

"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

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Prayer Concerns

Serving a Prison Term: Michelle Olivares and Travis Helms.
At Home: Pastor Mark Plummer, Dorothy Agathon, Darwin Byrum, Betty & Walter Furr, Virginia Luckey, 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:**

Michelle Olivares #0802020
1034 Bragg Street, Raleigh, NC 27610

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.

Highlights This Week: Nov. 20-27

- SUNDAY CONSECRATION SUNDAY**
9:15am ALIVE Café for Young Adults (302) ~Join Us!
9:15am Youth Groups (Multipurpose Rm)
11:00am Advent Conspiracy Study Group (115)
11:00am Disciple I (116)
11:00am Consecration Sunday Meal (Hammill Hall)
11:00am Spanish Worship in Sanctuary today.
2:00pm Hanging of the Greens (campus-wide)
3:00pm Children's Choir Rehearsal (100)
3:00pm Youth Band Practice (Multipurpose Rm)
4:00pm Financial Peace University (115)
4:00pm UMW Unit Meeting (102)
5:00pm Youth Group (7-12th grade) (MP Rm)
7:30pm Men's Recreational Basketball
- MONDAY**
7:00am Band of Brothers (Big View Diner)
10:00am Harrison Preschool Chapel (Sanctuary)
10:00am Loaves & Fishes Pantry (10a-1p,Bldg.300)
12:00pm Prayer & Healing Service (Sanctuary)
7:00pm Disciple II (301)
7:00pm Disciple IV (Library)
- TUESDAY**
9:30am English As A 2nd Language (ESL) (100,102-106)
9:30am Harrison Staff Mtg (Private)
10:00am Harrison Preschool Chapel (Sanctuary)
10:00am Loaves & Fishes Pantry (10a-1p,Bldg.300)
7:00pm Disciple III (111)
7:00pm ESL Eve. (100-106)
- WEDNESDAY PRE-SCHOOL CLOSED FOR THANKSGIVING**
9:30am ESL (100,102-106, and 115)
7:00pm Disciple I (118)
7:30pm Choir Practice (Sanctuary)
- THURSDAY HAPPY THANKSGIVING**
CHURCH OFFICES & PRESCHOOL CLOSED
5:00pm International Thanksgiving Dinner (Hammill Hall)
- FRIDAY CHURCH OFFICES & PRESCHOOL CLOSED**
6:00pm Spanish Band Practice (101)
- SATURDAY NO HARRISON EVENTS SCHEDULED**
- SUNDAY FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**
9:15am ALIVE Café for Young Adults (302) ~Join Us!
9:15am Youth Groups (Multipurpose Rm)
11:00am Disciple I (116)

For a current and complete listing of this calendar, please visit Harrison Events at 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.

Today's Counters: Steve Schwarz & Derek Frost

November 27: Anne Cullip & Jim Rochester

New Members who joined Sunday, Nov. 13th



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| Bill Allbright | Doris Easter | Rye Snyder |
| Fran Allbright | Madelaine Ford | Joni Thomas |
| Chad Caudill | Jim Fox | Michele Williams |
| Sara Caudill | Pamela Lee | Cathie Wrona |
| Rebecca Colee | Sandra Nedley | Doug Wrona |
| Chris Darlington | Jerry Snyder | |

Those Who Were Baptized Last Sunday

- Infants: Jack McCoy Anderson, Cooper Joseph Godlewski, and Ava Layne McCutcheon
Adults: Sandra Lynn Nedley, Kyle Thomas and Zachary Nedley
Congratulations & Welcome!

Harrison UMC
Weekly News

Consecration Sunday

Today's Guest Speaker:
Jimmy Pennell



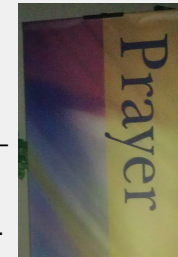
23rd Sunday after Pentecost

"An Expression of our Witness"

"Why, then, do we each hear them speaking in our own native language?" (Acts 2:8)

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.: Patrick Arney
- 9:15 a.m.: Priscilla Brown
- 11 a.m.: Judy Rainey

All Members Opportunity to Vote at a Called Church Conference

Next Sunday, Nov. 27th at 7 p.m. during our regular Administrative Board meeting, all members will have the opportunity to vote on incorporation documentation for the church. Incorporating the church will add another layer of protection for the church and the officers as well as make the process of opening accounts at financial institutions smoother and quicker. If you would like a copy of the incorporation documentation to read ahead of time or if you have any questions, please contact Julie Curtis at 704-541-3463, ext. 211, or julie.curtis@harrisonumc.org.

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Harrison Church

Happy Thanksgiving!

