

May 4, 2022



# Clemmons

## UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Please join our church family in congratulating the following youth who have completed 18 weeks of study over a three-year period. They have made the decision to become full members of Clemmons UMC through the confirmation of their faith at the 11 o'clock service on May 15, 2022.

**Sydney Rose Baldwin**

daughter of Matt and Sarah Baldwin  
mentored by Sylvia Benisek and Suzanne Howard

**Owen David Bandy**

son of Darren and Mary Bandy  
mentored by Tom Flinchum and Tom Miller

**Jonathan Christian Howard**

son of Tim and Suzanne Howard  
mentored by Jason Walton

**Logan Edward Jennings**

son of Ryan and Jana Jennings  
mentored by Tim Howard

**Kendall Ellen Sidney**

daughter of Kevin and Wendy Sidney  
mentored by Pam Reising

**Reese Katherine Walton**

daughter of Jason and Ginny Walton,  
mentored by Suzanne Howard

**Nathan Ward Yakos**

son of Bob and Amanda Yakos,  
mentored by Tom Miller

**Jaz Alan Zoubek**

son of Rob and Sandy Zoubek  
mentored by Dave Monteith and Tim Howard

## Living the Fullness of Christ



May 8	“Submit”	Rev. John Fitzgerald Ephesians 5:21-6:3
May 15	“Go Forth In Love”	Rev. Sara Smith John 13:31-35
May 22	“The Man from Macedonia”	Rev. John Fitzgerald Acts 16:6-15
May 29	“Ascension of the Lord”	Rev. John Fitzgerald Luke 24:44-53
June 5 communion	“United By the Spirit”	Rev. John Fitzgerald Acts 2:1-12



### We extend our Christian sympathy to the following upon the death of a loved one:

- Cecil Johnson and family upon the death of his wife, Sally Johnson, on April 9, 2022.
- Ruth Wharton and family upon the death of her son, Andrew Wharton, on April 9, 2022.
- Jeff Meadows and family upon the death of his mother, Joan Meadows, on April 25, 2022.



Congratulations to Brandon and Rebecca Hudson on the birth of their daughter, Charlotte Paige, on March 19, 2022.

Congratulations to Joel and Lauren Crofts on the birth of their daughter, Madeleine Kate, on April 27, 2022. Proud grandparents are CUMC members Lawrence and Robin Fletcher.



Many thanks for the prayers and cards sent during my recent open-heart surgery. They were much appreciated.

– Griff Harlow



**June 5<sup>th</sup> is Pentecost Sunday**, also known as the birthday of the Christian church. Traditionally, the first Sunday in June is Recognition of High School Grads as well. This year, we are creating an amazing morning of *Being the Church!*

**One Service  
at 9:45 in  
the Sanctuary**

There will be one service on June 5 at 9:45 in the Sanctuary led by Karen Stutzman, our Connect service praise leader, and the praise band. Pastor John will preach and Amanda Batten will recognize our graduates. Senior tables, a long and wonderful tradition at CUMC, will be set up for viewing in the Commons Area located behind the Sanctuary.

**Mission Fair  
11-11:30**

There will also be an old-fashion mission fair in the Fellowship Hall to give our congregation the opportunity to see all of the amazing ways we are being the church in our local community, in our country, and in other countries in the world. There are so many ways we are being the hands and feet of Christ! Each of our mission and ministry teams have been asked to share a display as well as share in person at their table from 11-11:30. A sign-up sheet will be provided for those people interested in learning more about how to serve or support any of the groups.

**Church Picnic  
on the  
back field**

As a church family, we will join together outside for an old-fashioned church picnic on the back field to celebrate Pentecost and to fellowship together as one big happy family. You are asked to bring your own picnic and blanket. A birthday cake will be provided for dessert as well as drinks! There will be games and perhaps a hot sauce competition (flames of fire) too!

Sound a little chaotic? Just imagine what the first Pentecost would have been like! Hope you can join the celebration!!

