



Harrison Church

Homelessness is up 28% and our neighbors are cold!

Room In The Inn Volunteers Are Still Needed. Please Sign Up Today!

Room In The Inn dates are filling up fast. There are only a few dates left, but don't worry, **we still have room for you!** You can help by being drivers for our guests, preparing/serving dinner, making lunches for the following day, serving breakfast, helping clean-up, etc. Hurry...we'd hate for you to miss such a great opportunity to be the Body of Christ. **For more information**, contact Jamie Davis at 704-724-4214 or Beth Davis at 704-277-6383. To help, please visit <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/riti1>.

Foundations Class Starts Today! ~ 9:15 a.m.

(Newcomers/ Pre-Membership Class ~ 9:15 to 10:45 a.m.)

Learn about Harrison UMC, our ministries, beliefs and history. Meet the pastors and different ministry leaders each week. Discover your Spiritual Gifts and learn the next steps to getting connected at Harrison Church. **Our membership celebration to join the church will be on Feb. 19th during Sunday morning services.** This class is a pre-requisite to membership at Harrison UMC. Please contact Jennifer Hupko at iluvgodtoo@yahoo.com or Anita King at 704-541-3463, ext. 213, or anita.king@harrisonumc.org to register for the Foundations Class.

Missions Planning Retreat ~ This Saturday, January 14th

The Missions Ministry Team has planned their annual planning retreat for Jan. 14th from 9 a.m. until noon in Room 101 of the Plummer Education Building (#100). This year's retreat will be based on Isaiah 58. We will open with a discussion of the scripture and its meaning for missions, followed by a review of our ministries in 2011, and then a brainstorming about our goals for 2012. If you have a heart for serving the least of these, you are invited and welcome to attend. There is a small amount of reading material involved. If you plan to attend, please contact Ron Sheppard at ronls@carolina.rr.com or 704-541-2659.

Join the Men's Monthly Breakfast Program at 8 a.m.
Next Sunday, Jan. 15th, in Room 101, Plummer Education Bldg. 100.
All men are welcome.

2012 Life Groups at Harrison UMC ~ Open House Jan. 20th
What are they? How do I join one?

We are planning to start several new Life Groups this year. Join us for an informal Life Group open house on **Friday, Jan. 20th, from 6 to 8 p.m.** in Room 101, Plummer Education Building (#100). You will have the opportunity to discover what Life Groups are all about, ask questions, and sign up to join a Life Group, if you so desire. Light refreshments will be available – no need to register, just drop in at any time between 6 and 8 p.m. We look forward to seeing you there! **If you are interested in facilitating or hosting a Life Group, join us on Saturday, Jan. 21st, from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. for Life Group training.** No obligation ~ just come and find out what it means to facilitate / lead or host a Life Group. To know more or to register for this training, please contact Anita King at 704-541-3463, ext. 213 or anita.king@harrisonumc.org; or Jan Zenner at bzenner1@carolina.rr.com.

Join Us This Morning at the Harrison Coffee House
Rm. 100, Bldg. 100. ~ Open from 9-11 a.m.



Harrison UMC Weekly News



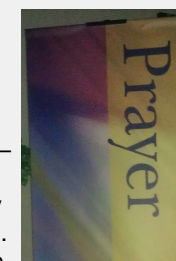
Epiphany

the water's edge. He taught by using stories, many stories.

First Sunday After the Epiphany
¹² He went back to teaching by the sea. A crowd built up to such a great size that he had to get into an offshore boat, using the boat as a pulpit as the people pushed to the water's edge. He taught by using stories, many stories. (Mark 4:1-11)

After the service, we invite you . . .

to bring your concerns to Christ with the help of our trained Stephen Ministers — who are located to the right of the altar in the Sanctuary at 8 & 11 a.m. (for 9:15 a.m. ~ our Stephen Ministers are under our new prayer banner in Hammill Hall). Wherever two or more are gathered you can be sure our Lord is there. **We would love to pray with you and for you! Blessings!**



Stephen Ministers available to pray with you today are:

8:00 a.m.: DeeDee McMahon
 9:15 a.m.: Laura Clark
 11:00 a.m.: Judy Rainey



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 15008 Lancaster Highway,
 Pineville, NC 28134
 704-541-3463 (Main Reception)
www.harrisonumc.org

