honor of our Eliza Craven, who has been a patient there,
- 2) making cards for Eliza, and
- 3) praying for Eliza. Our VBS children enthusiastically voted for the toys and games for children in the hospital. We purchased 10 each of their top favorites (Playdough, Sorry, Mr. Potato Head, Sand Art, Matchbox cars, and Candyland) and 1 each of the remaining twelve toys and games, all of which received some votes from our VBS children. We also purchased toys and games for the Craven family.



THANK YOU TO THE MANY VOLUNTEERS WHO MADE VBS 2021 A SUCCESS!

We give thanks for each of the children who participated, the youth helpers who so enthusiastically gave of their time and energy, and all of the adult volunteers who poured out their love to these children and youth helpers, guiding and nurturing them.



Next year's Vacation Bible School, directed by Eleanor Scott Davis and Bonnie Stabler, is planned for June 13-17, 2022.

If you'd like to help with this lively week of growing in faith, please contact them at esbdavis@gmail.com or bonniestabler@gmail.com or Lynn Springfield at lspringfield@whitememorial.org.

SUNDAY SCHOOL KICKOFF

SUNDAY | SEPTEMBER 12 | 9:30 A.M.

2-YEAR-OLDS - KINDERGARTENERS will gather in Luther building classrooms to engage in Bible stories and activities and learn of God's love!

1ST - 5TH GRADERS will gather on the 3rd floor of the Knox building to explore Bible stories through Rotation Stations: Science, Art, Games, Drama, Prayer, and Music!

COME JOIN THE FUN!

BOY SCOUTS AND 4TH GRADE WEBELOS PROGRAM

White Memorial is the chartered organization for Pack 395 and Troop 395. The Pack consists of 4th and 5th grade Webelos, a preparatory program that enables boys to immediately excel when transitioning to Boy Scouts (the Troop) in February of their 5th grade year. Our Scouting program is one of the largest and most active in the District. While we are navigating unusual times like everyone else, we have plans in place to safely operate, keep the program fun and deliver the same Scouting fundamentals. We have places for starting 4th graders or 6th graders in the Troop. Church members and siblings of current Scouts are given priority for the spaces we have available. If you are interested please contact Matt Walker at cctroop395@gmail.com. Our kick-off meeting will be on Thursday, September 9.

MENU

SEPTEMBER

WEDNESDAY TOGETHER DINNERS ARE BACK AND STILL \$7!

9/8
SPAGHETTI SUPPER
(RESERVATIONS NOT REQUIRED;
IF YOU PREFER, YOU CAN PAY IN ADVANCE ONLINE)

9/15
WILD RICE CHICKEN CASSEROLE
(RESERVATIONS REQUIRED)

9/22
PORK CHOPS
WITH PEACHY MUSTARD SAUCE
(RESERVATIONS REQUIRED)

9/29
ROASTED TURKEY BREAST
(RESERVATIONS REQUIRED)

REGISTER FOR WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNERS ONLINE:
WWW.WHITEMEMORIAL.ORG/REGISTER

MENU ITEMS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE.
YOU WILL RECEIVE A CONFIRMATION EMAIL, IF YOU DO NOT, PLEASE CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION FALL 2021 SUNDAY CLASSES

All Sunday classes
begin at 9:30 a.m.

BIBLICAL STUDIES & THEOLOGY

CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Calvin | 200

How did Israel ever recover from exile in Babylon? Not even the unfaithfulness of Israel could thwart God's plan! *The Restoration of Israel* will be the fall Bible Study for the Christian Fellowship Class. Beginning September 12, the course will cover the post-exilic books of Ezra, Nehemiah, Esther, and Daniel. The class features lectures with handouts of Scripture and commentary. Visitors are always welcome. This class is meeting in person, but if you need to participate via zoom, please contact Bill Jackson, wjackson@bellsouth.net or 919-876-9641 for additional information.

GREATEST GENERATION

Witherspoon | 400

Greatest Generation is a loving and faithful community of senior adults. The class uses the quarterly resource, *The Present Word*, which explores biblical text. A rotating group of class members moderate the class each week. This class is meeting in person, but if you need to participate via zoom, please contact Tonya Higgins, thiggins@whitememorial.org for additional information. The class contact is Ramona Deener, (919) 280-2492.

SEARCHERS

Calvin | 204

Searchers studies the Bible using a DVD-based curriculum and class discussion. The class is a mix of singles and couples. The class will be using the Adam Hamilton study series *Words of Life: Jesus and the Promise of the Ten Commandments Today* this semester. On the second Sunday of each month the class will

attend the Aging Well series, which will meet in K103 (Small Dining). This class is meeting in person, but if you need to participate via zoom, please contact Betty Landes, bettylandes1@gmail.com or Lindsay Jordan, lindsayj713@gmail.com for additional information.

THEOLOGICAL FORUM

Zoom (through December)

Relating scripture to current issues is the heart of this class and is intended to help participants gain a better understanding of their own views on faith. Come and enjoy the fellowship that comes with these thought-provoking discussions and learn a little bit more about yourself. New members are always welcome. This class is meeting via Zoom through December. Please contact John Kidd, j.d.kidd523@gmail.com or Linda Scott, linda1462@att.net for any additional information.

