

### CHURCH FINANCES

Our church finances are as follows:

Total Expenses for the period ended Mar. 31, 2016	\$249,443.15
Total Income for the period ended Mar. 31, 2016	\$188,809.96
Net Deficit for the period ended Mar. 31, 2016	(\$60,633.19)

### Qualified Charitable Contributions from IRA's

For those of you who are age 70 1/2 or over and required to take required minimum distributions from your IRA or want to make other distributions from your IRA (Individual Retirement Accounts), you can take advantage of a new law for 2016 and later years. That change allows you to designate part or all of your required minimum distribution or other distributions (up to \$100,000) each year to a qualified charity. Rather than receive a check made out in your name, you ask the administrator of your IRA to make a check out to a qualified charity. The designation to a charity reduces the income that you would normally have to report, but you cannot claim that amount as a charitable donation. However, anyone who is normally claiming a standard deduction rather than itemizing deductions could find this to your tax advantage; or you may have a number of other circumstances where reducing your income would be to your tax advantage. You can contact your tax advisor for further information.

The **Wednesday Night Fellowship Dinner** prices are as follows:

- Adults \$8.00
- Children (12 & under) \$4.50
- Families (children 12 & under) \$18.00
- Families (children over 12) \$20.00

**PLEASE MAKE YOUR RESERVATION BY NOON ON MONDAYS.**

**May 11:** Mission Trip to Nicaragua, Ben Devoid

**May 18:** Pickle Ball Presentation

**May 25:** General Conference, Issues 2016

### GLOW Kids & Mission Possible Kids

present a Variety Show to support CCM on **Sunday, May 15th at 6:00 pm** in Jarrett Hall. Admission: Canned food and pantry items for CCM. Come and be entertained by the talents of our kids!

### ASP DOG AND CAR WASH

**MAY 21**

**COME OUT AND HELP SUPPORT THE YOUTH!**

### PRAYER LIST

If you or a loved one would like to be added to the prayer list, please contact Lorna McCullough at 259-5814. If you put a name on the list, please keep in touch and let us know how he/she is doing as names will be removed after 3 weeks. During the week, please pray for:

All Military personnel	Our UM Missionaries
Kathy Gordon	Tracy Brinkley
Rick Schartiger	Janie Manuel
	Charlotte Rorie
	Julie Clinard

We extend our prayers and sympathy to Nancy Murr on the death of her sister Jo Ann Kratzmiller on April 30, 2016.

Spring Sermon Series

**Visions for the Faithful in Troubled Times**

The Enduring Revelation of St. John

### OPPORTUNITIES THROUGH THE WEEK

#### SUNDAY, MAY 8

- 8:30 Nursery Care
- 8:50 AWAKEN Service
- 9:45 Children's Music Time
- 9:45 Sunday School
- 10-10:30 Confirmation Class
- 10:00 R. L. Pope Class: Allen Brown
- 11:00 Worship Service (Sanctuary)
- 3:30-5 Bible Study CEC

#### MONDAY, MAY 9

- 3-6:00 Arts Alive Art Academy
- 6:30 Praise Team (Jarrett Hall)
- 6:30 Trustee Com. mtg. (Parlor)
- 7:00 Boy Scouts

#### TUESDAY, MAY 10

- 3-6:00 Arts Alive Art Academy
- 7:30-9:00 Men's Prayer Breakfast (Sunrise)
- 5:45 Yoga
- 6:30 Administrative Board mtg. (Boy Scout room)

#### WEDNESDAY, MAY 11

- 5:30 Fellowship Dinner
- 6:00 Program
- 6:00 MS & HS Small Groups
- 6:00 Children's Bible Study
- 6:15 Handbells
- 6:45 Children's Choir
- 7:15 Choir Rehearsal

