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Dear Family,

One of the resources I always utilize when meeting with couples preparing for marriage is a book by Dr. Gary Chapman entitled, *The 5 Love Languages*. Dr. Chapman points out that every person has a primary love language they gravitate towards. I have found from personal experience that it helps a couple grow together in their relationship when they can acknowledge and talk through specific ways in which they can love their partner well through their love language.

If God had a love language, trust would be at the top of the list. Trust is an important part of any relationship. Without trust, it is hard to love someone well. Throughout the season of Lent, we will be focusing on this delicate and important word—TRUST. What does it look like to trust God? How can we trust God in good times, bad times, dark times, and transitional times? What do the Scriptures have to share with us about trust? Join us on Sunday mornings during Lent at 11am as we embark on the “Trust Walk” worship series.

As a reminder, Lent is a time in the church where we intentionally seek to draw closer to God as we journey with Jesus towards the cross. Lent begins on Wednesday, February 26<sup>th</sup> with Ash Wednesday (a day in which ashes in the sign of a cross are marked on our foreheads to proclaim our need & dependence upon God) and will conclude on Saturday, April 11<sup>th</sup>. Sunday’s are not included in Lent, because every Sunday is a taste of Easter.

I am both encouraged and challenged by the great hymn, “Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus”:

*'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus,  
and to take him at his word;  
just to rest upon his promise,  
and to know, "Thus saith the Lord."  
Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him!  
How I've proved him o'er and o'er!  
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus!  
O for grace to trust him more!*

I pray that you and I would embrace these words and seek to live into them more fully not only in this Lenten season but every day of our lives.

*Grace and Peace +*

*Josh*

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**Memorials and Honorariums**

**In Memory of Peggy Fox**

Bruce & Claudia Ihme  
Bob & Martha Thomas  
Betty Dorsett  
Brenda Luttrell  
Tim & Corinne Benbow  
Dale & Celeste Byrnes

**In Memory of Jim & Peggy Fox**

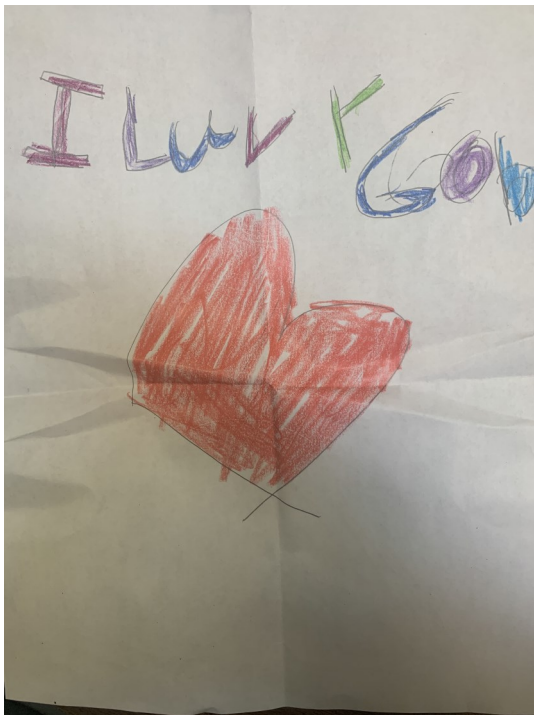
Bill & Jackie Craven

**In Memory of Beverly Stout**

Roger Stout

**For handbell fund in Memory of Joanne Luck**

Debbie Goldsberry



# Small Group Opportunities



Some of our **Jordan Youth** recently went to WinterJam at the Greensboro Colliseum this past month. They had a great time!



**Morning Prayer** on Monday's at 8:30am in the conference room. All are welcome as we pray for the week ahead and our community.

## Small Groups in Ramseur

Thursday, March 5th at 7pm-Conference Room at Church

Monday, March 9th at 6:30pm-Eric and Lauren Hutchins' at 1619 Old Coleridge Road in Siler City.

Thursday, March 12th at 6:30pm at Toni Marley's at 448 Weatherly Street in Ramseur.

Thursday, March 26th at 7pm at Ramseur McDonald's.