Community Thanksgiving Service ~ Today at 7 p.m.

Pleasant Grove UMC Campground ~ *Pastor Gayle Montgomery, preaching*

Charlotte's 36th Citywide Interfaith Thanksgiving Service ~ Nov. 22nd

Temple Beth El, 5101 Providence Rd., Charlotte ~ **This Tuesday at 7 p.m.**

Sponsored by Mecklenburg Ministries

"The Gratitude Factor" ~ Msgr. John McSweeney from St. Matthew Catholic Church.
For more information, contact Mecklenburg Ministries at 704-565-5455 or meckmin.org.

HUMC International Thanksgiving Dinner ~ Nov. 24th at 5 p.m.

You are cordially invited to our annual Thanksgiving Dinner with the International Community this Thursday, Nov. 24th, at 5 p.m. in Hammill Hall. No RSVP needed, just come and bring a friend! To add a meal item or to volunteer to help, email Pastor Tim Webster at tim.webster@harrisonumc.org or Terry Mintle at tsmintle@hotmail.com.



It will be a wonderful time of food, fellowship, and conversation with folks from all around the world.

Please join us!

The Church Offices will be closed this Thursday & Friday, Nov. 24th & 25th for the Thanksgiving holiday.

'White Friday' Prayer Service, Nov. 25 ~ 6-9 a.m. in the Sanctuary. Remember the reason for the season.

After a day of feasting, join us in prayer on "White Friday". The doors of the Sanctuary open at 6 a.m. Our Stephen Ministers will be there to pray with you from 7-9 a.m.

All are welcome.

Christmas Can (Still) Change The World.

Join the Advent Conspiracy! ~ Sermon Series starts Nov. 27th



The pastors would like to encourage you to join a study group for the *Advent Conspiracy* – the theme for this year's Advent sermon series. The study groups began the study last Sunday and will continue to study on **Sundays: Nov. 27, Dec. 4 and 18 at 9:15 and 11 a.m.** *Alive Café* at 9:15 a.m. and *The Band of Brothers* (men's group) also will be studying this book. The Band of Brothers meets on Mondays at 7 a.m. at the Big View Diner. If you are unable to join one of these groups, you may want to study the book on your own. **Books are \$10 each.** To register for one of the study groups or to order your book for personal study, please contact Anita King at 704-541-3463, ext. 213, or anita.king@harrisonumc.org.



The harvest display on the altar is to the glory of God & in memory of Harvey and Nancy McGinn, parents of Lee Caudle.

Nancy and Harvey placed a Thanksgiving display on the altar for many years and now Lee carries on this tradition in honor of her parents.

"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)



Hanging of the Greens . . .

Please join the Worship Committee **TODAY at 2 p.m.** for our annual *Hanging of the Greens*. If you love Christmas and love decorating, we would LOVE your help. We will start in Hammill Hall and continue to the Plummer Education Bldg. 100 and then the Sanctuary.

**Room In The Inn Starts Wed., Dec. 7th
Sign Up Online Today To Volunteer!**

In the winter months, Harrison UMC hosts 12 homeless neighbors one night a week with a place to sleep, evening meal, shower, breakfast, and a bagged lunch ~ called *Room In the Inn*. This starts **Wednesday, Dec. 7th**, and continues through the end of March. **Volunteers (Groups & Individuals) are needed.** Sign up online to volunteer at: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/riti1>. Questions? Please contact Jamie Davis at 704-724-4214 or Beth Davis at 704-277-6383.

Live Nativity Cast Members Needed ~

Looking for an opportunity to serve at Harrison UMC? Here is your chance. Help is needed for our upcoming annual *Live Nativity* (Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 10th & 11th). We are looking for engaging individuals to be a part of the cast, wardrobe consultants, and support staff. **NO experience necessary**, just a willing heart. Also you may sign up to pray for the event as *it is happening!* To sign up to pray, volunteer, or for more information, please see Jamie Boheler after worship today or email him at sweetbabyjames21@bellsouth.net.

Ushers/Greeters Needed for Christmas Eve and Christmas Day services

"Do not forget to entertain strangers, for in so doing, some people have entertained angels without knowing it." (Hebrews 13:2)

Do you enjoy meeting new people and extending a warm welcome? If so, we need you! We are seeking ushers and greeters for the following **Christmas Eve services: 4 p.m., 5:30 p.m. (Children's Service); 7 p.m., 9 p.m. and 11 p.m. and also for Christmas Day's 11 a.m. service.** There is no special training needed – just arrive 30 minutes before the service and report to the head usher – they will give you instructions. If you would like to bless others at one of these services, please contact Anita King at 704-541-3463, ext. 213 or e-mail her at anita.king@harrisonumc.org.

