

***THE WINGED MESSENGER***  
***Knightdale United Methodist Church***  
 Seeking to SPLINTER THE DARKNESS



**February 2012**

Dear Friends,

I want to thank you for your prayers for my family. As I type this I am sitting in my mother's hospital room in Indianapolis, Indiana. By the time you read this, many things about her health will have either improved or declined. Uncertainty about the future sometimes stinks.

Interestingly, this unexpected trip home to help out two ailing parents has forced my whole family into some conversations we thought we didn't need to have just yet. Still, my parents have given my sisters and me a great gift in having many things taken care of for us.

The greatest gift, however, has been the very open conversations my family has had about faith in God. Perhaps it is sad that we haven't had more open conversations about faith prior to our "foxhole" experience, but I'm not about to look a gift horse in the mouth.

While uncertainty about the future does sometimes stink, to hear two struggling loved-ones express complete trust in God - come what may - is both humbling and inspiring. It makes me ponder. Why wait until times get difficult to have open discussions about faith? Shouldn't we share our faith when life is good, too?

Blessings,  
 Pastor Bryan



**Church Wide Meeting**



Immediately following the 11:00 worship service on February 12<sup>th</sup>, everyone is invited to attend an information session from Armstrong & McGuire (A&M), a local company that may aid the church in a capital campaign study.

In 2011, the Finance Committee did extensive interviews of several consultants who specialize in fundraising and/or consult with churches about capital campaigns. A&M was chosen as a possible partner and the ALT approved their selection. Their services were put on hold until the old property was sold, and we could determine the best way to use the proceeds.

Now as we attempt to aggressively pay down our outstanding loan balance, the ALT has asked A&M to provide an overview on how their campaign feasibility study would be undertaken.

This is your chance to learn more and ask questions about their services. You will have the chance to voice their opinions and suggestions to the ALT so that the group can make an informed decision about how best to proceed.

If you are unable to attend but would like a synopsis of the presentation, we will have those available in the office by the following Sunday.

The meeting will take less than one hour.

**2012 Lay Leaders**

A lay leader is a member of the laity in any congregation who has been chosen as a leader and who represents and leads the laity in ministry. It is an elected position, and the lay leader will serve on all church committees. This year we are blessed to have 3 Lay Leaders in our congregation. If you need to contact our lay leaders their contact information is below.

Walt Crist: [wcrist@nc.rr.com](mailto:wcrist@nc.rr.com) 919-524-5532

Mike White: [mrw0404@gmail.com](mailto:mrw0404@gmail.com) 919-498-5825

Glenda Brooks: [glendabrooks8@gmail.com](mailto:glendabrooks8@gmail.com)

919-604-5348

## KUMC Family Life

We had our first Family Game Night of 2012 on January 22<sup>nd</sup>. 18 people came to the church for an evening of fun and fellowship.

### Wednesday Night Dinners

February 8<sup>th</sup> is the date for the next Wednesday Night dinner and we will be having Meatloaf with all the fixin's. Sign up on the Welcome Center Table to come and enjoy this fun time of fellowship and fabulous food. If you would like to donate any items for this meal or help out in any way go to [www.SignUpGenius.com/go/2wend1/1438561](http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/2wend1/1438561) to sign up or let Bunnie Peterson ([bunnee@aol.com](mailto:bunnee@aol.com)) or the church office know.



In March we will have Shepherd's Pie and Corned Beef & Cabbage. If you have a favorite recipe you would like us to try please submit your recipe to Bunnie Peterson no later than February 15<sup>th</sup> so that we can begin collecting ingredients.



### Upcoming Events

- February 18<sup>th</sup> ~ Bowling Trip
- February 25<sup>th</sup> ~ Smart Shopper

**Workshop:** Workshop is \$15 per person and money is due in the church office no later than February 12<sup>th</sup>. Details on page 3.



**Next meeting – Tuesday, February 28<sup>th</sup>**

### O.W.L.S.

(Older, Wiser, Livelier Seniors)



The O.W.L.S. next meeting will be on February 9<sup>th</sup>. They will meet at the church and watch a musical video a church that Elma Lou Langley visited at Christmas time.

If you are interested in learning more about this group and their activities come to one of their meetings held the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month.



Dear Church Family,

We have been so busy in January!! We have spent the month learning about hibernation, winter animals, weather, friends, Martin Luther King Jr., and feelings. In Chapel, we have focused on God's colorful creations and how God loves everyone.