AGE & STAGE STUDIES

AGING WELL

Small Dining | 2nd Sundays

Aging Well provides a forum where participants can approach some of the most pressing questions which arise as we age. While for many, aging may reflexively signify fears of loss or the unknown, here in community at White Memorial, there is space to discuss both our joys and our concerns, sorrows and unanticipated growth. Experts like psychologists, physicians, pastors and laypeople will share what they have learned about the aging process. This is a drop-in class, but zoom capabilities will also be available. Please contact Liisa Ogburn at liisaogburn@gmail.com, who has written over 150 articles on aging for WRAL with questions.

P.A.R.K.

Calvin | 103

Presbyterians Actively Raising Kids is a discussion group for parents of children 5th grade and younger. The study topics vary each week. The conversations focus on strengthening the faith of parents and offering practical advice on helping children grow in faith. The class leader is Anna Townsend, atownsend@cbh.com.

FAITH FOUNDATIONS

Calvin | 102

Faith Foundations focuses on growing in faith by studying the Bible and discussing current events. The class enjoys examining new concepts, pondering unresolved questions and marveling at the ultimate mystery of God. We will begin with a book study of Rachel Held Evans' *Inspired - Slaying Giants, Walking on Water, and Loving the Bible Again*. After we finish with that book, we will do a 6-week DVD study of *Beyond Belief: A Marcus Borg Retrospective* from Living the Questions. This class is meeting in person, but if you need to participate via zoom, please contact Susan Hibbert, susanhib22@mail.com or John White, ncjohnwhite@gmail.com.

AGE & STAGE STUDIES

KNOX CLASS

Calvin | 103

The Knox class will provide opportunities for class members to better understand how our faith encourages us to work for racial justice. Topics such as systemic racism and racial equity will be explored through the use of articles and books, and guest speakers will be invited to lead conversations throughout the semester. The Knox Class welcomes all, whether you like to join in discussion or just prefer to listen. This class is meeting in person, but if you need to participate via zoom, please contact Harriet Worley, hforley@nc.rr.com for additional information.

SPIRITUAL GIFTS

Calvin | 303

The Spiritual Gifts class discusses topics with an emphasis on the New Testament, in addition to reading other books about faith. This is a small class with a relaxed atmosphere and is open to new participants of any age. This semester the class will be studying Isaiah using the Mickey Efrid DVD series. This class is meeting in person, but if you need to participate via zoom, please contact Emily McNair, macwallace@msn.com for additional information.

TNT

Calvin | 304

Join this group of loving, open and faithful individuals focused on study, as well as service and outreach opportunities. The class style usually involves group discussion through shared leadership. The class will study *Be The Change* during which different members of the class will share about someone who is creating Christ-like change in the wider community. All are welcome. The class contact is Linda Robinson, cachto@bellsouth.net.

MIDWEEK CLASSES

TUESDAY

MEN'S BREAKFAST & BIBLE STUDY

7:00 a.m. | Geneva Hall

Men of all ages are invited to come for a hot breakfast, fellowship and Bible study. The preaching pastor of the week leads a short Bible study related to the upcoming Sunday sermon. Bible study, breakfast and prayer conclude promptly at 8:00 a.m. each week. Contact for the group is Don Thompson, dthomps1@ncsu.edu.

WOMEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST

HOSTED BY CIRCLE M

7:00 a.m. | The Hub

Women of all ages are invited to come for a hot breakfast, fellowship, study and prayer. This group studies the Presbyterian Women's Bible lesson once a month and on other weeks they study a variety of topics. All participants are invited to stay as long as they like or to leave early for work or other commitments. The group contacts are Susan Allen, sisterfripp@bellsouth.net and Miriam Dorsey, mirdorsey@aol.com.

MEANING AS MILLENNIALS: FAITHFUL CONVERSATIONS ABOUT CHRISTIANITY AND CULTURE

Monthly | Offsite

Meaning as Millennials is a social and study group for people in their 20s and 30s interested in exploring their faith and today's culture. Discussions are based upon Scripture, articles, current events, podcasts, or books. For more information contact Anne Galliher, agalliher@whitememorial.org.

THURSDAY

LILIES OF THE FIELD

9:30 - 10:30 a.m. | Calvin 301

This group of women of all ages studies the Bible and other Christian books. Participants grow in their understanding of what it means to be a disciple of Christ through supporting, encouraging, challenging and comforting one another. This class is studying *Unshakeable Hope, Building Our Lives on the Promises of God* by Max Lucado. All are welcome. Register online for childcare. Class leaders are Lillian Poole, lillianmpoole7@gmail.com and Candy Lewis, candy.lewis1809@gmail.com.

THURSDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

9:30 - 11:00 a.m. | Calvin 204

This small co-ed group focuses on biblically based topics through a discussion format. Various books and/or DVD courses are selected and used during the year. New members welcome. Class coordinator is Nancy McLean, numclean@gmail.com.

WEDNESDAY

BIBLE BELLES

Wednesday mornings (except the 1st Wednesday of each month)

9:30 a.m. | A member's home

Bible Belles is a reading and discussion group comprised primarily of senior adult women. The group meets each Wednesday during the Sunday School year except the 1st Wednesday of each month. This fall the class will be studying *Unshakeable Hope, Building Our Lives on the Promises of God* by Max Lucado. New members are welcome. For more information, contact Gail Smith, mcabigail@aol.com.