Want to share your news? Please email articles to vicki.lawson@harrisonumc.org by 5 p.m. on Mondays.

A Stewardship Moment . . .

"Someone once said: *Giving is not God's way of raising money . . . Giving is God's way of raising people.*"

Coming Next Year: 'Lands of the Bible' 13-Day Faith-Based Cruise led by Bishop Larry Goodpaster ~ Departing Nov. 9, 2012. Brochures are available through Pastors David Beam or Gayle Montgomery by calling Church Reception at 704-541-3463. Information Session planned for January 2012. Watch the next issue of the *Harrison UMC Weekly News* for details.

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



"Santa's Favorite Story" ~ Rehearsal for 3 yr. olds begins Today

All children, ages 4 through 5th grade, are welcome to join us Sundays from **3-4 p.m. in Room 100, Bldg. 100**, as we prepare for our annual Children's Christmas Eve Program. This year, the children sing old-fashioned Christmas Songs like *"Away in a Manger"* and *"What Child is This?"* **Rehearsals for the 3-year-olds begins TODAY.** Questions? Please call Sally Ainslie at 704-541-3463, ext. 208.

Sunday School Teachers Still Needed ~ Your Children Need You

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!

Next Sunday, Nov. 27th

**The Holy Land Christian Solidarity Cooperative
& Their Beautiful Olive-wood Crafts**

Available for purchase at the **Harrison Coffee House (Room 100, Building 100)** after worship.

Come hear their story and see their beautiful olive-wood crafts. Ministry Moment Speaker: George Ghanem, an indigenous Christian from Bethlehem. Topic: Christians of the Holy Land

Please help support our Christian friends from the Holy Land. All proceeds will support Christian families from Bethlehem.
To view all of the crafts, visit: www.holylandcsc.com.



New Outreach Opportunity!

Pineville Elementary Mentoring ~ Q&A Session Nov. 21st

How would you like to make a big difference in the life of a child by volunteering as a mentor at Pineville Elementary for only one-half hour per week? This simply involves establishing an ongoing relationship with a child through activities such as helping with organizational skills, goal setting, study skills, problem solving, and much more. Responsibilities **do not include tutoring.** **No experience necessary** just a desire and commitment to spend time with a 3rd - 5th grader once a week throughout the school year. Spanish speakers are invited as well. To learn more, contact Terry at tsmintle@hotmail.com. **Join us at a Q&A Session on Monday, Nov. 21st, from 6-7 p.m. in Room 102.**

'Having A Mary Spirit' Study Group (Jan. 4-April 4)

Register by Dec. 1st ~ We will be studying Joanna Weaver's *Having a Mary Spirit* text and digging deep into the Word as well. Come just as you are ~ broken and scarred, lift up your heart and be amazed by God. For more information or to register, visit ShellySCantrell.com and click on *Mary Heart* or contact Shelly at shellyscantrell@gmail.com or call 704-763-1948.

**Join us for our Monthly Open Door Luncheon
Wednesday, Dec. 7th, at Noon in Hammill Hall ~ Cost: \$8 per person.**

**Featuring: The Sun City Carolina Lakes Barbershop Singers
who will entertain us with the songs of the season!**

~ On Sunday, Dec. 4th ~

1st Annual Cookie Exchange ~ 2-4 p.m. in Hammill Hall

Sponsored by HUMC Women's Ministry. Bring 6 doz. Homemade cookies each — 1/2 doz. Individually wrapped with recipe attached and a large container to bring cookies home. Invite a friend. Adults only. **One dozen of everyone's cookies will go to the Charlotte Rescue Mission with our Missions Team that day!** If you'd like to help, please contact Shannon Buturff at Shannon@Buturff.net or Beth Davis at flapjack4@gmail.com.



and the UMW Tea & Children's Art Exhibit ~ 4 p.m., Room 100, Bldg. 100

Children's Art Criteria: Draw a picture of one of the following: (1) Happy Birthday Jesus, (2) Come, All Ye Faithful, (3) Feliz Navidad on 8.5 x 11" paper. **Drawings are due next Sunday, Nov. 27th, at 1 p.m. Our \$5 entrance fee helps us to support HUMC Missions.**

**~ A Quiet Christmas ~ Monday, Dec. 5th ~
7 p.m. in the Sanctuary**

A service for those who have experienced the loss of a loved one. Please invite your friends and neighbors who may be facing this holiday with sadness.

Angel Opportunities are here! ~ Gifts due Dec. 11th!

