



*A note  
from the pastor*



## REFLECTIONS

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Dear Church Family,

Time is on my mind today, and not just because we switched back to “Standard Time” last weekend. (Although I wish we would stop switching back and forth every year.) We celebrated the lives of seven saints during the beautiful “All Saints Sunday”, remembering the time we spent with them and the acts of love and service they performed for Jesus.

Time is something that many folks say they do not have enough of. People put off doing important things in their life, and then they say to themselves that it is “**high time**” to do something such as give forgiveness that they have been denying, go on a diet, or start a workout routine. Ever notice how we claim we have little or no time to do something that we ought to do, but we “**make time**” for stuff that is *really important for us like our hobbies and passions?* Ask someone to do something that needs to be done, and you are likely to hear “**I wish I had the time.**”

What does time mean to the Eternal God? First, it has no bearing on the Great I Am. God is not controlled by it as God has no beginning and no end. A child of our church recently asked me how old God was. Her mouth dropped when I said that God is ageless and has no “birthday”. Even though time is a temporal subject that every living thing on Earth must deal with, God was, is, and ever shall be!

The Bible lays down some holy markers on time to remind us that our time on Earth is finite. Hebrews 9:27 says, “**And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment.**” Solomon writes in Ecclesiastes 1: 2-4: “**Life is fleeting, like a passing mist. It is like trying to catch hold of a breath; All vanishes like a vapor; everything is a great vanity.**” James 4:14 says, “**Yet you do not know what tomorrow will bring. What is your life? For you are a mist that appears for a little time and then vanishes.**” All these verses may seem like “bummers”, but the point is there is “**no time like the present**” to serve the Lord. Any service that we do for Him is “**time well spent**”!

In Christ’s Name,  
Pastor Rusty

## MISSIONS COMMITTEE ANNOUNCES NEW PARTNERSHIP WITH LUTHERAN CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOR FOOD PANTRY



The missions committee has approved the idea of our church partnering with the 15-year-old Food Pantry program of the Lutheran Church of Our Savior. The Food Pantry is located behind the Lutheran Church of Our Savior (2600 Wade Hampton Blvd). Pastor Rusty noticed recently that they had a sign out requesting volunteers to help and noticing the proximity of their church and ours saw a potential to help a fellow church with volunteers. All persons who are interested in helping are requested to meet here next Tuesday, November 15th at 11:15 a.m. to commute over to the church for a short "training" to see how to register new persons for the assistance program and how to render other needed help. The Pastor and Mission Committee's goal is to have a team of five to ten volunteers from Lee Road help on Thursdays. Please pray about this opportunity to help with hunger in our community.



## LEE ROAD CELEBRATES FOUR BAPTISMS OF CHILDREN OF OUR CONGREGATION

Pastor Rusty, the Children's Education Department, and the Evangelism Committee are all happy in seeing the recent baptisms of four of our children: Ariana, Ezra, Makenzie, and Madison. We praise the Holy Spirit in justifying them before Almighty God and beginning a great work in them! We humbly ask that you pray everyday for all our church children that they will grow in the admonition of the Lord Jesus. Let's do everything we can to honor the vows we took the last two

Sundays to surround these persons with our love and support and that God's Will be accomplished in their precious lives.



*outreach*  
**EVANGELISM**

Saturday, November 19th  
10am-11am

We will meet in the  
conference room at 9:45am.  
(wear comfortable shoes and layers)

Disney  
**BIG  
HERO  
6**

**Movie in the Bridge  
Saturday, November 12, 2022  
from 7-9 PM**

**(2014 - 1 hour 45 mins) rated "PG"**



**popcorn & hot chocolate!**



## Commentary on October Financials

**Fantastic News! We were in the black in October! The second consecutive month of positive cash flow! Total Income was \$32,190 vs. Total Expenses of \$23,527, resulting in a positive cash flow for the month of \$8,663. Miscellaneous Revenue was \$6,738, or 21% of Total Income. Without the \$6,738 of Miscellaneous Revenue, we would still have enjoyed a positive cash flow of \$1,925 in October, only the second month this year where Contributions to Budget have exceeded Total Expenses. Total Income YTD is \$254,157 vs. Total Expenses of \$267,651, for a YTD loss of \$13,494. However, the last two (2) months have shown a financial turn-around. With a strong November and December, we have a chance to finish 2022 in the black. Available cash on hand (also known as Bank Balance Less Dedicated) to pay salaries and expenses increased significantly to \$138,859. Another exciting positive the last two (2) months is the number of "Givers," i.e., the number of households contributing to budget, increased to 60 in September and 65 in October. This is 35% higher than the monthly average of 48 "Givers" for the first eight (8) months of the year. Should you have any questions please call Jimmy Gaddy at (864) 836-0842 (H) or (864) 404-7279 (M). You may also contact me via text or email at [jhgaddy1@bellsouth.net](mailto:jhgaddy1@bellsouth.net). Respectfully submitted. Jimmy Gaddy, Finance Chair.**

