

SERMON TEXT FOR TODAY: Healthy Foundations

Matthew 22:36-40 NIV

“Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?” Jesus replied: “Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments.”

We began our new series, “Healthy Relationships” this week. For the next several weeks, we explore what it means to build healthy relations within our family structures. This week, we look at the foundation of all relations, our relationship with God. Jesus was asked what was the greatest commandment and responded by pointing toward love of God and love of neighbor. Over the next weeks, we will mine the truths God has in those statements.

STEWARDSHIP –DECEMBER 30, 2018

GIVING

Budget

Weekly Need	\$ 7,204.86
Given	\$ 17,497.22
Ahead	\$ 7,488.68

Other Funds

Mission Team Fund	\$ 711.57
Facility Repair	\$ 200.00
Genesis House (P&G)	\$ 511.00
Non-Cash	\$ 650.00

ATTENDANCE

CenTered	
Worship Service	184 (Combined)
Total	184
Sunday School	92

Youth Mission Trip	\$ 204.00
Pickin’ & Grinnin’ Fund	\$ 395.00
Cemetery Fund	\$ 500.00

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SEEK - LEARN - FULFILL - SHARE

Center United Methodist Church
Mitch Wilson, Senior Pastor
Epiphany of the Lord
January 6, 2019

11:00 AM

Nursery with pagers available

Prelude *“Be Thou My Vision”* Marty Stanbery
Greeting and Announcements Richard Bates, Lay Leader

Call to Worship Marty Stanbery
PRESENTATION of the LIGHT of CHRIST Autumn Johnson
The Gift of God’s HOLY WORD Gracie Black
The Marvelous CROSS of CHRIST Gracin Hill

***GREETING and SHARING THE LOVE OF CHRIST** The People

***HYMN NO. 368** *“My Hope Is Built”* Patti Miller
Please Bring Community Mission Offering to the Altar

Registration of Attendance
Sharing of JOYS and CONCERNS and PRAYER

VOICES OF THE CHILDREN *“He’ll Be Comin’ Down from Heaven”* Children’s Choir
CHILDREN’S TIME Richard Bates
Following Children’s Time, children K-2nd grade may go to Children’s Church

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS
OFFERTORY Warren and Patti Miller
***DOXOLOGY PAGE NO. 95** *“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”* Patti Miller
***HYMN NO. 529** *“How Firm a Foundation”* Patti Miller

***The Reading of the Word** *Matthew 22:36-40 NIV* Rev. Mitch Wilson
The Preaching of the Word *Healthy Foundations* Rev. Mitch Wilson

***HYMN of COMMITMENT NO. 545** *“The Church’s One Foundation”* Patti Miller
The Altar is open during the singing of the Closing Hymn

***CHRIST’S LIGHT and CROSS of CHRIST GO FORTH INTO THE WORLD**
Autumn Johnson and Gracin Hill

***BLESSING** Rev. Mitch Wilson
***POSTLUDE** Marty Stanbery

*Congregation Stands

WELCOME

We welcome you to our church! If you are a guest, we are especially glad you are here and ask that you give your name, address, and phone number by filling out a Visitor's Card found on the back of each pew and placing it in the offering plate as it is passed. If you do not have a church home, we cordially invite you to share in the life of this congregation.

VOLUNTEER MINISTRY

GREETERS

Today – Mardie Broadway & Libby Michael
Tim and Debbie Williams
Next Sunday – Charles and Vickey Kepley
Gray and Barbara Boger

ACOLYTE

Today – Autumn Johnson
Next Sunday – Lilly Leonard

BIBLE BEARER

Today – Gracie Black
Next Sunday – Karis Koontz

CROSS OF CHRIST BEARER

Today – Gracin Hill
Next Sunday – Sophia Johnson

CHILDREN’S TIME

Today – Richard Bates
Next Sunday – Anna Shillinglaw

DOORSTEP VISITATION

Today – Lanny and Vicki Sink
Next Sunday – Aaron Whitfield

USHERS

Today – Rocky Hedrick (Head)
Jeff McCrary, Jeff Mendenhall,
Richard Mendenhall, Chris Michael
Next Sunday – Rocky Hedrick (Head)
Duff Michael, Charlie Minter,
Kent Nifong, Nathan Nifong

INFANT NURSERY

Today – Parenting Nursery
Next Sunday – Parenting Nursery

TODDLER NURSERY

Today – Debbie Wood & Reida Snyder
Next Sunday – Jennifer Kurtzman and
Reida Snyder

CHILDREN’S CHURCH

Today – Wendy Talley and
Danielle Herron
Next Sunday – Tina Fulcher and
Karri Hollingsworth

EARLY SERVICE NURSERY

Today – Dawn Essick
Next Sunday – Cindy Leonard

SAFE SANCTUARY

Children remain in the Sanctuary during Worship or with our trained teachers in Children’s Church. Children are not permitted to sit in empty classrooms or roam the hall without adult supervision.

