



July 2024

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Mon-Thurs 8-4/ Fri 8-12

Dinners With Doug

I would like to formally invite you to dinner. Throughout the month of August I will be hosting a series of meals at both the Wrightsville Beach and Oleander campuses of our church. I hope you can make plans to attend one of these meals. Our Associate Pastors, Staff, and Administrative Council leaders will be attending these meals along with me. We will use this time not only to share in food and fellowship; but also to talk about ministry plans and ideas for the future. At the end of the month our Administrative Council will take these ideas and strategize how we can most effectively serve God in our church and community. So, I really hope you will make plans to attend!

Since we are too large a church to have everyone meet all at once, we're going to divide up the congregation by decades. While every dinner will have the same format we will occasionally talk about different subjects as needs arise within each group. So, we hope you can come at your assigned time.

If you are in your 20's or 30's then your dinner will be Tuesday, August 6th at 6:00 pm.

For those in their 40's, we will have dinner on Wednesday, August 7th at 6:00 pm.

If you are in your 50's, like me, then come join me on Tuesday, August 13th at 6:00 pm.

For those in their 60's, our dinner will be Wednesday, August 14th at 6:00 pm.

If you are in your 70's, then make plans to join me on Tuesday, August 20th at 6:00 pm.

And, if you are 80 or above, then we'll have dinner on Wednesday, August 21st at 6:00 pm.

But, if you can't come at your assigned time then please feel free to sign up for another time. And, if you are married to someone in another decade, just pick the night that works best for your family. We will also have a nursery for the August 6 and 7 dates.

It should be a good time. We'll start with dinner, then I'll share some things about how we're doing as a church, and then together we will dream about God's preferred future for Wrightsville United Methodist. Hope to see you there!

May the Peace of Christ be with you,
Pastor Doug

Congratulations!

WUMC Graduating Class of 2024
We are so proud of you!



Congratulations

Our very own Dr. Richard Morrison was certified as a Lay Minister at Annual Conference in Greenville on Saturday, June 22.



What is a Certified Lay Minister?

A CLM is a unique, recognized lay servant in the UMC. A CLM is intended for missional leadership in churches as part of a team ministry under the supervision of a clergy person. As part of the historic continuation of lay leadership in our church, a CLM resembles earlier Exhorters, Class Leaders, Lay Preachers, and Missioners. CLMs are assigned by the District Superintendent and operate under a system of training, support, supervision and accountability.



United
Women
in Faith

Lydia Circle will meet for lunch on Monday, July 8 at 11:30 am at Carrabba's Italian Restaurant. Call Betsy Summey at 910-338-7379 with questions.

Ruth Circle will not be meeting in July. Call Marie Cooke at 910-620-4241 with any questions.

Circle of Hope will not be meeting during the month of July. Look for information in the next newsletter about the August meeting. Please contact Jeannie DeGaetano at 910-617-7268 for more information.

Esther Circle will not meet during the months of July & August. Contact Kristi Jarnigan at 910-538-5221 with questions.

Interested in United Women in Faith?
Contact Melissa Wagenseller,
UWF President
wagensellermelissa@gmail.com



American
Red Cross

BLOOD DONATION DRIVE

Tuesday, July 2
from 9-2:00 pm

You can make an
appointment online at
redcrossblood.org



**Breakfast is back
July 7 - Labor Day!**

**9-10:15 am
Fellowship Hall**

**Don't miss out on the food, fun,
and fellowship!**

Thank you United Methodist Men!

Empty Nesters & Friends

Join us for burgers, brews, and live music!

SATURDAY, JULY 20
3:00 PM
BOWSTRING BURGERS & BREWYARD



RSVP to donna@wrightsvilleumc.org

Travel with Wrightsville UMC in 2025!

