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#### November & December 2025

### Newsletter of Mount Carmel Global Methodist Church



#### Mount Carmel Methodist Church

Our Vision Statement: "Mt. Carmel seeks to be a place of new beginnings, unified in the character and love of Jesus Christ."

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#### **NEWSLETTER**

The newsletter will continue to be mailed and emailed. The newsletter deadline is the 20th of Feb., Apr., Jun., Aug., Oct. & Dec. You can email your article at office@mountcarmelmethodist.org

#### **NEW PHONE SYSTEM**

We now have gone cellular! Church: 336-788-4183 Pastor Mary Miller: 336-788-1013 You can now easily leave messages or even leave a text message.

#### **UPDATE:WORSHIP SERVICES**

8:45 am = Adult Sunday School 9:30 am = Kid's Church 10:00 am = Worship Service 11:30 am = Youth Bible Study 11:30 am=Young Adults Fellowship

We will continue to do our live messages from Pastor Mary via Facebook Sundays at **10am.** Follow us on Facebook at

www.facebook.com/ mountcarmelmethodistchurch Mount Carmel Methodist Church. Web-site: https:// mountcarmelmethodist.org LOOK!

Our email address: office@mountcarmelmethodist.org



November 5, 2025



From the Pastor's Desk: "Home For the Holidays"

I agreed to meet a person to purchase a handmade item on Facebook marketplace the other day. The woman could not meet me but sent her husband instead. She gave me a description of the car he was driving, assured me that he was as harmless as a great big "teddy bear." I met him in the afternoon of a very busy store parking lot to retrieve the item. But while I was waiting, the woman messaged me. She apparently looked me up on my Facebook profile. She asked, "Are you a pastor?" I replied, "Well yes I am."

I then asked her, "Are you a Christian?" She replied, "Yes!" That opened the door of my continued conversation with her on Facebook messenger. After I retrieved my purchase from her husband (he was a great big "teddy bear" by the way), it left me with a several prayer points.

First, let's give thanks and treasure the gift to be a part of the family of God. When the woman on Facebook messenger shared with me she had faith in Christ, I felt a kindred spirit – the Holy Spirit – who reminded me of the joy we share when we discover we are a part of the same family of God. I felt that kinship with that woman in the first minute of our conversation. My late friend and prayer partner Sandy Blackburn never knew a stranger when it came to visiting churches. She used to introduce herself to fellow believers and say, "The Holy Spirit in me recognizes the Holy Spirit in you!" That's what it is like to belong in the family of God.

Second, let's boldly invite others to make their home in the family of God. There are many people wandering around without a church home. At one point in our conversation, the woman shared how she had been active in church for many years but due to her health challenges she was unable to attend anymore. She indicated that the two of them feel pretty isolated not being in a church home. I invited her to join us for worship on our Mt. Carmel Methodist Church Facebook page this Sunday. She said she would try to do that. I closed our conversation with "I will be praying for you and your husband." She was very touched by that gesture. Prayer is free, and yet we so often forget how powerful it is to stop and pray for people especially those who don't have a prayer!

Third, let's humbly work at it to make a way for others who are lost or broken to come back to the family of God. At one point in the conversation the woman confessed, "We left the church we were attending over some differences we had at the time, but we really do need to find a church home." As I heard that my heart was grieved for them and many other Christians who were once active disciples but now have left the church. I realize this is not just a one-sided story. We must all confess our part in losing touch with our inactive brothers or sisters, and even more pray for forgiveness if we have been the cause of someone leaving. If you have been offended by someone in the church and you are a believer, please ask the Holy Spirit to help you forgive that person so you can have joy in your life again. The devil succeeds if he can keep people out of church and out of healthy relationships with one another.

Christians were not made to be without a church home. The Church is our earthly home until we reach our heavenly home. Jesus knew we would need a church home to be able to do what He has called us all to do – make disciples. Jesus established His Church to be His visible body on earth. In Matthew 16:18 we are given the street address and the house number to our home base. Jesus said to Peter, "I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it."

