

THE SYMPATHY AND PRAYERS of our church family are extended to **Ramona Turman and family** in the recent death of her brother-in-law.

THANK YOU all for the cards, prayers, phone calls, and visits during this 3 weeks of illness and testing for me, with more tests to come. Also thanks for your visits and prayers for my brother Stan and his wife. *Heartfelt thanks -- Kay Taffer*

PASTOR WES plans to be in a personal retreat of silence, contemplation and worship Wednesday noon through Friday noon. He will be at the Monastery of the Holy Spirit in Conyers, GA.

CONTINUING THE CONVERSATIONS: Based on the surveys completed after last February's *Listening with Love* event, the All Are Welcome group will offer a **book study this fall** dealing with **recognizing racism**. Also, the AAW group recommends to you a community seminar, **Building Bridges**, which meets Tuesday evenings, September 12-November 14, from 7:00-9:00 p.m. at the Rainbow Community School, 574 Haywood Road, Asheville, 28806. Registration fee is \$35, and spaces fill up fast. For more info email Building Bridges: buildbridgesofasheville@gmail.com.

COMMUNION RAIL OFFERINGS IN AUGUST benefit **Working Wheels** as it turns donated cars into working wheels for working families. A car that starts opens the door to further education, better employment opportunities, and an improved quality of life. It is a collaborative model that bolsters the work of trusted partners by connecting the repaired vehicles with their clients – the ones they believe need them the most.

GET TO KNOW WES & LINDA AND HELP WES & LINDA GET TO KNOW YOU!

Home Gatherings: Dates will be available soon for folks to attend a Get-To-Know-Wes & Linda gathering. So, look for sign-up sheets on Sunday, August 20.

Name Tags: Let's help Wes and Linda get to know us! Please wear a name tag over the next few months when at worship services or other SUMC events. Feel free to use your permanent name tag; sticky ones will be available as well.

FINANCIALS & ATTENDANCE AUGUST 6, 2017

- * **ONLINE GIVING NOW** * on our website: skylandumc.com
- ⇒ Give online to Skyland UMC in a safe and secure manner using your debit or credit card.
- ⇒ Make a quick, one-time donation or set up recurring payments.
- ⇒ Receive a quarterly and year-end statement of your contributions.

	<u>INCOME</u>	<u>EXPENSES</u>	<u>NET INCOME</u>	<u>ATTENDANCE</u>
WKLY Actual	\$ 10,733.94	\$ 7,590.22	\$ 3,143.72	(July 24 -
WKLY Budget	\$ 8,898.12	\$ 11,267.00	\$ (2,368.88)	July 30)
YTD Actual	\$ 352,229.41	\$ 338,052.09	\$ 14,177.32	Small Groups: 35
YTD Budget	\$ 284,739.84	\$ 360,544.00	\$(75,804.16)	Worship: 263

OFFERING EXTRAS

ATSP Lamb Scholarship	\$ 25.00	Welcome Table	\$ 18.01
Building Fund	\$ 80.00	Wesley Class Fund	\$ 23.00
Scout Hut Fund	\$ 100.00	Special Offerings	\$ 70.00
Sunday School Offering	\$ 12.00	(Congregations for Children \$70)	

2017 Pledges	\$ 462,702
+ Projected Non-pledge Income	+ 92,180
= Total Projected 2017 Income	\$ 554,882
Approved 2017 Budget (revised 2-27-2017)	- 585,884
Projected 2017 Deficit	(\$ 31,002)

*** WELCOME ***

We are glad you are here!

Please place completed form in the offering plate.

SUNDAY - AUGUST 13, 2017

___ 8:25 am ___ 9:25 am ___ 10:55 am

FAMILY LAST NAME _____

First Names _____

Address _____

Home phone _____

Cell phone _____

E-Mail _____

Please check all that apply:

- ___ Member of Skyland UMC
- ___ Attend Here Regularly
- ___ Wish to Join Skyland UMC
- ___ Desire a Call
- ___ New Resident
- ___ Visitor
- ___ Other: _____


WEDNESDAY MEAL RESERVATIONS

Meal Cost: \$5 Adult/Child (ages 10-up)
\$3 Child (ages 3-9);
\$15 family max.

DEADLINE: _____ on

CHOW Meal & Activities
are on Summer Break;
CHOW will resume NEXT
WEEK, August 23 !