## Jordan's Closet and Parish Nurse

Drop-off times for Jordan's Closet are Mondays and Thursdays from 9am-1pm or when the closet is open on Tuesday evenings from 5pm-7pm. The closet is also open on Monday's from 11am-1pm. Thank you!

Also on Tuesday evenings, come see Ann Hutchins, our **Parish Nurse**. Ann functions as a personal counselor who can discuss health concerns, provide free blood pressure checks and disease and medication counseling. No appointment is needed.

**Circle of Grace** will meet on Sunday March 22 at 5pm.

## Tai Chi Chuan

Tai Chi classes are held on Saturday mornings at 9am in the fellowship hall.

Tai Chi class is also held every Tuesday evening at the First Baptist Church (731 Liberty St). Classes are in the fellowship hall from 6:30- 7:30-pm .

## Knitting and Crochet Group

The Knitting and Crochet group meets every Friday at 4pm in the Craven Room. All needlework crafts are welcome.

For more information contact Michelle at sugar-gin312@gmail.com

## AA Group

Jordan Memorial is hosting an open discussion **AA Group** on Monday evenings at 6:30pm in the church's conference room. Please be in prayer for this important ministry. If you have questions, contact Joy Collins at 336-622-3839.

# In Appreciation / Announcements



Announcing a new arrival!  
**Dempsey James Elkins** was born February 6, 2020. Parents Bret and Jenna and big sister Campbelle are doing well!

## Community Easter Egg Hunt

Throughout the month of March and early April, we invite you to bring in candy and plastic Easter eggs for our annual Ramseur Ministerial Association Community Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 11th from 10am-12pm at Southeast Randolph Middle School.

**Scout Sunday** was held on Sunday, February 16, 2020. We appreciate Troop 508 and the many ways they bless our community.



## Troop 508

Boy Scouts collected canned goods for the Ramseur Food Pantry in February! We appreciate their hard work and commitment to Ramseur.





## UMW News

The United Methodist Women will meet on March 15 at 2:30 in the Fellowship Hall. The program will be a Call to Prayer and Self-Denial. Please join us for this time of prayer and fellowship.

During the month of March, UMW is sponsoring its annual Agape Christmas Box collection. Each year, United Methodists collect around 5000 of these boxes to send to children at Christmas in the area of Armenia. This is typically the only Christmas gift children in the area receive. The forms for the Christmas Boxes will be available at the front of the church on the altar.



Dear Friends,

I want to express my gratitude to you for completing your conference and district apportionment giving. Your portion provides for ministry in your community and even to the ends of the earth!

Specifically, the Uwharrie district is able to provide funds for community ministries and outreach efforts because of your gifts. We are able to provide resources to congregations for healthy transitions, conflict transformation and strategic planning for vital ministry. In 2019, 96% of district apportionments were received. We have used 9% of what was received in the district for programming expenses such as lay servant training, local church officer training events, and clergy support events.

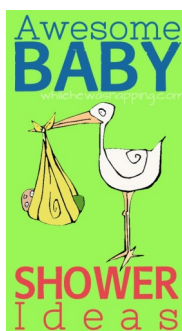
I am happy to report that 91% of what was received in district apportionments was returned to churches, missional networks and community ministries in the form of vitality, benevolence, and missional engagement grants. This represents an increase from 85% in 2018.

As your portions join the portions of other United Methodists, we are able to be a faithful presence in God's world! As your missionional strategist and superintendent, I thank you!

Thank you for the ways you share the love of Christ!

Sincerely, Laura H. Auten, District Superintendent

## Baby Shower



Please join us in celebrating the upcoming birth of a new baby!

United Methodist Women is sponsoring a churchwide shower for Brad and Melanie Craven on Sunday, March 22 from 2-4pm.

The couple is registered at Target and online at Baby List.

We look forward to celebrating with them on this joyous occasion!

From the **Ramseur Area Civitan Club**: Our Civitan Club's Soup Bowl Saturday held on Feb 8th was a success! We could not have done it without the support of Jordan Memorial and the use of the fellowship hall.

The profits from this fundraiser help to support our community projects and persons with special needs. Enclosed is a check for 10% of the profits.

