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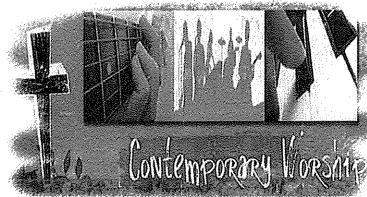
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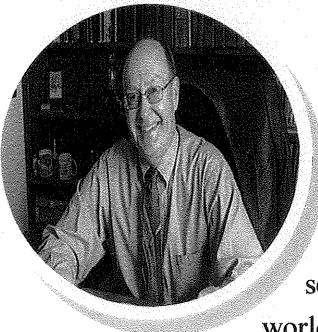


Join us every 3rd Sunday at 5pm!  
Come as you are and worship with  
us in a relaxed, casual setting.

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2017

Issue 2



## RICH'S RITINGS

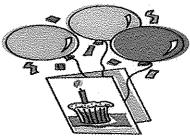
## FEBRUARY 2016

"For God so loved the world" ..... So begins one of the most famous two verses in the Bible. Sometimes we forget the second part of that scripture ..."for God sent His son into the world **NOT TO CONDEMN THE WORLD** but that THE WORLD MIGHT BE SAVED THROUGH **HIM**". As we enter a new month we need to remember those words. We need to remember that love and salvation, in Christian theology, goes hand in hand. Why; because recently Camp has gone through a difficult period of time with the death of some very wonderful people. As I type this on a Saturday morning I am preparing for Michael Russ's funeral service on Sunday. His will be the fourth celebration of life we have had in a month. In the last ten months we have remembered and celebrated the life of eleven wonderful people. Combined with that all the wonderful people in our church dealing with loved ones diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease and other serious health issues, you may wonder why I began this article with, "for God so love the world"! I did so to remind us that God loves us not just in the wonderful moments of life but in the more difficult moments of life as well. We all know that February is called the month of love. It even has a special day of love called Valentine's Day in it. As we enter this month we need to remember not just that fact but that the verse found in **John 3:16 & 17** are **considered God's valentine to us**. Remember that God loves each one of us and those are not just "preacher words", they are THE WORDS OF GOD FOR THE PEOPLE OF GOD! We need to remember that Jesus saves, and what that means for each of us every day of our life, not just on a Sunday morning. Sure February is the month of love, but for you and I who follow Jesus, every day, every moment, every valley, and mountain top is a time of love. Let God's love touch you today and remind you that you are so special to him. Let it remind you that He is with you and His love will lift you through the valley, the storm, the stress, and the heartache of any moment in time. I am writing this to remind us that no matter what we face in life we do so in the power, hope, and faith of those two simple verses from the third chapter of the gospel of John: *"For God so loved the world that He gave His only son that whosoever believes in Him shall not die but have everlasting life. For God did not send his son into the world to condemn the world but that the world might be saved through him."* John 3:16-17. **AMEN & AMEN!**

Agape,

Rev. Rich

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## BIRTHDAYS and ANNIVERSARIES

2	Ashley Bourland	11	Glenn Humbert	20	Velna Huffstetler
2	Lawrence Jackson	12	Carolyn Jones	20	Barbara Varnam
2	Craig Morris	13	John Adams	21	Lynda Eagle
3	Calvin Chandler	15	Amelia Harrelson	22	Shirley Stoveken
3	Kerstin Creech	15	Tom Jessee	23	Carson Dowdy
3	Joey Galloway	15	Matt Williamson	23	Bobbie Johnson
3	Bill Martin	16	Chris Lane	23	Gladys Russ
4	Alice Smith	16	Beth Michelakis	23	Ray Williamson
5	Brighton Mintz	16	Drew Mintz	24	Deans, Hackney
6	Tina Teipel	16	Debbie Rupp	24	Cindy Williams
8	Chappell, Regan	17	Bernie Babcock	25	John Priester
10	Virginia Detrie	19	Lisa Carr	28	Jimmy Register
10	Russ Johnson	19	Brianna Mintz	28	Frank Williamson
		19	Robbie Vaughan		



Morris & Hilda Hall	4 (61)
Jack & Rosie Scarborough	6 (52)
Chicky & Jim Wallace	17 (27)
Ted & Sue Lide	28 (4)
George & Louise Toepfer	28 (64)
Orren & Kitty Reedy	29 (61)

