



October 5, 2022

Clemmons

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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CUMC KIDS

Fall Festival & Trunk or Treat Fundraiser

October 26 5:30 –7 p.m.

Break out those Halloween costumes and grab your candy bag!

The fun kicks off at 5:30 p.m.

Food trucks will be on site if you wish to purchase dinner.

There will be games and prizes for the children.

Our playground will be open for the kids to enjoy.

The preschool will have a bake sale table.

There will be CUMC & CUMP merchandise for sale.



At 6:30 p.m. we'll have a costume parade over to the Trunk or Treat area

Children can visit trunks and fill their candy bags until the candy runs dry!

Donations accepted to benefit the Children's Ministry and the Church Preschool programs.

Want to help?

We need candy! Please donate bags of candy to help with our Trunk or Treat event. Candy Collection Bins are located in the Commons Area and Ministry Center entrance.

Host a Trunk! We are looking for families or groups to host trunks for our costumed little ones. Sign up on the CUMC Kids website ([link](#)). Candy will be provided.

Living the Fullness of Christ

Preaching Schedule

October 9	"A Sure Saying"	Rev. John Fitzgerald 2 Timothy 2:8-15
October 16	"Sampson's Power"	Rev. John Fitzgerald Judges 13:1-5, 24
October 23	"Rooted in Love"	Rev. Sara Smith 1 Corinthians 13:1-7, 13
October 30	"For I'm Coming to your House Today"	Amanda Batten Luke 19:1-10
November 6 (communion)	"Daniel's Vision"	Rev. John Fitzgerald Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18



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

- The family of John Rackov upon his death on June 6, 2022.
- Matt Fox and family upon the death of his father, Bob Fox, on September 2, 2022.
- The family of Twyla Jackson upon her death on September 7, 2022.
- The family of Ruth Bishop upon her death on September 19, 2022.
- Rusty and Jacob Jacobson upon the death of their mother, Rosie Jacobson, on August 26 and their father, JJ Jacobson, on September 24, 2022.



My sincere thanks to everyone at CUMC for the cards, calls, hugs and prayers during this difficult time. Love to all. — *Deanna Jester*

Pledge Card Reminder

Thank you to those of you who have submitted your pledge cards for 2023. For those of you who have yet to send in a pledge card, it will be most helpful for planning purposes if pledges can be submitted by October 16, the culmination of our Stewardship Campaign. You may bring your completed card to our worship service that day, drop it by the office, or mail it to the church office at P.O. Box 829, Clemmons, NC 27012. You may also submit your pledge through Realm's giving option. If you need a pledge card, you may find them in the Narthex, on the Commons Area table, at the entrance to the Ministry Center.

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Deaf Agape Ministry

Deaf Agape Ministry, our newest ministry on Sunday morning, began on October 2 in the parlor and conference room. Deaf leaders Scott and Audra Burley invite all who are deaf or hard of hearing, as well as ASL students, to join them for fellowship and Bible study each Sunday morning from 10 a.m. until 12 noon. Please stop by and welcome Scott and Audra to our church! Their first study will be *Forgiveness* by Adam Hamilton.

Knocking on Heaven's Door contemplative ways of opening to the Holy

Silence and Solitude
Sunday, October 16 at 9:30 a.m.
Please join us in Room A-203

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.

This month we will explore Silence and Solitude as a way to grow closer to God and perhaps to develop an increased sensitivity and compassion for others.

Upcoming Practices for Exploration:

November 20—Walking with God through the Christian Year Using the Lectionary
December 18—Review of the year Examen-style

Past Practices Explored: Breath Prayer; Praying With the Scriptures/Lectio Divina; The Sacraments; The Examen, Sacred Rhythms/Rule of Life

Please visit our Prayer Space located in A-206B to find handouts from previous sessions, as well as resources for learning more about each of these ways to become more intentional in our relationship with God. If you have any questions, curiosities or desire for deeper conversation, please reach out to Kathy Giff by email (giffk@clemmonsumc.org) or stop by for a visit (A-206A).

—Kathy Giff, Ministry Leader of Discipleship, Missions and Congregational Care

Sisters in Christ



Sisters in Christ is a group of women who meet on Wednesday mornings at 10 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall for Bible study, fellowship, and participation in service projects. Their current study, "How Happiness Happens" by Max Lucado, explores how the willingness to give and share what we have is the way to true joy. Contact Linda Morgan at lmorgancrna@gmail.com or 336-416-6814 for more information.

60 + Adults Events



Trip to Three College Observatory: Tuesday, Oct. 18

The 60+ Adults group is planning a trip to the Three College Observatory in Graham, N.C. on Tuesday, October 18 (rescheduled from Oct. 22), leaving on the church bus at 4:00 p.m. Plans are to go to dinner either in Greensboro or Graham, and then journey on to the Observatory for a 7:30 p.m. entrance time. We can only take 30 to the observatory, but if you still want to go, you may sign up as an alternate in case somebody has to drop out. More details are at the Commons Area table sign up.



