

"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
 8:00 a.m. - Worship with Communion Service
 9:15 a.m. - Contemporary
 11:00 a.m. - "Somewhat 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
 & 11:00 a.m. - Rooms 115 and 118, Bldg. 100

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Prayer Concerns

Serving a Prison Term: Michelle Olivares, Travis Helms, and Vince Chmura. **At Home:** Pastor Mark Plummer, Darwin Byrum, Virginia Luckey, Leitner Hall, Lydia Jennings, Lorene and Glenn Withers, Julia Adams, Anne Kolbe, 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:**

Julia Adams

11147 Harrisburg Rd., Fort Mill, SC 29715-9146

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.



This Week's Highlights - March 7-14

For a current and complete listing of this calendar, please visit www.harrisonumc.org and view our Harrison UMC Calendar link at the top of the home page. For Youth, Children, and Adult Sunday classes and other activities, please see the gray box to the left.

DAILY	5:00am	Korean Prayer (Sanctuary)
SUNDAY	9:00am	Harrison Coffee House ('til after 11am) (100)
	10:30am	Disciple I (Jim Collins) (301)
	11:00am	Alpha (115)
	11:00am	Blended Families Small Group (113)
	12:30pm	InkWELL Band Practice (HH)
	2:00pm	Dynamic Marriage (118)
	2:00pm	Financial Peace University (Hammill Hall)
	3:30pm	Youth Praise Band Practice (Multi-purpose Rm)
	5:00pm	Youth Group (Multi-Purpose Rm)
	5:30pm	Disciple II (McCain) (113)
	5:30pm	Disciple IV (McCoy) (102)
	7:30pm	Men's Basketball (HH)
MONDAY	9:45am	Exercise (Multi-Purpose Rm.)
	10:00am	Friendship Circle (101)
	10:00am	Bible Study Girls (115)
	10:00am	Harrison Pre-School Chapel (Sanctuary)
	12:30pm	Faith Partners (113)
	7:00pm	Stephen Ministry (100)
TUESDAY	10:00am	Harrison Pre-School Chapel (Sanctuary)
	6:30pm	Faith Circle (113)
	7:00pm	Disciple I (Zenner) (116)
	7:00pm	Career Transitions (115)
	7:00pm	ESL Class (100-106)
	7:00pm	Breaking Free (118)
	8:00pm	Arborvitae Band Rehearsal (Hammill Hall)
WEDNESDAY	9:30am	ESL Class (100-105)
	10:00am	Harrison Pre-School Music (101)
	10:00am	Moving On After Moving In (Parlor)
	9:45am	Exercise (Multi-purpose Rm.)
	3:30pm	Singles Group (114)
	6:00pm	Bible 101 (115)
	6:30pm	Mid-Week Worship (Hammill Hall)
	7:00pm	Disciple II (Brenda Johnson) (113)
	7:00pm	Disciple III (Kevin Veith) (111)
	7:00pm	ESL Class (100-106)
	8:00pm	Choir Practice (Sanctuary)
	8:00pm	Spiritual Secrets to Weight Loss (112)
THURSDAY	10:00am	Disciple III (Frances Ashley) (102)
	10:00am	Harrison Pre-School Music (101)
	10:00am	ESL Tutoring (103)
	5:00pm	Room in the Inn (101)
	7:00pm	Vacation Bible School Planning (102)
	7:30pm	Praise Team Practice (Hammill Hall)
FRIDAY	9:45am	Exercise Classes (Multi-purpose Rm)
	6:30pm	Alpha Reunion (102)
	6:30pm	Spanish Band Practice (101)
	7:30pm	Brazilian Youth Band Practice (Multi-Purpose Rm)
SATURDAY	5:30pm	Room in the Inn (101)
SUNDAY	9:00am	Harrison Coffee House ('til after 11am) (100)
	10:30am	Disciple I (Jim Collins) (301)
	11:00am	Alpha (115)
	11:00am	Blended Families Small Group (113)
	12:30pm	Audio Visual Ministry (115)
	12:30pm	InkWELL Band Practice (Hammill Hall)
	2:00pm	Dynamic Marriage (118)
	2:00pm	Financial Peace University (Hammill Hall)

Counters:

TODAY ~ Teresa Crawley and Tom Keifer
March 14: Anne Cullip and Phil/Debbie Cloninger
March 21: Greg Johnson and Denny McGuffin
March 28: Chris Williams and Roger Fuller



Third Sunday in Lent: "Now there were some present at that time who told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mixed with their sacrifices. Jesus answered, 'Do you think that these Galileans were worse sinners than all the other Galileans because they suffered this way?' I tell you, no! But unless you repent, you too will all perish. (Luke 13:1-9NRSV)

March 7, 2010



Harrison Weekly News

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Join Us This Morning for Coffee at the Harrison Coffee House Room 100, Bldg. 100. Opens at 9 a.m.

Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University
Classes Begin Today at 2 p.m. in Hammill Hall

Just a reminder to Harrison family and friends who have signed up for this season's Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University. The class begins today at 2 p.m. in Hammill Hall. Participants will receive course materials and a lifetime membership to Dave Ramsey's online resources. This class is now full.

Bible 101 Class

Starts This Wednesday, March 10, for 6 weeks
From 7:45 - 9 p.m., after Mid-Week Worship

This class is for those who are interested in learning more about how to study the Bible. If you want to learn how to interpret and apply scripture to your own personal life, then this is the class for you. Feel overwhelmed when you think about reading the Bible, wondering where to start? Are you interested in taking *Disciple* in the fall - this is a great preparatory class. Cost: \$12 per book. To register, please contact Anita King at anita.king@harrisonumc.org or 704-541-3486 ext 213.

Come join us at Mid-Week Oasis!

Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. in Hammill Hall

Refresh and renew yourself in God as we worship and fellowship together! Current Series: "The Great Renewal" - What happens when God stirs your heart over something that also stirs His, so much so that you can't sit still! The Great Renewal begins . . . Join us as we continue to learn from the story of Nehemiah.



New Members who joined February 28

Donald H. Arnold, II
 Richard Buckingham
 Patti Buckingham
 Italo A. Cardin
 Karina Cardin
 Cindy Bills Cobb
 Alicia Collins
 Judith Driscoll
 Shirley Anne Freeman
 Roberta Gaines

Jimena-Jaramillo
 Rodrigo Martinez
 Brenda Moore
 Judy Rainey
 Verne Rainey
 Allen Doug Ray
 Sherrie Ray
 Rick Turrentine
 Karen Turrentine
 Brittany Zahn



Come to Harrison this Easter!

Palm Sunday — March 28

Musical celebration, John Leon Lewis conducting:
"Believe" ~ A Praise Gathering that will bring HOPE!
 The Harrison Choir ~ 9:15 & 11:00 a.m. - Hammill Hall

No Mid-Week Services during Holy Week

Maundy Thursday Services — April 1

Journey the last week of Christ's life from
"Palm Sunday to Passover"
 In this newly re-designed worship experience.
 Services begin in the Sanctuary at 6:15, 7:00, 7:45 p.m.

Labyrinth/Prayer Walk — April 1-3

1-hour guided personal prayer experience.
 RSVP: 704-541-3486, ext. 205
 Maundy Thursday, April 1: Noon - 6 p.m.
 Good Friday, April 2: Noon - 7 p.m.
 Saturday, April 3: Noon - 8 p.m.

Holy Saturday ~ Family Easter Celebration — April 3

The Family Easter Celebration will be from 10 a.m. until noon. Events will include an Easter Egg Hunt, an Ice Cream Seder, and more.

Easter Sunday Celebration — April 4

Sunrise Service: 6:45 a.m.
 Traditional Service: 8 & 11 a.m.
 Contemporary Service: 9:15 a.m.
 Servicio en Español: 11 a.m.

During the Lenten Season, Harrison is having a 24-hour prayer vigil. You may pray in our Sanctuary Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. or select a special time at home in the evenings to pray.

Alpha Grads To Meet This Friday at 6:30 p.m.

If you've ever taken Alpha, you've had the opportunity to ask questions about Christianity and God. But how often have you considered the challenging questions God asks? Join us. Contact Ramonette Belen at mndkids@msn.com or 704-771-6791.

Men's Small Group "Walking with God"

Begins March 16

Based on the book "Walking with God" by John Eldridge, this 9-week small group will meet on Tuesdays at 7 p.m. at Harrison Church. Want more about the book? Visit www.walkingwithgod.net. To join the group, contact Tad at tlugibihl@ryland.com.

Saturday, March 20: Charlotte United Methodist Women District Prayer Breakfast

Myers Park UMC, Charlotte, at 9 a.m. ~ Keynote Speaker — Pastor Gayle Montgomery

For more information, visit the UMW district calendar at <http://www.wnccumw.org>.

Lenten Season at Harrison



The Crown

(Scripture Matthew 27:27-31)

On this third Sunday of Lent, we focus our attention on the crown of thorns that the soldiers placed on Jesus' head. We have already talked about the cross as a means of execution and the whip as an instrument of punishment.

Pilate must have been terribly confused when this prisoner named Jesus was brought before him. What are these crazy, strange Jews up to now? He sneers aloud, "You? Are you a king?" What was the right answer? If Jesus answered yes, it would be the same as a guilty plea in Pilate's mind. If Jesus answered no, it would be denying the deeper truth, because he was, is, and will be forever a king. So Jesus said, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I have come into the world."

