

July 2019

North Spray News



A LINE FROM LEM

By Lem Hardison, Minister

PRAISE GOD FOR OUR FREEDOM!



We praise God for the freedom we have in America! July 4th is a special day to draw us together to remember the sacrifices that have been made for us and for our country.

The 24th Annual July 4th Fun Parade will be taking place that day. Participants will meet in the parking lot of Fair Funeral Home at 9:00 am. The route is through the neighborhood. Children and adults are welcome to come and take part. Prizes will be given for the most creative, most original, most unique, most patriotic, best costume, best golf cart, stroller, bicycle, tricycle, scooter, wagon, kid's jeep, go-cart, dog, etc. If you don't participate, it is fun to join the hundreds who sit along the route just to watch.

Hoping you have a Happy Fourth!
Lem



F.Y. I. (For Your Information)

By Sylvia Brown, Editor



Independence Day
Thursday, July 4
Happy Birthday, USA!



All of our elders are invited to come and join our pastor in prayer at **9:30 each Sunday morning** as we prepare for the day ahead.



Vacation Bible School

Sunday, July 28-Wednesday, July 31
5:30-8:00 p.m.
Spray United Methodist Church

First UMC | North Spray CC | St. Luke's Episcopal Church | Spray UMC

We will once again be joining Spray UMC, First UMC, and St. Luke's Episcopal. The theme this year is **"Beach Party – Surfing through the Scriptures."** We will have classes for everyone, including adults! **Please pre-register with Thomas Knight by Sunday, July 14.** There will also be registration each evening beginning at 5:10.



Birthdays for July

Diane Kennon	1
June Gatewood	6
Nancy Hankins	8
Melvin Wood	10
Ashley Crowder, Debra Moore	15
Karen Nolan	17
A.J. Hernandez, Ray Strader,	
Brayden Wade	22
Lillie Meeks	28



Anniversaries for July

Ray & Pat Marsh	23
Mark & Jessica Good	31

Service for July

Communion

7 – Tobi & Chesni Hopper
14 – Marilyn Hardison/Kim Morrison



21 – Mary Barrett/Kinleigh Blackwell
28 – Clay Perkins/Noah Dalton

Note: You do not have to be here early to prepare communion. We have a volunteer who does that. You are only responsible for cleaning up after service.

Deacons

Bill Bailey
Marilyn Hardison
Nicole Wade
Annette White



Elders

Mary Barrett
Lucille Morris

Money Counters

Barney & Lou Strutton



Greeters

7 – Marilyn Hardison
14 – Barbara Spurlin
21 – Lucille Morris
28 – Mary Barrett



Worship Leader

7 – Heather Wakefield
14 – Lem Hardison
21 – Marilyn Hardison
28 – Paul White



Children's Church

7 – Heather Wakefield/Chesni Hopper
14 – Beth Lewis/Glenda Clark
21 – Jo Dell Murphy/Carley Reynolds
28 – Mary Barrett/Kinleigh Blackwell



Youth Teachers

Lugene Compton
Beth Lewis

Bulletin Board for July/August

Education Committee

Note: If you are unable to be present on your designated Sunday for any of the above services, please call someone to fill in for you.

Flowers

If you would like to provide flowers in honor or memory of someone, please call the church office

and let our secretary know the date and all pertinent information. (Please note that there are standing dates for Easter lilies and poinsettias at Christmas)

Service Opportunities: **Cooperative Christian Ministries (CCM)**

By Sylvia Brown, Editor

The CCM food pantry is located at the Leaksville Moravian Church. The food pantry is open 9:30-12:00 on Wednesday and Thursday mornings. Those in need should just go to the church and they will be assisted once a month.

We are asked to bring food on the **first Sunday of each month** and place it in the box in the hallway. There is always a need for **2 lb. bags of sugar & flour, peanut butter and jelly, rice, Jiffy muffin mix, spaghetti sauce, powdered or canned milk, cereal, crackers, and all canned goods, especially meats, soups, and fruits.**



CCM is more than a food pantry. You may also give monetary donations to help clients with utilities and for purchasing extra food. These can be put in a pew envelope and marked for CCM on the outside or send your donations to PO Box 931, Eden, NC 27289-0931. All of your donations, food and funds, are greatly appreciated.

Thank you to Barney and Lou Strutton for delivering our donations to the food closet each month!

CCM is in need of volunteers! There is a letter on the bulletin board outside the office with all the details.

Salvation Army Service

We are serving meals at the **Salvation Army** on the 3rd and 5th Fridays each month. This month our date will be **Friday, July 19.** Our thanks to those who serve so faithfully. If you would like to volunteer to help with this ministry, please see Bobbie Hill.

Save the Date:

Please mark these dates on your calendar and plan to participate in these events.

