

  
**MAIN STREET**  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

February 8, 2026

10:55am

Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany

Traditional Worship Service

**CHURCH FAMILY NEWS**

Wayne Purdy

**SCOUTING MOMENT**

Bill Hardin

**PRELUDE**

*What A Friend We Have in Jesus*  
Jill Gardner, organ

arr. William M. Felton

**CHIMING OF THE TRINITY**

**\* CALL TO WORSHIP**

Victoria Smathers

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you. **And also with you.**  
The risen Christ is with us. **Praise the Lord!**

**\* OPENING HYMN** No. 562 *Jesus, Lord, We Look to Thee*

SAVANNAH

**\* SHARING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

Victoria Smathers

**Peace be with you.**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**

Lanny Lancaster

**KIDS' TIME**

*Jesus Loves the Little Children*

Victoria Smathers

**Jesus loves the little children, all the children of the world; every color, shape, and size,  
They are precious in his eyes. Jesus loves the little children of the world.**

Children ages 3 years to 1<sup>st</sup> grade are dismissed to Kids Connect-Worship.

Parents may pick up their children in the Children's Education Building after the worship service.

**PSALTER READING** UMH page 833 (with sung refrain) Psalm 112

Manny Hardin

**ANTHEM**

*Walk In The Light*

Joseph M. Martin

Adult Chancel Choir: Adam Register, Brenda Montague, Carolyn Simmons, Elaine Fotia, Eric Manten, Gail Tozer, Janet Lancaster, Jim Chesson, Joy Malit, Lou Martin, Mac Clement, Melissa Dreshfield, Nancy Blakemore, Rich Blakemore, Sally Brown, Sarah McCullough, Sharyn Turner, Shaw Kenion, Wes O'Brien; Jill Gardner, Director of Music Ministries

**SCRIPTURE**

John 15:1-17  
Pew Bible, NT page 109

Sarah McIntosh

**SERMON**

"Abiding, Joy, Being Called Friends"

Sarah McIntosh

**\* HYMN** No. 526

*What A Friend We Have in Jesus*

CONVERSE

**OFFERING INVITATION****OFFERTORY***I Love to Tell the Story*

Wayne Purdy

Emma Lou Diemer

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**\* DOXOLOGY** No. 94**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;****Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!****Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power up lifts!****Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!****PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

Wayne Purdy

**SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION** UMH page 12 and page 17 Musical Setting A

Lanny Lancaster, Sarah McIntosh, and Wayne Purdy

**THE LORD'S PRAYER** No. 895

Lanny Lancaster

**SHARING THE MEAL**

Music for Meditation

*Communion in Christ*

Todd Kendall

In the United Methodist Church, the Lord's Table is open to everyone who seeks the grace of God in Christ. Because of our conviction that God's grace is extended to people of all ages, children are welcome at the communion table. You will stand to receive the elements and then kneel to pray at the communion rail if you choose. As a sign of your openness to receive the sacrament, stretch out your hands to receive the bread. The pastors will place a piece of bread in your hand and you will be offered the cup. By faith, this will be for you a sharing in the Body and Blood of Christ. The ushers will guide your coming to and going from the Lord's Table. If you are unable to come to the front to receive communion, just let one of the ushers know and the pastors will serve you in your seat. You are welcome to leave an offering to the poor on the communion rail.

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION** (unison)

Wayne Purdy

**Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.**

**\* HYMN** No. 172*My Jesus, I Love Thee*

GORDON

**\* BENEDICTION**

Sarah McIntosh

**\* CHIMING OF THE TRINITY****POSTLUDE***March Pontificale*

Jacques Lemmens

*The Postlude is the final Alleluia of our worship; you are invited to remain seated for a time of joyful prayer.*

\* please stand as you are able

Today's Communion Assistants: Al Ward and

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## Welcome to worship at Main Street United Methodist Church!

