

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, February 15

6:00AM to 2:00PM	St. Mary Ethiopian Church	Chapel
8:00AM to 5:00PM	Restoration Community Church	Gym MP
9:45AM to 10:30AM	Sunday School	FLC/Ed. Bldg.
5:00PM to 9:00PM	CLT Rising Stars Basketball	Gym
7:00PM to 8:00PM	Alcoholics Anonymous	Epworth Building

Monday, February 16

President's Day- Church Office Closed

Tuesday, February 17

2:00PM to 3:00PM	Chancel Choir Practice	Choir Room
5:00PM to 8:30PM	Quilting Ministry	Wesley Rooms 205-206
6:30PM to 8:30PM	ESL Class CPCC	Parlors

Wednesday, February 18

6:30AM to 8:30AM	Ashes To Go	Parking Lot
10:00AM to 12:00PM	Wednesday Morning Bible Study	Parlors
6:00PM to 8:00PM	Girl Scouts	Wesley Bldg.
5:00PM to 9:00PM	CLT Rising Stars Basketball	Gym
7:00PM to 8:00PM	Grounded in Gratitude	Trinity Room
8:00PM to 9:00PM	Candlelight - Narcotics Anonymous	Epworth Building

Thursday, February 19

5:00PM to 9:00PM	Quilting Ministry	Wesley Rooms 205-206
5:00PM to 12:00AM	Room In The Inn	Gym, Gym MP
6:30PM to 8:30PM	ESL Class CPCC	Parlors
7:00PM to 8:30PM	Therapy of the Soul Rehearsal	FWC

Friday, February 20

12:00AM to 6:00AM	Room In the Inn	Gym, Gym MP
7:00PM to 9:00PM	Latino Men's Meeting	Trinity Room

Saturday, February 21

8:00AM to 5:00PM	Quilting Ministry	Wesley Rooms 205-206
9:00AM to 1:00PM	African Ministry Basketball	Gym
10:00AM to 2:00PM	Latino Senior's Meeting	Trinity Room
10:00AM to 2:00PM	Girl Scouts	Epworth
12:00PM to 1:00PM	African Ministry Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
12:00PM to 9:00PM	St. Mary Ethiopian Church	Chapel
1:00PM to 3:00PM	Girl Scouts	Susanna Wesley Bldg.
2:00PM to 6:00PM	RCC Children and Youth Play Day	Gym

Sunday, February 22

6:00AM to 2:00PM	St. Mary Ethiopian Church	Chapel
8:00AM to 5:00PM	Restoration Community Church	Gym MP
12:00PM to 1:00PM	Contemporary Service Task Force	Trinity Room
12:00PM to 8:00PM	Enlace Dominicano	Gym, Kitchen, MP
7:00PM to 8:00PM	Alcoholics Anonymous	Epworth Building

February 15, 2026

Transfiguration Sunday

Hickory Grove

United Methodist Church



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Welcome! If you are new or visiting, please fill out a Connection Card located in the back of the pew or chair and place it in the offering plate or give it to an usher so we can connect!

This Order of Worship is subject to change at the direction of THE HOLY SPIRIT!

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

Traditional Service: 9:00 AM (Sanctuary)
Sunday School for all Ages: 10:00 AM (FLC and Education Bldg.)
Contemporary Service: 11:00 AM (Family Worship Center)
African Service: 11:00 AM (Sanctuary)
Afternoon Adult Bible Study (Spanish) : 1:00 PM (FLC 2nd Floor- 203)
Latino Service: 2:00 PM (Family Worship Center)

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Daily Scripture Readings

Mon., Feb.16: Psalm 78:17-20, 52-55 Thurs., Feb. 19: Psalm 51
Tues., Feb. 17: 1 Kings 19:9-18 Fri., Feb.20 : Jonah 4:1-11
Wed., Feb. 18: Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21 Sat., Feb. 21: Matthew 18:1-7

Prayer

O God who sustains me, may my life be one long prayer of praise to you.
May I have the courage to submit myself to your will and to love your
people with all my heart. Amen.

February 8, 2026

Total Worship Attendance:152
Sunday School Attendance:37
Offering: \$11,476.68 Online Giving:\$95.68
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Prayer Requests

Church Family

Jacob Southern
Chap and Nokie Tuttle
Ronnie Oaten
Sylvia Sekle-Dueh
Gary Little
Mary Martin
Don and Linda Wigley
Sam and Rita Leggett
Kathleen Robinson
Brenda Cathey
Claudia Waddell
Pete and Nancy Scercy
Shem Logan
Margaret Norwood
Ron, Sr. and Ron, Jr. Spivey
Lana Freeman

***Bold lettering: Prayer Request
added/updated this week.**

Family and Friends

Tyrone Davis
(Stepfather of Lari and Rob
Procunier's daughter-in-law)
Matthew Stribling
(Brother of Jeff Stribling, Uncle of
Elizabeth and Jocelyn Stribling)
Orlando Brown, Myron Bullock,
Shane Clark, James George,
Horace Jeridore, Gene Jones,
Ronald Rudisill
Ricky Scott and Willie Scott
(RITI)
Barbara Frye
(Mother of Sandy Oaten)
Ryan Edwards
(Son of Jennifer Stribling's friend,
Elizabeth Edwards)
Rick Frye
(Brother of Sandy Oaten)
Carol Garrett
(Rev. Elinor Heerman's
Sister)
Lila Dye,
(Dianne Horton's mother)

Memorial Service for Linda Logan

The memorial service for Linda Logan is rescheduled to Saturday May 9th at 10am in the HGUMC Sanctuary. A reception for family and friends will take place in the Trinity Room following the service. Please continue to pray for Linda's daughter, Leigh Anna, and their family.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ashes to Go:

Ash Wednesday Feb 18 from 6:30am-8:30am in the main church parking lot, by the flag pole.

