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# REVELATIONS AT CONCORD

Enter to Worship: Depart to Serve

March 2017

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## Mission Statement:

To share the Word of God  
and draw people unto Christ  
through a ministry of service,  
love, compassion and outreach.

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## Pastor's Corner

Lent began this past week with Ash Wednesday, and throughout the Lenten Season we will be going through a sermon series based on a Tom Berlin book called, "Restored: Finding Redemption in Our Mess." I think it will be a fulfilling experience to cover the topics found in his book together. Cokesbury.com offers this description of the book, "Sometimes our lives are in such disarray we can't envision a way through to redemption. But when we look at the mess through the eyes of Christ, we not only find

redemption, we can clearly see spiritual restoration. In Restored, author Tom Berlin encourages us to reflect and meditate through our own brokenness, showing us that it is only when we focus on the cross as a place to surrender control that we can leave our mess and find true redemption. This 6-week study uses Scripture, the writings of Ignatius of Loyola, John of the Cross, St. Augustine, John Wesley, Evelyn Underhill, and others, and is a perfect Lenten study for youth or adults."

We all feel overwhelmed at times, and look around at our lives and wonder how things got so crazy. It can be especially hard to find how our relationship with God fits into the craziness, and I thought Lent would be the perfect time to look at the guidance offered by Tom Berlin. You are welcome to purchase a copy of the book. It is available on the Cokesbury Website, and also Amazon.com. Please consider joining us during the next few weeks as we move towards Holy Week together.

*Michael*

## Prayer Requests

### EXTENDED CARE FACILITIES:

Doris Hauser (Clemmons Village 11)  
Marie Horton (Salemtowne)

### MILITARY:

Carl Craft  
Christopher Ford  
Jonathan Hinshaw  
Scott Kyser  
Jonathon Prisk

### CHURCH FAMILY:

Lib Barefoot  
Danny Binkley  
Kit & Martin Binkley  
Margaret Boggs  
Glenn Boone  
Nancy & Larry Cook  
Jim Friend  
Donna Garner  
Phil, Vicki, and Robert Ingram  
Family of Phyllis Jones  
Stefanie & Bryan Jones  
Jean Messick  
Sylvia Russell  
Jean Suddarth  
Kathy & Darrell Surface  
Jean Suddarth  
Frank Transou

### CHURCH FRIENDS:

Carolyn Bengé  
Family of Albert Doub  
Family of Pat Barker  
Wesley Freshwater  
Charles Holder  
Tom Jones  
Kathleen Larson  
Ronnie Lee  
Chris Mealer  
Andrea and Rowan Ford O'Cain  
Peter Robie  
Carolyn Smitherman  
Amanda Tetzlaff  
Mickey Watson  
Union Hill Baptist Church

Prayer list additions may be emailed to the pastor or the name may be written down and placed in the offering plate. In order to keep our prayer list up to date, church family names will be listed for up to six months and church friend names may listed for up to three months. After that time, they will be removed unless requested to be continued.

## Weekly Attendance and Gifts - August

Amount Needed per Week for General Budget:  
\$2,467.00

2/5/17	Attendance:	43
	General Budget	3,392.00
	FLC Principle	420.00
2/12/17	Attendance:	35
	General Budget	1,541.00
	FLC Principle	100.00
2/19/17	Attendance:	31
	General Budget	1,991.00
	FLC Principle	120.00
2/26/17	Attendance:	22
	General Budget	1,110.00
	FLC Principle	220.00

## Memorial and Honor Gifts

A gift has been given to the glory of God and in honor of Janet Ford's birthday to the Concord UMC Family Life Center by Wilma Jones.

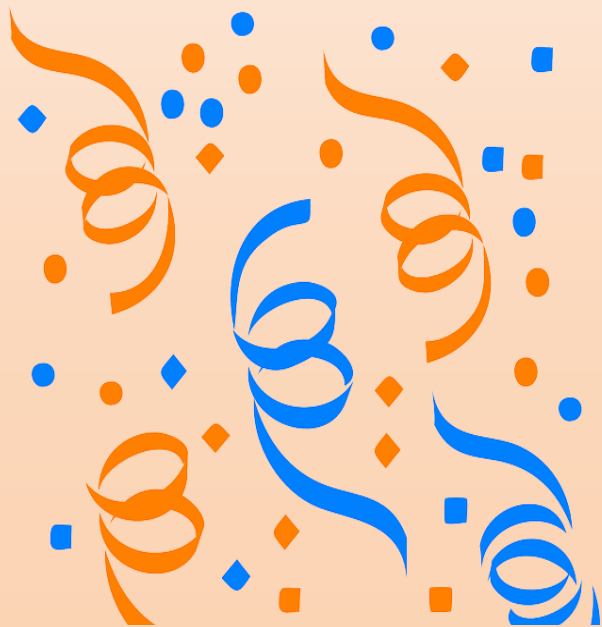
A gift has been given to the glory of God and in honor of Janet Ford's birthday to the Concord UMC Family Life Center Principle Fund by Sandra and Bruce Nash.