**Graduation Sunday is June 5.  
We Need Graduates' Names by May 27**

We are so very proud of all of our graduates from Clemmons United Methodist Church and want to recognize their accomplishment in our June newsletter. If you or a loved one has graduated or will be graduating this year, please email Amanda Batten at [battena@clemmonsumc.org](mailto:battena@clemmonsumc.org) by Sunday, May 27. We would like the graduate's name, school graduating from, degree (if college) and future plans. We will recognize our High School seniors during our graduation service on Sunday, June 5 at 9:45 a.m. in the Sanctuary.



## CUMC CHILDREN'S MINISTRY UPDATES

### VBS Camper Registration Now Open | June 20-23 @ 9-12 noon | Rising K–6th grade

CUMC Children's Ministry invites elementary students to come to our Food Truck Party this summer as we learn more about the prayer that Jesus teaches us in Matthew 6:11 "Give us this day our daily bread." Each day campers will rotate through stations including Bible Exploration, Science, Recreation, Arts & Crafts, and Snack. Due to space and volunteer numbers we are capping our VBS numbers at 75 campers, so sign up your camper now before the waitlist begins **REGISTRATION CLOSES JUNE 6!** ([link to VBS camper registration](#)).



### Upcoming CUMC Kids Events

- May 14: 3rd-5th Grade Day Out
- May 21 @ 4pm: Sweet Treat Summer Gathering on the Playground with KONA Ice
- May 29: 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Family Worship & Lunch (no elementary Sunday school or worship care, nursery & preschool care will still be provided)

## Ways To Volunteer With CUMC Kids

### 1. Be A VBS Volunteer

We are looking for volunteers to help make our VBS happen. Would you like to lead a crew of campers or a rotation station? Would you want to help with check in and check out each day? Would you be interested in helping with one of our preschool classes or in our nursery? If you answered yes to any of these questions, then this is the perfect opportunity. VBS will be open to children in rising Kindergarten–rising 5<sup>th</sup> Grade. If you are a volunteer with children younger than rising Kindergarten, we will have a preschool class and a nursery available from 8 a.m.–1 p.m. each day. If your children are rising 6<sup>th</sup> graders or above, they can volunteer as well. If interested, please register online ([link](#)). You'll answer some brief questions so we can make sure that you are put in the perfect volunteer spot. Thank you!

### 2. Volunteer As A Summer Sunday School Helper

During the months of July and August we are in need of Sunday School Helpers who are willing to provide care to our CUMC Kids. We have openings in the nursery, the preschool Sunday School class, or teaching the elementary school students a lesson each week. We have openings at all three services. If you are willing to sign up to help for one hour during one of the services in July or August in any of these program areas, please let Pastor Sara know. All materials and lessons will be provided for you. This is a fabulous opportunity to engage with the children of our church without committing to an entire year of teaching. Please let Pastor Sara know if you would like to be a Summer Sunday School Helper and she will get you signed up for a Sunday that works best for you!

## Living the Fullness of Christ

### 3. Join The Special Event Childcare Team

For many years the Children's Ministry has had a Special Events Childcare Team. This team is made up of a large group of people who are vetted and background checked and could be called upon to help out (if available) with childcare for special events at the church. Some of these events in the past have included one of our support groups, special classes or Bible studies that the church offers, or any other event outside of Sunday morning that has a need for childcare. Since COVID, our Special Events Childcare Team has dwindled, so I am now in the recruitment process to help grow our team back. What does being on the Special Events Childcare Team look like you ask?

- If you would like to be a part of the team, you will be put on the contact list.
- If a childcare need for an event comes up Pastor Sara will reach out to you to tell you the commitment (day/time/how many weeks) to see if you would be interested in helping.
- If you are available, great! If not, Pastor Sara will reach out to others.
- Most childcare requests come from our evening support groups that meet for 1-1/2 to 2 hours.
- Children can range in age from birth to 5<sup>th</sup> grade.
- This is a paid opportunity. Our special event childcare team members are paid \$12 an hour.

If you are interested in being a part of our Special Events Childcare Team, please let Pastor Sara know and she will add you to the contact list.

