

**Please Stand if Able*

Prelude

*Your Love O Lord
Grace Wins*

Welcome***Call to Worship**

Come and learn the ways of life.

We have come to follow Jesus.

Love your enemies, and do good to those who hate you.

We have come to follow Jesus.

Bless those who curse you, and pray for those who persecute you.

We have come to follow Jesus.

Do unto others as you would have them do unto you.

We have come to follow Jesus.

Come and learn the ways of life.

***Song of Praise**

Your Love Changes Everything

Praise Band

Passing of the Peace*Scripture Lesson**

Luke 6:27-36

page 60 (NT)

Children's Moment (afterwards, children 3 years - 5th grade are invited to go to KOW).

Prayer Concerns**Pastoral Prayer****The Lord's Prayer****Invitation to Offering****Anthem**

Brother

Sermon Scripture

Luke 6:37-42

page 60 (NT)

Sermon

Pastor Elias Ballew

***Song of Response**

Stand in Your Love

Praise Band

Benediction**Postlude**

Praise Band

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. After the 9:00 worship service, everyone is invited to gather in Fellowship Hall for refreshments and fellowship.

() denotes those who are able to stand*

Children ages birth-4 are invited to go to the nursery during the 11:00 worship service.

Prelude**Welcome****Introit**

Open My Eyes, That I May See

Chancel Choir

Call to Worship**Opening Hymn**

We Are Climbing Jacob's Ladder

UMH #418

***Opening Prayer**

God of abundant mercy, you alone can turn evil into good, sorrow into rejoicing, and death into everlasting life. Teach us your way of grace—to meet hatred with kindness, to answer curses with blessing, to love without holding back, to give without thought of return; all in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

***Apostles Creed**

UMH #882

***Gloria Patri**

UMH #71

Passing of the Peace*Scripture Reading**

Luke 6:27-36

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Prayer Concerns**Call to Prayer**

Heal Us, Emmanuel, Hear Our Prayer

Pastoral Prayer**The Lord's Prayer****Invitation to Offering*****Doxology*****Offertory Prayer****Anthem**

Let There Be Peace on Earth

Chancel Choir

Sermon Scripture

Luke 6:37-42

page 60 (NT)

Sermon

Pastor Elias Ballew

***Closing Hymn**

Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive

UMH #390

Benediction**Benediction Response**

Freely, Freely

Chancel Choir

***Postlude**

Our Christian Love and Sympathy to...

Ken in your prayers, really all of the family, as we grieve the death of his brother, John Libertini. –Nancy Libertini

Nicki Pribich regarding the death of her cousin, Tom McVey

Helpers Needed

The church kitchen needs attention. Items in the pantry and cabinets need to be discarded, drawers need to be organized and so on. Can you spare a few hours on Monday, January 27th at 10:00? Two willing hands are all that is needed. Later, I will be forming a Kitchen Krew Committee to oversee that the kitchen is always returned to the way it was found and whoever uses and reserves the facility will be responsible. Contact Mikey Delle mikeydelle@nc.rr.com or 910-725-0367 and say YES, I can help.

SPUMC Spring Dinner Group Announcement

Do you like food, fellowship, and fun? Then you should sign up for a SPUMC spring dinner group. Small groups (normally 3 or 4 couples or total of 6 to people) gather in members' homes to share a meal, conversation and fellowship. This could also be groups of single women and/or men who would like to get together to share a meal. Members of the group each may contribute a course for the meal coordinated by a group leader. Some groups may simply meet at restaurants. It's up to the group. We expect the groups will run from March thru June; however, some may get the ball rolling sooner. If you are interested, please fill out the registration form in the bulletin and return it to the church office by 21 Feb 25 or contact Karen Croucher at (910) 603-3618 or via email at: karen.croucher@charter.net. We hope to hear from you soon.

Southern Pines UMC Worship Committee Needs Your Help

The SPUMC worship committee is presently looking for volunteers to assist with preparing the sanctuary for our various services throughout the year. If interested, contact Katherine Stafford at 910-690-2457 or 910-692-9864.

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 or emailing the church office at 910-692-3518/ spumc@nc.rr.com. –Southern Pines UMC Friends

Hey Parents and Young Adults!

