

(*) denotes those who are able to stand		
Nursery is also available for children up to 5 years old.		
Prelude	A New Hallelujah Start a Fire	
Welcome		
*Call to Worship		
*Opening Song	Come, Now is the Time to Worship	
Scripture Lesson	John 15:9-17 (NRSV)	page 103 (NT)
Invitation to the Offering		
Anthem	Holy Spirit	Praise Band
Offertory Prayer		
Baptism	Mabel Jane & Whitfield Banks Wannamaker	
Sermon Scripture	Acts 10:44-48 (NRSV)	page 121 (NT)
Sermon	"More Than a Symbol"	Pastor Tommy Sweeley
Prayer Concerns		
Invitation to Communion		
Prayer of Confession		
Words of Assurance		
*Great Thanksgiving		
Giving Bread/Cup		
Anthem	Come to the Table	Praise Band
Prayer after Communion		
*Song of Response	The Way	Praise Band
Altar Moments Alter Lives		
*Benediction		
*Postlude		Praise Band
Fellowship Time		
Welcome to God’s house! “It’s a joy to have every worshiper here to glorify God and to share in fellowship with one another. <u>After the 9:00 worship service, everyone is invited to gather in the Fellowship Hall or Memorial Garden for refreshments and fellowship</u> ”		

(*) denotes those who are able to stand		
Prelude		
Welcome		
Introit	O Come and Dwell in Me	Chancel Choir
*Call to Worship		Responsively
*Opening Hymn	In Christ There Is No East or West	UMH #548
*Opening Prayer		
*Gloria Patri		UMH #71
Confirmation	(Jake Xavier Brady, Hudson Michael Brady, Jacob Robert Ewell, Danielle Ann Pate)	
Scripture Lesson	John 15:9-17 (NRSV)	page 103
Invitation to the Offering		
Offertory		
*Doxology		
*Offertory Prayer		
Sermon Scripture	Acts 10:44-48 (NRSV)	page 121 (NT)
Sermon	"More Than a Symbol "	Pastor Tommy Sweeley
Anthem	All Good Gifts	Chancel Choir
Prayer of Illumination		
Prayer Concerns		
Call to Prayer	Precious Lord, Take My Hand	Chancel Choir #474
Invitation to Communion		
Prayer of Confession		
Words of Assurance		
*Great Thanksgiving		
Giving Bread/Cup		
Prayer after Communion		
*Hymn of Response	Blest Be the Tie That Binds	UMH #557
Altar Moments Alter Lives		
*Benediction		
*Benediction Response	Every Time I Feel the Spirit	Chancel Choir
*Postlude		
Children ages birth-5 are invited to go to the nursery during the 11:00 worship service.		

**The altar flowers** are given to the glory of God by Ken and Nancy Libertini in celebration of the birthday of our dear Sister in Christ, Mikey Delle.

**Baptism, Confirmation and Reception into Membership**

Today, Mabel Jane and Whitfield Banks Wannamaker will be baptized (9am).  
Today, Jake Xavier Brady, Hudson Michael Brady and Jacob Robert Ewell, will be baptized; and, welcomed into church membership with Danielle Ann Pate.  
Last Sunday, we welcomed Dianne Little into the church family at Southern Pines UMC.

**Thank you** to all who attended the 25th Anniversary of Family Promise. We had a great turn out! Special shout out to Mikey for all her help with logistics, set up and cleaning!

**Book Cases Needed**—Books for Kids is gearing up for summer bags and we are in need of 4 to 5 regular-sized bookcases. They do not have to match. We will use them for sorting and storing books.

Do you have one or more in your attic or garage? We can get them picked up if needed. Call or text Mary Ellen (252) 802-0525 or Vivian (910) 638-8336.

We also accept gently used kids and teens books. We use RH-1 (next to the Ezra Room)

**Stephen Ministry—Prayer**—John 13:34, says to “love one another” and that is what Stephen Ministry is all about. We don’t know what you’re going through. We can’t relate to your situation. We can listen. We can provide support for you along your journey.

Please consider asking for a Stephen Minister whenever you are experiencing a situation where Christ centered one on one care would help bear your burden. —

—Amy Cooper, Stephen Leader

**Prayer Shawls** can bring a great deal of comfort for those who are recuperating from serious health issues. As a member of the church Nurture Committee, I get to deliver the shawls to members of our church family. If you know of anyone that would be in need of a beautiful prayer shawl or lap robe, please contact me with his or her name. I will see that one is received. Ellen Stewart, [elstewart2@gmail.com](mailto:elstewart2@gmail.com).