—Pastor Sara Smith, Children and Family Ministries ([smithS@clemmonsumc.org](mailto:smithS@clemmonsumc.org))



Our Clemmons:One youth family have had an amazing year of worship, fellowship, fun, and of course growing closer to God and each other. Our schedule over these next weeks and months as we enter into summer will look a little different. Please make sure to check out our [clemmonsone.org](http://clemmonsone.org) website as well as our Facebook and Instagram pages. Also, we have many exciting new volunteer opportunities to work alongside our Clemmons:One youth starting in the fall for both the Sunday School hour as well as for Clemmons:One youth group. Please reach out to me if interested in volunteering.

— Amanda Batten, Minister of Youth and Their Families ([battena@clemmonsumc.org](mailto:battena@clemmonsumc.org))

### Furniture Ministry

For ten years, CUMC furniture ministry has been helping make an impact in the lives of those who have experienced homelessness and are now entering into an apartment or home. As we look to the future of this ministry and as the needs of this ministry increase, we are in need of many new hands and feet to ensure this ministry can continue. These hands and feet would be responsible for helping to deliver or pick-up donated furniture either during the week or on the weekends and you have the flexibility to volunteer as available. To learn more information about this ministry and to sign-up to volunteer, please visit [clemmonsumc.org/furniture-ministry](http://clemmonsumc.org/furniture-ministry).

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### Sisters in Christ | Wednesdays @ 10 a.m.

Sisters in Christ is a group of women who meet weekly for Bible study, service projects, and fellowship. We will continue our study, "The Prodigal Son" by John MacArthur through May 18. On May 25, we will honor our wonderful CUMC staff with a lunch. Contact Linda Morgan (336-416-6814 or [lmorgancrna@gmail.com](mailto:lmorgancrna@gmail.com)) to order a study guide or for more information about the group.

### Young at Heart | May 23 @ 11:30 a.m.



The YOUNG AT HEART folks are also soon to be known as Dingalings! For our last luncheon before breaking for the summer, we're going to show how talented we are at ringing bells. Don't worry folks, they're color coded. If you want a delicious lunch prepared by Midgie and an afternoon of laughter, join us on the May 23 at 11:30 in the Fellowship Hall. There is a sign up sheet on the large table in the Commons area. The cost of lunch is \$10, and the deadline to sign up is Friday, May 20. If you sign up and you have to cancel, it is important to let Midgie know by the 20<sup>th</sup>. Thanks and see you on the 23<sup>rd</sup> for food, laughter and fun! — *Barbara Turner, Older Adults Ministries* ([bturner1@triad.rr.com](mailto:bturner1@triad.rr.com) or 336-766-5972)



### 60+ Adults: Ice Cream Social and Bluegrass Music

The Senior Adult Ministry Committee is hosting an Ice Cream Social and Bluegrass Music for 60+ adults on Sunday, June 12. It will be held from 3–5 p.m. at the Picnic Shelter and features the acoustic band RAIN CHECK. Bring a chair and enjoy each other, ice cream and wonderful music.

### Sunday Morning Small Group Opportunity for Women

Are you are interested in being a part of a small group of Christian Women? Do want to be in on the planning of what such a group would look like? In your imagination, would it be mission-driven? A study of the Bible? A book study? Evolving as the women grow spiritually? Fun way to connect with other women? One of our CUMC members, Sylvia Benisek is starting a small group for women of all ages and stages in their lives. **The first** meeting will be on May 8<sup>th</sup> at 9:45 in A-203. Please contact Sylvia ([sylvie821@gmail.com](mailto:sylvie821@gmail.com)) if you are interested or have any questions.