60+ Young at Heart Luncheon and Program: Monday, Oct. 24

Young at Heart will meet on Monday, October 24 from 11:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The program will be led by a representative from Vogler Funeral and Cremations at Forsyth Memorial Park, explaining things we really don't want to think about, but things we should and need to think about. Lunch will be catered this month by Nancy Dameron, who catered our lunches years ago before she took a full time position in the business world. We are lucky that she can fill in for Midgie who will be taking a short vacation. Lunch will be \$10. Please note the sign-up deadline is Friday, October 21. There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the Commons Area.

Chicken Stew & Sweets AND a Tribute to Clemmons UMC's Veterans Aged 60+: Saturday, Nov. 12



The Senior Adult Ministry Committee will honor and feature Clemmons UMC's 60+ veterans at a chicken stew next month in the Fellowship Hall from 12 noon to 2 p.m. Please sign up by October 30 at the Commons Area table to attend this event or if you are a 60+ veteran who would like to share any stories or show your memorabilia. If you know of anyone in our congregation who is a 60+ veteran but may not attend often or is not able to complete the form, please notify either Barbara Turner (bturner1@triad.rr.com) or Janie Hackney (hackneyjanie@yahoo.com). Please bring two canned food items per person to be donated to the Clemmons Food Pantry.

—Janie Hackney, Leader of the 60+ Group and Barbara Turner, Staff Liaison

From Staff Parish Relations Committee: It is with a heavy heart we announce that Joni Hanna, our Organist/Accompanist, decided to leave Clemmons United Methodist Church. We have so enjoyed her talents and her smile as she has blessed us with her love of music over the past two and one half years. She will be sorely missed. Joni's last official day was Tuesday, September 27.

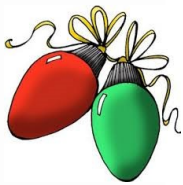
The Clemmons Food Pantry Honoring Kathy Kovack: The Clemmons Food Pantry will honor and celebrate Kathy Kovack's years of service and commitment on Sunday, October 23 from 2–4 p.m. The celebration will be held at the Clemmons Food Pantry with light refreshment and a brief presentation at 3 p.m. Gifts in any amount will be accepted in Kathy's name toward to the Capital Campaign. RSVP by October 16 ([link](#)).

[C:O] Clemmons:One Youth



Pumpkin Patch

Share the news that our Clemmons:One pumpkin patch is open! The pumpkin patch will be open from 11 a.m.–7 p.m. Monday through Saturday and 1–7 p.m. on Sunday while pumpkins last. Also, Friday night through Sunday each weekend there will be pumpkin painting, fall festival games, face painting, and additional snack treats available! Proceeds from our pumpkin patch support youth Summer missions.



Christmas Light Donations

While we are just now welcoming the Fall season, it is also that time to start thinking and planning for our Clemmons:One Christmas Spectacular where the youth transform our CUMC prayer trail into a winter wonderland of lights and Christmas decorations along with a live nativity and Santa photo-op. This year we're adding a Christmas movie and s'mores. Do you have any old (but still good), gently-used, or new Christmas decorations (both outside and inside) that our youth can use for our Christmas Light Spectacular from Friday, December 9–Sunday, December 11? If so, please contact me.



Clemmons:One Christmas Progressive Dinner Host

Over the past few years our Clemmons:One youth have celebrated Christmas together through our progressive dinner where youth travel to separate homes for appetizer, a main course, and then dessert followed by a gift exchange at the church. As our youth program continues to grow, we are in need of additional persons/families interested in opening their home for a group of around 11-15 awesome youth and adults. If interested in opening your home and helping to provide appetizers, a main course, or dessert, please contact me.

— *Amanda Batten, Minister of Youth and their Families*
(battenA@clemmonsumc.org or 919.389.6387)

It's Tailgating Time! Everyone's invited

The GAP/Discipleship Team is “kicking off” fall, with a church-wide Tailgate party on Sunday, October 9 from 4–7:30 p.m. in the church parking lot. Everyone's invited to this Methodist-style tailgate (dry, but lots of food), where we'll enjoy fellowship, celebrate a successful Bazaar, and support the youth pumpkin patch. So bring your best tailgate setup, wear your favorite team attire, and bring your favorite foods for a fun time! For the competitive spirits among us, there will even be some prizes for setup and food items! Hope to see you there!

CUMC Children's Ministry Updates

(see the cover for more CUMC Kids Activities)



Children's Sunday: October 23 at the 11 o'clock Service

It is time for our annual Children's Sunday when the children lead the elements of the 11 o'clock service. We will also present Bibles to our 2nd graders and children will be celebrated for their leadership in the church. We would love for as many children as possible to participate in Children's Sunday. Please sign your child up for a role in the service at www.clemmonsumc.org > Get Involved > CUMC Kids ([link](#)).

Dinner & Discipleship: How To Use Your Bible

Sundays, October 30–November 20 @ 6:30 p.m.