MISSION OFFERINGS

First Sunday - **Community Mission Offering**
Second Sunday - **Macaroni & Cheese and Sugar Offering**
Third & Fourth Sundays - **Breakfast Cereal for Greater Things Outreach Center**
Fifth Sunday – **Crisis Ministry Cash Offering**

RECENT JOYS TO BE THANKFUL FOR:

- We had a good night at Pickin' & Grinnin' with 177 in attendance and raising \$511 from the offering for the Genesis House Family Shelter and another \$395 from the meal for the P&G Fund. We so appreciate the talented musicians each month that donate their time and talents to make this possible. Next time we gather on January 31 and our Mission Focus will be Davidson Medical Ministries.

PRAY FOR OUR MISSIONARIES!

- Dan and Shannon Maloy (with CRU on College Campuses in the low country) – Lord willing, we're leading the Cru summer mission to Ecuador in 2019! In addition to partnering with national Cru staff to launch long-term movements in the country, we'll prayerfully explore whether Ecuador will be an ongoing sending location for our campuses. Please pray for us as we begin to recruit our team, go to team leader training in January, and plan all aspects of the mission over the Spring semester. We also need pray that the logistics involved in taking our children overseas for 6 weeks will all work out!
- Josh and Kristie Aberle – Thank you so much for your love and support over the last year! We are so excited to reconnect with many of you over the next few months and are so grateful for your partnership in reaching the B people and other unreached peoples of SE Asia. Please be in prayer for our family during this transition to another area in SE Asia and for all the logistics involved in this international move involving three different countries.
- Dustin and Faith Minter – Prayers that we can learn and grow together as a team and all be known by His love throughout Bitola, Macedonia. Prayers for our continued transition of moving to another country, language and cultural acquisition and that God's peace extends to all borders around us and no matter what the decision around the name change is – that His love is known.

On Going Prayer Concerns for January 6:

- Bob Wagner
- Kathy Johnson Tollie (J C Johnson's Daughter)
- Elwood Blackmon
- Brian Grubb (Joy Jones's Brother)
- Kim Dorton
- Marlene Wood
- Margaret Story
- Randy Story
- Kathy Kepley – Home
- Rick Moser
- Katy Culler
- Nancy Lanier
- Jerry (Doc)Cecil (Rita Wood's Brother)
- Kitty Minter
- Jean Teague (Martha Varner's Sister)
- Chris Briggs (Wayne Briggs's Brother)
- Bryan Martin (Donna Muraco's Son-in-Law)
- Mark Connell (Faye Sambleson's Brother)
- Paul Stevens (Steve and Molly Long's Friend)

KAIROS PRISON MINISTRY

Kairos is our prison ministry. Search your hearts and pray for our participants. Give your donations to help this powerful ministry. Donation buckets will be placed at each side of the Narthex. Please make checks payable to CUMC with Kairos in the memo. \$5.00 meal tickets will be sold up until February 27. We need to collect as many cookies as we can from Sunday School Classes and groups who are willing to bake to take to the prison. Pastor Eddie has Arcadia UMC helping to meet this important goal. Thank you now for giving and participating in the ministry.

PLEASE NOTE ALL UNCLAIMED ITEMS:

Unclaimed items left in the Christian Fellowship Center are under the tables across from stoves: crock pots, casserole dishes, plates and containers. Please check to see if any items belong to you. Unclaimed coats left in the CFC for a year or longer are in a box in the CFC coat closet.

SHUT-INS AT HOME

Ann Clodfelter
Dot Craver
Mozelle Koontz
Sherry Lanier

Charles and Bonnie Minter
Bruce and Betty Regan
Treavie Weaver

REST HOMES/ASSISTED LIVING

Marian Funderburk – Arbor Acres
Don Grubb – Grayson Creek, Room 203
Joy Jones – Patriot Living
Tony Koontz – Spring Arbor, Room 204
Bill Lanier – Brookdale Lexington, 161 Young Drive, Room 409, Lexington, NC 27292
Nancy Marlow (Lisa Bates' Mother)

IN THE MILITARY

Aaron Kepley

Aaron Lineberry

THE FLOWER CALENDAR

Please fill in the Sundays you will be putting flowers on the Altar. The information for the Sunday bulletin should be given to Joyce Rector by email cumcw.aa@gmail.com, by note or by phone (336-731-6616) the week before the flowers are to be placed in the church.