A gift has been given to the glory of God and in memory of James Dull to the Concord UMC Family Life Center by Scott and Chris Styers.



# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- 1 Lee Elliot
- 9 Dorothy Songer  
Jean Suddarth
- 12 Connor Prisk
- 13 Vicki Ingram  
Bryan Jones
- 14 Matthew Bennett
- 22 Makaila Cook
- 23 Lisa Hammac
- 25 Judy Dull
- 28 Doris Hauser



## *Prayer Shawl Group*

*The Prayer Shawl Group meets every other Thursday at 10:00 am to work on shawls to donate to those in need of a special blessing in their lives. All are welcome to join this ministry. If you are unable to knit or crochet, we are willing to help you learn. Call Helen Gainsford at 923-7449.*

*This month we will meet on March 9th and March 23rd .*

## *Anniversary Cookbook*

The Concord Anniversary Cookbook, celebrating the 235<sup>th</sup> year of our church, is available.

The Cookbook contains a varied selection of recipes submitted by the members, friends, and past members of Concord.

The cost for the book is \$15 each.

To place your order, call Lib Barefoot (766-7900) or Helen Gainsford (923-7449).

## *Church Nursery*

According to our Church's Safe Sanctuary Policy, we always need at least two people in attendance whenever we are caring for our children.

If you able to help in the Nursery, please contact Helen at 923-7449.

The Safe Sanctuary Policy can be viewed on our Church Website: <http://www.concordumclewisville.org/Links>



The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. Instead He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.

2 Peter 3:9



## Flowers

Contact Margaret Boggs (945-2941) if you would like to place flowers in the sanctuary for Sunday services.

If anyone has flowers in their yard that they would like to donate to the church, call Margaret and she will be happy to arrange your flowers in the Sanctuary for Sunday services.

### Special Church Meeting

Saturday, March 4th, at 10am, there will be a special church wide meeting. We will be meeting with Plow Point Ministries and addressing some of the challenges facing the congregation. Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend. This is an important meeting about the future of the church, and we hope all of you will attend. Again, 10am in the Family Life Center this Saturday, March 4th. Thanks!

### Chicken Pie Dinner

There will be a Chicken Pie Dinner on Saturday, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 5-7pm. Ticket prices will be 9 dollars for adults, 5 dollars for children 6-12, and free for children 5 and under. We need volunteers to help prepare the food, serve during the meal, and clean up afterwards.

## Family Nite Out

There will be no Family Nite Out in March.

## Women's Handicrafts

We will meet on Wednesday, March 15<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am for a time of fellowship in the Family Life Center. All are invited to come join in the fun. Bring any handwork with you, or just come and enjoy the fellowship.



United  
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Women  
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## United Methodist Women

UMW meets on first Monday of each month at 10:00 am. **March 6th**

Also, remember to continue collecting Campbell soup labels for education, including the bar code, and other education points on various other products.

The little blue education coupons do not have a bar code attached. They are found on such products as Zip-Lock bags, Cheerios, and various other products.

These coupons are helpful for purchasing educational materials.

*United Methodist Women shall be a community of women whose purpose is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; to develop a creative, supportive fellowship; and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.*

March 2017						
◀ February						April ▶
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 Choir 7pm	3	4 PlowPoints 10am
5 Sun. School 10am Worship 11am	6	7	8	9 Prayer Shawl 10am Choir 7pm	10	11
12 Sun. School 10am Worship 11am	13	14	15 Women's Handicraft Group 10am Admin Council 7pm	16 Choir 7pm	17	18
19 Sun. School 10am Worship 11am	20	21	22	23 Prayer Shawl 10am Choir 7pm	24	25
26 Sun. School 10am Worship 11am	27	28	29	30 Choir 7pm	31	Notes:



## **SUNDAY BULLETINS**

Our Sunday Bulletins are now available on the church website:  
<http://www.concordumclewisville.org/Bulletins>

The new Sunday bulletin will be posted by Monday afternoon.

*For where two or three are gathered together in My name, I am there in the midst of them.”  
Matthew 18:20*

*“For the Father seeks such as these to worship him.”  
John 4:23*

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