

Ayden Christian Church NEWSLETTER

2023
JANUARY

Wednesday, January 11

From the Pastors

Greetings in Christ. As Disciples of Christ, we are called to embrace the gift of Christ and grow in faith for we are children of the Lord. Place your feet upon the path of discipleship for he came for you. He left heaven's perfect peace and did not come for fame or wealth. He came to draw us near. He did not come to sit upon a throne or condemn the world. He came in love to reconcile us to the very heart of God.

“God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him” John 3:17.

He Came for YOU,
Blessings,
Pastor Melissa

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Pastors' Office Hours:

Sunday

11am-1pm

Church Office Hours:

Monday - Thursday

8am-2pm

Friday

8am - 12pm

Link of the week:

2023 Regional Assembly



[https://
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ples.org/2022/11/14/
regional-assembly-2023/](https://ncdisciples.org/2022/11/14/regional-assembly-2023/)

Racial Equity Training for Clergy & Church Leaders

A Racial Equity Training for Clergy and Church Leaders will be held January 20-21, 2023 at First Christian Church in Greensboro. Meeting times are Friday 10:00 am to 6:00pm; and Saturday 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. The registration deadline is January 13, 2023.

Church Office Closed on Monday

The church office will be closed this Monday, January 16 in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

Hookerton District Union Meeting

Our district meeting will be January 26 at 6:15pm at Timothy Christian Church. The meal will be provided as a gift from the church. Please RSVP to Rev. Lee Parker at lee.at.timothycc@gmail.com by January 23.

Regional Assembly

Ayden Christian Church is allowed three delegates to the regional assembly, and three alternates. If you are interested in representing us in Charlotte on April 29 and in Wilson on October 14, see Wendy Peterson to apply. Please let us know by February 21.



Opportunities This Week

Adult Sunday School

The adult Sunday School Class invites you to join them on Sunday morning at 9:00 am.

Sunday Morning Worship Service

Come worship with us Sunday morning at 10 am!

Youth Church

Welcome all youth in grades K-8 to worship the Lord in a "youthful" setting after Children's Minute during the regular church service.

Choir Practice

The choir will rehearse following the Sunday morning worship service. Come join us if you like to sing!

Martin Luther King Jr. Day Celebration

Zion Chapel UAFWB Church will host "Continuing the Dream" on Monday, January 16 at 2 pm. All are welcome as we celebrate with speakers, entertainment, and community awards.
(flyer attached)

Prayer and Bible Study Group

The Prayer & Bible Study Group meets on Tuesdays at 1:00 pm in Johnson & Beland Halls. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Backpack Pals

Many thanks for all the generous donations to our backpack ministry. Volunteers to deliver on Fridays would be much appreciated. The list of requested foods is attached. Please make sure all food items have not passed the expiration date. Contact Shannon Wainright for more information.
(item list attached)



Dates to Remember



Jan 11 - Gaye Morgan

Jan 16 - Coy Buck

- Betty Jo Manning

- Martin Luther King Jr Day Celebration

Jan 18 - Althea McNairy

Jan 20-21 - Racial Equity Training for Clergy and Church Leaders

Jan 25 - Greg Rhue

Jan 26 - Hookerton District Union Meeting

Jan 31 - Raegan Wainright

Please submit all items for next week's newsletter no later than Tuesday at 12 pm.

Serving Schedule

If you are unable to serve, please find a replacement and let the church office know. We like to have the correct names in the bulletin.

This Week (January 15)

- * A/V: Sadie Horton, Trey Horton
- * Acolyte: Becky McLawhorn
- * Children's Minute: Lou Anne Sutton
 - Scripture: John 1:29-42
 - Title: The Lamb of God
 - Five minutes or less
- * Elders: Jennifer Hardee, Darlene Smith Worthington
- * Greeters: Ronnie Huggins, Gaye Morgan
- * Mic Walker: Sarah Taylor
- * Minister: Rev. Melissa Acres
- * Worship Leader: Alice Huggins
- * Worship Rep: Steve McLawhorn

Next Week (January 22)

- * A/V: Sadie Horton, Trey Horton
- * Acolyte: Jorja Venters
- * Children's Minute: Marendra Ausbon
- * Elders: Connie & Wesley Hardee
- * Greeters: Reed Hardee, Ryan Hardee
- * Mic Runner: Gaye Morgan
- * Minister: Rev. Marilyn Williams
- * Worship Leader: Lou Anne Baldree Sutton
- * Worship Rep: Tommy Stancil

Service Chair for January

- * Marty Stancil