November Birthdays			December Birthdays		
1	Kerry Carroll	7	Pauline Mbae		
3	Thomas Shillito	9	Alexandria Bowman		
5	McKenzie Shutt		Kim Gordon Hutchins		
8	Matthew Brown	10	James Shore		
9	Brenda Nifong		Nia Dunson		
12	Amy Moore Houck	11	Sue Ayers		
	L.A. Topping		Alex O'Shields		
	Sarah DeNito	12	Keith Starling		
13	Lillian Garris		Shon Grimsley Saunders		
14	Vicky White Smothers	15	Linda Mabe		
15	Linda McDaniel		Christian Miller		
16	Jean Harris	16	Greg Glass		
40	Frank Perry	17	Lisa Yates		
18	J.C. Wilson	18	Jane Beeding		
	Jessica Nelson		Carlacy White		
22	Dennis Irungu	21	Marchelle Ann Proctor		
23	Justin Spach		Scott Ray		
25	Laurie Brown	23	Patty Doyle		
30	Peggy Simmons Linda Sholtz	26	Derek Cranford		
30	Liliua Siloitz	200	Beatrice Muriungi		
Doc	ember	28	Madison Newberry		
1	Madison Garris	29	Caren Morgan Steve Dillon		
2	Ginger Frye	30	Debbie Pope Reeps		
4	Caitlin Garris	31	Kristin North		
-	Sandy Robertson	31	MISHII NOLLII		
5	Vivian Purcell				
6	Tina Kimball				
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#### Gifts Given to the Glory of God

#### **Graveyard Fund**

In Memory of JoAnn Shields

From: National Wild Turkey Federation

Women of Grace Nina Livengood Melinda Matthews The Floras

Sharon Applegate & James G. Scott

Chestnut Grove Church Ken & Lois Shields

#### General Fund

In Memory of Penny Garris

Jackie Messick Patsy Forester The Meltons

Jerry & Janet Fox Turner Doug & Lenora Lawler Five Star Management

Wynstar

Rev. Dr. Mary Miller

#### Youth Fund

In Memory of Faye Craver From: Rev. Dr. Mary Miller Ken & Lois Shields

Bruce Elledge Fund

In Memory of Bruce Elledge

Mr. & Mrs. R. C. Koontz



"What then can I give Him, poor as I am, If I were a shepherd, I would bring a lamb. If I were a wise man, I would do my part.

Yet - what can I give him?

I give him my heart."

—In The Bleak Midwinter, vs. 4 Christina Rossetti, (1872)

#### **Prayer Concerns**

#### ASSISTED LIVING

**Hilda Hege** (Heritage Woods, 3812 Forestgate Dr, Winston-Salem 27103)

#### **Bob & Elizabeth Kuyper**

(Heritage Woods, 3812 Forestgate Dr., Winston-Salem 27103)

#### **TRELLIS**

Eddie Darnell (*Trellis, Room* 23, 101 Hospice Ln, Winston -Salem, NC 27103)

#### **HOMEBOUND**

June Carroll
Joe & Jill Chucci
Danny & Vickie Cranford
Wanda Gordon
Larry Essex
Don Linebach
Richard Long
Tammy Moore
L.A. & Jean Topping
Lou Ann Whitlow
Bill & Vivian Purcell

#### **CHILDREN**

Baby Ophelia Timmons Baby Noah Tripp Baby Christopher Wingate

#### SURGERY/RECOVERY

Florence Adams (Hip) Beverly Miller (Knee)

#### ILLNESS/INJURY

Ron Adams
Bobbie Darnell
Rev. Lee & Evelyn Ellis
Jason Gentry
Josh Harris
Lynn Harmon
Cindy Jones
Linda McDaniel
Kenny Misenheimer
Mitch & Marcell Proctor
Rev. Jim Stalnaker
Larry Vanhoy