**Contact Donna Pinckney today.
donna@wrightsvilleumc.org**

**TRAVEL
OPPORTUNITY**

**The Elegance of England
A Wesleyan Heritage Journey
hosted by
Wrightsville UMC**

**May 5 - 13, 2025
\$2250* Land Only**

Questions?
donna@wrightsvilleumc.org

**Register
by
August 1**



LOW COUNTRY BOIL

FRIDAY, JULY 26
6-7:30 PM

WRIGHTSVILLE UMC FELLOWSHIP HALL
4 LIVE OAK DRIVE

ADULT: \$25 LOW COUNTRY DINNER
CHILD 10 & UNDER: \$5
HOT DOG/CHIPS/DRINK/DESSERT

Purchase tickets between services Sunday, June 30 and July 7, 14 & 21 or in the church office during the week.



United Women in Faith

Proceeds from your ticket will help support ministries for women, children and youth in our community.



WRIGHTSVILLE
on Oleander

Please join us on Sunday, August 4th at 5pm for a dedication of our new extension campus, Wrightsville on Oleander!

We will give thanks for the history of Oleander UMC, celebrate those who worked to make our new campus possible, and share Holy Communion together.

Questions?

Email pastorjulia@wrightsvilleumc.org



Racial Unity Group Summer Movie Discussion: *The Help*

Join the Racial Unity Group on July 21st for an afternoon discussing *The Help*. Stream the movie ahead of time at home or come to a showing in the Fellowship Hall at 1:30 pm. Discussion starts at 3:15.

Everyone age 13 and up is invited and popcorn and drinks are provided!

Email pastorjulia@wrightsvilleumc.org for more info.

Dinner WITH DOUG

You are invited to an evening with Pastor Doug as well as other leaders and peers at Wrightsville UMC to share a meal and dream about the future of our church.

6:00 pm / Location TBA



August 6 - 20s & 30s

August 7 - 40s

August 13 - 50s

August 14 - 60s

August 20 - 70s

August 21 - 80s+



Memorial Garden

The Board of Trustees have been exploring the potential of installing a Memorial Garden here at Wrightsville UMC. A memorial garden provides a peaceful and serene space for church members to remember, and honor loved ones who have passed away. It can be a place for reflection and prayer, creating a place of connection to loved ones.

A memorial garden invites community into the sacred space of the church, strengthening the bond between both. The church becomes the place where families come together in grief, where individuals seek solace in loss, and communities gather in remembrance.

To be able to place a loved one's ashes where the person worshiped and many of his or her milestones in life happened is quite significant – where one was married, raised their children, was baptized, grew in their faith, created lifelong friendships, and finally, where the loved one's life was celebrated upon death. To be able to either scatter or inter the loved one's ashes at their church is something that many people want to do.

The Memorial Garden will be located on the south edge of the church campus right by the Chapel. It will include a brick wall the length of the property with Columbaria, which is storage for cremated remains (cremains) of a deceased person. Each niche in the Columbaria will hold the human cremains of one or two people. There will be a granite faceplate on each niche that will be engraved with the occupant's name(s), date(s) of birth and death. In addition, there will be a designated area of the Memorial Garden for the scattering or burying of cremated ashes. There will be a Memorial Plaque that will include the names of the individuals whose ashes have been scattered in the garden and another Memorial Plaque to honor the memory of family members buried elsewhere.

Our next step for the creation of the Memorial Garden will be getting the Town of Wrightsville Beach's approval by adding an ordinance to the Town's codes. Upon the ToWB's approval, reservations for niches, placement in the scattering garden, or name on the Memorial Plaque will begin. Hopefully that will be this fall – stay tuned! In the meantime, we hope to see you on July 28!

Invitation

You are cordially invited to an informational meeting to learn more about the plans for the Wrightsville United Methodist Church Memorial Garden. Please join us on Sunday, July 28, 2024, at 4:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall to learn more. Attendance via Zoom is an option and the Zoom information is below to join the meeting.

Meeting ID: 979 8479 8964

Passcode: 512658



bountiful fruit

The Wrightsville United Methodist Church Outreach Committee supports and nurtures individuals and organizations who are in need in our community, nation and world. We also seek to provide members of our congregation opportunities to define their own ministry in service of Christ.

