

NEWS & NOTES

Welcome Reception Today for Alan Felton, Our Executive Pastor

Reverend Alan Felton joined our staff last Sunday as Executive Pastor. He will be working primarily in the area of church administration and assisting our pastoral staff in various ministry capacities. He comes to us from his most recent pastoral ministry at Resurrection UMC in Durham. Please welcome Alan, along with his wife, Joan, and children, John Alan and Virginia Gayle. We're excited for the gifts and skills that Alan brings, and look forward to his ministry at North Raleigh. An official reception will be held for Alan and his family after the 11:15 worship service today in the Fellowship Hall. We're so glad to have Alan here!

More Staff News! The Staff-Parish Relations committee is pleased and excited to announce that Jennifer Haselden accepted the new position of Director of Youth Ministry. She has been a consistent and vital part of our youth ministry, serving faithfully as Associate Minister of Youth during the past five years. Jen brings a heart for ministry, a love for our youth, and a commitment to helping them grow in Christ. Please congratulate, encourage, and pray for Jen during this exciting time of transition in her life and ministry at North Raleigh.

Preparedness Update for the Office Entry Door Due to some recent events, the lower level entrance door for the church office will now be locked Monday-Friday. A remote lock and video camera have been installed; for entry to the office, please use the doorbell on the wall to the right of the door.

Driving Kindness Bags are Available in the Atrium Today!

They were sponsored by Dave & Donna Huck this month. If your group is interested in sponsoring the Driving Kindness bags, please contact Michael Glasgow (michaelg@nrunc.org or 919.847.1536 x105).

Children's & Youth Sunday School moves back to the Youth Center beginning next Sunday, July 15. We will continue Summer Sunday School until Starting Point Sunday.

Are You Interested in Our Ministry in Reynosa, Mexico but aren't sure you can handle the construction? Not to worry! There are many opportunities to help that don't involve construction. If you have a medical background, you can help out in the medical clinic. Or you can help with the programs for the children of the patients or help with administrative tasks. We currently have a couple of people on our team who will be working at the clinic—we'd love to add you, too! If you're interested or you'd like more information, please contact Julie Bass (Julie.bass62@gmail.com or 919.414.6438).

Parking Lot Greeter Team The Preparedness team's next step is to invite you to join the Parking Lot Greeter Team. We are looking for 40 people willing to serve on this team. The request is to volunteer two months out of the year for an hour and fifteen minutes per Sunday during those two months. This works out to 10-12 hours per year—less than an hour a month for the year! Please contact the church office if you'd like to participate in this vital new ministry (info@nrunc.org or 919.847.1536)!

Opportunities for Communion this Summer Each Sunday in July, join us for this holy meal in our 8:30 service. Each Sunday in August, we'll celebrate Communion in the 9:45 service. This is an opportunity to experience tangibly the grace of God, and we hope you'll join us this summer. If you are interested in serving Communion, contact Lisa Mooneyham (lisa@nrunc.org or 919.847.1536 x117).

Deadline to Reserve Your Ministry Table for Starting Point

Sunday: July 29 If your Sunday School class, mission, or ministry is planning to have a table for Starting Point Sunday, NOW is the time to register for space! Check the blue information carts or come by the office and pick up the form necessary to reserve your table for this upcoming event.

Deadline for Outreach Funding Requests Extended! Where are you sensing God calling North Raleigh to invest in mission? It might be a new mission or furthering our impact in an existing partnership. Proposal forms can be found at nrunc.org/outreach-ministries-funding-request/ or at the church office. All requests must be received by August 1. Contact Ashley Will (associatepastor@nrunc.org or 919.847.1536 x114) or Sue Haney (chaney3@nc.rr.com or 919.457.0082) with questions.

First Wednesday Fellowship Dinner Sponsorships Available

If you or your small group would like to sponsor one of our First Wednesday Fellowship Dinners, there are limited spaces available on the calendar starting in the fall. For more information or to sign up, please contact Mary Honeycutt (maryh@nrunc.org or 919.847.1536 x110).

What Does Living a Generous Life Mean to You? The Generosity Committee would like the congregation's responses to the question: *What does living a generous life at North Raleigh UMC mean to me?* Please send one-page attachments in Word or PDF to Janet Striegel (janetscott@aol.com) by July 17. These responses will be used in a special publication to help the congregation prepare for our Generosity Campaign this fall. For more information, contact Janet Striegel (janetscott@aol.com or 919.454.3831).

Charge Conference Before Next Church Council Meeting

on Sunday, July 15, in the Fellowship Hall immediately following the 11:15 worship service. There will be a special Charge Conference to approve changes for the NRUMC Endowment charter. This is an open meeting and all are invited to attend. Afterward, the Church Council will meet as scheduled.

THIS WEEK'S OPPORTUNITIES

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

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| Sun 7/8 | 12:30 p.m. Welcome Reception for the Felton Family (Fellowship Hall) 5:00 p.m. Partners in Prayer (Conference Room) 6:00 p.m. Community Garden Picking (Church Garden) 6:15 p.m. Exaltation! Rehearsal—Full Band (Fellowship Hall) 6:30 p.m. High School UMYF—Refuge (Youth Center) |
| Mon 7/9 | 12:00 p.m. Staff Luncheon (Atrium) 6:15 p.m. Stephen Ministry Long-Range Planning Session (S4) 7:00 p.m. Outreach Committee Meeting (E26) Stephen Ministry (S2) |
| Tues 7/10 | 8:00 a.m. Timothy Tuesday—Youth Mission Day (Youth Center) 11:15 a.m. Emmaus Group (Conference Room) 6:30 p.m. Summer Reading Discussion: <i>Hiking Through</i> (S2) <i>Not Your Mama's Women's Small Group</i> (Y1) 7:00 p.m. United Methodist Women Circle of Joy (Off Campus) 7:30 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous (S3) |
| Wed 7/11 | 7:00 a.m. Wednesday Morning Bible Study & Prayer Fellowship (Y1) 11:00 a.m. JOY (Just Older Youth) Senior Adult Fellowship (Fellowship Hall) 6:00 p.m. Yokefellow Ministry to Polk Correctional Institute (Off Campus) Community Garden Picking & Harvesting (Church Garden) Summer Reading Discussion: <i>Let Your Life Speak</i> (S3) 6:30 p.m. Middle School UMYF—Impact (Youth Center) • Al-Anon (S2) |
| Thurs 7/12 | 6:30 p.m. Generosity Committee (Conference Room) 7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir (Sanctuary) • Smart Recovery Group (S4) |
| Fri 7/13 | 9:00 a.m. Partners in Prayer (Sanctuary) |
| Sat 7/14 | 7:45 a.m. United Methodist Men's Fellowship Breakfast (Fellowship Hall) 9:00 a.m. Community Garden Picking & Harvesting (Church Garden) |
| Sun 7/15 | ALL DAY: Middle School Mission Trip Begins (Camp Tekoa) 12:30 p.m. Charge Conference (Fellowship Hall) 12:45 p.m. Church Council Meeting (Fellowship Hall) 5:00 p.m. Partners in Prayer (Conference Room) Summer Reading Discussion: <i>Everything Happens for a Reason</i> (S3) 6:15 p.m. Exaltation! Rehearsal—Full Band (Fellowship Hall) 6:30 p.m. High School UMYF—Refuge (Youth Center) |