#### **DEATHS**

Jim Wheeler

Jim Turner (9/6/25)
Penny Garris (9/17/25)

#### **OTHER**

- Mt Carmel—witness, ministries, finances, joy!
- · Students & Teachers
- School safety (violence)
- Ukraine & Russia (war)
- Israel & Gaza (war)
- Persecuted World Church
- Forsyth Cty Prison Ministry
- Homeless esp. children
- Peace in our country
- Rev. Doug Miller, Revs. JF & Kari Howard & NC GMC Mission Team to Uganda on Nov 5-17th.



### Wednesday Morning Prayer & Bible Study

10:30am-12:00pm in the Church Parlor

November-December Book Study:

"Faith & Fire: Elijah" by Priscilla Shirer
\$16.99 on www.christianbook.com

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#### TRANSFERRED TO THE CHURCH TRIUMPHANT

#### Frances "Penny" Marie Garris September 13, 1947 – September 17, 2025

Frances (Penny) Garris, 78, of Clemmons, NC, wife of William (Bill) Earl Garris, passed away peacefully at the Kate B. Reynolds Hospice Care Center in Winston-Salem, NC on Wednesday, September 17, 2025, surrounded by her children and grandchildren. She was born September 13, 1947, in Winston Salem, NC to John T. and Ada S. Forester. Penny Graduated from North Forsyth High School in 1966 and went on to marry her high school sweetheart, Bill, on February 25, 1967. They were married for over 57 years and had two sons.

North Forsyth High School in 1966 and went on to marry her high school sweetheart, Bill, on February 25, 1967. They were married for over 57 years and had two sons, four granddaughters and seven great grandchildren. They were in the US Air Force and lived in Goldsboro, NC throughout their term and then returned to Winston Salem, NC.

Penny was a wonderful wife, mother and loving lady. She worked as an administrative assistant during her career, retiring at age 50. After retirement, she volunteered as a worker for The Sheppard's Center for several years.

She loved the beach, and family traveled there very often. In 2008 they purchased a home at Surfside Beach and lived there for about 16 years, and she walked her 2-mile beach walk every day until her illness started. Due to her illness, they returned to NC to a home in Clemmons to be near family, friends and doctors.

Penny is survived by her two sons, Jeffrey Wayne and wife Carol and Brian Craig Garris, her four grandchildren, Madison Nicole and husband Jesse Martinez, Lauren Gabrielle and husband Kealand Dirks, Caitlin Mckenna and husband Zach Spach and Lillian Grace Garris. Her seven Great Grandchildren Violet Elaine Martinez, August Mavrick and Holland Rose Dirks, Hudson Roy, Amelia Mckenna, Sadie Lee and Cooper Wayne Spach. She is also survived by her brother Ken Forester and wife Karen. In addition, numerous nieces and nephews. Penny was dedicated to her sons and grandchildren. Providing transportation everywhere everyday, she was their taxi. She loved being active with the grandchildren. Many memories were created over the years. She loved animals and always had a pet dog and, on occasion, a cat. She loved them so much. She loved the beach, and it became a valued part of her life. She and the family were constantly traveling back and forth. Penny was a gentle loving lady with kind words to all that she met in life.

Please consider a donation to Mount Carmel Global Methodist Church at 4265 Ebert Rd, Winston-Salem, NC 27127. Mary Miller (Pastor) provided incredible support during Penny's final days, and the family will be forever grateful to her and to Kate B. Reynolds Hospice Center for the excellent care that they provided to Penny.

James "Jim" Marshall Turner Dec. 31, 1936 – Sept. 6, 2025



James "Jim" Marshall Turner, 88, of Winston-Salem, passed away on Saturday, September 6, 2025. He was born on December 31, 1936, to the late Bruce Wilson Turner and Frances Jones Turner.