On behalf of the club—thank you!

Linda Allred,  
Treasurer

## Community Meal

Thanks to everyone who came out to our monthly community meal! A special thanks to Randolph County Public Health, Randolph County Partnership for Children, and Family Service of the Piedmont for being present!

We also appreciate the dessert donations from Vee's Place Bakery and tea donations from McDonald's in Ramseur.



**12th Annual Jordan Memorial UMC Golf Tournament**

To sign up call or email: 336-824-2252 or [jordanmemorial@jordanmemorial.org](mailto:jordanmemorial@jordanmemorial.org)

\$50/player  
\$200/team

\$50/hole sponsorship

Great food, prizes, and fun!

**Saturday, April 4 2020**  
Siler City Country Club  
1pm shotgun start  
12pm lunch



**IMPACT:Ramseur** completed their latest wheelchair ramp this past month! We give God thanks for the many ways this ministry blesses our community!



**Ramseur Ministerial Association Holy Week Opportunities 2020**

**Thursday, April 9 @ 7pm**  
Holy Communion  
Jordan Memorial UMC

**Friday, April 10th @ 12pm**  
Cross Walk  
Meet at First Christian Church's parking lot

**Saturday, April 11th @10a.m-12pm**  
Community Easter Egg Hunt  
Southeast Randolph Middle School

**Sunday, April 12th @7am**  
Easter Sunrise Service and Breakfast  
Parks Crossroads Christian Church

## Looking Ahead

April 5 Palm Sunday: Choir & Handbell concert  
April 9 Maundy Thursday  
April 10 Good Friday: Cross Walk  
April 11-Easter Egg Hunt @ Southeast Randolph MS  
April 12 Easter-



# March 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 First Sunday In Lent	2 Morning Prayer 8:30am AA Grp Mtg 6:30pm Clothes Closet 11am	3	4	5 Small Group 7pm	6 Knitting & Crochet 4pm	7 Tai Chi 9am
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15 UMW Meeting 2:30pm	16 Morning Prayer 8:30am AA Grp Mtg 6:30pm Clothes Closet 11am	17 Community Meal 5:30pm Happy St. Patrick's Day	18	19	20 Knitting & Crochet 4pm	21 Tai Chi 9am
22 Craven Room Reserved for Baby Shower Circle of Grace 5pm	23 Morning Prayer 8:30am AA Grp Mtg 6:30pm Clothes Closet 11am Eagle Scout Ceremony 5-8pm	24	25	26 Small Group 7pm	27 Knitting & Crochet 4pm	28 Tai Chi 9am
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**Ramseur Food Pantry:** Hot & Cold Cereals, Canned Meats. We will need Food Pantry volunteers March 2-6.

## March Birthdays

02-Rosemary G. Odom  
02-Dan Bressler  
03-Denise Lowe  
04-Susan Stevenson  
05-Colton Embree  
05-John Williams  
07-Logan Armfield  
07-Christy Embree  
09-Beth Embree  
09-Priscilla Allen  
09-David Harris  
10-Mary Cole Pike  
10-Kimberly Ragsdale  
13-Shirley Mitchell  
14-Betty Mace

14-Hal Leonard  
15-John Allen  
15-Jason Gager  
16-Tim Benbow  
17-Benjamin Lankford  
19-Micah Kurtz  
24-David Posey  
24-Lindsay Armfield  
24-Bradley McPherson  
24-Fletcher Rains  
27-Keith Mace



## ACOLYTE

3/1: Emily Atkins  
3/8: Mitchell Moffitt  
3/15: Dublin Cox  
3/22: Wesley Kurtz  
3/29: Carson Gasey

## USHERS:

## GREETERS:

Margaret Vickory, Betty Mace

## CUSTODIAN:



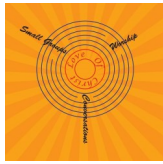
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Worship times  
Sunday School 9:45am  
Worship Service 11am

[www.JordanMemorial.org](http://www.JordanMemorial.org)



On a recent Sunday in February, led by our young disciples, we blessed prayer shawls made by our own knitting and crocheting small group.