Pastor Appreciation Service and Covered Dish Luncheon – Sunday, September 22

Community Block Party – September 28, 2019, 3:00-6:00 p.m. at Spray United Methodist Church

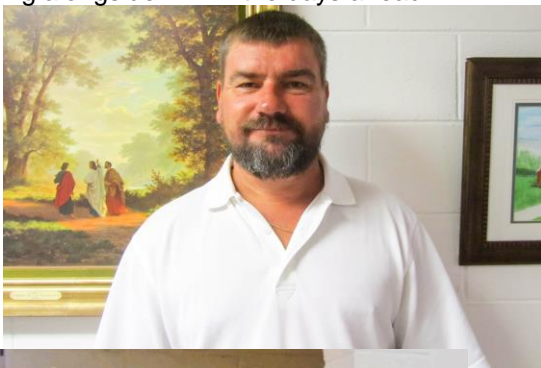
Special Happenings...

By Sylvia Brown, Editor

A group of church members enjoyed a trip to the Hillbilly Hide-A-Way for lunch on Sunday, June 2. We had great fellowship and delicious food. Everyone had a great time!



We welcome Tim Sanders into our fellowship by baptism. Tim made his profession of faith on May 19 and was baptized the following Sunday, May 26. We are happy to have Tim with us and look forward to serving alongside him in the days ahead.



We recognized **our graduates** on Sunday, June 2. **Justin Crowder and Shane Strader** were here to receive a special gift from the church for their accomplishments. We wish all of them much success in their future endeavors.



August is Camp Month! On the first three Sundays, August 4, 11, and 18, we will sing the first and last verses of your favorite hymns, so start looking up those numbers now and be ready to call them out! We will also have skits and sermonettes on those Sundays. On **August 25**, we will welcome **Jamie and Renae Brame**, to present music and a message. This service will be followed by a **Barbecue Faithraiser meal** with BBQ sandwiches, slaw, baked beans, chips, tea, and banana pudding. Each plate will be \$9.00. We will offer plates for take-out. **Invite your friends and family and join us to support the church.** Make plans to be here with us for this entire month of worship.

FYI (For Your Information):

Aging, Disability, and Transit Services of Rockingham County is looking for some church volunteers for the LEAF Adult Day Center in Reidsville.

They are looking for pastors, deacons, elders, musicians, and singers to help with programs at the center. They are flexible on times: Mondays-Fridays 10 am-11:30 am and 1 pm till 3 pm. More details about their needs are on the bulletin board. If you are interested, please let Thomas Knight know and he will pass your information along.



Youth Yak. . .

By Beth Lewis/Heather Wakefield



The youth pool party will be on **Sunday, August 11, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. at the home of Lenzie and Jean Light Kinyon. Come out and enjoy a fun time of fellowship!**

Christian Women's Fellowship (CWF)

By Faye Wood, President



The CWF has set the first Tuesday of the months when we don't have a board meeting as their regular meeting day. Their **next meeting** will be on Tuesday, **August 6, at 5:30 p.m. at the Sirloin House.**

A **bridal shower** was held for **Kathryn Metro** on Sunday, May 19 from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. Kathryn and Jake Ragland were married here at the church on Saturday, June 1. Our best wishes to them in their life together.



A **diaper pounding** will be given in honor of **Kayla and Noah Dalton** on **Sunday, July 14 during the fellowship reception**, from 10:30-10:55 a.m. Everyone is invited. They are expecting a girl.

The **CWF** has **boxed greeting cards** (priced on box) and **Danny Duzit scrubbing pads** (\$2.00 each) on sale. These may be purchased from any member of the CWF. Money can be given to Michelle Walker or the church office. These items are in the closet just beyond the coat rack in the hallway.



Christian Men's Fellowship (CMF)

By Paul White, President



The **CMF** will meet again on **Monday, July 8 at 6:30 p.m. at Church Street Station.** All of our men are encouraged to attend. Prayer meeting will be at 5:45 p.m.

A Word from the Board

By Lucille Morris, Board Chair

The next **meeting of the board** will be on **Monday, July 15 at 6:30 p.m.** All committee chairs are encouraged to attend or send a report from your committee. Prayer meeting will be at 5:45 p.m.

The **Thursday Bible Study group is taking a summer break.** They will resume meeting in September.



We are still participating in a fundraiser with **Recycling Fundraiser** (formerly

EcoPhones), which will accept **inkjet cartridges, all cell phones, all tablets, and select other portable electronic devices.** If you have any of these items you would like to donate, drop them in the box in the corner of the Communion Room. Please support our church by recycling your used electronics. See Thomas Knight if you have any questions.

Join us for our Fellowship Reception, each Sunday, 10:30-10:55 a.m. in the fellowship hall. Doughnuts, biscuits, and drinks are available, along with great fellowship before worshipping together.