**Altar Flowers**—To make arrangements for flowers for the sanctuary, please call or email Mikey Delle: 910-725-0367 or [mikeydelle@nc.rr.com](mailto:mikeydelle@nc.rr.com). Flower arrangements will be made in glass vases which are easier to transport and more suitable for home display. Please pick them up after the 11:00 service or on Monday in the church office. The **cost is \$65**, payable to SPUMC (altar flowers on memo line).

**Two Upcoming GriefShare Opportunities**

June 20th— Two hour seminar/support

Loss of Spouse

Thursday, June 20th, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

GriefShare’s “Loss of Spouse” will be held on Thursday, June 20, 2024 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. This is a 2-hour seminar for people grieving a spouse’s death. The seminar features a video with practical, encouraging advice from counselors, pastors, and widowed men and women, followed by a small-group sharing time. You’ll learn what to expect in the days ahead, how to handle the loneliness, what to do with your spouse’s belongings, and how to find the strength to go on. Everyone who attends receives a booklet with over 30 short readings on how to live with grief and eventually rebuild your life.

For more information or questions, please call Bill and Doris Russell at 910-690-5234.

**Summer 2024, GriefShare**

13 week session

Thursdays, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

July 11-October 3, 2024

GriefShare is a 13 week seminar/support of “help and encouragement” for those who have experienced the death of a loved one and includes a video featuring an array of speakers, followed by a discussion, and a workbook.

This 13 week cycle of GriefShare will meet at Southern Pines United Methodist Church, [175 Midland Road](#), in the Reeves Hall Building.

Your facilitators are excited to use the new and updated version of the videos and workbook during this July 11th-October 3rd session.

If you have experienced the death of a spouse, child, family member, or friend we will all walk together through this path. The 13 weeks will take place on Thursdays from 5:30-7:30 p.m. You are welcome to begin attending the GriefShare group at any point. Each session is “self contained”, so you do not have to attend in sequence. You will be able to pick up any session you missed in the next 13 week cycle.


Please check out [www.griefshare.org](http://www.griefshare.org) or call Bill or Doris Russell, 910-690-5234 to register or for more information.

**Nothing but the Blood Drive —Monday, May 6 from 1:30-6PM**  
Schedule online or call [1-800-RED CROSS](tel:1-800-RED-CROSS) or <https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/drive-results?zipSponsor=SPCC>  
A QR code is included for direct donor access to this signup page as well.

We have confirmed the following dates for the rest of the year

Monday, May 6 (1:30 – 6 pm)      Wednesday, September 25 (1:30 – 6 pm)

Tuesday, July 30 (1:30 – 6 pm)      Friday, November 22 (12:30 – 5 pm)



**Senior Adult Fellowship Luncheon—Tuesday, May 21 —11:30AM**  
The Senior Adult Fellowship Luncheon will be held Tuesday, May 21 at 11:30 am. Let [vivrd@hotmail.com](mailto:vivrd@hotmail.com) know your menu option. Our speaker will be Steve Kapa from the TeleHealth Program at First Health.

- LOADED BURGER\* 17**

Served with brioche roll, spread with avocado ranch, fresh avocado slices ,  
crispy bacon, lettuce, tomato, onion

Served with coleslaw, french fries or house salad
- REUBEN SANDWICH 15**

Served with chip and coleslaw
- BROCCOLI BACON QUICHE 12.95**

House made quiche with bacon and broccoli

Served with fruit bowl and salad
- CHICKEN WITH CASHEW SAUCE 16.95**

Chicken breast, stir fried with onions, celery, carrot, bell pepper, pineapple, cashew nuts in house sauce

Served with Jasmine rice
- PADTHAI CHICKEN 16.95**

Stir fried rice noodle, egg, green onion in house Padthai sauce

Served with peanut and lime
- COBB SALAD 16**

Grilled chicken, bacon bits, hard boiled egg\*, tomatoes, avocado, onion over spring mixed salad

Served with blue cheese dressing
- BLACKEN SALMON SALAD\* 19**

6 oz. Well seared blackened fillet of salmon over house spring mix salad, cherry tomatoes,

cucumber, onion, topped with balsamic glaze

Served with balsamic vinaigrette

In-Person ~ Live Stream ~ Worship Services	
8:00 am	Praise Band Practice
9:00 am	Praise & Worship Service (childcare available infant to 4-yrs)
Greeters	Doris & Bill Russell
9:45 am	Fellowship Time, Fellowship Hall
10:00 am	Sunday School (all ages)
11:00 am	Traditional Worship Service (childcare available infant to 4-yrs)
Greeters	Jeanie Daigre & Cindi Hamilton
4:00 pm	Youth Group
Mon - May 6	SPUMC Food Pantry, Lower Level, 10-11 <sup>30</sup> am American Red Cross Blood Drive, FH, 1 <sup>30</sup> -6pm Trustee Committee, 7pm
Tues - May 7	Exercise Class, narthex, 9 <sup>30</sup> am Holy Communion, Wesley Chapel, 12 noon Bulletin/uConnect Information deadline, 12 noon Church Staff meeting, 2 <sup>15</sup> pm Evergreen (AA) Group, 7pm
Wed - May 8	Women’s Life Group, Ezra Room, 10 <sup>30</sup> -noon Chancel Choir practice, 6 <sup>30</sup> pm Praise Band practice, 8pm
Thu - May 9	Tea w/Mom, LPLL, FH, 9am