	Oct-22	Year-to-Date	Budget	%
Church Contribution/Income	\$32,190	\$254,157	\$273,600	92.89%
Church Expenses	(\$23,527)	(\$267,651)	(\$307,247)	87.11%
Income Less (Expense)	\$8,663	(\$13,494)	(\$33,647)	
Total Assets in Bank Accounts	\$185,048			
Dedicated Accounts (100% Funded)	\$46,188			
Available Cash (Undedicated Bank Assets)	\$138,859			
Total Apportionments Billed Not Budgeted	\$49,114			
Apportionment Paid	\$20,000			
Percent Paid	41%			
Giving Households for Month	65			

meal - 5:30 to 6:30

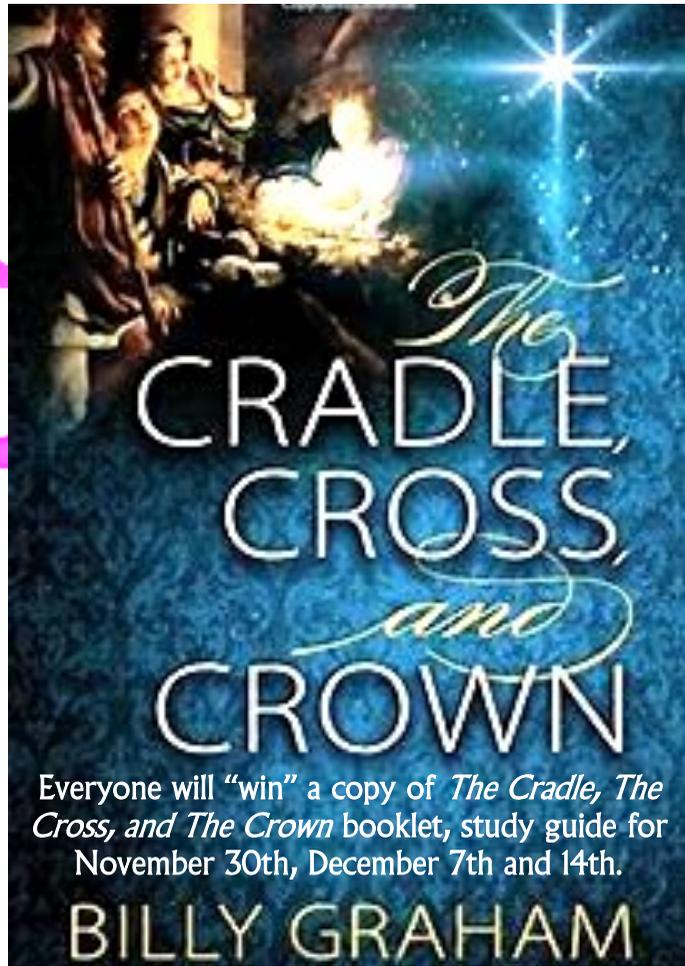
Wonderful Wednesday

program - 6:30 to 7:30

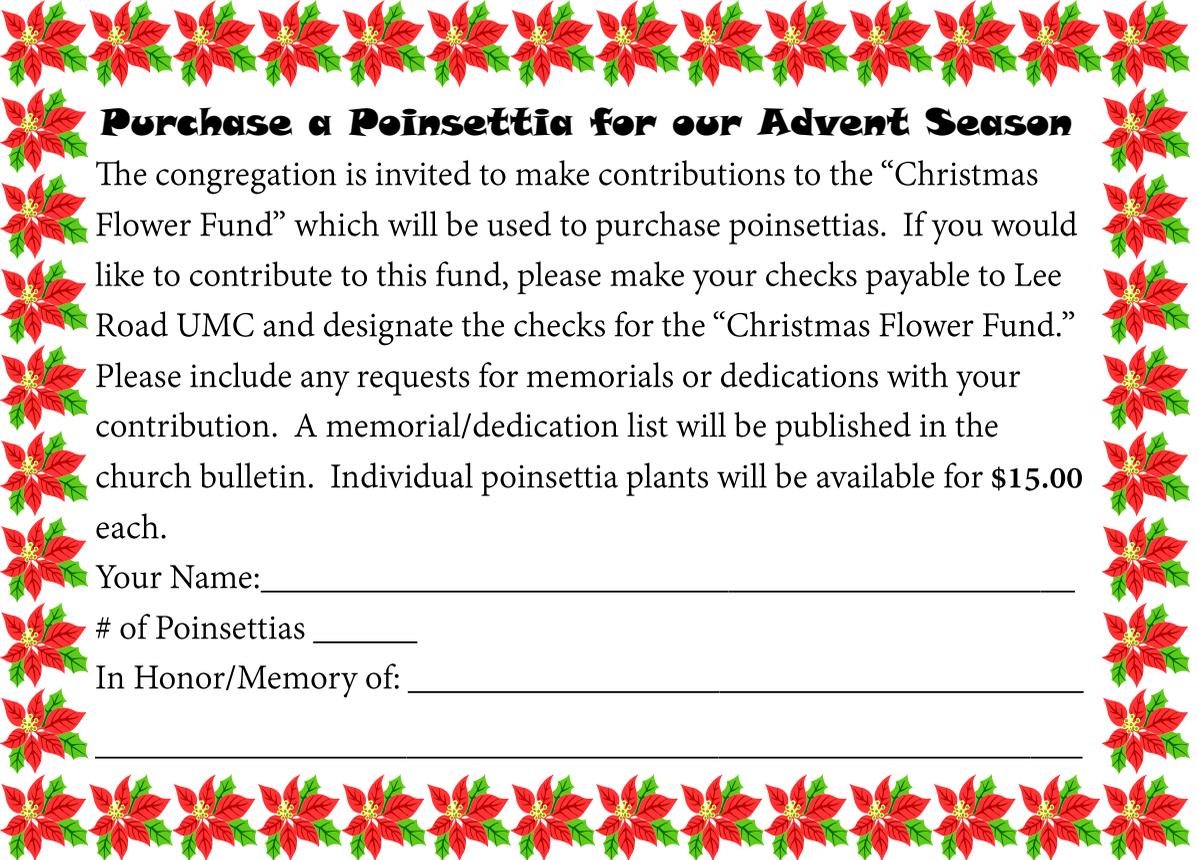
# BINGO NIGHT

11/16/22

menu: baked ziti, salad & dessert



Everyone will "win" a copy of *The Cradle, The Cross, and The Crown* booklet, study guide for November 30th, December 7th and 14th.



## Purchase a Poinsettia for our Advent Season

The congregation is invited to make contributions to the “Christmas Flower Fund” which will be used to purchase poinsettias. If you would like to contribute to this fund, please make your checks payable to Lee Road UMC and designate the checks for the “Christmas Flower Fund.”

Please include any requests for memorials or dedications with your contribution. A memorial/dedication list will be published in the church bulletin. Individual poinsettia plants will be available for \$15.00 each.

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

# of Poinsettias \_\_\_\_\_

In Honor/Memory of: \_\_\_\_\_



Have you thought about gift cards for Christmas? We can order gift cards from any retail store in the country. If you get your orders in to Sandy Davis or Bob Stevens by Nov. 27, we will have your cards by Dec. 4th. Payment is needed at the time of order. Proceeds are used for repairs to the church and a few selected charities.