In February, we begin our registration for the 2012 – 2013 school year. Registration opens to our current preschoolers on Monday, February 6<sup>th</sup>, and it opens to the public on Monday, February 20<sup>th</sup>. We are excited to be adding a one year-old class and Junior Kindergarten class next year in addition to our two's, three's, and four's classes. If you or someone you know is interested in registering, please have them call the preschool at 266-2373 or visit the church website.

Thank you for your continued support and prayers in this special ministry. We are so thankful to be a part of the ministry at KUMC.

Blessings,  
Kimberly Siefert, Director

### The church season

**of Lent** (40 days prior to Easter, not counting Sundays) begins **Ash Wednesday** which is February 22<sup>nd</sup> this year. This is when we remember that we humans cannot save ourselves...that we truly need Jesus Christ.



The ancient practice of receiving a cross made of ashes on the forehead is celebrated on Ash Wednesday. Wearing this ashen cross reminds us that Christ enables us to repent from our sins and that we should believe in and live the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

This year on Ash Wednesday you may come to a worship service that will begin at 7:00 p.m. to receive your ashes.

# Smart Spending Workshop

## Would you like to cut your grocery bills in half?

Join us for a money saving workshop that will teach you how to save on your grocery expenses each and every week. Our guest speaker is Faye Prosser, WRAL Smart Shopper and author of *The Smart Spending Guide*.



Discover how to:

- Buy free food, bath & body products every week
- Effectively use coupons for items you already buy
- Use weekly sales ads in conjunction with coupons
- Understand store coupon and sale policies for area stores
- Use drug store rebates for fabulous deals
- Develop an easy to follow weekly meal plan your whole family will

love

- Purchase food so inexpensively, you will have extras to donate to your local food bank or shelter!

The Smart Spending System has been featured on WRAL, The Raleigh News & Observer, NBC 17, ABC 11, Good Housekeeping Magazine, WYFF-TV in Greenville, SC, FOX 8 WGHP in High Point, [www.cleverparents.com](http://www.cleverparents.com), [www.FamilyCorner.com](http://www.FamilyCorner.com) and more.

This workshop will change the way you shop and teach you to save more than you ever thought possible. Imagine what you could do with all that extra money!

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**Date:** Saturday, February 25, 2012

**Time:** 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM

**Cost:** \$15.00 per person

**Location:** Knightdale United Methodist Church  
7071 Forestville Rd., Knightdale, NC 27545

**Register:** Call or e-mail Tracy at 919-266-2373 or [kumc1@bellsouth.net](mailto:kumc1@bellsouth.net)  
Please pre-register and pay by February 12<sup>th</sup>.

For more information on the Smart Spending System visit [www.smartspendingresources.com](http://www.smartspendingresources.com)  
The Smart Spending Guide, Workshop DVD and Coupon Organizer Inserts will be available at a discount.

We had a great January in the new year of 2012. We had a New Year's party on New Year's Day where we hung out, played games, and had a scavenger hunt throughout the church.

Starting out the New Year we have been going through a series titled "Developing the Heart of a Champion". We have discussed what it takes to develop a heart for others, a heart for change and a heart for God.

Finally, we are having a **sub sale** for the youth on **February 5th**. We will be selling subs for super bowl so that if you don't want to make food for your super bowl party, Ignite youth group will do it for you at a nominal cost. Order forms will be available at the church. On Super Bowl Sunday you have the choice of either picking up your subs after Sunday School or after the second service. You can designate what time you would prefer to pick up your sub on the order form.

Blessings from Ignite youth group,  
Pastor Will



KUMC

My thanks to you for the gift at Christmas. It is a pleasure to play each Sunday. I hope I can continue to satisfy your music at 11:00.

Wanda Orsett



YOU ROCK! Knightdale United Methodist,

We cannot express enough how grateful we are that your church helped us this holiday!

Can't wait to see their little faces, you have made this holiday special, we hope everyone has a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

Gross & Hatfield Family



## Iron Knights

in the battle for men's souls

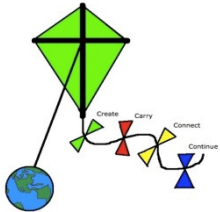
In January, the Iron Knights made a few changes to how our meetings will proceed in the future. All business will now be conducted at the monthly "Iron Knights United Methodist Men Planning Meetings" (formerly called Team Quest). These meetings are held at 7:00 PM on the Thursday nine days prior to our regular Saturday morning breakfast meetings. We will continue our traditional Saturday morning breakfast meetings at 8:00 AM on the second Saturday of each month, but no business will be conducted there. We are keeping this time free for food, fellowship and devotional study. January's study began our two part look at excerpts from the "Letter's from Dad" series (we will finish this study at our March meeting due to the Sweetheart Breakfast in February- see below for details). We also moved the pews from the old church property and sent them off to the coast to help a church that is rebuilding after the flooding caused by Hurricane Irene.

