

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, February 8

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.
12:30PM to 1:45PM	Youth & Children Valentines Day Event	Trinity Room, Parlors
9:45AM to 12:30PM	Super Bowl Chili Fundraiser	FWC
5:00PM to 9:00PM	CLT Rising Stars Basketball	Gym
7:00PM to 8:00PM	Alcoholics Anonymous	Epworth Building

Monday, February 9

2:00PM to 3:00PM	Group Lydia Meeting	Trinity Room
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Tuesday, February 10

2:00PM to 3:00PM	Chancel Choir Practice	Choir Room
5:00PM to 8:30PM	Quilting Ministry	Wesley Rooms 205-206
6:00PM to 8:00PM	Girl Scout Meck 7 Meeting	Epworth Building
6:30PM to 8:30PM	ESL Class CPCC	Parlors
7:00PM to 8:00PM	Children and Youth Planning Meeting	Google Meet

Wednesday, February 11

9:00AM to 11:00AM	Preschool: Fit Kids	FWC
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 12

5:00PM to 9:00PM	Quilting Ministry	Wesley Rooms 205-206
5:00PM to 9:00PM	Community Sports Night	Gym
6:30PM to 8:30PM	ESL Class CPCC	Parlors
7:00PM to 8:30PM	Therapy of the Soul Rehearsal	FWC

Friday, February 13

7:00PM to 10:00PM	Latino Ministry Couples Workshop	Trinity Room
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Saturday, February 14

8:00AM to 5:00PM	Quilting Ministry	Wesley Rooms 205-206
9:00AM to 1:00PM	African Ministry Basketball	Gym
10:00AM to 12:00PM	WeCare Food Pantry	WeCare House
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.

Sunday, February 15

6:00AM to 2:00PM	St. Mary Ethiopian Church	Chapel
8:00AM to 5:00PM	Restoration Community Church	Gym MP
7:00PM to 8:00PM	Alcoholics Anonymous	Epworth Building

February 8, 2026
5th Sunday After Epiphany

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.9:Psalm 119:105-112 Thurs., Feb. 12: Psalm 2
Tues., Feb. 10: 2 Kings 23:1-8 Fri., Feb.13 : Exodus 19:9b-25
Wed., Feb. 11: John 8:12-30 Sat., Feb. 14: Mark 9:9-13

Prayer

Lord,

Forgive me when I am reluctant to engage as you call me to do.
Surround me with a faith community that encourages and challenges me
to participate in God's unfolding drama.

February 1, 2026

Offering: \$6,925.00

Please scan the QR code for online giving



Prayer Requests

Church Family

The Family and Friends of Linda Logan
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 Proconier'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

Youth and Children Valentine's Event

The youth and children will have a Valentine's Day event TODAY from 12:30 to 1:45. Lunch will be provided. Children will meet in the Trinity Room and Youth will meet in the Parlors.

Super Bowl Sunday Chili Fundraiser

The United Women in Faith will be having a fundraiser TODAY. They will be selling pints of chili for \$10 per container along with Fritos and cookies. Thank you for helping with raising funds for women, children and youth through UWF!

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

Children & Youth Planning Team Meeting

All are welcome to join us as we discuss Children & Youth ministry for 2026 on Tuesday February 10 at 7pm. Please view the weekly email for the link.

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.

9:00 AM TRADITIONAL SERVICE

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Caitlin Lai

*Call to Worship

Connie Wood

Leader: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you. Jesus proclaims, "You are the light of the world."

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

*Opening Prayer

*Opening Hymn

"My Faith Looks Up To Thee"

UMH#452

Joys and Concerns

Call to Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

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 5: 13-20

Message

Rev. Caitlin Lai

Holy Communion

UMH 12-15

Invitation, Confession and Pardon

*Passing of the Peace

The Great Thanksgiving

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Breaking the Bread

Giving the Bread and Cup

Prayer After Communion

Eternal God, we give you thanks for this Holy Mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of Your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Closing Hymn

"For The Bread Which You Have Broken"

UMH#614

Benediction

Postlude

11:00 AM CONTEMPORARY SERVICE

*Songs "Holy Spirit You Are Welcome Here"
"Evidence"

Welcome and Announcements Rev. Caitlin Lai

*Song "Stand In Your Love"

Joys and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture Matthew 5: 13-20

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Breaking the Bread "What A Beautiful Name"

Giving the Bread and Cup

*Song "Made For More"

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 Rev. Candido Albino

Holy Communion

Ofrenda

*Benedición

11:00 AM AFRICAN SERVICE

Lighting of the Candles

Prelude Hassan Sankary

Liturgist Scarlett Nimley

Praise Song Praise Team

Welcome Scarlett Nimley

*Opening Prayer and Call to Worship Lily Kamara

Leader: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you. Jesus proclaims, "You are the light of the world."

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

*Opening Hymn "O Master Let Me Walk With Thee UMH#430

Joys and Concerns Scarlett Nimley

Call to Prayer/ Prayers of the People Rosee Nimley

*Passing of the Peace

Offering

*Doxology UMH#95

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Offertory Prayer Scarlett Nimley

Praise & Worship Praise Team

Scripture Lesson Matthew 5:13-20 Bonice Teeta Cooper

Selection Choir

Sermon "What Kind Of Flavor Do You Have?" Pastor Victor Teclar

Holy Communion UMH 12-15

Call to Christian Discipleship Pastor Victor Teclar

Announcements/Community Concerns Arlette Nimley

Closing Song Praise Team

*Dismissal with Blessing

Postlude Hassan Sankary

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