

NEWS & NOTES

More Volunteers Needed for Family Promise of Wake County

Help families who are homeless and trying to get back on their feet! Volunteers are still needed starting this week. To sign up today, visit nrumc.org! Volunteer opportunities include driving the van, cooking, overnight hosting, and more! Contact Patricia Salter (posalter@gmail.com or 919.491.0145).

Hurricane Matthew Work Trip Scheduled Our next Hurricane Matthew work day will be in Princeville/Tarboro on Thursday, May 24. For more information, contact Woody Teague (woody@woodyteague.com or 919.880.8815) and let him know if you can attend. For more information about our Hurricane Work Team, visit nrumc.org/hurricane-matthew-work-team.

Join the Reynosa, Mexico Mission Trip in November If you're looking for a fulfilling mission to volunteer for, then Reynosa could be the one! From November 4-10, we will travel to Reynosa, Mexico (right across the border) and help build simple concrete block houses for families. Like Habitat for Humanity, each receiving family contributes to the building process, so you might be laboring right alongside the person you're building for! For more information, contact Julie Bass (julie.bass62@gmail.com or 919.414.6438).

Got Change? Give to Casa Coins! Starting today, the Outreach Team is collecting spare change in order to raise enough money so we can build not one, but dos casas (two houses) for our November trip to Reynosa. We will gladly accept checks (memo: Mexico Mission Trip) and dollar bills! Pick up jars in the Atrium through May 27, drop your change in over the summer, and bring it back on Starting Point Sunday on August 26! For more info, contact Julie Bass (julie.bass62@gmail.com or 919.414.6438).

Creative Ministries' End-of-Year Program We hope you'll join us next Sunday, May 20, at 6:30 p.m. in the Youth Center as our Creative Ministries lead us in worship. Illuminate, Handful of Praise, and S.O.U.L. Puppets will present a variety of pieces using dowel rods, unspoken drama, blacklight hand mime, puppets, and sign language. This is truly a unique experience that you will not want to miss!

Graduating from High School? Register now for the upcoming banquet on June 1 and graduate recognition service on June 3! Please visit nrumc.org and click on **High School Graduate Registration** to sign up. Please contact Jason Darden for more information (youthminister@nrumc.org or 919.961.2880).

Last Day for United Methodist Women's Spring Tea Tickets All women of NRUMC and their friends are cordially invited to attend the UMW Spring Tea. Join us in the Fellowship Hall next Sunday, May 20 from 3:00-5:00 p.m. for a relaxing afternoon of entertainment, tasty treats, and fellowship. Tickets are \$10, and today is the LAST day they will be available in the Atrium. Seating is limited. For more information, contact Mary Fran Parkman (mpark23@earthlink.net or 919.846.4860).

Materials & Donations for Vacation Bible School VBS is the week of June 24-28, and we'd love to have your help! Please consider giving your time that week and joining in the fun. We'd also love to *borrow* the following: rafts, paddles/oars, woodland stuffed animals, artificial plants/Christmas trees, small tents, camping lanterns, life jackets, inner tubes. CDs and registration materials are available for participants in the Atrium today and May 20. For more information, contact Cassidy Plunkett (familyministry@nrumc.org or 919.847.1536 x103).

Choose Your Books for Our Summer Reading Program Come by the Atrium each Sunday through May 27 from 9:00-11:00 a.m. to peruse and purchase books from our Summer Reading Program selections. For more information, contact Elizabeth Lebria in the church office (elizabethl@nrumc.org or 919.847.1536 x107).

The Preschool is Hiring an Assistant Director! Must love children, embrace 25 other fabulous and caring staff members, and have fun in a Christian environment while sometimes being silly. For more information, click on the Employment tab on our website: nrumpreschool.org for more information.

Charge Conference Before Next Church Council Meeting

On Tuesday, May 22, at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall, there will be a special Charge Conference to approve the compensation for the Executive Pastor position which begins July 1. This is an open meeting and anyone is invited to attend. Afterward, the Church Council will meet as scheduled.

Brunswick Stew for Sale On May 20 & 27, the United Methodist Men will be selling extra Brunswick stew in the Atrium for \$9/quarter.