Highlights This Week: Jan. 8-15



EPIPHANY

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| SUNDAY | 9:00am | Harrison Coffee House (100) |
| | 9:15am | ALIVE Café for Young Adults (302) ~Join Us! |
| | 9:15am | Foundations (115) |
| | 9:15am | Youth Groups (Multipurpose Rm) |
| | 11:00am | Disciple I (116) |
| | 12:30pm | Audio Visual Ministry (115) |
| | 3:00pm | CROWN Introduction (116) |
| | 3:00pm | Financial Peace Univ. Preview (118) |
| | 3:00pm | Youth Band Practice (Multipurpose Rm) |
| | 5:00pm | Youth Group (7-12th grade) (MP Rm) |
| | 7:30pm | Men's Basketball (Hammill Hall) |
| MONDAY | 7:00am | Band of Brothers (Big View Diner) |
| | 10:00am | Harrison Preschool Chapel (Sanctuary) |
| | 10:00am | Friendship Circle (102) |
| | 12:00pm | Prayer & Healing Service (Sanctuary) |
| | 12:30pm | Faith Partners (113) |
| | 7:00pm | Disciple II (301) // Disciple IV (Library) |
| | 7:00pm | Stephen Ministry (100-105 and kitchen 101) |
| TUESDAY | 9:30am | ESL (100, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106) |
| | 9:30am | Harrison Staff Meeting |
| | 10:00am | Loaves & Fishes Pantry (10a-1p,Bldg.300) |
| | 10:00am | Preschool Chapel (Sanctuary) |
| | 10:00am | Friendship Circle Luncheon (101) |
| | 7:00pm | Cemetery Committee (Library) |
| | 7:00pm | ESL Eve (100-106) |
| WEDNESDAY | 9:00am | Preschool Event—Ms. Donna's Music (101) |
| | 9:30am | ESL (100, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106) |
| | 10:00am | Having A Mary Spirit (118) |
| | 1:30pm | Room in the Inn Set Up (101 & Kitchen 101) |
| | 3:00pm | Room in the Inn (101 & Kitchen 101) |
| | 7:00pm | Disciple I (118) |
| | 7:30pm | Choir Practice (Sanctuary) |
| THURSDAY | 9:00am | Preschool Event—Ms. Donna's Music (101) |
| | 10:00am | Loaves & Fishes Pantry (10a-1p,Bldg.300) |
| | 7:00pm | Disciple IV (115) |
| | 7:00pm | ESL Evening Classes (100-105 and kitchen 101) |
| | 7:30pm | Praise Team Practice |
| FRIDAY | 6:00pm | Spanish Band Practice (101) |
| SATURDAY | 9:00am | Missions Retreat (101) |
| SUNDAY | 8:00am | Harrison Men's Breakfast Program (101) |
| | 9:00am | Harrison Coffee House (9a-12:30p) (100) |
| | 9:15am | Foundations (115) |
| | 9:15am | ALIVE Café for Young Adults (302) ~Join Us! |
| | 9:15am | Youth Groups (Multipurpose Rm) |
| | 11:00am | Disciple I (116) |
| | 2:00pm | REACH Committee (102) // UMW (101) |
| | 3:00pm | Youth Band Practice (Multipurpose Rm) |
| | 5:00pm | Dynamic Marriage Orientation (115) |
| | 5:00pm | Youth Group (7-12th grade) (MP Rm) |
| | 7:00pm | Council of Ministries (101) |
| | 7:30pm | Men's Basketball |

For a current and complete listing of this calendar, please visit [Harrison Events at www.harrisonumc.org](http://www.harrisonumc.org) at the top of the home page. For Youth, Children, and Adult Sunday classes and other activities, please see the gray box in the upper left corner of this page.

AA Ballantyne Alliance Acceptance Group Meets Here at Harrison UMC in Room 302, Bldg. 300

Sundays: 2:30 p.m. // Mondays: 7 a.m., Noon, and 6:30 p.m.
 Tuesdays & Thursdays: 7 a.m. only
 Wednesdays: 7 a.m. & 7 p.m. // Fridays: 7 a.m. & 8 p.m.
 Saturdays: 10 a.m.

For more information, contact wsutterlin@carolina.rr.com.

"Harrison at Ballantyne: Where the broken can become whole and wholly devoted to Christ."

*Regular Sunday Worship Times

*except Christmas, Lent, Palm Sunday, and Easter

- 5:00 a.m. - Korean Prayer Service (Daily)
- 8:00 a.m. - Worship with Communion Service
- 9:15 a.m. - Contemporary
- 11:00 a.m. - Traditional
- 11:00 a.m. - Children's Worship (*inkWELL*)
- 11:00 a.m. - Servicio en Español
- 1:00 p.m. - Korean Prayer Service & Lunch
- 7:00 p.m. - Brazilian Worship Service

Sunday School Times: 9:15 & 11 a.m.