Room Above (Room in the Inn) Needs

Room Above needs your help. The next Room Above date is February 19th and volunteers are needed for specific tasks. The program could use a volunteer to be an innkeeper, people to help with set up, to provide snacks, lunches, breakfast and clean up after the event. Please contact Randy Bunnell or the church office if you are willing to help in any way!

Embracing the Uncertain: A Lenten Study for Unsteady Times (Feb 25-Apr 1)

Join Pastor Caitlin in the Trinity Room on Wednesday nights at 7pm in the Trinity Room. We'll be using Magrey DeVega's book "Embracing the Uncertain: A Lenten Study for Unsteady Times" as our guide. You are invited to purchase the book in advance via amazon, or contact the church office if you need assistance. Participants are expected to read the first chapter before our first session on February 25th.

Midday Mercies

Join United Methodists around East Charlotte for Midday Mercies, a traveling 20-30 minute worship service that will meet at different churches in our area each Wednesday throughout Lent. The service will begin at 12pm with a light lunch to follow. The schedule is as follows:

February 25 - Memorial UMC
March 4 - Commonwealth UMC
March 11 - The Vine UMC
March 18 - Cokesbury UMC
March 25 - Hickory Grove UMC

Contemporary Service Task Force

This is an open meeting for anyone interested in growing or relaunching our contemporary service. We will meet on Sunday Feb 22 in the Trinity Room after the contemporary service.

Serve at WeCare

Grow in the spiritual discipline of service by volunteering at our WeCare Food Ministry & Clothing closet throughout Lent on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of the month from 10am-12pm. During Lent, those dates are Feb 28, March 14, and March 28.

Community-Wide Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday March 28 from 2-4pm in the church courtyard. We will be collecting candy for goody bags. Please place them in the boxes in the FLC foyer and Sanctuary narthex. Please contact Jennifer Stribling or Jennifer Scoggins to learn how you can help!

9:00 AM TRADITIONAL SERVICE

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Channing Kirkpatrick

*Call to Worship

Channing Kirkpatrick

Leader: The Holy One is our sovereign.

Congregation: Let us praise God's great and awesome name!

Leader: Mighty ruler, lover of justice,

Congregation: You have established fairness among us.

*Opening Prayer

*Opening Hymn

"O Worship The King"

UMH#73

*Apostles Creed

UMH #881

*Gloria Patri

UMH #70

*Passing of the Peace

Call to Prayer

Prayers of the People

Jamie Horton

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Offering of Ourselves and Our Gifts

*Doxology

UMH#95

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

praise God, all creatures here below;

praise God above, ye heavenly host;

praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Anthem

Choir

Scripture

Matthew 17:1-9

Message

To See Christ in His Glory

Rev. Matt Smith

Closing Hymn

"Praise To The Lord The Almighty"

UMH#139

Benediction

Postlude

*please stand as you are able, in body and spirit

11:00 AM CONTEMPORARY SERVICE

*Songs	“Open Skies”	
	“Your Love Never Fails”	
Welcome and Announcements		Randy Bunnell
*Passing of the Peace		
*Song	“Firm Foundation”	
Joys and Concerns		
Prayers of the People		Fred Floyd
*Song	“The Lord Will Provide”	
Scripture	Matthew 17:1-9	
Message	To See Christ in His Glory	Rev. Matt Smith
*Song	“Glorious Day”	
Benediction		
*Dismissal with Blessing		

*Please stand as you are able, in body or spirit

You are invited to respond to God financially by giving back to God a portion of what God has given to you. Please place your offering in the plate by the FWC entrance and talk to a pastor on how you can serve. Blank Offering Envelopes are available in the foyer.

2:00 PM LATINO SERVICE

Bienvenida y Anuncios
 Salmo
 *Alabanza y Adoración
 Escritura
 Sermon y Invitación a Cristo
 Ofrenda
 *Benedición

Rev. Candido Albino

11:00 AM AFRICAN SERVICE

Lighting of the Candles		
Prelude		Hassan Sankary
Liturgist		Precious Gibson
Praise Song		Praise Team
Welcome		Precious Gibson
*Opening Prayer and Call to Worship		Blessing Tyler
Leader: The Holy One is our sovereign.		
Congregation: Let us praise God's great and awesome name!		
Leader: Mighty ruler, lover of justice,		
Congregation: You have established fairness among us.		
*Opening Hymn	“What A Friend We Have In Jesus”	UMH #526
*Apostles Creed		UMH #881
*Gloria Patri		UMH #70
Joys and Concerns		Precious Gibson
Call to Prayer/ Prayers of the People		Mya Roberts
*Passing of the Peace		
Offering		
*Doxology		UMH #95
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below; praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen		
Offertory Prayer		Sophina Nimley
Praise & Worship		Praise Team
Scripture Lesson	Matthew 17:1-9	Samuel Cooper
Selection		Choir
Sermon	"The Mountaintop Experience"	Pastor Alex-Jon Kwiagaye
Call to Christian Discipleship		Pastor Alex-Jon Kwiagaye
Announcements/Community Concerns		Jade Mitchell
Closing Song		Praise Team
*Dismissal with Blessing		
Postlude		Hassan Sankary

*please stand as you are able, in body and spirit