Jim was a well-known local businessman, owning and operating Triangle Campers and Jileke Gun Store. He had a passion for woodworking, hunting, and fishing, and was a past president of the Winston-Salem Craft Guild. He proudly served in the Army National Guard and was an active member of both the Woodmen of the World and the Travelers Protective Association.

A devoted member of Mt. Carmel Methodist Church, Jim was involved in the Men's Club and was especially known for cooking at the church's annual BBQ fundraiser—an event he cherished.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Margaret "Jeanette" Turner; sisters, Carol Turner Forrest and Elizabeth Neeley Turner; a brother-in-law, Herman Cartner; and a sister-in-law, Coleen Peacock.

Left to honor his memory are his son, Alex Turner (Patricia); brother, Bruce Steven Turner (Hilda); a sister, Mary "Polly" Turner Hilton; grandchildren, Rodolfo Rivera, Micaela Rivera, and Camila Rafizadeh (Camron); greatgranddaughter, Vivienne Rafizadeh; several nieces and nephews; his cousin and dear friend, Johnny Scott Turner (Eva); and a sister-in-law, Carolyn Cartner.

A funeral service was held at on Friday, September 12, 2025, at Hayworth-Miller Silas Creek Chapel. A private family committal was held at Parklawn Memorial Park.







Those being remembered are: Danny Frye (12/12/24), Roger Gordon ((3/14/25), Ruby Proctor (5/1/25), \*R.L. Sholtz (6/5/25), Mike Queen (7/17/25), Faye Craver (7/31/25), JoAnn Shields (8/11/25), \*Jim Turner (9/6/25) and Penny Garris (9/17/25) \*Denotes non-member

Jesus Christ, the Son of God Himself, established His Church to be our "home" base so that we would be empowered to continue His ministry, grow Christian disciples, and spread the Gospel to all nations so that everyone would have an opportunity to come home to the Father. We will never know real peace until we find our home in Him.

Now is a great time to come back home to church. On the first Sunday in November at 10am, we will be celebrating our 132nd Church Anniversary and Homecoming as a congregation. It is an annual event where current and former members, along with community members, are invited back to the church to celebrate our history, faith, and fellowship. It is also a special time where we remember our dear departed saints who have reached their heavenly home. We will continue to feast and fellowship the rest of the month as we share stories of Thanksgiving during our Harvest services in November.

But the joy of the holidays doesn't just end in November. **December is a filled with joyous opportunities to reconnect with you church home.** The church will be decorated for Christmas. We will be holding special worship services such as our **Christmas Cantata**, a **community Christmas Dinner**, and **Candlelight Christmas Eve Service**.

There is no place like home for the holidays and the "holy-days!" Don't wait for the first of the year to come back to church. Now is the time to come home. I hope you will find your way back to church and bring others with you this season. If you are in the Winston-Salem area and need a ride to church, please call the church office. For those of you who are looking for a new church home, this is a great time to be baptized and join the family of God. I'd be happy to help you make Mt. Carmel Global Methodist Church your new home.

Happy "Holy-days!" Pastor Mary Miller

## Crisis Control Items Needed for November & December

Crisis Control has a Gift of the Month. For the month of **November:** 

Baking items: Cooking oil, Baking mixes, etc.



#### For the month of December:

**Salt, pepper, cinnamon, basil, vanilla extract, etc.** If you would like to donate this item, please bring it to church and \put it in the designated box outside the church office.

#### **Thank You Notes!**

I would like to extend much appreciation and many Thank Yous for the kind words both by cards, emails and phone calls prior to and following my recent surgery. It is very good to be a member of such caring people and may God continue to bless each and everyone.