Donations for United Methodist Women The UMW collects various items throughout the year to support the following missions:

- **Aluminum pop tabs**—Ronald McDonald houses to accommodate family members near hospitalized children.
- **Glasses, sunglasses & cases**—Prescription/non-prescription needed for donation to countries in need.
- **Box Top Points**—Cut out Box Top Points on packaged foods for donation to Baileywick Elementary for educational supplies.
- **Food donations**—Nonperishable food items for Urban & N. Raleigh Ministries should be put in wooden chest in left entry to sanctuary. Please place all donations except food in the marked baskets in the Narthex and on table near downstairs conference room.

THIS WEEK'S OPPORTUNITIES

For more information, visit one of our blue information carts or contact the church office (919.847.1536).

Sun 5/13

11:30 a.m. **HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!**
5:00 p.m. **Family Promise Week Begins** (E24)
Partners in Prayer (Conference Room) • **Illuminate** (Youth Center)

Mon 5/14

9:30 a.m. **Women's Bible Study—John: The Gospel of Light & Life** (S4)
6:00 p.m. **Stephen Leader Meeting** (Conference Room)
6:30 p.m. **Stephen Ministry Training Class/Commitment Ceremony** (S4)
7:00 p.m. **Outreach Committee Meeting** (S3)

Tues 5/15

9:30 a.m. **JourneyMoms' Group** (E25)
10:00 a.m. **John: The Gospel of Light & Life Study** (S2)
11:15 a.m. **Emmaus Group** (Conference Room)
6:30 p.m. **John: The Gospel of Light & Life Study** (S2)
Finance Committee Meeting (S4)
7:00 p.m. **Preschool Board** (Conference Room)
7:30 p.m. **Alcoholics Anonymous** (S3)

Wed 5/16

7:00 a.m. **Wednesday Morning Bible Study & Prayer Fellowship** (Y1)
8:00 a.m. **Youth Event: Teacher Work Day** (Youth Center Main Room)
9:00 a.m. **Staff Meeting** (S4)
11:00 p.m. **JOY (Just Older Youth) Senior Adult Fellowship** (Fellowship Hall)
1:00 p.m. **Silver Bells** (Sanctuary)
5:30 p.m. **S.O.U.L. Puppets** (Y4) • **Handful of Praise** (Youth Center)
6:00 p.m. **Yokefellow Ministry to Polk Correctional Institute** (Off Campus)
6:30 p.m. **Outreach Advisory Committee** (S3) • **Rainbow Ringers** (Sanctuary)
Middle School UMYF: Impact (Youth Center) • **Al-Anon** (S2)
Children & Family Council (Conference Room)
Long-Range Planning Committee (S4)
7:45 p.m. **Revelation Ringers** (Sanctuary)

Thurs 5/17

9:30 a.m. **United Methodist Women's Koinonia Circle** (S4)
10:00 a.m. **United Methodist Women's Reflections Circle** (S2)
6:15 p.m. **North Raleigh Ringers** (Sanctuary)
6:30 p.m. **Cancer Support Group** (S2) • **Preparedness Training** (Fellowship Hall)
7:30 p.m. **Chancel Choir** (Sanctuary) • **Smart Recovery Group** (S4)
9:00 p.m. **High Notes Chamber Choir** (Sanctuary)

Fri 5/18

9:00 a.m. **Partners in Prayer** (Sanctuary)

Sat 5/19

9:00 a.m. **United Methodist Women's Spring Tea Set-Up** (Fellowship Hall Kitchen)
Preparedness Training (Fellowship Hall)

Sun 5/20

3:00 p.m. **United Methodist Women's Spring Tea** (Fellowship Hall)
3:30 p.m. **Youth Band Rehearsal** (Youth Center)
5:00 p.m. **Partners in Prayer** (Conference Room) • **Illuminate** (Youth Center)
Women's Study: Forgiveness (S3)
6:15 p.m. **Exaltation! Rehearsal—Full Band** (Fellowship Hall)
6:30 p.m. **High School UMYF: Refuge** (Youth Center)