We are looking for "adopters" who will support a teacher at either Snipes or Freeman Elementary schools for the upcoming year.

We have learned that teachers in high-poverty schools are too often overwhelmed and under-appreciated. By supporting them with simple gestures - a handwritten card, a cup of coffee, some flowers - we are hoping to encourage them to continue the vital work of offering these children a chance at an education.

"Adopting" can be done individually or in teams. We are asking you to contact a teacher once or twice a month. We know it makes a huge difference.

If interested, you can:

- Sign up on the bulletin board outside the Sanctuary
- Email outreach@wrightsvilleumc.org
- Text Scott Whisnant at 910-612-3109

TEACHING IS A WORK OF HEART





A BIG thank you to all of our wonderful volunteers who made VBS a success! We could not do it without you!





CHILDREN'S

SUNDAY SCHOOL

9:45 - 10:45 AM | SUNDAY

NURSERY ROOM 106 & 107
THREE YEAR OLD ROOM 111
FOUR YEAR OLD ROOM 110
KINDERGARTEN ROOM 109
FIRST GRADE ROOM 112
SECOND GRADE 204
THIRD GRADE ROOM 204B
4TH/5TH GRADE ROOM 205&206

No Sunday School.

Enjoy worship & communion with your family.

July 7th

BACK TO SCHOOL

Blessings

Sunday, August 25
all 3 worship services

SUNDAY SCHOOL 412 YOUTH GROUP

FALL KICK-OFF

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 8

CHILDREN'S CHOIR 412 YOUTH CHOIR

Let's make JOYful noise together!
Join the Children's Choir!

Sunday, September 8
 Junior Choir (K-1st) - 4:30-5:15 pm
 Senior Choir (2nd-5th) - 5:30-6:15 pm
 Meet in the Choir Room

All are welcome!

Contact Courtney Rickert, Director of Children's Music
courtney@wrightsvilleumc.org

**4:12 Youth are back on the road!
Mission Trips are happening this month.
Please keep the youth & chaperones in your prayers.**

4:12 Fundraiser!

Congregation members can buy "Stock" for \$20 each in support of the 4:12 mission trips in July!
We are asking each Stock Holder to be in prayer for the youth during the week of the mission trip.

If you would like to purchase stock(s), please fill out this form and return to the church office with your donation attached.

Questions? Christina@wrightsvilleumc.org


Look on the back for a list of all participating youth!

4:12 Mission Trip Stock!
\$20 per stock

Investor (your name here) _____
 Address _____
 Phone Number _____
 Email address: _____

Cash Amount \$ _____ or Check Amount \$ _____

Please make checks payable to WUMC & put "mission trip stock" on memo line or click the QR code to purchase stock online.
 Choose 4:12 Youth Events from the dropdown menu and put "stock" on the memo line.



Thank you for committing to praying for our youth on the mission trip.

**Middle School Youth
Carolina Cross Connection, Lake Norman**

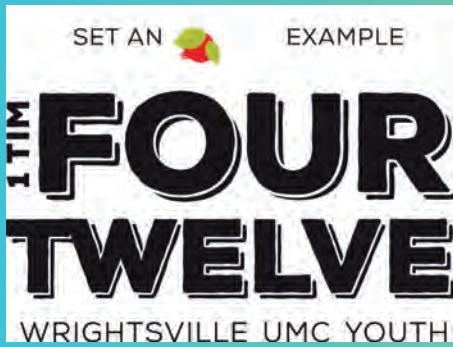
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| Addison Akers | Maddie McNamara |
| Emma Claire Carrol | Caroline Moore |
| Camille Crenshaw | Cambell Nay |
| Jayden Durst | Virginia Grey Norvell |
| AC Goodwin | Harley Owen |
| Finley Hidek | Tess Perry |
| Hartley Hoff | Margaret Savage |
| Bailey Horne | Madison Sawyer |
| Juliet Johnson | Kathryn Schosek |
| Reese Kimball | Riley Sullivan |
| Lachlan McCorkle | Kaylee Thigpen |
| Carys McIntyre | Ella Jane Toups |
| Anna McNamara | |