Open to 3rd-5th Graders

Children will spend four weeks learning about how to use their Bible. They will explore the Old Testament, New Testament, The Writings, and The Gospels. By the end of the four weeks your child will know how to find different books in the Bible, be well on their way to memorizing the books of the Bible, and have a basic understanding of where popular stories in the Bible are located. There will be games, crafts, and some fun Bible Drill Competitions where kids can win prizes and Bible Bucks. Registration closes Friday, October 21. Please sign up www.clemmonsumc.org > Get Involved > CUMC Kids ([link](#)).



Parent's Night Out: November 4

Our winter Parent's Night Out is coming next month! We will have a drive-in movie-themed night where children will have the chance to eat dinner together, play games, decorate a box into a car, and then "drive" their car to the movies to watch a show to end the night. This event is open to children ages 4 years to 5th grade. Registration on the CUMC Kids website ([link](#)).

– Pastor Sara Smith, Children and Family Ministries (smithS@clemmonsumc.org)



Children's Choir Invitation to Sing at the Christmas Cantata

We would LOVE to have your K-5 children participate in this year's Christmas Cantata, scheduled for 11 a.m. on December 11. Rehearsals will begin in mid-October. If you're interested in having your child join us, please contact Bryon Grohman at grohmanb@clemmonsumc.org.



Living the Fullness of Christ

Calendar of Events

Fri, Oct 7	8:00 a.m. Fall Bazaar	Sun, Oct 23	9:45 a.m. New Covenant Partner Class
Sat, Oct 8	8:00 a.m. Fall Bazaar	Mon, Oct 24	11:30 a.m. 60+ Luncheon
Sun, Oct 9	9:45 a.m. New Covenant Partner Class 4:00 p.m. Tailgate Party	Tues, Oct 25	9:00 a.m. Quilting 6:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry 7:00 p.m. John's Bible Study
Tues, Oct 11	9:00 a.m. Quilting 6:30 p.m. Stephen Ministry 7:00 p.m. John's Bible Study	Wed, Oct 26	10:00 a.m. Sisters in Christ Bible Study 5:30 p.m. Fall Festival & Trunk or Treat 6:00 p.m. Connect Rehearsal 7:00 p.m. PAL Meeting 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal 7:00 p.m. Divorce Care
Wed, Oct 12	10:00 a.m. Sisters in Christ Bible Study 6:00 p.m. Connect Rehearsal 7:00 p.m. Nominations Committee Meeting 7:00 p.m. PAL Meeting 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal 7:00 p.m. Divorce Care	Thurs, Oct 27	7:00 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting
Thurs, Oct 13	5:00 p.m. Guatemala Pizza Party	Sun, Oct 30	9:45 a.m. New Covenant Partner Class
Sat, Oct 15	1:00 p.m. Kid's Family Day at Corn Maze	Tues, Nov 1	9:00 a.m. Quilting 7:00 p.m. John's Bible Study
Sun, Oct 16	9:30 a.m. Knocking on Heaven's Door 9:45 a.m. New Covenant Partner Class	Wed, Nov 2	10:00 a.m. Sisters in Christ Bible Study 7:00 p.m. PAL Meeting 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal 7:00 p.m. Divorce Care
Mon, Oct 17	7:00 p.m. Worship Committee Meeting	Fri, Nov 4	5:30 p.m. Parents Night Out
Tues, Oct 18	9:00 a.m. Quilting 4:00 p.m. 60+ Dinner & Observatory 7:00 p.m. John's Bible Study	Sun, Nov 6	7:30 a.m. Methodist Men Breakfast & Program
Wed, Oct 19	10:00 a.m. Sisters in Christ Bible Study 7:00 p.m. PAL Meeting 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal 7:00 p.m. Divorce Care	Sunday Service Times 8:30 a.m. Traditional Worship Service ~ Sanctuary 9:45 a.m. Connect Worship Service ~ Ministry Center 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service ~ Sanctuary Clemmons:One Youth Events: www.clemmonsone.org .	

Clemmons United Methodist Church 2022 Financial Update Year to date results through October 2, 2022

Total Contributions and Other Receipts	1,089,611.27
Total Ministry Expenses and Disbursements	(1,130,840.73)
Decrease in Financial Position for 2022	-41,229.46
Bank Balance	327,786.92

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 Nov. 2 and the deadline for articles to be submitted is Monday, Oct. 24. Please bring your articles by the Hunter House or email them to griffinA@clemmonsumc.org. If you would like to receive the newsletter, please email 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.



IT'S TIME FOR THE Fall Bazaar

Friday & Saturday - October 7 & 8

- We would love to give you a job to do! Just come to the Church October 3-6 from 9:00-5:00 to help us set up! Just a few hours of your time would be greatly appreciated.
- Be sure to be at the Church on Saturday, October 8 at 2:00pm to help with getting the Church back in order.

IT'S TIME TO HELP CLEMMONS UMC RAISE MONEY FOR OTHERS IN NEED

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