A new class has started just for you! Join us on Sundays at 10am in Reeves Hall Room #5! Questions: Email Pastor JM or Jim Borrell at borrellje@yahoo.com or Ruthie Borrell at ra.borrell@yahoo.com.

Youth Message

Calling all parents and adult volunteers! As we start a new year, we are forming a team of parents and other adult leaders to help shepherd our UMYF, facilitate engaging games and lessons, and participate in events like Kaleidoscope and Breakaway. The goal is to build a strong network of volunteers for youth ministry's future.

If you have a youth and/or a passion for supporting them, I invite you to join us in shaping the future of our youth ministry.

Feel free to reach out with any questions: eballew@nccumc.org (Elias Ballew)

Peace and love ~ Elias

Children's Ministry

There are two new Sunday School classes beginning this week! All SPUMC kids are invited to join a class planned just for them at the end of the 9:00am worship service. Class will end at 10:50 so that families who attend the 11:00am service can still do so. We will meet in RH-3, just down the hall from the new class for parents meeting at the same time. Can't wait to see you there!

We're forming teams to expand Kids Own Worship at the 11 o'clock service. Contact Rachel Rosellini to volunteer.

Susanna Wesley

The Susanna Wesley Circle meets in the Ezra Room. Mark your calendars for upcoming SWC meetings:

Jan. 13 @ 12:30 PM

March 30 Chili Fundraiser

Feb. 10 @ 12:30 PM

April 21 @ 7:00PM

Mar. 17 @ 12:30 PM

May 19 @ 6:00 PM

For a detailed overview of the Susanna Wesley Circle please contact Elaine Questell at: elainequestell@gmail.com.

Winter 2025– GriefShare

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 personal workbook.

The current 13 week cycle of GriefShare is being held at Southern Pines United Methodist Church, 175 Midland Road, in the Reeves Hall Building.

If you have experienced the death of a spouse, child, family member, or friend we will all walk together through this path, using the recently updated weekly video, personal workbook, and group discussion.

The 13 weeks will take place on Saturdays, January 4–March 29th, 2025 from 9:30–11:30 a.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 and please contact Bill and Doris at 910-690-5234 or 910-690-1511 for more information or to sign up.

Sanctuary Flowers

Altar flowers are a part of our worship service to glorify God and beautify His house of worship. If you would like to donate flowers the cost is \$65 per arrangement. Two arrangements are available each Sunday. Select a date and contact Mikey Delle at mikeydelle@nc.rr.com or 910-725-0367.

You will receive a letter of instruction and postcard to return to the church office with the information you want to be included in the Sunday bulletin. Flowers may be given in honor or memory of someone or you can praise God, give thanks or celebrate a special occasion. Flowers can be picked up after the 11:00 service or on Monday in the church office.

In-Person ~ Live Stream ~ Worship Services

8:00 am	Praise Band practice
9:00 am	Praise & Worship Service
9:45 am	Fellowship Time
10:00 am	Sunday School (all ages) New Sunday School class, RH-5
11:00 pm	Traditional Worship Service
4:30 pm	UMYF (United Methodist Youth Fellowship)
Mon - Jan 27	Food Pantry, 10am Church Council <u>will not meet</u> in January
Tue - Jan 28	Exercise Class w/Gloria Moore, 9:30am Church Staff Meeting, 10:30am Tuesday Communion, 12 noon, Chapel (lower level) Evergreen (AA) Group, 7pm
Wed - Jan 29	Women’s Life Group, Ezra Room, 10:30am
Thu - Jan 30	*LPLL Children’s Church, 10:15am
Sat - Feb 1	GriefShare, 9:30–11:30am
Mon - Feb 3	Nurture Committee, 10am Trustee Committee, 7pm

*Little People Loving & Learning Preschool (LPLL)

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

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Jill Bingham, Wyatt Carslon, Karen Croucher, Katherine Stafford, Becky McKenzie, Kay Patterson, Joe Rasmus, Lori Rothenberger, Libby Staples, Dianne Greene, Lin Heimrick, Nancy Libertini, and the families of Sue Harris & Louise Laningham

Fox Hollow: 190 Fox Hollow Road, Pinehurst, 28374

Nancy Scaggs -#234 Doug Burns #236

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Bill Dillon

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Memory Care: Jane MacDougall

Pinehurst Healthcare & Rehab. Ctr: 300 Blake Blvd.