#### THURSDAY, MAY 12

- 10:30 Chicks with Sticks
- 3-6:00 Arts Alive Art Academy

#### FRIDAY, MAY 13

#### SATURDAY, MAY 14

- 4:00 Variety Show Rehearsal

#### SUNDAY, MAY 15

- 8:30 Nursery Care
- 8:50 AWAKEN Service
- 9:45 Children's Music Time
- 9:45 Sunday School
- 10-10:30 Confirmation Class
- 10:00 R. L. Pope Class: Tim Lyons
- 11:00 Worship Service (Sanctuary)
- 3:30-5 Bible Study CEC
- 5-7:00 UMYF
- 6:00 Variety Show (Jarrett Hall)

**If you would like to place flowers on the altar, please contact Beverly Myers, 476-7621.**

**Arts Alive Art Academy is now enrolling students. Go to [www.artsaliveartacademy.com](http://www.artsaliveartacademy.com) for information.**

### ART ACADEMY CELEBRATION OF SUCCESS & SPAGHETTI SUPPER MAY 21ST, 6-8PM

Everyone is invited to join us! Come out and celebrate the skills the children have learned in music and art this first semester. The Children's Council of MUMC is sponsoring this event and serves as a fundraiser for the academy. A Spaghetti Supper will be followed by a music recital and art show in the Fellowship Hall. Meal is by donation only, items for sale and silent auction will take place. Please make a reservation for the meal to help us prepare by Mon. May 16 at noon.

**The Chapel is open weekly during daylight hours for prayer and meditation. The Memorial congregation welcomes the community to this sacred space.**

### CONGREGATION'S MINISTRY AND STAFF

Larry M. Goodpaster	Resident Bishop
Jeff Patterson	District Superintendent, Yadkin Valley District
Benjamin F. Devoid, bdevoid@mumctville.org	Senior Minister
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Charles Wade	Church Properties Administrator
Leslie Gibbs, Charlie Hanner & Loretta Usher	Receptionist Coordinators



SUNDAY, May 8, 2016  
**Seventh Sunday of Easter**

101 RANDOLPH STREET - THOMASVILLE, NC  
336-472-7718 [www.mumctville.org](http://www.mumctville.org)

### MINISTERS

**BEN F. DEVOID**  
Senior Minister

**PEGGY A. FINCH**  
Associate Minister

**RODNEY W. DENTON**  
Minister of Youth & Young Adults

**LYNDA C. HEPLER**  
Minister of Children & Families



***A NEW HEAVEN AND A NEW EARTH***

**WE ARE CALLED BY CHRIST TO  
GROW IN FAITH, BUILD RELATIONSHIPS AND SERVE ALL PEOPLE.**

**ORDER OF WORSHIP  
MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

SUNDAY, MAY 8, 2016

11:00

Broadcast over WGOS-AM 1070  
SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

**GATHERING AND GREETING**

Prelude Intrada on *Come, Thou Almighty King* Paul Laubengayer

Lighting of the Altar Candles Eleanor Holmes

Chiming of The Hour

+Welcome & Parish Notes Reverend Rodney Denton

Call to Worship *God is Here* Cyril Taylor  
God is here! As we your people meet to offer praise and prayer, may we find in fuller measure what it is in Christ we share. Here, as in the world around us, all our varied skills and arts wait the coming of the Spirit into open minds and hearts.

\*Congregational Greeting Reverend Ben Devoid  
The Lord be with you.  
*And also with you.*

\*Opening Prayer  
*Let us pray:*  
***Almighty God, through your only Son you overcame death and opened to us to us the gate of everlasting life. Grant that we who celebrate our Lord's resurrection, by the renewing of your Spirit, arise from the death of sin to the life of righteousness: Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen***

**PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING**

\*Hymn of Praise: *All Creatures of Our God and King* verses 1-4 UMH 62

The Apostle's Creed Reverend Peggy Finch  
***I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;***

***And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.***

***I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.***

\*Gloria Patri UMH 70  
***Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen***

\*Passing of the Peace UMH 666  
*Shalom to You*  
***Shalom to you, now, shalom, my friends. May God's full mercies bless you, my friends. In all your living and through your loving, Christ be your shalom, Christ be your shalom.***