*When Christians worship, we step into an alternative world. Liturgy and ritual, hymns and prayers invite us into another landscape. Jesus' words and the experience of his presence peel back the rhetoric that pummels our eardrums so that we are able to hear him say to us, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid." (John 14: 27, NRSV)*

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### Thank you for worshipping with us today at Main Street UMC!

If you are a visitor, please sign the attendance pad in the pew so that we can contact you at a later date in order to discuss the ministries of Main Street UMC.

**Main Street UMC's Sanctuary** is an area where photography, video and audio recording may occur. Camera angles may capture your image as you worship. Our weekly services are routinely shared with others via livestream and DVD. If you would like a DVD of today's 10:55 service, please contact Kathryn at 336-994-3411 in the church office.

**Confidential prayer requests** can be made by calling the church office at 336-993-3411 or by clicking the "contact" tab on [mainstreetumc.org](http://mainstreetumc.org).

**Children's Ministry:** We are so happy to share God's love with our children! Main Street is a Safe Sanctuary Congregation.

- *Nursery* (8:30-noon) is available for infants-3 year olds in the Education Building. The nursery is staffed with experienced caregivers and lay volunteers.
  - *Kids Connect* is our Sunday School (9:45-10:45am) program for children ages 3 years old to 5<sup>th</sup> grade in the Education building. Kids Connect offers a large group Bible lesson, worship, and small group activities.
  - *Kids Connect-Worship* is offered during the 10:55am service for wiggly kids ages 3 years to 1<sup>st</sup> grade who can't quite remain in worship the entire time. Kids of all ages are invited to the front for Kids' Time before the younger children are dismissed to the Education Building for Kids Connect-Worship activities.
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## Let's Worship Together!

### Sundays

8:30am less-formal Traditional service in the Sanctuary  
8:45am Jubilee Contemporary service in the Chapel  
10:55am Traditional Worship service in the Sanctuary

### Wednesdays (September-May)

5:00pm Oasis Mid-week Service in the Sanctuary

### Main Street UMC Staff

Lanny Lancaster, Senior Pastor  
Sarah McIntosh, Associate Pastor  
Al Ward, Minister of Visitation  
Wayne Purdy, Pastor of Youth Ministries  
Victoria Smathers, Dir. of Children's Ministries  
Jill Gardner, Director of Music Ministries  
Clay Howard, Jubilee Music Director  
Jenny Lail, Alpha & Omega Youth Choir Director

Tina Crew, Business Manager  
Betsy Tang, Administrative Assistant  
Kathryn Jenkins, Administrative Assistant  
Kellie Vinay, Preschool Director  
Anthony Simmonds, Custodian  
Cynthia Barron, Kitchen Hostess

### Main Street United Methodist Church

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## **TODAY IS BOY SCOUT SUNDAY!**

Main Street offers a full complement of the BSA scouting program that includes Cub Scouts, a Troop for boys, a Troop for girls and a Venturing Crew. The cub program is from kindergarten through 5th grade, BSA troops are from 6th grade or age 11 through the end of age 17, and the venturing is a co-ed high adventure program for ages 14-20. Male and female youth are invited to participate in our scouting programs. For information, contact Wes O'Brien. Our scouting units appreciate the extensive support of Main Street for many, many years. We are also indebted to many adult leaders that make the programs possible. Our key leaders in the 4 scouting units are Boys Troop 940 Scoutmaster Scott Mason, Committee Chair Gray Hunter; Girls Troop 710 Scoutmaster Tracy Dicalogero, Committee Chair Carla Lemons; Pack 940 Cubmaster Rob Moore, Committee Chair Craig Duggan; Venture Crew Advisor Brea McClain, Committee Chair Kevin McClain; and Main Street Scout Liaison Wes O'Brien.

## **SUNDAY MORNING COUNTER NEEDED**

If you are available to help count the morning offering after the late service on the 2nd Sunday of each month, please contact Tina Crew in the Church office. Training is provided and the counter will work with a partner.