~Sincerely, C.O. Setzer

Thank you all for the special gifts, prayers, and encouraging words you presented to me during worship at Mt. Carmel Global Methodist Church on October 26th. You really surprised and blessed me for Pastor's Appreciation Day. I am very grateful to be your pastor for these past 10 years. It has been a joy to see how much God has grown all of us in our faith. I count it a joy to pray for each one of you. I am holding you all in my heart. I love you all so very much. ~Pastor Mary Miller

## NOVEMBER & DECEMBER WORSHIP SERIES: Sundays at 10:00am in person & Facebook Live

8:45am = Adult Sunday School; 9:30am = Kids Church & Nursery; 11:30am = Youth Bible Study; Young Adult Fellowship



NOV. 2 – HOMECOMING SUNDAY - Guest Speaker: Kari Howard / Praise Team & Choir

NOV. 9 – "THE LAW OF THE HARVEST" (2 Corinthians 9:6-11) / Pastor Mary Miller/Choir

**NOV. 16 – "THE LABORERS OF THE HARVEST"** (Matthew 9:35-38) / Pastor Mary Miller/Praise Team

NOV. 23 – STEWARDSHIP CONSECRATION & HOLY COMMUNION SUNDAY – "THE LORD OF THE HARVEST" (John 4:31-38) / Pastor Mary Miller / Choir



NOV 31 – 1st SUNDAY OF ADVENT: "O HOLY NIGHT: THE THRILL OF HOPE" (Luke 1:5-20) / Pastor Mary Miller / Praise Team (3pm: Service of Remembrance and Preparation for Advent)

DEC 7 – 2<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT & HOLY COMMUNION: "O HOLY NIGHT: THE THRILL OF PEACE" (Luke 1:26-38)/Pastor Mary Miller / Choir

DEC 14 – 3<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT (Christmas Cantata)
DEC 21 – 4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT: "O HOLY NIGHT: THE
THRILL OF JOY" (Luke 1:39-45) / Pastor Mary Miller / Choir
DEC 24 -CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE: "O HOLY NIGHT: THE
THRILL OF LOVE" (Luke 2:1-20) / Pastor Mary Miller / Choir
DEC 28 -1<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS: LOVE FEAST PRAYER SERVICE FOR THE NEW YEAR / Worship & Praise Team



Join us at 10am in the Family Life Center on Dec. 4, 2025

Are you ready for Christmas! It will be here before you know it! Our last meeting of the will be a Christmas Party at 10:00 am on December 4 in the Family Life Center. We voted on everyone bringing finger foods and coffee and sodas will be provided. We will talk about what we might want to do for our 4 meetings in 2026, so please bring your ideas! Also bring a gift in the amount of \$10-15 and we'll play Dirty Santa. Come and bring a friend to join in the fun. It will be good to get together again! ~ Diane Harmon



Sundays at 8:45am = Adult Sunday School Sundays at 9:30am = Nursery & Kids Church (PreK-5th) Sundays at 10am = Main Worship Celebration Sundays at 11:30am = Middle/High Bible Study Sundays at 11:30am = Young Adult Fellowship Mondays @ 6:00pm = BSA Scout Ministry Monday-Fridays @ 3-6pm during school days: Sherman Academy After School Care Meets in the Discovery/Youth Room

#### **NOVEMBER CALENDAR:**

Nov. 2 = 7:30 am = NO Men's Breakfast

Nov. 2 = 8:45/9:30am = Sunday School/Kid's Church/10am = Worship

& /11:30 am= Youth Bible Study (DR)/Young Adult Fellowship (P)

Nov. 4 = 6:00 pm = Children & Youth Meeting (DR)

Nov. 5 = 10:30 am = Bible Study/Prayer Group (P)

Nov. 5 = 5:30 pm = Messy Church (FLC)

Nov. 6 = 4:00 pm = Choir Rehearsal (S)

Nov. 7 = 6:00 pm = Friday Night Jamboree at Trinity Methodist Church

Nov. 9 = 8:45/9:30am =Sunday School/Kid's Church/10am = Worship &

Choir/11:30am = Youth Bible Study (DR)/Young Adult Fellowship (P)

Nov. 12 = 10:30am = Bible Study/Prayer Group (P)