### Summary of Financial Results YEAR-TO-DATE through DECEMBER 2016

Actual	Budget	Variance
Contributions	\$612,242	\$580,000
Expense	\$612,242	\$580,000
Gain (Loss)	\$ 0	\$ 0

Note: The "good news" is that the year's financial results met the bank required Debt Service Ratio of 1.0. The "bad news" is that in order to accomplish this we fell short, by \$8,665, in meeting our 2016 Apportionment goal. This is the first time since the 1960's that Camp has not paid 100% of the Apportionment amount. Current Church Mortgage Debt as of 12/31/2016 = \$1,277,944.47

**2017 Actual Receipts vs. Budget (Unrestricted) Amount needed weekly is \$13,254**

Number of Sundays	Actual Receipts	YTD Budget	Diff.
2	\$18,325	\$26,508	(\$8,183)

February 2017

# February 2017

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March 2017

	Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
	26	27	28					26	27	28	29	30	31	

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Jan 29	30	31	Feb 1	2	3	4
			8:30am Prayer Team C 10:00am Small Journey 11:00am Quartet MR/ 5:55pm Choir Practice / 6:00pm Youth & Camp 7:30pm Handbell Practi	9:30am MOPS SC/TR/N 6:00pm Beginner Yoga YFC		8:00am Food Pantry FH/BA
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COMMUNION 11:00am Souper Bowl FH 3:00pm Jail Ministry	6:20pm Witness YFC Bulletin Deadline 9:30am LB / Prayer Shawl Ministry LB 2:00pm Baskets / FH 6:00pm Band Practice (YFC)	6:45am Youth Prayer B 8:30am Prayer Team C 10:00am Amazing Grac 11:00am Quartet MR/ 5:55pm Choir Practice / 6:00pm Youth & Camp	6:00pm Beginner Yoga YFC		10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
3:00pm Jail Ministry 4:00pm SC/ Holy Land Trip Meeting	6:30pm Circle of Joy/ FH Valentine's Day 10:00am UMW / FH 2:00pm Baskets / FH 6:00pm Band Practice (YFC)	Bulletin Deadline 9:30am Stephen Minist 11:00am Quartet MR/ 5:55pm Choir Practice / 6:00pm Youth & Camp 7:30pm Handbell Practi	8:30am Prayer Team C 9:30am Stephen Minist 11:00am Quartet MR/ 5:55pm Choir Practice / 6:00pm Youth & Camp 7:30pm Handbell Practi	9:30am MOPS SC/TR/N 6:00pm Beginner Yoga YFC 6:00pm Trustees FH		8:00am Food Pantry FH/BA
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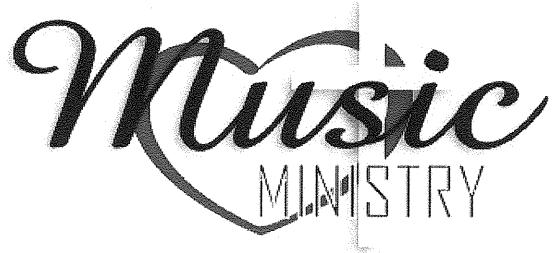
Feb 12 - 18

Feb 5 - 11

Feb 19 - 25

Feb 26 - Mar 2

Feb 26 - Mar 4



## MUSIC NOTES FROM WES & BETSY

Now is a GREAT time for YOU to join our Adult Choir! The start of a New Year seems to spur us to think of making a fresh start in one area of our lives or another, and many of us make resolutions or set goals for ourselves. This is a perfect time for you to join our Adult Choir. Rehearsals have just resumed following a Christmas break! We are beginning to work on our Lenten, Palm Sunday and Easter music. We would welcome you with open arms and would promise to make you feel part of our family! Practice is at 5:55 p.m. each Wednesday in the Salmon Room. **GIVE AND YOU SHALL RECEIVE!**

MANY THANKS to LYNDA TROUTMAN for joining our choir recently. We will be a stronger choir because of you, Lynda! WELCOME, WELCOME Lynda! Lynda's husband, Ted, is a retired Methodist minister and has recently preached for us Camp UMC! Thank you both for joining our Camp fellowship. Now---it's YOUR time to come and join our fun choirs!!

### WHAT A FRIEND WE HAVE IN JESUS—Written by Joseph M. Scriven (1819-1886)

Not far from Port Hope, Ontario stands a monument with this inscription: "Four miles north, in Pengally's Cemetery, lies the philanthropist and author of this great masterpiece, written at Port Hope, 1857." Above the inscription are the words of the beloved hymn WHAT A FRIEND WE HAVE IN JESUS. Joseph Scriven, its author, was a man who had experienced the friendship of Jesus through a life filled with personal tragedy.