Simple Kid's Meal
(specify Meal choice for ages 3-9)

THIS WEEK @ SKYLAND 

CHOW (Church Happenings On Wednesdays: Meal & Small Groups)

*** SURVEY *:** Our Wednesday evening activities at Skyland UMC are a time of bringing our family of faith together at mid-week for fellowship and spiritual growth. We are conducting a **brief survey** to assess our current Wednesday night activities. Your responses will help us make sure the dinner and activities remain vibrant and sustainable. An **email with a link for taking the survey** https://vocccii.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_71bdKu5GK1J2aSV was sent on August 3 to those in our SUMC family for whom we have email addresses. Please take time to **complete this survey, even if you do not attend CHOW** on Wednesday evenings. We would like all responses **by Friday, August 18, 2017**. For individuals without internet access, paper copies of the survey are available upon request. Thanks in advance for sharing your opinions and helping us continually enhance the activities we offer.

Many thanks to all of you who make CHOW happen! See you on August 23!

SPECIAL REMINDERS:

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OUR AROUND THE SON PRESCHOOL (ATSP) is looking for individuals with hearts for working with children who want to be a part of our ATSP staff. **If you are interested** in a position as a **Teacher Assistant or Substitute Teacher**, please **contact Dana McGraw** at mcgraw.dana@yahoo.com. Interviews will begin the week of August 7.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK is on the back of this page.

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PRAYER REQUESTS

Skyland UMC staff pray for you every Tuesday morning. Please indicate if you also want your request added to:

- Prayer Chain
- Newsletter Needs & Concerns

YOUR NAME: _____

PRAY FOR: _____

How did you find Skyland UMC?

I would like more information:

- Becoming a Christian
- Church Membership
- Small Groups
- Youth Ministry
- Children's Ministry
- Music Ministry
- Opportunities to serve:

8/13 Sunday

- 8:25 am Sanctuary Service, *Sanctuary*
- 9:15-10:45 am Sunday Morning Coffee, *Colonnade*
- 9:25 am The Current Service, *Fellowship Hall*
- 9:35 am Small Groups, *Various start times/ages/rooms*
- 10:55 am Traditional Service, *Fellowship Hall*

8/14 Monday

- 9:00-10:30 am Statistics Team / Office Team-Sort/Recycle, *Chapel*
- 5:30 pm Finance Committee, *Chapel*
- 6:30 pm Lay Leadership Committee, *Chapel*

8/15 Tuesday

8:45 am-4:00 pm OFFICE CLOSED / Staff Planning Retreat

8/16 Wednesday

- 6:30 pm Worship Team Rehearsal, *FH*

8/17 Thursday

- 7:30-8:30 am Women in the Word, *Prayer Room*
- 11:30 am Communications Team, *5th-6th*
- 2:00 pm Bulletin/Newsletter Team, *Chapel*

8/18 Friday

- 9:15 pm Food Prep/Set up for The Welcome Table, *Kitchen*

8/19 Saturday

- 9:30-11:00 am The Welcome Table - Community Breakfast, *FH, Kitchen*

Skyland hosts these community groups & activities on a regular basis:

Girls Scouts, Boy Scouts, Literacy Council tutors, Alcoholics Anonymous, Narcotics Anonymous, Kindermusik, Music lessons, Christian Writer's Group

MISSIONS / PRESCHOOL, CHILDREN, YOUTH, & MUSIC MINISTRIES



MISSIONS @ SKYLAND: August Mission Moment Congregations For Children (aka C4C) is a collaborative initiative between the Western North Carolina and North Carolina Conferences. Our goal is for every United Methodist Church to adopt a neighborhood public school and assist public schools working with children in generational poverty by fostering reading, meeting basic needs, and providing mentoring relationships. Skyland UMC adopted Estes Elementary School 4 years ago. We continue growing our volunteer base to support its children and teachers. **Other Opportunities to Serve:** Greeters at 9:25 & 10:55 services - **ABCCM** cooks/servers 4th Wednesday - **Welcome Table** servers 1st Saturday. **More info?** Contact Joy.



NURSERY MINISTRY: ages birth - 4 years - Your child will be loved and nurtured by Nursery staff and volunteers, using age-appropriate lessons that include music, games, crafts, books, snacks, and (of course) play! There is no shortage of fun for this group! **Childcare is available** in the preschool/children's wing **during all worship services, Sunday small group times, and Wednesday night activities.** Our staff and volunteers have been background checked as part of our Safe Sanctuary Policy and are CPR and First Aid certified.