There are a lot of exciting events coming up over the next few months as well. February 2<sup>nd</sup> is our next planning meeting, which is open to all the men of KUMC. We will be hosting our annual **Sweetheart**

**Breakfast on Saturday, February 11<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 – 10:00 AM.** While no reservations are needed, there is a signup sheet on the Welcome Table. Please let us know if you plan to attend so we can properly gauge how much food we will need to buy. We are looking for help in setting up, cooking and cleaning up after the event and we are also in need of some griddles, hot plates and maybe some small frying pans for cooking made to order eggs. You may contact John Ellis or David Kidder if you are available to help out.

In March, our monthly planning meeting will be on Thursday, March 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 PM where we will plan for the annual Chicken and BBQ fund raiser. The **Chicken and BBQ Sale** will be held on **Friday, April 13<sup>th</sup>** this year so mark your calendars now!

Last, but not least, don't forget that there is still some Brunswick Stew on ice just waiting to be brought home! The remaining stew is on sale on a first come, first served sale basis for only \$5.00 per quart!! See Mike Young (8:30) and Shawn Jones (11:00) in the kitchen after Sunday services to buy your stew now.



# United Methodist Women

**In God's Mission We Are Sent  
Out to . . . . Connect!**

*A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." John 13:34-35*

Our mission focus as United Methodist Women is to connect with one another. We splinter the darkness as we connect with others, living the commandment to love one another.

Through this commandment, every day should be like a Valentine's Day. An attitude of sharing or "passing it on" is a connection with one another. People will know that we are his disciples when we pass on the love we have for one another.

We can show love for one another through a few simple actions or words. Smiling is one of the easiest gestures to uplift a person's spirit. One may offer to return a shopping cart as you walk into a store. Volunteering an hour a week to a passion of your heart - helping a neighbor, a local school, or organization is a giving from the heart. A few simple words of care, concern and encouragement can boost a deflated attitude.

May we all strive to connect every day to be a Valentine's Day, to love one another as Jesus has shown us such infinite love.

February Mission Work:  
Valentine Cards for purchase in the Coffee Corner area  
Love Boxes for college students by the Friendship Circle



**February meetings are:**

### **Friendship Circle:**

February 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00pm at Ladybugs Cottage;  
Hostesses Joyce Barrow & Rose Crowder

### **Morning Circle:**

February 14<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. Room 406, KUMC



Ever have a hectic week and just need to talk about it? Feeling under the weather and just need a prayer-pick-me-up? We're here to listen and pray with you! Many people think Stephen Ministers are just for crisis, life transitions and a long term caring relationship. But, we are trained listeners for support, encouragement, affirmation and prayer. We're here for you!

Each Sunday, after each service Stephen Ministers will remain in the Worship Space for you to talk to and pray with. Look for us up front on the Organ side. So, next time you need some personal TLC, stop by. We're here for you! As always, anything we discuss and pray for is just between us and God.

Beginning in February, Stephen Ministers and Lay Shepherds will begin a four session Continuing Education Series titled: **Ministering to Those Experiencing Losses Related to Aging.** Learning never stops for both the Stephen Ministers and the Lay Shepherds! We always want to be the best for you! You are important to God and to us!



### **Winter Survival Hint**

#### **(Dramatic Title to Get Your Attention):**

Stop by The Coffee Nook after Sunday Worship or before Sunday School for coffee, snack, and friendly conversation! While you're there say "Hi!" to Pat! She is there for you!

There are many who "Splinter the Darkness" in our Church through their many gifts and talents. We are blessed!

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## **New Members**

We would like to welcome to our church family Linda Crowder who joined our church in January. We commend her to your love and care.





### KUMC Coffee Corner

*Come, Let Us Gather In His Name.....*

Each Sunday, light refreshments are available in the Coffee Corner to all who would like them between our early service and traditional service (9:30am-11:00am). The Coffee Corner ministry is a self-funded ministry - meaning that it is run entirely off of the donations that are received each Sunday. It is a wonderful place to invite newcomers to sit and chat about KUMC. It is also a nice place to linger and fellowship with our brothers and sisters in Christ when you haven't found just the right Sunday School class. You are always welcome!



### Knightsdale United Methodist Church Pictorial Directory



Olan Mills and the pictorial directory committee is finalizing information and pictures to compile the new directory.