When Scriven was a young man in Ireland, his fiancée accidentally drowned the evening before their wedding. Soon after this, Scriven set sail for Canada. He seemed destined to live his life alone, with Jesus as his only close friend. Scriven never intended to publish this hymn. He wrote the words to accompany a letter to his mother, who was ill in far-off Ireland. He had no material resources to send her; only a reminder that the most perfect of friends, Jesus Himself, was nearby.

### DO YOU PLAY AN INSTRUMENT?

The Ministry of Music invites all musically-inclined and interested people to join us in enhancing our worship services through our musical gifts. Many gifts—one Spirit! Anyone who plays a string, woodwind, brass or percussion instrument is encouraged to contact Wes or Betsy.

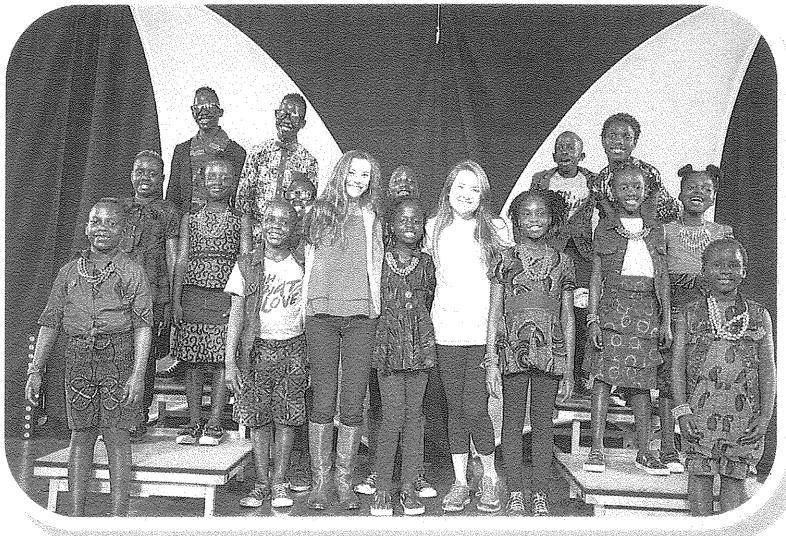
### MUSIC MEMORIALS

If you would like to donate an anthem for our choir to sing, please let our directors know. Several families have already given an anthem in memory of a loved one in their family. Most anthems cost around \$100—we would place a memorial sticker on each piece of music and would announce your gift in our monthly newsletter. **THANK YOU!**