Chaperones: Christina Norvell, Megan English, Kelly Toups, Melissa Schosek, Jessie Perry, Mandy Moore

**High School Youth
Ahuachapán, El Salvador**

- Dylan Brisson
- Marley Brisson
- Logan Campbell
- Davis Cernugel
- Ronan Hoff
- Ela Mac Jagutis
- Everett Lain
- Owen Lambe
- TJ Mitchell
- Sophia Satrazemis
- SJ White
- Graham Whitehead

Chaperones: Pastor David Haley, Pam Hutsell, Kevin Bradley, Victoria Campbell, Jeremy Hoff



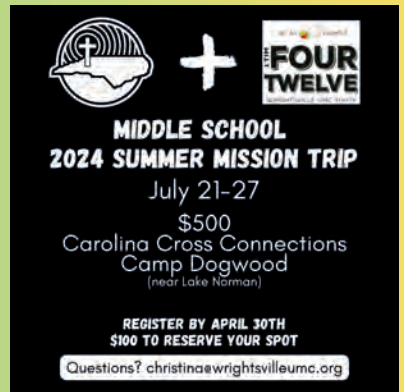
Confirmation 2024-2025 registration is open! Click [here](#) to register.



All Classes will be:
 Dinner: 5:30-6:00 pm
 Class: 6:00-7:15 pm
 Wrightsville on Oleander



- September 11: Confirmation 101 at 5:30 pm
- Parent & Youth Dinner Info Meeting
- September 21: Fall Retreat 10:00-2:00 pm
- October 9: 1st Class
- October 23: 2nd Class
- November 2: Confirmation Outreach
- Willowdale Urban Farm, 9:30-12:00 pm
- (November 23: Rain date for Outreach at WUF)
- November 6: 3rd Class
- November 20: 4th Class
- December 11: 5th Class
- January 15: 6th Class
- January 29: 7th Class
- February 12: 8th Class
- February 26: 9th Class
- March 14-16: Spring Retreat at Camp Don Lee
- March 26: 10th Class
- April 9: 11th Class
- April 30: 12th Class
- May 14: Family Dinner & Rehearsal at 5:30 pm
- Fellowship Hall at the Church
- May 17: Baptisms at S. Channel Park
- May 18: Confirmation Sunday at 11:15 am



Click [here](#) to register for our Fall Retreat at Camp Don Lee!





No Sunday School.

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Blessings**

Sunday, August 25
all 3 worship services

CAMP MEETING MONTH



- Sunday, August 4th
4:12 Youth
- Sunday, August 11th
Jeff Turpin
- Sunday, August 18th
Donna Hickman
- Sunday, August 25th
Leslie Nichols

**wrightsville
remix**
ON WEDNESDAYS

**Dinner + Joyful for Jesus + Young Adult
& Family Fellowship & Discussion**

5:15 - 6:00 pm: Family Dinner
6:00- 7:00 pm: Joyful 4 Jesus (ages 4-4th grade)
Adult Bible Study
Nursery (ages 3 & under)

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:
SEPTEMBER 18
OCTOBER 2 & 16
NOVEMBER 6 & 20
DECEMBER 4
JANUARY 8 & 22
FEBRUARY 5 & 19
MARCH 5 & 19
APRIL 2

Questions?
christina@wrightsvilleumc.org
CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU THERE!