After the soldiers whipped Jesus, they placed a crown of thorns on his head and mockingly proclaimed him "King of the Jews".

What would you do if you were invited to visit with a king? You would probably clear everything off your calendar, make sure you look your best, maybe even buy a gift. As you meet the king, you might feel humbled and would probably be willing to do whatever the king asked of you. After your visit, you couldn't wait to tell everyone you saw about your visit with the king. Is Jesus the king of your life? Do you make time for him? How do you act in his presence? Do you want to tell others about him?

During this season of Lent, let us remember.

Looking for "Servants" for Maundy Thursday, April 1

For the past 9 years, Harrison Church has offered a unique experience of worship on the Thursday of Holy Week called "Journey to Passover." Hammill Hall is transformed to resemble 1st Century biblical times, and the Passover Meal in the Upper Room with Jesus is experienced first hand. Over the years this experience has grown, and last year, it was expanded to include stations of worship that explore each of the days following Jesus' triumphant palm-lined entrance into Jerusalem to the Passover Meal and the fateful night when Christ was betrayed. It is a wonderful way to complete our Lenten journey and prepare for the victorious glory of Christ's resurrection and Easter morning!

As you might imagine, this experience of worship takes many hands, and volunteers are welcomed—help with set up and tear down, with costumes, as "biblical guides" or "table servants." No prior experience is necessary, and training will be provided. Please contact Pastor Gayle if you are interested in serving in any way at 704-541-3486, ext. 209, or gayle.montgomery@harrisonumc.org

New Babies!

It is with great pleasure that Harrison Church announces the births of . . .

Beckett Colby Abi-Nader ~son of Missy and Richard Nader. Born February 28 ~ weighing 6 lbs., 5 oz.

Thomas Michael Boyd, son of Sunnie (McCain) & Patrick Boyd Grandson of Kyle and Jil McCain

Born February 28 ~ weighing 8 lbs., 3 oz., and measuring 20.5" long ~ *Congratulations!*

What's Happening at Harrison

From Missions

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

Save The Date! ~ Sunday, May 2 at 12:30 p.m. for 'Picnic on the Lawn' at Harrison

Do you have a party tent/canopy that we can borrow? Do you know how to make homemade ice cream? Do you have secret musical skills just waiting to be heard? WE NEED YOU!!!

We are having an old-fashioned picnic on the lawn!!! All you have to do is bring your family, a picnic lunch, and a blanket or lawn chairs. Badminton? Horseshoes? What a great way to keep in touch with your Harrison friends, make new friends, and show our community what Harrison is all about. Please plan to join us. If you can help out, please contact Dena Brown at denabrown@carolina.rr.com or 704-756-9539.

Mark your calendar!!! Upcoming Events

Saturday, May 8 ~ DANCE night! Details to come.

Sunday, August 1 ~ Friendship Event

Saturday, October 2 ~ Fall Festival and Harrison Church's 225th Anniversary Celebration ~ Contact us to help.

Sunday, October 3 ~ Harrison's 225th Anniversary Activities continue. ~ Join us!

To know more, contact Dena Brown at 704-756-9539 or email denabrown@carolina.rr.com.

Children of Harrison Church

Continue to drop off your extra and unwanted Kids' Meal toys from McDonalds, Chick-fil-A, or other restaurants. We are collecting this throughout the year. We will give it to the Mission Team and use it for other things like Operation Christmas Child. The drop off bin is located in Hammill Hall.

Thanks again for your help!!!

Michael and Daniel Kutujian (11 and 9 years old)

Harrison Men's Breakfast Program

8 a.m. on Sunday, March 21 ~ Please join us.

Room 100 of the Plummer Education Center, Bldg. 100.

Wholiness Ministry To Meet Monday, March 22

at 7 p.m., Bldg. 500 ~ The possibility of an on-site "House of Healing & Restoration" will be the main discussion. Want to join the discussion or the spirit-mind-body health ministry? Please attend. For more information, call Dale Fletcher at 704-542-1777.

Stewardship News – by the numbers

78	% over in Gen. Budget last week vs. '09
18.5	Giving, in thousands, toward debt so far
1	Sunday services closure due to snow
215	Giving, in thousands, to Gen. Budget so far
10	%, representing a tithe, of your income
35	Giving, in thousands, last year on March 8th
61	Temperature predicted today – Praise God!

The Tithe is Now
10% in 2010

Children's News, Infant-5th Grade



TIME for VBS Planning!