- Newborn-Kindergarten: Children's Wing next to Sanctuary
- 1st - 5th grades: 9:15 a.m. - Bldg. 100 - 1st floor
- 1st - 5th grades: 11 a.m. - Hammill Hall - *inkWELL* Worship
- 6th - 12th grades: Rooms 107-108, Building 100 - 2nd floor
- Adults: 9:15 a.m. - Rooms 116, 118, Bldg. 100, & Chapel
- 11 a.m. - Room 118, Bldg. 100

How to Contact Us Directly:

Harrison Church Ministry Staff

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Visit our website: www.harrisonumc.org

Prayer Concerns

Serving a Prison Term: Michelle Olivares and Travis Helms.
At Home: Pastor Mark Plummer, Dorothy Agathon, Darwin Byrum, Betty Jo Furr, Lydia Jennings, Pat Young, Virginia Middleton, and Nancy Hawfield.



When you're confined and away from home and from your loved ones, a card or note from those who care means so much.

Each week, we will select a member from our list of prayer concerns and shut-ins as a recipient for cards and notes from our Harrison family members. **This week, we encourage you to share your love by sending a card to:**

Lydia Jennings

616 Bolick Rd., Fort Mill, SC 29715-7570

If you would like to reach out via card, note, or calls to someone not featured this week, please call the Church Office for contact information - 704-541-3463.

"Harrison United Methodist Church is a family that invites everyone into a relationship with Christ to Worship, Discover, and Serve God."

"When God's Children are in need be ready to help them."
(Romans 12:13 NLT)

Harrison Coffee House Wants You!

If you have the gift of hospitality or simply love coffee, we are looking for new volunteers. The coffee house has operated on many of the same volunteers forever, and some are looking to step down. **The greatest need** is for a break-down crew. This is a great opportunity for an 11 a.m. Sunday School Class to offer service or for anyone who attends the 11 a.m. worship service to join in. This ministry provides fellowship before and after services, a time when we can hear what is going on in the lives of others. It only takes a few fun hours a month to help make this happen. Please, prayerfully consider joining this team of servants, so our fellowship over coffee and treats may continue. For more information, contact Priscilla Brown: 803-614-0219 or pbbrown@carolina.rr.com.

Shed Cleaning ~ 8 a.m., Saturday, Jan. 21st

Do you or your group have something stored in the Harrison Church white shed? If so, Please remove it if it is no longer useful or let us know if you need it left there before Jan. 21st. **There will be no exceptions.** Please let us know ~ contact Dena Brown at denabrown@carolina.rr.com or 704-756-9539 or place a big sticky note on the item that says **"DO NOT DESTROY!"** Everything is going to be thrown out or donated if it appears to be no longer useful to Harrison UMC. **Want to Help?** We need people who aren't afraid to get dirty, a few trucks for hauling, and gloves. *Thank you.*

Great Worship Opportunity on Mondays ~ Prayer & Healing Service!

with Holy Communion ~ at Noon in the Sanctuary. All are welcome.

Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration

~ Sunday, Jan. 14th
10 a.m. ~ 3 p.m.
at Bennett College
for Women



900 E Washington Street, Greensboro, NC.

Speaker: Bishop Larry Goodpaster

Resident Bishop of the Western NC Conference.

Theme: "We Have A Dream!"

Hosted by the Western North Carolina Conference and the Black Methodists for Church Renewal

All are welcome to attend.

Revitalizing the Local Church
2012 Charlotte District Leadership Vitality Rally
Keynote Speaker: Rev. Dr. Mark Ralls
Senior Pastor at Centenary UMC, Winston-Salem
Sunday, January 22, at Myers Park UMC
501 Queens Road, Charlotte, NC
2:45 ~ 5:30 p.m.

To register or for more information, e-mail DeEtta Rivens, the Charlotte District UM Office at drivens@wncumc.org or visit: www.chardist.org.

You are invited to a POT PARTY!!

Saturday, January 28th ~ 4-8 p.m. in Hammill Hall

Bring a pot or pan to donate to the Red Bird Mission and join us for a pot of homemade Brunswick stew and warm fellowship. Any type of new or "very gently used" pots and pans will be greatly appreciated.

Donations are also welcome!

Red Bird Mission, a non-profit agency located in the Appalachian mountains of Southeastern Kentucky, empowers individuals and advocates justice by providing educational, health, and community outreach ministries to area low-income residents.



Harrison UMC Preschool
2012-2013 Registration News!

It's time to register for next year! On **Monday, Jan. 30th**, Harrison Preschool will be giving church members an opportunity to register their children for the upcoming school year. Doors will open at 9:30 a.m. in Building #200 (The Children's Wing), located next to the Sanctuary. Public registration will follow soon after, so register as soon as you can. Classes will fill-up fast. Our Harrison Preschool pamphlets, listing our programs and dates, are located in the entrance of the Plummer Education Building (100), Hammill Hall (400) and the Narthex of the Sanctuary.

