

Pancake Dinner / Family Lenten Event - Tuesday, March 8th

5:00 – 7:00, Kerr Hall

Enjoy a pancake dinner in anticipation of the beginning of Lent. This is a fundraiser for our youth group and their summer mission trips. Meals are \$5.00 per person. A children’s Lenten activity is planned throughout the evening. Bring the whole family and invite your friends!

Join us Wednesday night for the Ash Wednesday Service at 7:00 pm in the sanctuary.

Lenten Sermon Series begins March 13th

What are you holding on to? What has a hold on you?

In a world where there are so many gods that are worshipped and the word *dependence* is unattractive, we want to explore what our lives would look like if we acknowledged and deepened our dependence on God. Join us this Lenten season to discover more about A Hand Held Life...

It’s ESUMC ECP Yard Sale Time! Saturday, March 12th

The ESUMC Early Childhood Program is thrilled to be conducting another Yard Sale Fundraiser! We need your help to make this a success. The entire ECP staff will attend the NC-AEYC (NC Association for the Education of Young Children) conference in Raleigh with the funds we make from this sale. Here is how you can help: beginning Sunday, March 6th, donations of smaller items will be accepted. Please leave items on the Bulla Gym floor. Donations of furniture and other large items may be donated directly to the Bulla Gym beginning Monday, March 7th. If you need to drop off large items before the 7th, please call Mary Wheless at 828-1081 to make arrangements.

Church Calendar

Sunday, March 6th

8:40 am Sunday Worship (Sanctuary)

9:30 am The Gathering Contemporary Worship Service (Kerr)

9:45 am Sunday School

10:55 am Sunday Worship (Sanctuary)

10:45 am Tour the Holy Lands (163)

11:11 am The Gathering Contemporary Worship Service (Kerr)

1:00 pm UMW Missions Study (Kerr)

4:00 pm Children’s Dance Reh. (357), Youth Handbells Reh. (351), Joyful Ringers Reh. (Ch Annex), Women’s Bible Study (168), Leadershift Study (Chp Annex)

4:30 pm When Christians Get It Wrong (161), Christian Believer Study (162), Confirmation Class (163), Children’s Council (356)

5:00 pm Youth Choir, Youth Praise Band Reh. (Kerr), Cherub Choir (306), Celtic Choir (317), Youth and Adult Dance (357), Crusader Choir (169)

5:45 pm Sunday Dinner (Kerr)

6:00 pm Wesley Handbell Choir, Youth Group Leader Mtg (Bulla)

6:30 pm Youth Group (Bulla)

7:30 pm Youth Group After Party (Bulla)

Monday, March 7th

9:30 am UMW Circle #8 (Bulla)

9:45 am Physical Fitness Class (357)

10:00 am UMW Circle #2 (Parlor)

12:00 pm Emmie Rogers Wade Fellowship (251)

6:00 pm Alpha Study and Dinner (Kerr), Understanding of Faith (163), Heart of Revival (251), Music Council Mtg (Chp Annex), Music Director’s Mtg (Choir), UMW Circle #7 (Parlor)

6:30 pm Financial Peace Univ. (166), Andy Stanley Bible Study (167)

7:00 pm Disciple I (165), Cub Scouts (Bulla)

Tuesday, March 8th

7:00 am Design for Discipleship (251)

9:15 am Bible Study (167)

9:30 am UMW Board Mtg (251)

2:00 pm Disciple III (167)

5:00 pm Pancake Dinner Youth Fundraiser and Family Lent Event (Kerr)

5:30 pm Men’s Bible Study Leaders Mtg (357)

6:30 pm Disciple II (162), King’s Princesses (offsite)

7:00 pm Men’s Bible Study (Kerr)

Wednesday, March 9th

8:00 am Walking Club (offsite)

9:15 am Dwell (163)

9:45 am Physical Fitness (357)

10:30 am Wed. Morning Bible Study (Chp Annex)

11:15 am Intercessory Prayer Group (Prayer)

4:00 pm Sheets Center Support Care Group (Parlor)

7:00 pm Ash Wednesday Worship Service (Sanctuary), Boy Scouts (Bulla)

Thursday, March 10th

6:00 pm The Gathering Worship Team Rehearsal (Kerr)

7:00 pm Chancel Choir

Friday, March 11th

7:00 am HS Breakfast (offsite)

3:15 pm HS Lunch (offsite)

Saturday, March 12th

6:00 am ECP Yard Sale (Bulla)

9:00 am Church Choral Festival (Sanct.)

Edward F. “Ned” Hill, II, Senior Pastor

Matthew R. Ashburn, Pastor of Caring Ministries

Lisa N. Yebuah, Pastor of Inviting Ministries

William J. Weisser, Minister of Music

Leigh Holloway, Director of Preparing Ministries

Carlin Johnson, Director of Equipping and Sending Ministries

Josh Dumbleton, Associate Director of Music • Joy Owen, Welcoming Ministries

Susan C. McGuire, Older Adult Ministries

Stefan Youngblood, Contemporary Worship • Ruthie Jones, Children’s Ministries

Justin Morgan, Youth Ministries • Renae Newmiller, Missions

Ray Beale, Young Adult and College Age

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THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Last Sunday After the Epiphany

March 6, 2011

As the community gathers, we respectfully request that you enter into a time of silent preparation for worship. May the music of the prelude draw your hearts and minds to God. The chancel area is open for prayer before the service and during the last hymn.