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REGULAR SCHEDULES (see Welcome Card / Calendar Insert for changes)				
CHILDREN'S MINISTRY				
Day	Program	Ages	Time	NOTES
Sun	Children's Church	4 years - 2nd grade	9:25/10:55 a.m.	After Children's Sermon; NOT on 1st Sundays
Sun	Bible Explorers	3rd-5th grade	5:00-6:00 p.m.	Resumes 8-20-17
Wed	God's Kids	4 years - 6th grade	6:30 - 7:30 p.m.	Resumes 8-23-17
PRE-TEEN & YOUTH MINISTRY				
Day	Program	Ages	Time	NOTES
Sun	Confirmation Class	6th	5:00 - 6:00 p.m.	Resumes 8-20-17
Sun	Youth Dinner	7th - 12th	6:00-6:30 p.m.	Resumes 8-20-17
Sun	Youth Group	7th - 12th	6:30-7:30 p.m.	Resumes 8-20-17
Sun	828 Youth Group	7th - 12th	6:30-8:00 p.m.	Resumes 8-20-17
MUSIC MINISTRY				
Day	Program	Ages	Time	NOTES
Sun	Skyland Ringers	9th-12th & Adult	4:00-5:00 p.m.	Resumes 8-20-17
Sun	Joy Bells	6th-8th & Adult	5:00-6:00 p.m.	Resumes 8-20-17
Sun	Notes from Heaven Chimes	3rd-5th	6:00-7:00 p.m.	Resumes 8-20-17
Wed	Alleluia Choir	Kindergarten-6th	5:00-5:45 p.m.	Resumes 8-23-17
Wed	Youth Worship Band	6th-12th	6:30-7:30 p.m.	Resumes 8-23-17
Wed	Chancel Choir	Adults	7:30-9:00 p.m.	Resumes 8-23-17
Wed	Worship Team	Adults	7:30-9:00 p.m.	Resumes 8-23-17

LIFE OF THE CHURCH (continued)

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HANDBELLS & CHIMES FALL 2017: Register Now! We have openings in all 3 choirs for ringers ages 3rd Grade—Adult. Placement is based on age and experience. Rehearsals are Sunday afternoons beginning August 20. Questions? Call or email Linda Jones at 252-637-0817 / linda.t.jones@charter.net

ATTENTION ALL 3RD-5TH GRADE STUDENTS: Bible Exploration Class is for you! Led by Kristen Brown, this class meets on **Sunday evenings beginning August 20 from 5:00-6:00 p.m. in Wesley classroom**. This will be a time of fun fellowship while we dive deep into God's word with our engaging, interactive Deep Blue Sea Bibles. Parents, please let Kristen know that your child will attend Bible Exploration by email to her at sumc-nursery@bellsouth.net .

ATTENTION RISING 3RD-GRADERS Please **contact Joy Moss ASAP** if you have a 3rd grader. During worship services on Sunday, August 20, they will receive their 3rd grade Bibles and be eligible to participate in our Bible Exploration class (for 3rd-5th graders) which helps them explore their new Bibles. The class is taught Sunday evenings 5:00-6:00 p.m. fall-spring. Stay tuned for start date of class.

CONFIRMATION CLASS NEWS All rising 6th graders and older are eligible to participate in Confirmation Class, which prepares youth for joining Skyland UMC. Associate Pastor, Joy Moss, will lead this class. An information session for parents and their confirmands will be held Sunday evening, August 20, from 5:00-6:00 p.m. Please RSVP to Joy at revjoy@bellsouth.net if your child plans to be a confirmand this year, and if you plan to attend this very important meeting.

ESTES ELEMENTARY RESOURCE CENTER NEEDS (bin in colonnade): Summer clothes for boys (size 14/16), school backpacks, boys 8-10 underwear, boys 7-8 pants/shorts

MINISTRY STAFF

Rev. Wes Sharpe, Senior Pastor, revwes.skyland@bellsouth.net
Rev. Joy Moss, Associate Pastor/Children's Ministry, revjoy@bellsouth.net
Lance Craig, Youth Ministry/Contemporary Worship, lancecraig@bellsouth.net
Linda Jones, Traditional Worship/Handbells, linda.t.jones@charter.net

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday-Thursday: 8:45 am - 4:00 pm

Friday: 8:45 am - 2:00 pm

(Hours may vary due to staff schedules or weather conditions.)

SKYLAND



Love > Grow > Serve

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