It is time to begin planning our 2010 Vacation Bible School! July 19-24 is penciled in on our church calendar. Now, we need to put together our leadership team. Together, we will choose the curriculum, begin putting together the decorations, age-level leaders, master of ceremonies, and more. Interested in helping get this year's VBS off the ground? Join us on Thursday, March 11, at 7 p.m. to plan VBS for 2010. Call Sally Ainslie at 704-541-3486, ext. 208, to let her know if you plan to attend.

I.N.K.

Harrison's Children's Ministry



Would you like to help with our I.N.K. ministry but feel teaching Sunday School is not your gift? Here is your chance to serve with children in two different areas! Let us know if one sounds interesting.

Family Easter Celebration ~ Saturday, April 3, from 10 a.m. until noon. The Children's Council needs people to help with plans for the day and also to help that day. Events will include an Easter Egg Hunt, an Ice Cream Seder, and more.

Vacation Bible School ~ July 19-23. Our first planning meeting will be **Thursday, March 11, at 7 p.m. in Room 104**. Please let me know if you will be able to come and add your interest and enthusiasm.

Thank you for all you do to offer Christ to the children of Harrison and its community. For more information, please contact Sally Ainslie at sally.ainslie@harrisonumc.org or 704-541-3486, ext. 208.

WANTED ~ Sunday School Teachers

We need teachers for our children! Could that be YOU? We are currently lining up teachers for our Children's Sunday School and Mid-Week Worship class for the new year. If you are interested, please call Sally Ainslie at 704-541-3486, ext. 208. You will love the children and they will love YOU!

English As A Second Language Ministry Needs Snacks!

Our cupboard is bare. If you can, please donate one of the following: 1 liter of soda, potato and tortilla chips, cakes & cookies, salsa, or dip. Thank You! *!Gracious! O'Bridgado!* Please bring your donations to the Plummer Education Center, Building 100 kitchen.



With Deepest Sympathy

Harrison Church extends heartfelt sympathy to the family of:

Max James ~ April 1, 1926 - Feb. 26, 2010

Susan McDermott ~ Feb. 14, 1949 - March 3, 2010

Room in the Inn Supplies

We are now hosting **Room in the Inn** on two nights per week; Thursday and Saturday nights. With this added demand on our supplies, we are in need of a few items. For the toiletry kits, we could use chap sticks and travel size deodorants, shaving crèmes, and toothpaste. Additionally, we could use 10 sets of twin sized sheets and 10 pillow cases. The linens do not have to be new; they could be some that you no longer need. These additional sheets and pillow cases would allow us to set up for two nights each week without getting laundry done between nights. We will have a bin set up in Hammill Hall and the Plummer Building for donations. **For more information please contact Becky Kelly at kellyrb@bellsouth.net or Ron Sheppard at ronls@carolina.rr.com. Thank you for supporting our homeless neighbors.**

School Back Pack Program

Many students are participants in an assisted lunch program at their schools. For a lot of these students, this may be their main meal of the day and in some cases their only meal of the day. What meals do these children receive over the weekend? In a lot of cases, they may not receive a healthy, balanced meal until they go back to school on Monday. We are in the process of researching the needs with a local school. This ministry will consist of packing backpacks with food that the student would take home with them on Friday and return the backpack on Monday. This process would be repeated every week. As we gather more information, we will keep you informed as to how you could be a part of this ministry.

Haiti Mission Trip Registration

We hope to take a team to Haiti later this year to help with the rebuilding of this country. We are not certain of the timing at this time but it would likely be late 3rd quarter or 4th quarter. It is recommended by the conference that those interested in going should complete a registration form. This will allow the conference to properly plan to accommodate the number of people interested. If this sounds of interest to you, please contact Ron Sheppard to receive a registration form, ronls@carolina.rr.com or 704-541-2659. Thank you!

Serving at Harrison

Harrison Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry in the White Bldg. 300 (behind Hammill Hall)

Operating Hours: **Tuesdays and Thursdays; 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.** Questions, contact Kathy Sims at ksims@comporium.net or Tom Condit at tcondit@carolina.rr.com.

A Warm Smile and Friendly Spirit Is All That Is Needed . . .

The Harrison Church Office is looking for persons to **serve as volunteer receptionists or as a reserve for our present volunteer receptionists**. Our Volunteer Reception Team answers the phone at the front desk with joy and a smile and welcomes and provides information about Harrison to visitors. Receptionists volunteer in 4-hour shifts. **Available shifts now: Mondays mornings and share the shift on Friday afternoons.** This is the perfect way to serve the church and to meet people. To join us, please call 704-541-3463 or email Vicki Lawson at vicki.lawson@harrisonumc.org. **Thank you.**

Want to share your news?

Please email newsletter articles and photos (.jpg) to vicki.lawson@harrisonumc.org by **5 p.m. on Mondays.**