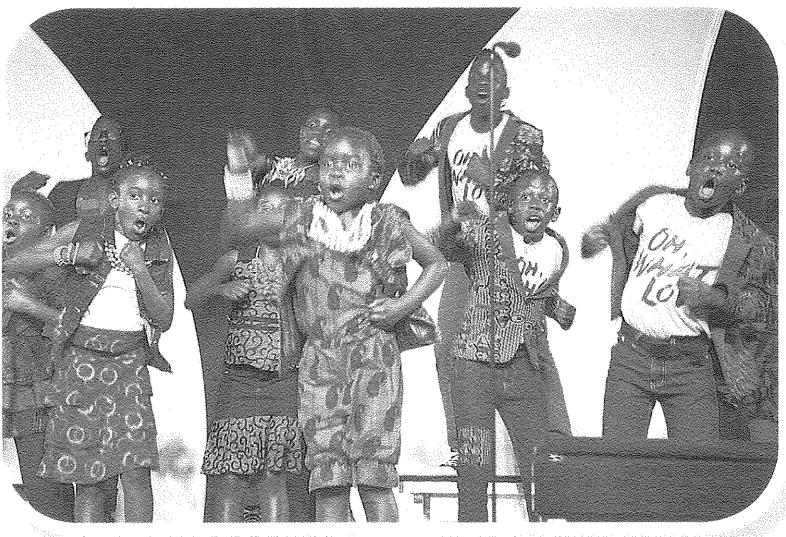
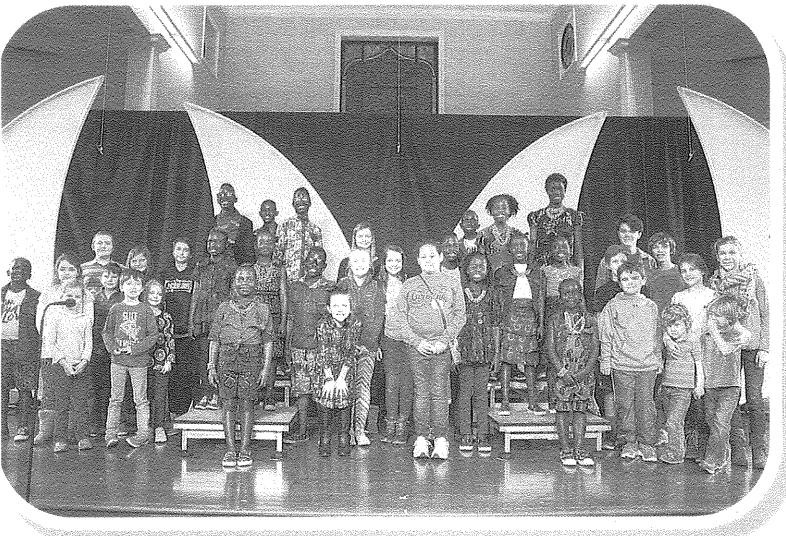
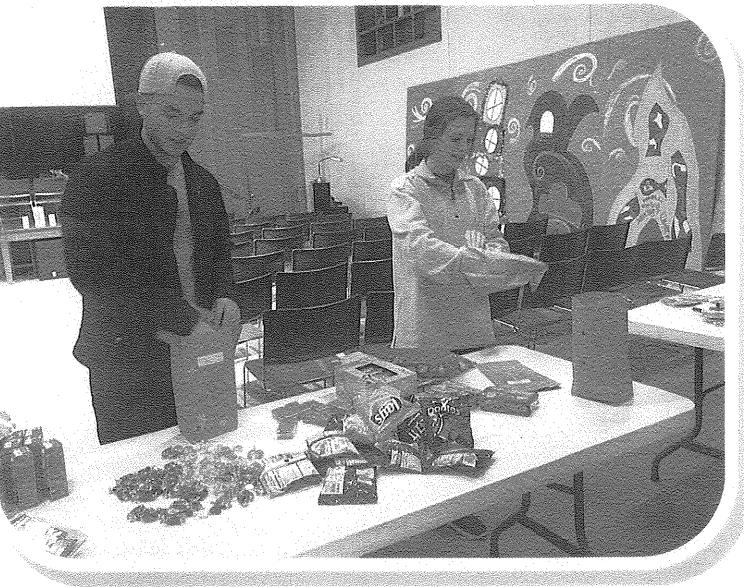
### TO GOD BE THE GLORY!

Wes & Betsy wesnbetsy@gmail.com

Watoto Children's Choir performs at Camp UMC



Youth pack bags for Watoto Children's Choir.



*Hearing Devices  
are available for  
worship services.*

We will be receiving New members  
into our Church Family February 12th  
during both services.

If interested, let the church office know.

### THANK YOU !

Debbie and I would like to take this time to thank our church family for several things. We want to thank you for the Christmas gift of love. Having been your pastor for these last 14 years I know it is coming and yet every year Debbie's and my heart is touched by your generosity and your love behind the gift. We also want to thank you for your concern and prayers over my recent hospital stay. Sometimes being bull headed is not a good thing. I knew I was not feeling great but I never let on to Debbie, my doctor, or even our church PA! So I got in "trouble" with all three once my medical issue was evident. I am doing better, getting stronger each day, yet trying to pace myself. Your prayers helped in the healing process. Now pray for my patience since it will take a few weeks to get back to full strength.

Again thank you dear flock. We love you.



### UNITY WORLD DAY of PRAYER

World Day of Prayer will be held Friday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 11:00am at Saint James Episcopal Church. Deaconess Jean miller asked for 1 or 2 people to participate in reading a part for the service. Anyone interested, call Joan Henderson 754-5498.

**Cookbooks are still available,**  
See Thommi Stammer to get your copies to-  
day!!

### FAMOUS FRIED CHICKEN SUPPERS March 11, June 3, September 9

Bethel United Methodist Church will hold their famous Fried Chicken Supper fundraiser on Saturday, **March 11, 2017 from 4:00pm until 6:30pm.**

Plates are \$8.00 and include chicken, potato salad, green beans, biscuit, dessert and beverage. You may eat in or take out. Delivery is available for 10 or more plates – call 640-0200 to arrange.