**Please** use this link <http://bit.ly/SPUMCUConnectForm> when submitting information for the uConnect.

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**Mission Statement** "Our Mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ by connecting people to God, to others, and to the world."

**Procedure:** Mikey Delle, PET Scan, 5/9

**Home:** Bob Adams, Kitzy Bundy, Bill Dillon, Gwen Funderburk, Wyatt Glenn & family, Dianne Greene, Christian Lee, Cassie Lehr, Ken Libertini, Mary Majors, Shannon Masneri, Kaye McConnell, Betty McKnight, David Miller, Alvin Ratliff, Joe Rasmus, Bob Rich, Marcia Rowbottom, Gail Scott, Gale Smith, John Southerland, SPUMC, Bob Stafford, Libby Staples, Carolyn West, Larry White, Treis Williams, Rachael Wirtz, Carmen Wondergem and April Zulch family.

**Donna Dickson**, 1777 Cawdor Dr., Fayetteville, NC 28304

**Brenda Geist**, 7046 W. Pleasant Oak Court, Florence, AZ 85132-6942

**Joyce Batson**, 255 Courtyard Boulevard, Rm. 205, Sun City Center, FL 33573

**Helge Grill**, 6100 W. Friendly Ave., Greensboro, NC 27410

**Pat Hitchings**, Walton Wood Lake Boone Road, 3550 Horton Street, Apt. 203, Raleigh, NC 27607

**Charles E. Kersey**, 15 W. Franklin Ave., Collingswood, NJ 08108-1117

**Fox Hollow: 190 Fox Hollow Road, Pinehurst, 28374**  
Nancy Scaggs -#234 & Doug Burns #236

**Penick Village: 500 E. Rhode Island Ave., So. Pines**  
Betty Dorsett, Marion Evans, Nancy Peterson-#235, Kay Rhoades-#239, Don & Joyce Tickle and Decatur & Betty Richardson

**Memory Care:** Jane MacDougall

**Pinehurst Healthcare & Rehab. Ctr: 300 Blake Blvd.**  
Nancy Smith, #210

**Quail Haven: 155 Blake Blvd., Pinehurst, 28374**  
Jean Hicks; Louise Laningham, #205-E (910) 690-9115

**Active/Deployed:**  
W. Troie Barker, CPT Benjamin Harvey, CPT Brian Harvey, COL Mark Ochoa, Gold Star & Military Families

**Missionary:** ZOE Empowerment & UMCOR: Ukraine

The United States of America	Ukraine
Those with Covid/FLU/RSV	
Israel	situation in the Middle East
Those affected by Violence/Missing/Weather Issues	
California	Lahaina Texas

**Prayer List**—If you or others you know have an upcoming medical procedure, are sick, or are experiencing a significant life event, please let our pastoral staff know by contacting the church directly at [spumc@nc.rr.com](mailto:spumc@nc.rr.com) or calling 910-692-3518. You may also fill out the Pastoral Visit or Prayer Request card located on the back of each pew and place it in the collection plate.