Give joy to a prisoner's kid this Christmas, volunteer to help with or make a donation to *The Angel Tree 2011*. We are assisting Prison Fellowship ministries' outreach to the children of incarcerated parents by providing toys and clothes to children in South Charlotte and the Fort Mill area of York County (SC). **You can help . . .** by calling the custodial families to confirm children's needs, sorting the gifts for delivery, and delivering the gifts to the children. **The Angel Trees are available at all services today, Nov. 27th, and Dec. 4th.** Your gift selections (\$25-\$35 value) need to be returned **NO LATER than Sunday, Dec. 11th** to Hammill Hall or the Narthex of the Sanctuary. We have 92 families with more than 189 children! Each child receives 2 gifts ~ one clothing and one fun. Plus, we give each family a \$25 Food Lion gift card. **To volunteer, donate, or for more information . . .** contact Stephanie Hatley at 704-614-3997 or syhatley65@yahoo.com or Betsy Woog at 704-541-0738 or bdwoog@gmail.com.

Harrison Student Ministry Labyrinth - Prayer Path:

Take the journey this Christmas ~ Dec. 16-17th

10 a.m. to 8 p.m. in the Multipurpose Room

The Labyrinth or Prayer Path is a spiritual journey. A Biblical and God centered worship experience of prayer and reflection that will draw you into the presence of God like no other. It is a mixture of Biblical readings and meditation, confession, music, art, images, video, and Sacrament. **Come and experience it.** To reserve your walk, contact Rob Morris at radrob6500@hotmail.com.



More Advent Celebrations at Harrison UMC!

Please join us!

**Saturday & Sunday, Dec. 10-11th: Live Nativity
6-8 p.m. ~ starting in the Sanctuary**

**Sunday, Dec. 11th: The Messiah 8:30 & 11 a.m.
in the Sanctuary ~ There will not be a 9:15 a.m. service.**

**Saturday, December 24th: Christmas Eve
Christmas Candlelight Communion: 4, 7,9, & 11 p.m.
~ in The Sanctuary**

**Children's Christmas Musical ~ 5:30 p.m. ~ Hammill Hall
Sunday, December 25th: Christmas Day
11 a.m. Service ~ Only one service this day.**

Harrison Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry

BLDG #300, behind Hammill Hall ~ Open Tues. & Thurs. 10am-1pm

What a great feeling it is to serve those in need . . . have you considered making a donation to the L&F's Pantry? In October our pantry served **39 families/149 people**, logged **174** volunteer hours and received **1,064 lbs.** of donated food. However continue to know that we are still overstocked and **do not need peanut butter or soup.** Or, if shopping isn't your thing – you might consider making a tax deductible contribution (mark your check memo with "Loaves & Fishes") to help with the purchase of non-perishable and perishable items. If you would like to volunteer at the pantry, e-mail HUMCL.F@gmail.com.

Backpack Ministry Program – Pineville UMC and South Charlotte Baptist Church have joined with Harrison UMC continue to deliver a total of 79 backpacks of food to Pineville Elementary each weekend. Thanks for your contributions! Our top food item needs: individual cereal boxes, rice Krispies treats in individual packs, saltine crackers in a 4-sleeve box and 3.5 oz cups of Snack Pack Pudding. **For more information, e-mail rudy_chittenden@yahoo.com.**

All donations may be left in the L&F bins in the Plummer Education Center (Bldg. 100) Reception area, in the entry of Hammill Hall, and the Sanctuary Narthex.

**Invite Your Friends and Family
to Harrison UMC This Christmas Season!
Invite Cards are now available to share.**

We want to make it easy for you to invite friends and family, so there are business-card sized invite cards available at the Welcome Desks in Hammill Hall, the Narthex, and the Reception Area of the Plummer Education Building 100. Please help yourselves to as many cards as you need to share with your neighbors, friends, loved ones, co-workers — anyone you believe might enjoy being a part of the Harrison Church family. Our events start on December 5th with the Quiet Christmas Service at 7 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Hammill Hall Kitchen ~ Must Read!!

Hammill Hall kitchen has been renovated to allow us to sell food on a regular basis (such as Wednesday dinners) and also rent the space to outside chefs for their catering businesses. We will now be inspected on a quarterly basis. Our first surprise quarterly inspection took place Oct. 20, 2011. Points were taken off our score for: improperly stored food — all opened food must be kept in an airtight container or Ziploc bag; personal beverage left on the food prep table — all volunteer beverages must be stored on the shelf below the food prep tables and discarded as a part of the kitchen clean-up; food residue was left on dishes and spoons — all dishes must be washed thoroughly, rinsed with the properly mixed solution, and checked for food residue before returning to storage. Our overall score was a 93! Please be mindful that the kitchen will be inspected on an unannounced basis going forward. We cannot store food on the floor or have lost and found items in the kitchen. Please pay attention to all signage and make sure the trash is emptied and the floor is swept and mopped after use.

The Trustee Committee