We are in the process of contacting every church family that has not taken or submitted a photograph for the directory. Would you please contact Sheila Prosser at 919-889-9045 if you would like to have a photograph pictured in the directory and have not been contacted.

The March Newsletter should have the delivery date and directions to receive your own personal directory.



Those listed below are placing flowers on the altar in February. Please contact Designs by Mike at (365-4818) before your Sunday to arrange for payment.

2/05	Bill & Susan Russell
2/12	John & Ivonne Heckel
2/19	Polly Lewis
2/26	Walt & Kathy Crist

The **2012 Altar Flower Calendar** is on the welcome table in the Lobby. Sign up now to reserve your Sundays in 2012.

### Attention Children!

**All children grades K-6<sup>th</sup>:** You are invited to join us Sunday evenings for some radical expressions of worship. In addition the learning short skits (from 5:30 to 6:00) that will be part of some Sunday worship services, we are now expanding this ministry to show our love for Jesus through various means including jumping rope.



Whether you haven't jumped rope before (or think you can't) or if you consider yourself an expert jumper, this ministry has something for you. You can learn the basics and perfect more than 100 jumping skills including things like double dutch.



As skills are mastered, including memorizing scripture well enough to jump rope to it, the group will be learning a routine to Christian music.

From 6:00 to 7:00 on Sunday evenings, we will have devotional time, learn scripture, and play games all while intertwined with jumping rope.



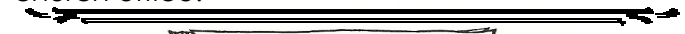
Contact Susan Crowder at 632-0730 or [secrowder@knightsdaleumc.org](mailto:secrowder@knightsdaleumc.org) if you have any questions concerning this ministry.



### TIME & TALENT ministry in HIS steps...

If you have not yet returned your 2012 Time & Talent checklist, we asked that you please pray over it and return it to either the offering plate or to the church office as soon as possible. Once it has been returned, the leaders of the ministries or missions that you are interested in will be given your information so that you can begin doing God's work in those areas.

Extra checklists for adults and youth as well as for children are located in the church lobby or in the church office.



**Deadline for Next Issue:**  
**Friday, February 17<sup>th</sup>**

Please send newsletter articles and information to the church email [kumc1@bellsouth.net](mailto:kumc1@bellsouth.net) – or bring it by.

**Ministry Leaders** – This is one of the best ways to keep others informed of church activities. The newsletter is available in print and on-line - our main communication with the whole church family!

## February Celebrations



### Anniversaries

2/06	Robert & Joann Hardee
2/10	Dean & Cheri Schwab
2/15	George & Martha Kahdy
2/15	Tink & Arlene Faison
2/19	Mike & Anna McSorley



### Birthdays

2/01	Sandy Aliff
2/01	Glenda Brooks
2/01	Rochelle Oakley
2/03	Mike Cook, Sr.
2/03	John Maitz
2/04	Caryn Ray
2/05	Rev. Bryan Siefert
2/07	Jim Callahan
2/07	Hugh Munn
2/10	Rose Crowder
2/11	Mary Elizabeth Lipcsak
2/12	Glenn Davis
2/13	Hank Horne
2/15	Derek Crist
2/15	Sofia Heckel
2/17	Chris Glover
2/19	Lindsey Jennings
2/20	Robyn Brown
2/20	Annette Holmquist
2/21	Brenda Peruso
2/22	Cody Hornyak
2/22	Lindsay Hornyak
2/23	Ryan Kidder
2/23	Tom Maynard
2/27	Rachel Rieves
2/28	Alex VanDyke

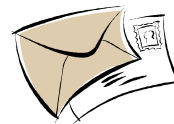
*(Please be sure to let the church office know if your birthday or anniversary is incorrect or has been omitted.)*

## The In Crowd!"

(Members of our Church Family who are typically no longer able to join us for Worship or other church activities due to situations like transportation or mobility restrictions or health issues.)

**Remember our "In Crowd"!**

**Send a card, visit, or call. Remind them how much they mean to us!**



### Lillian Aliff

Zebulon House  
(Formerly known as Yarborough Oneal Villa)  
551 Pony Road ~ Zebulon, NC 27597

### Rusty Banner

**Esther Bennett**  
108 Green Street  
Knightdale, NC 27545

### Talmon Finch

Laurels of Forest Glen  
1101 Hartwell St. Room 201  
Garner, NC 27529

### Lawanna McLean

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### June Turnipseed

Laurels of Forest Glen  
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### Rev. Robert Warren