Nov. 12 = 5:30 pm = Dinner Church (FLC) - Pancake Supper—Men's Group Fundraiser for their missions

Nov. 12 = 6:30pm = Grief Share "Surviving the Holidays" (P)

Nov. 13 = 3:00 pm = Praise Band Rehearsal (S) / 4:00pm = Choir (S)

Nov. 16 = 8:45/9:30am =Sunday School/Kid's Church/10am = Worship &

Praise Team/11:30 am=Youth Bible Study (DR)/Young Adult Fellowship (P)

Nov. 16 = 1:00 pm = Youth Outing ~Laser Tag

Nov. 18 = 9:30 am = North Lake HOA (FLC)

Nov. 19 = 10:30am = Bible Study/Prayer Group (P)

Nov. 23 = 8:45/9:30/10 am = Sunday School/Kids Church/Worship & Holy

Communion/Choir/11:30 am = Youth Bible Study (DR)/Young Adults (P)

Nov. 23 = 12pm = Emmaus/Chrysalis Reunion Group Lunch (FLC)

Nov. 23 = 2:00 pm = Communion Teams

Nov. 29 = 10:00 am = Women of Grace Christmas Decorating

Nov. 29 = 12:00 pm = Darrell Stallard Family Event (FLC)

Nov. 30 = 8:45/9:30am =Sunday School/Kid's Church/10am = Worship &

Choir/11:30am = Youth Bible Study (DR)/Young Adult Fellowship (P)

#### **DECEMBER CALENDAR:**

Dec. 3= 10:30am = Prayer Group/5:30 pm = Messy Church (FLC)

Dec. 4 = 11:30 pm = Women of Grace ~ Christmas Lunch

Dec. 4,11 = 4:00pm = Choir (S)

Dec. 5 = 6-9:00 pm = Friday Night Jamboree at Trinity Methodist Dec. 7 = 7:30 am = Men's Breakfast (FLC) /8:45/9:30/10 am= Sun-

day School/Kid's Church/Worship/Choir/11:30am = Youth Bible Study (DR)/Young Adult Study (P) 2pm = Communion Teams

Dec. 7 = 1:00 pm = SPRC Meeting (P)

Dec. 10 = 10:30am = Prayer Group

Dec. 14 = 8:45/9:30am = Sunday School/Kid's Church/10am = Worship & Choir/11:30am = Youth Bible Study (DR)/Young Adult Fellowship (P) 11:30 am = Youth Bible Study and Lunch (DR)/Young Adult Fellowship (P)

Dec. 14 = 10:00 am Worship ~ Christmas Cantata—"Christmas

Presence"; 11:30am = Choir Party (FLC)

Dec. 16 = 9:30 am = North Lake HOA (FLC)

Dec. 17 = 10:30am = Prayer Group

Dec. 17 = 5:30 pm = Dinner Church (FLC) - Annual Christmas Dinner ~ Menu: Ham, Turkey, Mashed Potatoes, Sweet Potato Casse-

role, Green Beans, Roll and Dessert

Dec. 18 = 3:00 pm = Praise Band Rehearsal (S)

Dec. 20 = 1:00 pm = Harp Reunion (FLC)

Dec. 21 = 8:45/9:30/10 am = Sunday School/Kid's Church/Worship/

Choir/11:30am = Youth Bible Study (DR)/Young Adults (P)

Dec 24 = 7:00 pm = Christmas Eve Candlelight Service/communion Dec. 28 = 8:45/9:30am =Sunday School/Kid's Church/10am = Worship/Praise Team/11:30am=Youth Bible Study/Young Adults (P)

\*Please contact PEGGY SIMMONS or JOANNE SPETZ at the church office to reserve your event on the church calendar.









#### WOMEN OF GRACE NEWS! Photos: Craft Day (10/4)

We held our annual Craft Day October 4 with 23 attendees. All thoroughly enjoyed their time of crafting and fellowship. Weill be on the calendar for October 2026!