**Extended Family & Friends**

**Matt Ashbrook** (cousin of Nicki Pribich)

**Theodore Harold Bonham**

**Lynne Bost** (sister of Ruthie Borrell)

**Barbara Braddock** (Sally Thomas)

**Bob Cornfeld** (Lin Heimrick)

**Sonny Crabbs** (brother of Shirley Shank)

**Teresa Dione** (sister of Debra Daubenspeck)

**Myra Doggett** (mother of Michelle Aubrey)

**Family of Rev. David Gira** (Matt & Gina Grafenberg)

**Ann Ferguson** (Jill Bingham)

**Patricia Forbes** (knee replacement, May 13)

**Peggy Freniere** (Barbara Ricardson)

**Donnie Funderburk** (B-I-L of Gwen Funderburk)

**Barbara Harris** (S-I-L Betty Richardson)

**Holly Jeffries** (sister of Carmen Wondergem)

**Jesse Joyce** (cousin of Cassie Lehr)

**Judy Malecki** (S-I-L of Bob Rich)

**Mary Marhol** (mother of John Marhol)

**Rev. Cleve May** <https://www.caringbridge.org/public/clevemayscancerstory>

**John McCurdy** (Matt Grafenberg)

**Mae McGougan**

**Tom McVey** (cousin of Nicki Pribich)

**Joy Mitchener** (niece of Sue Harris)

**Joanne Moffit** (sister of Susan Sweeley)

**Jackson Powitchko** (grandson, Jack & Kathy Powit.)

**Ella Rich** (granddaughter, Larry & Lynda Newsome)

**Tommy Riggins** (brother of Katherine Stafford)

**Katelyn Semales** (online request)

**Miranda Shepherd** (Katie Humber)

**Meredith Slazas** (daughter of Susan Sweeley)

**Lynn Soles** (Barbara Richardson)

**Ben Sutton** (father of Jason Sutton)

**Tessie Troutman Hall** (Juanita Boros)

**Judy Turnage** (Barbara Richardson)

**Jean Williams** (aunt of Katie Humber)

**Sunday Worship Attendance April 28, 2024**

9 am (113/155)    Sunday School (33)    11 am (93/ 126)    Tuesday Communion (5)

**Recorded Contributions for the week of 28 April 2024**

Operating.....	\$ 7,298.00
Church Preservation Fund.....	\$ 210.00
ZOE Ministry.....	\$ 150.00
Elec. Processing Donation.....	\$ 7.58
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 7,665.58</b>
Operating Contrib. YTD .....	\$ 214,657
Preservation Contrib. YTD.....	\$ 4,230

Thank you to everyone who donated to the 2024 Lenten Missions. Because of your generosity a total amount of \$4,525.00 was collected: \$825 Camping Scholarships; \$635 Habitat for Humanity; \$70 Mission Fund; and \$2,170 Northern Moore Resource Center.

*"Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you."* **Luke 6:38**

**Thank you** for your support of Southern Pines United Methodist Church and its missions! Contact Michelle Aubrey at [Shelliesnc@gmail.com](mailto:Shelliesnc@gmail.com) with questions.

**Giving Made Easy:** Electronic gifts are fast and secure. Give anytime, anywhere to your favorite funds. Schedule donations or set up an account and make donations whenever you'd like throughout the year. Go to the Southern Pines UMC website: [www.southernpinesumc.org](http://www.southernpinesumc.org) and click "Give" at the top of the page to get started. If you have any questions, please contact Michelle Aubrey: [Shelliesnc@gmail.com](mailto:Shelliesnc@gmail.com). **TEXT YOUR OFFERING:** 910-390-1703 (These donations will go to the operating budget.)

**Stock Donations:** If you are planning or need procedural information regarding stock donations, we ask that you contact Laura Parker ([lparker@fbwealthmanagement.com](mailto:lparker@fbwealthmanagement.com)), 910-246-0835, at First Bank Wealth Management.

**If you** would like to know more about Southern Pines UMC or are searching for a church home, we warmly invite you to contact us by placing the completed "Connect with Us" card in the offering plate or by calling the church office (910-692-3518).



*Please come to a reception as we bid farewell to Pastor Tommy.  
Let's join together to express our gratitude and appreciation for his  
16 years of ministry at SPUMC, and wish him and Susan  
all the best on their new journey.*

*Date: Sunday, June 9, 2024*

*Time: 10:00–11:00 (between services)*

*Place: Fellowship Hall*

*Coffee, tea, juice and mini breakfast treats will be served.*

**“The Lord is My Shepherd”  
July 15–18 ~ 5:30–7:30PM**



**Vacation Bible School**

## **Making plans for your child this summer?**

Children can expect to have a wonderful experience this summer while growing closer to Christ at one of the United Methodist Camps. To find out more about all the exciting things going on at Camp Rock Fish, Don Lee, or Chestnut Ridge, visit the camps website at <http://www.ncumcamps.org/>. Scholarships are available.

All are welcome to apply. If you need further information, please contact Pastor Tommy, [tlsweeley@nccumc.org](mailto:tlsweeley@nccumc.org) or call, 910-692-3518 ext. 201.

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## **SPUMC Summer ZOE Camps**

AMERICAN DOT	June 24–27	9am–3pm
Critical Thinking	July 8–11	9am–11:45am
Architecture Studio	July 8–11	12:15pm–3pm
CHALLENGE	July 22–25	9am–11:45am

**Camp Profits benefit orphans in Zimbabwe through ZOE Empowers partnered with SPUMC.**

**Ellen Wilken 740-334-8233**

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**Ask about camp registration discounts up to 20%**