**UNITED METHODIST**  
**MEN**

*Happy Thanksgiving*

# SPECIAL

THANKSGIVING SERVICE

**Tuesday, Nov. 22nd @6pm (Sanctuary) - LRUMC + St. Mark UMC**  
**Recognizing Fire & Police Officers for their service.**  
**(soup & cornbread after the service)**

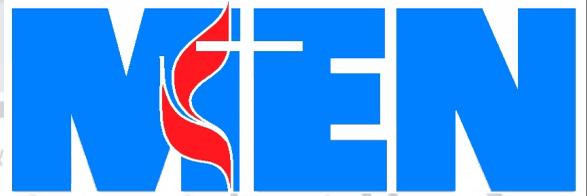
## WANDA HAMILL ROOM REDEDICATED DURING OCT. 30 SERVICE



On Sunday, October 30, 2022, Catherine Hamill cut the ceremonial red ribbon opening the refurbished and rededicated "Wanda Hamill Room" in the former gymnasium now known as the site of our contemporary worship center "The Bridge at Lee Road." For many years, Wanda was a beloved figure of our church, welcoming everybody and spreading her positive spirit for her church and the Clemson Tigers! Pastor

Rusty presented the idea to various leaders of the church, and the trustees formed a small task force to oversee this special project (Pastor, Joyce McKenzie, Gene Turner, and Sandy Davis). The room was repainted a cheery yellow and new furnishings were purchased, some of which have not come in yet. Gene Turner did an awesome job on a charcoal portrait of Wanda. All funds for the project were raised privately with zero dollars coming from the regular budget. The room will be used in the future for small kids activities and parties. The Pastor wishes to thank everyone who worked on this project and/or contributed to it.

# UNITED METHODIST



**8:30 a.m Prayer Breakfast  
Sunday, November 13th**

Thursday, November 10, 2022

6:15 p.m.—7:15 p.m. REFIT (Bridge)

Friday, November 11, 2022– Veterans Day

Saturday, November 12, 2022

7:00 p.m. Family Movie Night (outside)

Sunday, November 13, 2022

8:30 a.m. UMM Prayer Breakfast

9:30 a.m.—10 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship (S.H.)

10:00 a.m. Contemporary Service (Bridge)

11:00 a.m. Traditional Service (Sanctuary)

Monday, November 14, 2022

5:30 p.m. Worship Committee Meeting

Tuesday, November 15, 2022

10:00—11:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study Class

11:15 a.m. Lutheran Church Food Pantry

6:15 p.m.—7:15 p.m. REFIT (Bridge)

6:30 p.m.—8:30 p.m. Gamblers Anonymous

Wednesday, November 16, 2022

9:00 a.m. Men's Sharing Group

10:00 a.m. New Beginning Singers Practice

5:30 p.m.—6:30 p.m. Wonderful Wednesday

6:30 p.m.—7:30 p.m. Bible Study

Thursday, November 17, 2022

6:15 p.m.—7:15 p.m. REFIT (Bridge)

Friday, November 18, 2022

Saturday, November 19, 2022

10:45 a.m. Evangelism Door Knocking

Sunday, November 20, 2022

9:30 a.m.—10 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship (S.H.)

10:00 a.m. Contemporary Service (Bridge)

11:00 a.m. Traditional Service (Sanctuary)

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To add to or delete from the list, please call the church office.

Special Prayer Requests

- Phil Gilliam
- Brad Steele
- Rev. Bill Shepard
- Bryson Turner
- Jimmy & Martha Gaddy
- Jan Floe
- Tsiania Kearney
- Jim Chamber
- Josh Williams
- Bill Huntley
- Family of Denise Dorr
- John & Evalina Settle

Residential Care

- Betty Perdue, Jim Edwards
- Linda Black, Cecelia Casby
- James King, Clara Culbertson
- Bobbie Lazar, Boyce Putman
- Betty Putman, Mae Woodside
- Bob & Ellen Elson, Cynthia Brown, Bill Huntley

At Home

- Edith Allen with Hunnicutts
- Barbara Larsen
- Larry Hand
- Ann Huntley

Extended Family

- Daughter of: Gary Dodson
- Father of: Debbie Gantt, Marc Turcotte, Karen Turner
- Sister of: Bobbie Lazar
- Brother of: Vicky Williams
- Son-in-Law of: Carl & Beth Kohlhepp
- Uncle of: Sandy Davis
- Nephew of: Linda Black, Julie Ross
- Niece of: Laurie Fite
- Family of: Don Sandor, Mike Lewis
- Friends of: Sandy & Joan Davis, Debbie Gantt, Jane Pingley, Elizabeth Lowrey, Gail Bachman

**Attendance**



Sunday, November 6, 2022  
 Contemporary Service—35  
 Traditional Service—62



Offering needed weekly to make budget: \$5,909

Nov. 6th	\$6,132
Nov. 13th	
Nov. 20th	
Nov. 27th	
<b>Monthly Total</b>	