SUNDAY SCHOOL **4-12 YOUTH GROUP**



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July 2024 Birthdays



1. Dick Chapman, Megan Demolina, Matthew Carter, Price Dombroski, Ella Wilson
2. Wendy Stoner, Eric Hickman, Mandy Bobo, Pat Hardison, Griffin MacDaniel, Gibson Connor, Hayes Brooks
3. Taylor Blackwell, Carla Whitlow, Janice Rodilosso, Teddy Emerson
4. Camden Nagle, Lauren Noland, Chris Brown, Batten Selby
5. Ivan White, Ryan Gilbert, Ginny Hollingsworth, Jill Ohar, Pam Mansbery, Chris Primm, Thomas Bagley, Ginger Reynolds, Cooper Nally
6. Paul McLean, Harriet Hawn, Holly Bass, Bill Capps, Brennan Easley, Greg Ford, Andrew Thigpen, Edgar Bill
7. Sam Weaver, Camille Walker, Brennan Dooley, Nick McTee, Ray McDonald, Beth Fortunato, Penelope Primm
8. Ty Rowell, Marsha Shires, McKenzie Barker, Lanie Lewis, Sawyer Jones
9. Ellison Parker, Crew Derrick, Jennifer Sullivan
10. Bobby Jackson, Carol Crysler, Jim Busby, Sloan Spencer, Neptune Williams
11. Sandy Griffin, Bill Logan, Thad Leister, Bill Boyer, Barbara Waters, Webb DeGroot, Mary Myers Cottle, Rob Morgan, Sam King, Tank Nickerson, Aisha Williamson, Scott Long, Vivienne Barco
12. Holly Smith, Sean Hommel, Sage Hickok, Luna Primavera, Larry Scott
13. Mary Simmons, Jessica Marks, Amy Richardson, Matt Sullivan, Amy Howard
14. Dan Rizzo, Rilynn Collins, Amanda Marks, Amanda Nichols, Chet Willis, Sloan Turner
15. Janet Farrow, Rob Boswell, Madeline Bullock, Kaylee Sellars, Parker Emmart, Judy Cooper, Hutch Hutchens
16. Ryan Mansbery, Behr Petroff, Jack Mills, Richard Segal, Grey Welborn
17. Jeanette Golder, Sarah White, Holland Baynard, Sharon Cram, Kristi Midgett, Jennifer Mihaly, Randall Page, Jack Pollard
18. Bob Schiffel, Parker Thompson, Chase Mihaly, Jason Toups, Annabelle Gutherie
19. Henrietta Godwin, Russ May, Ann Woodworth, Anne Fields, Carla Schiffel, Kathleen Bernhard, Leslie Nichols, Fran McTee, Henry Sullivan, Avery Smith, Andy Collins, Becca Hetzell, Patricia Watson, Eli Southerland, Kinsley Hansberry
20. Paula True, Paula Turner, Bill Highsmith, Donnie Daniels, Robinson Snider, Liz Pittman, Heather Hetzell, Clayton Hamerski, James Broderick, Knox Ludwig
21. Betty Garner, Jay Guthrie, Pickett Stroud
22. Victor Pearsall, Susan Garrett, Mary Leister, Jerry Tertzagian, Sullivan Shakar, Meredith Bath, Adrian Stanley
23. Tracee Meyer, Lanie Painter, David Brenner, Laura Holt, Roberta Allred, Eva Fischetti
24. Jeannie Smith, Jared Kerr, Ginny Sylvester, Shayne Davenport, Reese Donovan, Warren Collins, Jonah Weibel
25. Randy Griffin, Scott Whisnant, Bob Tennille, Hylan Furniss, Ford Turner, Emma Kate Swain
26. Stephen Baynard, Crystal Peebles, Etta Caulder, Keener Witmer, Cole Witmer, Haven Stevens
27. David Black, Preston Keen, Susan Collins
28. Allan Barker, Bill Williams, Savannah Knowles, Audrey Edwards, Curren Atterbury, Deb Bernhard, Lara McNeill, William Shakar, Sterling McInnis, Brenda Hanes
29. Dottie Sauer, Ashley Dixon, Sophia Caperelli, Samuel Cox, Julia Hayes, Liv Nystrom, Jason Wise
30. Sandra Simpson, Brett Knowles, Mary Lewis Steuer, Ashley Owen, Winter Cobb, Piper Wise, Charlotte Locklear
31. Jennifer Kelly, Anna Edwards, Phil Dattilo, Kemsley Moore, Gavin Schlachter, Frank Carter, Ward Cooke, Wes Janik, Caden Hansberry

If you have news to share with your church family, please email Kristin Selby (kristin@wrightsvilleumc.org) by July 15th so it may be included in the next newsletter.