Christmas is coming! We will sponsor a decoration day November 29 beginning at 10:00 am. We need you to come and help us that day. It takes many hands to get it all done!!

Our mission project for December will be providing breakfast for the staff of Flatrock Middle School.

There will not be regular meetings in November and December. Instead, we will plan to meet for lunch on Thursday, December 4 at a restaurant. Watch for further details.

A survey has been sent to all the ladies of the church requesting information from you concerning the Women of Grace. Please consider answering the questions and returning to me, Laurie, or the office to hope us plan future meetings. —Brenda Walburn, Women of Grace President

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#### Church Budget for Sept—Oct (as of October 30, 2025):

(Our weekly budget is \$4,904)

Our weekly budget is \$4,904.00

9/07/25	\$	905.00
9/14/25	\$	1,110.00
9/21/25	\$	4,103.00
9/28/25	\$	3,290.00
Sept. on-line	giving \$	2,583.00
		\$11,991.00
10/05/25	\$	6,083.00
10/12/25	\$	1,480.00
10/19/25	\$	2,850.00
10/26/25	\$	7,070.00
October onlin	e giving \$	675.70
Total	\$	18,158.70

As of 10/29/25 our budget is \$212,510 and our YTD offerings are \$144,790. We are currently behind our YTD budget vs. YTD offerings by \$67,720. As of 10/30/25 vs, the same period this year we are #59,246 behind YTD budget vs YTD offerings. Our actual expenses to date are \$201,541 and our income to date is \$144,790 for a difference of -\$56,751. All bills for October have been paid. If you are away, you can now give on our secure website at https://mountcarmelmethodist.org/giving. Thank you for your faithful support of our church ministries. If you have any questions, let me know. —Darrell Stallard, Treasurer

#### Trinity Global Methodist Church 3819 Country Club Rd, W-S Rev. Douglas Miller, Pastor

Friday Night Jamboree

1st Friday of each month at 6-9pm



Trinity Methodist Church on 3819 Country Club Rd

## Walk to HE UPPER ROOM.

REUNION GROUPS: We will still host our monthly Emmaus/ Chrysalis Reunion Group on the 4th Sundays of each month at 12pm in the Family Life Center. Our next gatherings will be Nov. 23 & Dec. 21. Save the date: Men's Emmaus Walk (March 12-15, 2026) & Women's Walk (March 19-22, 2026).

#### **GROW IN GOD'S WORD: DISCIPLESHIP OPPORTUNITIES**



# Youth Bible Studu

Middle & High School Age with Pastor Josh Lineberry
Meets in the Discover Room behind FLC

## YOUNGADULT MINISTRY

## LAUNCH

Ages 18-29

Beginning in September at Mt. Carmel! Sundays @ 11:30am-12:30pm in the Parlor

#### **Merry Christmas**

From the Ministry Staff at

Mt. Carmel Global

Methodist Church

**Methodist Church** 

Pastor Mary Miller,

Joanne Spetz, Carlacy White, Erin East,

<mark>Ann</mark> Farthing, Beverly Miller, Monica Stewart,

Josh Lineberry, Darrell Stallard, Lin Jones

#### **New Things Happenings at Church!**



#### **Missions**

I think Fall has finally arrived! We all have enjoyed the beautiful colors of the leaves but are probably not enjoying the colder weather. It's hard to believe that the end of 2025 is so near. We have had many mission opportunities this year and we are grateful for the good support of the congregation. From the bibles and funds for bibles for Uganda taken to the Global Methodist Conference, to the school supplies and donations for them, and candy for the community Easter egg hunt and Trunk or Treat events you all have stepped up to help support those needs! We are grateful!