Each Monday night some of our members are meeting at the church to pray. We share prayer concerns and Bible study, pray, and share communion beginning at **6:30 p.m. Come, join us!**

North Spray Christian Church gratefully acknowledges these gifts to the Memorial Fund:



In memory of Frances Stephens by: Martie Stephens, Mariejean Pankonin, Linda Detweiler, Joyce Morton Keif, Doris Henderson, Sandra Golden; Norma Mabas

In memory of Bob Hocutt by: Ron and Gail Hocutt and family

REMEMBER THESE IN YOUR PRAYERS: (*NSCC members)



In the Hospital:

Wesley Long, Greensboro: Jim Good

Immediate Needs:

Lawrence Harris – 93 Ford Street, Collinsville, VA 24075
 Sam Patton – 191 Jamie Lane, Stokesdale, NC 27357 – Obera Harris' grandson's father-in-law – Stage 4 lung cancer
 Judy Rouse – 305 Wilson Street – Surgery on knee shattered in fall
 *Lou Strutton – 334 Pine Road
 Peakie Ward (Jean & Rhonda's cousin) 1127 Lawson Street

Ongoing Needs/Homebound:

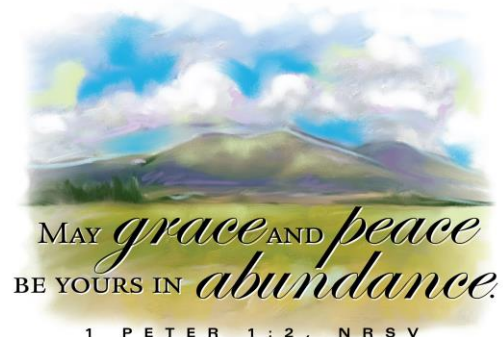
Remington Armga – child with brain cancer – added to prayer list by LaRue & Dee Roberts
 Belle Banks – 1305 Wentworth St., Reidsville
 *Judy Barnes – 316 Harry Akers Street
 Bernice "Tootsie" Carter – 714 Church Street
 *Faye Clark – Room 189, UNC Rockingham Nursing Center
 Hazel Compton – Roger's mother – Brian Center
 *Sandra Davis – 212 Wimbish Road
 *Betty Eggleston – Room 191, UNC Rockingham Rehab/Nursing Center
 *June Gatewood – now living w/Connie & Bill – 408 Highland Drive
 Doug Gold – esophageal cancer – Friend/classmate of Thomas Knight, 6309 Island View Dr., Concord, NC 28025
 Shirley Gray – Mike's mother – 651 Roberts Road
 Malta Hagler – Betty Shively's cousin/Bill Koontz's aunt – Room 138, UNC Rockingham Nursing Center
 Matthew Hammond – Dee Roberts' son, Stage 4 Liver Cancer
 Gayle Hand – Chris' mother – Jacob's Creek N/C, 1721 Bald Hill Loop, Madison, NC 27025
 *Marilyn Hardison – 200 Wilson Street
 Ron Hardison – Arbor Glen Apts., Apt. E
 *Obera Harris – 810 McConnell Avenue
 *Marissa Hernandez – 914 Central Avenue
 *Diane Kennon – 340 Daniel Adkins Street
 *Connie Koontz – 408 Highland Drive
 Shelvia Koontz – Bill's mother – Brian Center
 *Pauline Litaker – c/o 5215 Southwind Road, Greensboro, NC 27455
 Geneva Lawson – Nursing Home in Banner Elk – Severe Dementia
 *Lillie Meeks – Room 15, Brookdale, 314 W. Kings Hwy.

*Kathryn Metro Ragland – 517 Cedar Street
 *Vera Mae Morris – Bayberry Inn, #14
 *Kim Morrison – 604-G Lynrock Street
 Peggy Pendleton – Room 405, Brookdale, 2931 Vance Street, Reidsville
 Mike & Lynda Perry – 407 Lynrock Street
 LaRue & Dee Roberts – 251 N. 114th Street, Unit 412, Apache Junction, AZ 85120
 Bobbie Shough – 236 Harrison Street
 *Van Shropshire – Room 501, Brian Center
 Jill Slaughter – Room 306, Brian Center
 Bill Southard – Brenda's Husband – 1144 Ellett Ave.
 *John Stacey – 1106 Harris Street
 Martie Stephens – Alzheimer's Unit at Meadows Mennonite Community in Chenoa, IL Send cards to: 14529 Saturn Circle, Bloomington, IL 61704
 Susan Talley – 213 Portsmouth Drive
 *Nathan Townsend – 241 Turner Drive, Unit C, Reidsville
 Patsy Vestal – 640 E. Stadium Drive
 Scott Vestal – 555 Victor Street
 *Charles & *Louise Washburn – 201 Saturn Dr., Ridgeway, VA 24148
 *Foot & *Harriet Washburn – 1229 Harris Street
 Joyce White – Frankie's mother/Nancy's sister – 206 Howe Street
 *Faye & *Melvin Wood – 9730 Hwy. 87, Reidsville, 27320

Coming in August...

CAMP MONTH

Tues., Aug. 6 – CWF Mtg. @ Sirloin House, 5:30 p.m.
Sun., Aug. 11 – Youth Pool Party, 6:00-8:00 p.m. @ the Kinyons
Sun., Aug. 25 – Concert with Jamie & Renae Brame; BBQ Faithraiser Luncheon
Mon., Aug 26 – Back to School





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**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY,
AMERICA!**

Thursday, July 4, 2019

The church office will be closed in observance of this holiday.

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