### THANK YOU ALL, FOR ALL YOU DO!!!

CUMC members and non-members; we are updating office files, newsletter preferences as well as All-Call numbers! Please fill out ALL information and Please Print clearly. Fill out one form per family and return ASAP to the basket in the narthex at the end of service, in the collection plate or return to office.

The office needs someone from each committee/program/group to update facility use forms for the upcoming 2017 year so that all times, dates and locations can be verified. Thank you for your help!

**Welcome!***Thanks for Joining Us Today!***Greeter Ministry***Glad you are here!**Hope to see you again!*

Join us on Sunday mornings to welcome everyone to Camp Church. It is fun to greet and share. You only need to bring your smile. Please email Carol Grantham at [carolgrantham@hotmail.com](mailto:carolgrantham@hotmail.com) or text her at 538-9446



If anyone is interested in helping with **altar guild** in 2017, please contact Meghan Williamson at 910-880-1594 or [megblairw@gmail.com](mailto:megblairw@gmail.com)

**Bereavement Ministry****OPPORTUNITY**

Are you searching for a way to become active in the church and to nurture others? The Bereavement group is looking for new members.

This group reaches out to church members who have lost a loved one, by providing them with a meal, flowers, or a memorial gift depending on the needs and desires of the family.

Would you like more information? Are you interested in serving as a member of this ministry?

**SOUND BOOTH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED.**

No experience necessary. Will train. Contact Liz Boyer at [bubbaboyer@atmc.net](mailto:bubbaboyer@atmc.net) or 393-7793 if interested. If not sure and would like to sit in one Sunday, we will be glad to have you!

**kindness**

One of the greatest gifts you can bestow upon another. If someone is in need, lend them a helping hand. Do not wait for a thank you. True kindness lies within the act of giving without the expectation of something in return.

We will be helping Brunswick Family Assistance with packing and handing out food for their quarterly Commodity Distribution on Wednesday, February 8th & Thursday, Feb 9th, 8:30-3:00 pm, at Brunswick Beacon Warehouse, in Shallotte. Please consider helping us. You can contact Howard Varnam at 910-619-2962 or email at [rhyvarnam@atmc.net](mailto:rhyvarnam@atmc.net).

**Hospice Meals-** Our committee supplies a monthly meal to the families of Hospice patients, in the Bolivia Center, every 3rd Friday. We encourage everyone to help. The meal consists of a meat/casserole/soup, vegetable/salad, and dessert/cookies/brownies, for about 10 to 12 people. Hospice requests we place the food in smaller containers, for storage purposes. Also we need to sign in at the front window and let them know the food is from Camp UMC. They are so appreciative. Please contact Sharon Sloane at 910-443-4802 or email at [sharonsloane@atmc.net](mailto:sharonsloane@atmc.net) if you or a group would like to help.

We are collecting gently used or new coats/jackets of all sizes. Notify Barbara Varnam at 910-754-4113 or email at [bxvarnam@atmc.net](mailto:bxvarnam@atmc.net).

The Powerwalking Ministry, new shoes for children in Brunswick Country, is an on-going mission. Donations can be made out to Camp UMC, but memo "Powerwalking Ministry".

**Food Pantry Update:** Thank you to the Camp family for your help in funding turkey boxes for the Food Pantry. You donated more than \$3,100! Your generosity and compassion are amazing.

Our local CROP Walk collected over \$18,000 with half staying locally. Thank you to all that walked and con-

## FEBRUARY

5th Communion  
5th Youth Super Bowl  
19th Contemporary Service  
19th New Membership Luncheon *MAKE IT*  
28th Shrove Pancake Supper

## MARCH

1st Ash Wednesday Service  
3rd UMW Ham Dinner F/R  
3rd World Day of Prayer  
5th Communion  
12th Daylight Saving Time begins  
19th Reception of New Members *Feb*  
19th Contemporary Service

## **MARK YOUR CALANDERS & JOIN US FOR UPCOMING EVENTS**

## APRIL

2nd Communion  
5th Lenten Luncheon  
6th Blood Drive  
9th Passion/Palm Sunday / Easter Cantata  
13th Maundy/ Holy Thursday Service  
14th Good Friday Service  
16th Contemporary Service  
30th Homecoming (1 Service)



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Kim Isenhour - Mothers' Morning Out Ministry Director  
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