Prayer List for July 2024

"Pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective." (James 5:16)

John Walter	Janis Norris	Connie Stopper
Bill McClain	Bobby McKeithan	Jessie Jeffries
Stephanie Jamieson	Ken Henson	Ginny Adams
Pat Everett	Mary Farabee	Jim Farring
Ashley Everett	Kathy Seawell	Janet Harper
Venetia Smith	John Coble	Kristi Midgett
Bill Doan	Walt Andrews	Jonathan Rowell
Charles Allen	Linda Chapman	Sally Davenport
Doris Beaman	Pat Boyer	Betty Starbuck
Jerry Garner	Marvin Vick	Mary Morris
Caleb Riemer	Brenda Wingo	Barbara & TC Godwin
Patsy Miles	Judie Eakins	Lisa Anderson
Kitsie Auman	Jack Bragg	US Military & their families
Carl Farmer	Don Steele	
Vickie Griffin	Sarah Burris	

A requested prayer of thanks from many who have benefited from your prayers.

Condolences to the families of...

Gaynelle Lanier, Janice R. Johnson, Jeff Wiler, Charlie Smith (Marte Ward's father & Sarah Phelps' grandfather)

We encourage you to lift up the names of people in our church, your family, or friends you know personally so that the church might pray for them.

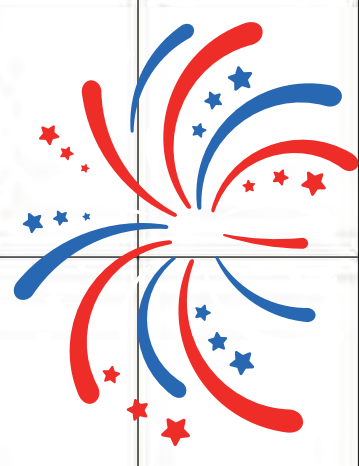
If you would like to add a person's name to the prayer list please contact Mikki Perry at mikki@wrightsvilleumc.org.



JULY

Sunday School
for everyone
9:45-10:45 am.
Wiggle Worship:
8:15-11:15am
Nursery provided
during all worship
services.

Worship in the
Sanctuary at 8:15,
9:45, and 11:15 am
Coffee Hour
9:15 & 10:45 am

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 6pm Monday Night Blessings	2	3 7pm High School Bible Study	4 Church Office Closed 8pm AA Meeting	5	6 8pm NA Meeting
7 Communion 9am Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall	8 11:30am Lydia Circle at Carrabba's Restaurant	9 5:30pm Outreach Committee Meeting	10 4:12 High School Mission Trip Leaves for El Salvador 7pm High School Bible Study	11 6:45am Men's Bible Study 9am Ladies' Bible Study 8pm AA Meeting	12	13 8pm NA Meeting
14 9am Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall	15	16	17 7pm High School Bible Study	18 6:45am Men's Bible Study 9am Ladies' Bible Study 8pm AA Meeting	19	20 3pm Empty Nesters & Friends at Bowstring Burgers & Breweryard 8pm NA Meeting
21 4:12 Middle School Mission Trip Leaves for CCC 9am Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall 1:30pm Racial Unity Group Movie & Discussion	22	23	24 7pm High School Bible Study	25 6:45am Men's Bible Study 9am Ladies' Bible Study 8pm AA Meeting	26	27 8pm NA Meeting
28 9am Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall	29	30	31 7pm High School Bible Study			



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*Deep Roots... Bountiful Fruit
(it happens here.)*

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