### KNOCKING ON HEAVEN'S DOOR: contemplative ways of opening to the Holy

Connecting with God is one of the most important aspects of our relationship with God; however, it is also one of the hardest on which to stay focused and disciplined. There are many ways of deepening our relationship with God. Come learn some simple ways of creating space for God's grace as you nurture the process of inner-transformation. These teaching/worship sessions are designed to inform, engage, and inspire what some of the great mystics and spiritual writers call contemplation. Each session stands alone. Come as you are able and drawn. Consider bringing a friend. Our next session meets in the parlor/conference room on Sunday, May 15 at 9:30 am. We will explore and experience *Sharing the Sacraments. Be still and know that I am God.* Psalm 46:10

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### Calendar of Events

<p>Tues, May 10    9:30 a.m. Quilting 6:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry 7:00 p.m. Pastor John's Bible Study 7:00 p.m. Discipleship Committee Mtg</p>	<p>Tues, May 24    9:30 a.m. Quilting 6:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry 7:00 p.m. Pastor John's Bible Study</p>
<p>Wed, May 11    10:00 a.m. Sisters in Christ 7:00 p.m. PAL Meeting 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal 7:00 p.m. Connect Rehearsal</p>	<p>Wed, May 25    10:00 a.m. Sisters in Christ 7:00 p.m. PAL Meeting 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal 7:00 p.m. Connect Rehearsal</p>
<p>Sat, May 14    10:00 a.m. Kids Day Out 5:00 p.m. Confirmation Rehearsal &amp; Banquet</p>	<p>Mon, May 30    Holiday – Church Office Closed</p>
<p>Tues, May 17    9:30 a.m. Quilting 7:00 p.m. MOST Committee Mtg 7:00 p.m. Pastor John's Bible Study</p>	<p>Tues, May 31    9:30 a.m. Quilting Group</p>
<p>Wed, May 18    10:00 a.m. Sisters in Christ 7:00 p.m. PAL Meeting 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>Wed, June 1    7:00 p.m. PAL Meeting 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal</p>
<p>Sat, May 21    4:00 p.m. Kids Ice Cream Social</p>	<p>Sun, June 5    7:30 a.m. Methodist Men Breakfast &amp; Program 9:45 a.m. Pentecost Worship Service 11:00 a.m. Church Picnic</p>
<p>Mon, May 23    11:30 a.m. Young at Heart Luncheon 6:30 p.m. Stewardship Committee Mtg</p>	<p><b><u>Sunday Service Times</u></b> 8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship Service ~ Sanctuary 9:45 a.m. Connect Worship Service ~ Fellowship Hall 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service ~ Sanctuary</p> <p>Clemmons:One Youth Events: <a href="http://www.clemmonsone.org">www.clemmonsone.org</a>.</p>

### Clemmons United Methodist Church 2022 Financial Update Year to date results through April 30, 2022

Total Contributions and Other Receipts	438,959.11
Total Ministry Expenses and Disbursements	(411,678.14)
Increase in Financial Position for 2022	27,280.97
Bank Balance	398,064.35

Note: The results presented above include only items that have cleared the bank as of the date indicated for operating and special fund related accounts. These results do not include the Clemmons UMC Endowment Investment Account.



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The next newsletter will be sent out June 8 and the deadline for articles to be submitted is Monday, May 30. Please bring your articles by the Hunter House or email them to [griffinA@clemmonsumc.org](mailto:griffinA@clemmonsumc.org). If you would like to receive the newsletter, please email [office@clemmonsumc.org](mailto:office@clemmonsumc.org) with "ACTS" in the subject line. In the body of the email indicate how you would like to receive "ACTS" by writing "email only," "postal mail only" or "both email and postal mail." Remember that receiving email copies saves the church postage and helps us all be better stewards of the resources that God provides.



### Fall Bazaar | October 7 and 8

The Fall Bazaar will be held October 7 and 8 with a pre-bazaar work week beginning October 2. Please save the dates, save your donations, and save your time and energy to help others! We still need chairpersons for several areas and have plenty of room for helpers. Please let us know if you wish to volunteer by contacting us at [cumcbazaar@clemmonsumc.org](mailto:cumcbazaar@clemmonsumc.org).



**Recycling:** Help us take care of our beautiful earth by recycling while here at the church. Blue recycling bins can be found in the Ministry Center, kitchen, and upstairs Commons Area. Please make sure to read the signs with each of our recycling bins to ensure that your item can be recycled. Thanks!



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