HUMC Student Ministry 2012 Summer Mission Trips
Register Today!

Students (Rising 9th Grade and Older) and ADULTS! If you are interested in going on a mission trip next summer, **please check out the following trips for this year. To know more or to register, contact Rob Morris at 704-942-8769 or radrob6500@hotmail.com.**

Jamaica Mission Trip/Montego Bay, Jamaica ~ July 7-14
TWO ADULT FEMALE CHAPERONES ARE NEEDED!

For the last five years, we have partnered with a Church in Montego Bay, Jamaica and YWAM MoBay. Our students lead Vacation Bible School in the White House Village next to the airport in Montego Bay. They also visit orphanages, a (Disabled) Children's home, and an AIDS Hospice. This mission trip is for rising 9th graders and up.
Cost: \$900-\$1,100 per person, depending on airfare.

Salkehatchie Mission Trip/Columbia, SC ~ July 21-28
ADULT CHAPERONES ARE NEEDED!

For more than 10 years, the Harrison UMC Student Ministry has been involved with the Salkehatchie Summer Service (S.C. UM Conference) in one community or another. Currently, we are serving at the Columbia (SC) Salkehatchie Camp. Our students stay at a church in the Columbia area. They repair homes and minister to home owners. Cost: \$220 per person. Students have to be age 14 or older by July 21st.

I.N.K. Children's Ministry
Infants — 5th Grade



Sunday School Teachers Still Needed

Don't we all love to be needed? Well, the children of Harrison UMC, and the community around it, need YOU! We are still looking for a few teachers for our Sunday classes (both Sunday school and *InkWell*). Teachers lead on a rotational basis. Call Sally Ainslie at 704-541-3463, ext. 208, to see what rotation is open for you!

Coming in the fall:

'Lands of the Bible' 13-Day Faith-Based Cruise
Departing Friday, Nov. 9th, 2012

led by Bishop Larry Goodpaster ~ Prices begin at \$3,596 ~ Brochures are available through Pastors David Beam or Gayle Montgomery by calling our Church Reception at 704-541-3463. **An Information Session is planned for sometime this month. More details to come.** Both Pastors David and Gayle will serve as hosts. With only a year left before our departure, this is the perfect time to begin making plans and inviting your friends and family to take part in this wonderful adventure of a lifetime!

Travel Details: After our flight to Rome, we will board the Norwegian Jade, a 2,400 passenger, fully-equipped cruise ship. As we trace a number of our biblical roots, shore explorations will include: Alanya and Perga, Turkey; Limassol, Cyprus; the Galilee and Jerusalem regions of Israel; Cairo and Alexandria, Egypt.

Pre and Post-tours are available to Rome and additional sites in Italy. Land travel will be by deluxe motor coach. Qualified and experienced guides will lead these excursions. In addition to a large number of shipboard activities, passengers will have the opportunity to attend lectures by both Bishop Larry Goodpaster and Dr. Bob Tuttle.

Caring for your spiritual needs . . .

Since 1785, God has blessed Harrison Church as a place where the *broken become whole and wholly devoted to Christ!* Within the family of God, times of crisis or challenge can become opportunities for growth and healing. If you are going through a time of personal difficulty or uncertainty, we want to be a vessel for healing.

If you are in need of spiritual direction . . .
Please call us to schedule an appointment at 704-541-3463.

Please understand that while the pastors seek to be always available, they are not always *accessible for drop-in visits*. If you are in need of spiritual direction, **please schedule an appointment** with one of the pastors by calling 704-541-3463. If you desire more regular and frequent care, consider **requesting a Stephen Minister** by calling Pastor Gayle Montgomery (ext. 209).

Prayer requests may be emailed to:
Teresa McKenzie at teresamckenzie@carolina.rr.com.



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To Reserve A Room, Sign-Up Table, or Banner Space and all other Communications Needs, including sharing your news in the weekly newsletter please email vicki.lawson@harrisonumc.org by 5 p.m. on Mondays.

Articles may run in the newsletter up to 3 consecutive Sundays. When sending your submission, please indicate the 3 Sundays that you would like your article to appear. After the third run, articles will need to be re-submitted in a new format (wording) to run again.

To promote your Harrison UMC Church Event or Group, or to see our church communications policy, please visit www.harrisonumc.org under "Member Area" click on *Event Check List* for details.

Church Closings Due To Weather ~ In case of inclement weather, Harrison UMC will notify WSOC-TV no later than 6 a.m. on Sunday or by 8 a.m. Monday thru Friday for church/office status. WSOC-TV will post church cancellations or delayed openings on WSOC-TV, TV64, and WSOC-TV.com. For the safety of everyone, if the church is closed all events are automatically cancelled.