Christmas Food Boxes Our December Mission Project



We have one more big Mission project this year and that is the Christmas Food Boxes. We have made them for the last few years and they have been a blessing to those families in need. We plan on doing 15 again this year. 10 will go to Kimmel Farm Elementary to families they feel are in the greatest need and 5 will go to families of our community. We need your help to accomplish this! With the cost of groceries continuing to go up, we are estimating that the cost for each box will be around \$75.00. If you would like to donate to this cause, please note on the memo line on your check "Christmas Food Boxes". We will have one more 5th Sunday Mission Bucket offering on November 30th and that offering will go towards the Food Boxes also. This year we are just asking for money and the mission team will do the shopping.

Thank you for your continued support! ~ Diane Harmon, Missions Chair









#### **Church Activities**



Welcome new members Cassie Dodson, Bridgett Koenig, Josh and Diane Lineberry, and Cassie Dodson! Pastors Mary Miller and Josh Lineberry had the joy of baptizing one of our youth Cassie Dodson, and renewing the baptisms of Bridgett Koenig and Diane Lineberry on September 21, 2025. All four joined the church as full members. We are blessed to see new families joining Mt. Carmel!



Above: Diane Lineberry & Bridget Koenig renewing their baptism. Right: Cassie Dotson being baptized on 9/21/25.







June Carroll celebrated her 95th birthday in August. She is our oldest members at Mt. Carmel with lots of memories to share of her time teaching the children's Sunday School in an attic classroom in the old church building. Next to June is June with C.O. Setzer, and on the right is another one of older members, Pastor Mary and Hilda Hege enjoying a fall drive on a visit to see her son in September.



Pastor Mary receiving a special gift from the church for Pastor Appreciation Month. We are truly blessed to have her as our pastor. She is truly loved and appreciated!







Scenes from the Youth Yard Sale on October 18, 2025

## CHILDREN \*YOUTH \* FAMILY

#### A message from Josh Lineberry (Youth Director)

Things have been really busy here lately with the youth. But we would not have it any other way. We went to Hamptonville for the Alpha and Omega Corn Maze, which was absolutely fantastic. It was nice to have a bus full, plus a car to follow.

We had a fantastic Church Yard Sale, and was able to by the grace of God raise over \$800 for our youth funds. We had a Lock-In, where we stayed up until 3am to work on yard sale items, but we had time to have a wonderful fire-pit outside in the parking lot.

We have one event planned for November so far. We plan on going to Burlington for a laser tag/rage room event on November 16<sup>th</sup>. We also have some Christmas events coming up we are looking forward to.

One of my personal favorite ministries is Watchmen of the Streets, a homeless ministry based in Charlotte. The leader/owner is my old youth pastor and still is my current mentor. We hope to plan a Tuesday night where the teenagers do not have school in Wednesday to ride down there and help with the homeless ministry. I have found once they see how things are, it teaches them a great lesson in humility.

Bible Study wise, we have started the Book of Revelation. We just finished up the 7 churches, and will be starting how things will be in the "End-Times" over the next few weeks. Personally, I have been blessed by the questions they have been asking, because it shows me the gears turning in their hearts and heads.

Continue to pray for us as a unit. Both the youth and the leaders. We have seen first-hand attacks by the enemy to take our hearts away from Christ. If you would like to provide a meal for our youth on Sundays at noon, please let me or Candice White know.



Our new Young Adult Bible Class that started in September that meets in the Parlor at 11:30 am.



The children in Children's Church at 9:30 am with Leslie Olmsted and Josh Lineberry, our Youth Director.



The youth group attended Faithfest along with 20k other worshippers in Wilkesboro on September 12, 2025.

#### **Our New Bus!**



Left: Our children carving pumpkins for their Messy Church craft on October 1.



The children and youth had fun at the Alpha and Omega Corn Maze in Hamptonville on October 11, 2025. They are really enjoying the use of our new church bus!





1st Wednesdays of the month at 5:30pm-6:30pm
Join us for some holiday fun on Nov. 5th, Dec.3rd
2026: Jan. 7, Feb. 4, March 4, April 1, May 6th, June 3rd
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