Nancy Smith, #410 (Hospice Care)

Quail Haven: 155 Blake Blvd., Pinehurst, 28374

Jean Hicks

St. Joseph of the Pines

John Southerland (Rehab)

Active/Deployed:

2nd LT Wills Burns, CPT Brian, Harvey, Gold Star & Military Families

Missionary:

ZOE Empowerment & UMCOR: Ukraine & Western NC

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 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.

For those whose loved ones may be facing a challenge, we are honored to pray for them so they know that they do not have to face their trial or affliction alone.

We however, must keep our list updated in case someone's name was inadvertently left on the list. Next week we will freshen up the list. If you wish to have a name continued or added to the prayer list please contact one of the pastors or a staff member with the information.

Medical Transportation

Please contact Norma Morrison emorrison@nccumc.org or (910-585-0990) to schedule a ride if you are a SPUMC member who may occasionally need transportation to local medical appointments.

Extended Family & Friends**Theodore Harold Bonham**

Blake Boothe (nephew of Dottie Boothe)

Shep Crumrine (brother of Molly Wilson)

Darryl Danley (Gwen Funderburk)

Georgia Davenport (mother, Francy Thompson)

Phil Davenport (father of Francy Thompson)

Myra Doggett (mother of Michelle Aubrey)

Earehart Family (Nancy Scaggs)

Donnie Funderburk (BI L of Gwen Funderburk)

Ashlyn Hall (Sally Thomas)

Barbara Harris (S-I-L Betty Richardson)

Allison Huff (sister of Drew (Karen) Croucher)

Betty Johnston (Mikey Delle)

Claudia Jordan (Dorothy Womack)

Holly Jeffries (sister of Carmen Wondergem)

Jesse Joyce (cousin of Cassie Lehr)

Debbie Darby-Knight

Hannah Lindsey & family (Danny & Martha Borrell)

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

Mary Marhol (mother of John Marhol)

Jo Marshal (niece of Don Hill)

Mac Maclain (husband of Sue Maclain)

Carolyn Mawyer (friend of Jeri Crowell)

John McCurdy (Matt Grafenberg)

Mae McGougan

Joy Mitchener (niece of Sue Harris)

Mark Moore (son of Nancy Manar)

Jackson Powitchko (Jack & Kathy Powitchko)

Ella Rich (Larry & Lynda Newsome)

Jerry Riggins (brother of Katherine Stafford)

Tommy Riggins (brother of Katherine Stafford)

Lauren Salazar (D-I-L of Cassie Lehr)

Robyn Schultz & family (cousin of Gloria Moore)

Katelyn Semales (online request)

Miranda Shepherd (Katie Humber)

Carolyn Stevenson

Ben Sutton (father of Jason Sutton)

Judy Turnage (Barbara Richardson)

Kristin Vernon (Jim & Ruthie Borrell)

Susan Walker

Jean Williams (aunt of Katie Humber)

2024 Year-Ending Operating Budget

YTD Revenue: \$605,217

YTD Expenses: \$640,503

Thank you for helping assist some of our neighbors emergency utility and housing needs through the Pastors Discretionary Fund (\$8,606.60) during 2024.

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 and click "Give" at the top of the page to get started. **TEXT YOUR OFFERING:** 910-390-1703 (These donations will go to the operating budget.) If you have any questions, please contact Michelle Aubrey: Shelliesnc@gmail.com.

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

Worship Attendance Sunday, January 19, 2025

(9am) 74 (Sunday School) 50 (11 am) 80 (Communion) 6

Share the Warmth

Share the warmth of gently used winter clothing during the months of November –February.

We're collecting **coats, jackets, hats, vests, sweaters, heavy socks, gloves, scarves and boots**, for some of our community neighbors.

Items will be collected weekly and delivered to the Coalition by Judy Miller or Jill Bingham.