## **OASIS WORSHIP SERVICE**

Come to the Sanctuary at 5:00pm on Wednesdays for an intimate 30-minute service with Holy Communion and prayer led by one of our pastors, with music by Chuck Foster, and a short devotion by a member of our congregation. Our Oasis service is meant to be a time of refreshment and encouragement in the middle of a busy week. Oasis will meet only on weeks that we have the Wednesday Night Connect Dinner.

## **WEDNESDAY CONNECT DINNER**

The entrée on **February 11** is Lasagna (*gluten-free entrée is available upon request*). Dinner is served at 5:30pm. Reservations can be made by: signing a reservation card and placing it in the offering plate; emailing Kathryn ([kathryn.jenkins@mainstreetumc.org](mailto:kathryn.jenkins@mainstreetumc.org)); calling the church office at 336-993-3411; visiting our website or clicking the link in the Thursday Connections email each week. Reservations for dining in-person or "to-go" must be made by **Monday at noon**. The suggested donation is \$6/adult, \$3/child (*10 & under*). We accept cash, check, or cards. New Horizons SS class serving.

## **OLDER ADULT LUNCHEON**

Join us in the Fellowship Hall on **February 12** at 11:45am for lunch and fellowship! RSVP to Pat Knox (call the church for phone number).

## **HERITAGE CLUB**

On Friday, **February 13**, join your friends in the Heritage Club for dinner at Cody Creek to celebrate Valentine's Day. If you would like to ride in the van, please be at the church by 4:30. We will be seated at the restaurant at 6:00 for dinner. Reservations are required; contact Debbie Smith at 336-671-1215. Please let Debbie know if you will be driving or riding in the van. There is no charge to ride in the van. Deadline to sign up will be Feb. 10.

## **PANCAKE SUPPER**

Join us for our annual *Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper* on **February 17** from 6:00 to 7:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. Bring your appetite and your checkbooks and eat all the pancakes you want! All proceeds from the pancake supper help us raise money for our youth summer mission trips.

## **ASH WEDNESDAY**

We have two opportunities for worship on **February 18** for Ash Wednesday in our Sanctuary—at noon and at 7:00pm. For the noon service, we are excited to welcome Rev. Pamela Blackstock, Senior Pastor of St. Paul UMC in Winston-Salem, to be our guest preacher for the Noon Community Ash Wednesday Service. Please note that the noon service will NOT be held at Ciener Gardens this year. For the 7pm service, we will hear a message from Pastor Lanny, so you could come to BOTH services and have two different worship experiences!

## **CHICKEN PIES**

Our United Methodist Men are taking orders for Mrs. Pumpkins Frozen Chicken Pies! You can order frozen 9 inch Moravian Chicken Pie, Baked Spaghetti, and/or Brownies for \$15 each, or mix and match 3 for \$42.00. 4 pack 5-inch individual frozen Moravian Chicken Pies are available for \$17.00 and NOT in the mix and match deal mentioned above. Orders can be placed with any United Methodist Men member with your order request, name, email and phone number. The last day to order will be **February 20**. You should plan to pick up your order between 8:30am and 10:30am on February 28.

## **SPIRIT NIGHT AT THE LOOP**

Help support the MSUMC Preschool by dining out at *The Loop* in Kernersville on **February 24** between 4pm and 9pm. Be sure to tell them that you are with Main Street Preschool and a portion of the proceeds will be donated to the preschool scholarship fund!

## **COLLECTION BOXES**

A collection box for RECYCLE BEYOND THE BAG plastic film recycling is located at the Member Pickup Station in the Commons, Fellowship Hall, and Preschool. We also have collection boxes in the Main Entrance to the Commons for: GOT SNEAKERS—donate used sneakers to be repurposed; HOPE CENTER—donate empty egg cartons, clothing, groceries; BOOKSAPALOOZA—donate new or used books; and CRISIS CONTROL—donate non-perishable food, each month has an item to focus on, February's items are canned greens, black-eyed peas, cornbread mix.