2019 CALENDAR IS ON THE BULLETIN BOARD!

Let's get off to a good start for 2019 with filling in dates for Sundays now! Thanks a lot!

Your help in this ministry is most appreciated.

DAILY UPDATES

Please check e-news for updates on joys, concerns, and announcements. If you do not receive daily e-news, contact Henrietta Hayes to be added at hhayes.eneews@gmail.com or cumcw.churchenews@gmail.com

**SUNDAY BULLETIN DEADLINE
WEDNESDAY AT 9:00 AM**

THIS WEEK AT CENTER

Sunday (January 6)

7:30 AM UMM (CFC)
8:45 AM CenTered Worship (CFC)
10:00 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Worship Service
4:00 PM Youth Council Meeting (FH)
6:00 PM Youth (CFC)
7:00 PM Cub Scouts

Monday (January 7)

2-5:00 PM Meals of Love (CFC Kitchen)
7:00 PM Boy Scouts

Tuesday (January 8)

12:00 Noon Chamber of Commerce (FH)

Wednesday (January 9)

6:00 PM Praise Team
6:30 PM Youth (MoJoe's)
6:30 PM Children's Choir Practice
7:00 PM Chancel Choir Practice

Thursday (January 10)

8:30-10:30 Chamber of Commerce Event (FH)
6:15-8:00 PM AHG (Basement) Parents (FH)

Friday (January 11)

4:00 PM AHG Lock-In (CFC)

Saturday (January 12)

8:00 AM AHG Lock-In Ends (CFC)
9:00 AM-9:00 PM Deana Tiller (CFC)
All Day First Aid Training (FH)

Next Sunday (January 13)-Commissioning Team

8:45 AM CenTered Worship (CFC)
10:00 AM Sunday School
11:00 AM Worship Service
5:00 PM COM Meeting (FH)
6:00 PM Admin. Board Meeting (FH)
6:00 PM Youth
7:00 PM Cub Scouts

2019 GIVING ENVELOPES

Be sure to pick up your 2019 giving envelopes located in the Narthex if you have not done so already. Please begin using them now for the new year of 2019. Thank you.

MEMORY AND HONOR

In Memory of Brent Stabler

Budget Fund
Kay Wagner

In Honor of Elwood Blackmon

Budget Fund
Goodwill Sunday School Class

UMW MEETING-TUESDAY, JAN. 8

Please join our United Methodist Women on Tuesday, January 8, as they begin a new year of serving our Lord. Light refreshments will be provided by Angie Leonard and Heather Noel in the Fellowship Hall beginning at 6:45 PM. Cindy Leonard will open our 7:00 PM meeting with devotions, and Debbie Williams will lead our program. Our Community Outreach project for January is canned food for local food banks and shelters. We hope to see each of you! Ladies, please bring your 2019 reference guide with you. If you did not get one at our December gathering, there will be one for you.

JOY KIDS LOCK-IN FRIDAY, JANUARY 18- 5:00 PM TO SATURDAY, JANUARY 19 - 7:30 AM.

This event is for 3rd - 5th graders. Children will need to pack a bag for a sleepover and bring sleeping bags, pillows and bible.

Please RSVP to 336 239 0844 so that we can plan accordingly for supervision and possible transportation. You may also contact the above number for any questions.



JAMAICA TEAM COMMISSIONING SERVICE

The Jamaica Team will be commissioned on Sunday, January 13, in the 11:00 Worship Service. Those being commissioned are as follows: Scottie Anderson, Mike & Kim Craver, Meena Evans, Steve Long, Chris Michael, Charlie Minter, Heather Noel, Karen Stutzman & Aaron Whitfield. They will leave January 16 and return January 30. They will be working at Bethuel Methodist Church in Grateful Hill, Jamaica. Let's be sure to keep them in our prayers.

CPR & First Aid Training Saturday, January 12, at 9:00 AM

American Heritage Girls Troop NC2911 is sponsoring CPR/First Aid training on Saturday, January 12, at 9:00 AM. (It will run at least to 12 Noon) This event is open to church members and to the community at large so please spread the word. Cost is \$50.00 and pre-registration is required. To register or for questions, please contact Charlotte Crofts at chcrofts@wakehealth.edu or 336-816-2369.



SPREADING WARMTH AND LOVE

Puerto Rico Mission Trip will be here soon. Please consider taking an envelope from the display board and donating to this cause. Our youth are excited to be able to spread the love of God through this ministry.

Due to snow and other changes, the display will be up until January 13. All donations can be placed in the offering plate in the envelopes provided.