The Prelude *Adagio* Phillips

The Greeting Rev. Hill

The Announcements for the Morning

The Introit *Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now*
Wilhelm II/Winkworth

The Call to Worship Rev. Hill

Minister: Jesus climbed a mountain, and his face shone like the sun.

People: **We stand before the Light of God in awe, wonder, and praise.**

Minister: Jesus climbed a mountain, and God said, “Listen to my son.”

People: **We listen to the voice of Christ in song, word, and worship.**

Minister: Jesus climbed a mountain, and Peter never was the same.

People: **In our worship, Lord, we, like Peter, turn our eyes upon you.**

+The Presentation of the Cross and the Light of Christ

+The Processional Hymn 660 *God Is Here* Green
Tune: Abbott’s Leigh Taylor

The Invitation

The Prayer of Confession Rev. Ashburn

God of all mercy, We confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in one another, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

The Silent Confession

The Words of Assurance and Pardon Rev. Ashburn

Minister: Hear the Good News: While we were still sinners, Jesus died for us; that proves God’s love for us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven of your sin.

People: **In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven of your sin.**

All: Glory to God! Alleluia! Amen.

The Offering of Our Gifts to God

The Offertory *Come, Let Us Sing of His Glory* Young

** Chancel Choir Ensemble A* Chancel Choir

Come, let us sing of His glory; come, let us sing forevermore. Come, bring a song from every nation; come, bring a song from every shore. Come, let us be one congregation; come, let us sing forevermore. Ever let us sing! Sing in His praise forevermore. Amen.

+The Doxology 95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

+The Hymn 189 *Fairest Lord Jesus* Gesanbuch
Tune: St. Elizabeth (vs 1 and 2) Willis

+The Scripture Lesson Matthew 17:1-8 Pg. 17 NT, Pew Bible

+The Hymn 189 *Fairest Lord Jesus* Gesanbuch
Tune: St. Elizabeth (vs 3 and 4) Willis
There is no Lesson for the Children. During the singing of the hymn the children may leave for Wiggler Worship in room 206.

The Sermon THE TRANSFIGURATION OF PETER Rev. Ashburn

+The Great Thanksgiving Pg 15, Hymnal, Rev. Ashburn

During the serving of the sacraments, the congregation is asked to sing the first and last stanzas of 173, 258, 349, 384 and 430. You may leave an offering at the chancel for the Door Step Ministry Fund. Persons in the congregation who are unable to come to the communion rail may notify an usher or clergy and you will be served communion in your pew.

The Lord’s Prayer
Breaking of the Bread
Giving of the Bread and Cup

The Prayer After Communion

We thank you, God, for inviting us to this table where we have known the presence of Christ and have received all of Christ’s gifts. Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another, keep our eyes fixed upon you, and let us show forth your praise in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

+The Hymn 451 *Be Thou My Vision* Trad. Irish
Tune: Slane Trad. Irish

+The Benediction Rev. Ashburn

+The Choral Response *Go Forth Into the World* Weisser

The Sending Forth of the Cross and the Light of Christ into the World

The Chimes - In the Name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit

+The Postlude *O Wondrous Sight! O Vision Fair* arr. Miller

+ Please stand, if able. ** 8:40 * 10:55

Participating in the service today:

Acolytes: ** Justin King, Rob Hardy, Chase Leslie
* Carson Clay, Parker Roberts, Colbourne Whitley

Liturgist: Edward F. Hill, II

Preacher: Matthew R. Ashburn

Minister of Music: William J. Weisser

Director of Christian Programming: Leigh Holloway

Organist: Josh Dumbleton Pianists: ** Ray Starling * C.A. Dillon

Welcome to all guests worshipping with us this morning! We are honored that you chose to worship at Edenton Street. Let us know who you are by signing our Fellowship Pad found in the pew. Please receive your gift on the Information Table in the belltower after the service. For information concerning membership or ministries, please contact Joy Owen, Director of Welcoming Ministries, at 832-7535 ext. 350 or jowen@esumc.org.

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Matthew William Lee and his grandmother, Mrs. Lucille P. Lee, by Dr. and Mrs. William Lee, David, Holly, Rob, and Jen.

The broadcast ministry is given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mrs. Alice Champion Hart by Mrs. Josephine Champion.

The rosebuds and cradle crosses on the altar are in honor of the births of: *Merrill Elizabeth Eglin, daughter of Will and Kasey Eglin Peyton Marie Gilliam, daughter of Matt and Jennifer Gilliam Harrison Thomas Edwards, son of Mike and Marlet Edwards Bazley Grace Moore, daughter of Warte and Ronda Moore Hayden Matthew Weaver, son of Cameron and Beth Weaver*

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