The Children's Moment Reverend Lynda Hepler  
*(During the singing of Shalom the children are invited to come forward for a time that is especially with them.)*

**GIVING OUR GIFTS TO GOD**

The Offering Reverend Devoid  
Offertory *How Great Thou Art* Stuart Hine/arr. Mark Hayes  
O Lord my God! When I in awesome wonder consider all the worlds Thy hands have made, I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, Thy power throughout the universe displayed. Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee; how great Thou art, how great Thou art! When through the woods and forest glades I wander, and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees. When I look down from lofty mountain grandeur, and hear the brook and feel the gentle breeze. And when I think that God, His Son not sparing, sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in; that on the cross, my burden gladly bearing, He bled and died to take away my sin. Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee; how great Thou art, how great Thou art! When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation, and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart! Then I shall bow in humble adoration, and there proclaim, my God, how great Thou art! Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee; how great Thou art, how great Thou art!  
\*Doxology UMH 94

**PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE**

Prayer of Illumination: Reverend Devoid  
*Let us pray:*  
***Eternal God, in the reading of the Scriptures, may your Word be heard; in the meditations of our hearts, may your Word be known; and in the faithfulness of our lives, may your Word be shown. Amen.***

First Lesson: Isaiah 65:17-22 pew Bible OT pg. 659  
The Word of God for the People of God.  
***Thanks be to God.***

\*Hymn of Preparation *God of the Sparrow, God of the Whale* UMH 122

Second Lesson: Revelation 21: 1-10 pew Bible NT pg. 241  
This is the Gospel of our Lord.  
***Praise to you, O Christ.***

Sermon A New Heaven and A New Earth

Prayers of the People Reverend Finch  
The Lord's Prayer  
***Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.***

\*Hymn of Response *Let All Things Now Living* insert

\*Benediction Reverend Devoid

\*Benediction Response *God Be with You till We Meet Again* William G. Tomer  
God be with you till we meet again; neath his wings securely hide you, daily manna still provide you; God be with you till we meet again.

\*Chimes of the Holy Trinity "...in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit."

\*Postlude *Festive Trumpet Tune* David German

*Our service of worship ends,  
Our worship through service begins.*

\*Please stand as you are able.  
+Please pass the registration pads at this time.

LARGE PRINT HYMNALS & HEARING DEVICES are available.  
Please ask an usher for assistance.

**NURSERY CARE** for children (infant to 5 years) available 8:30 until noon.  
**Directions to the Nursery from the Sanctuary:** Exit sanctuary at doors on either side of the chancel area. At the bottom of the steps, follow directional signs to the nursery located on the south wing of the ground floor.  
**CHILDREN'S WORSHIP** in the Chapel (4 years+) following the Children's Sermon.  
**Directions to the Chapel from the Sanctuary:** Exit sanctuary at doors on either side of the chancel area. At the bottom of the steps, follow directional signs to the Chapel located on the north wing of the ground floor. Kids are invited to come for their own style of worship including: music, storytime, video, role play and other activities. Parents are asked to pick up their child after the worship service in the chapel.

**CHIEF USHER:** Carey Eanes **USHER LEADERS:** Don Clinard, Carey Eanes, Zeb Hanner, David Hunt, Roger Bryant. **TODAY'S USHERS:** Ron Berrier, Jamie Hiatt, Charles Wade. **TODAY'S GREETERS:** Bonnie Craig, Kay Eanes, Jack & Martha Bolton, Cran Plyler

Dr. Jeff Patterson, the Yadkin Valley District Superintendent and Amy Johnson, the District Administrative Assistant will be leading our after dinner program on Wednesday, May 25 at 6:00 PM. Both are delegates to General Conference in Oregon, and will be sharing with us news and information that shape the United Methodist Church. The 14 Churches of the Thomasville Missional Network have received an invitation to join us. If you are able to be a greeter or parking attendant speak with our Senior Minister, Ben Devoid.