

Sympathy to:

Family and friends of Douglas Ronald "Ronnie" Mabe
Family and friends of Margaret Lawson (Keith Lawson's mother)

Prayer Concerns

Judy and Ray Cox, Mick Hartgrove, Robert Hodges, Mildred Maulpin,
Karly Ray, Georgia Shelton, Betty Stevens, Doris Wall

Birthdays

February 5—Joshua Manring, February 11—Lisa Overby,
February 12—Betty Pendleton, February 15—Jessica Amos

Church Calendar

Today	9:30 a.m.	Food and Fellowship— Fellowship Hall
	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:50 a.m.	Worship
Monday, Feb. 12	7:30 p.m.	United Methodist Women— Fellowship Hall
Wednesday, Feb. 14	6:30—8:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer 6:15—7:25 p.m. Anxious—For Nothing! Spiritual Growth Study—Fellowship Hall
	7:30 p.m.	Ash Wednesday Service
Thursday, Feb. 15	9:00 am—5:00 pm	Northern Stokes Food Pantry Open—Francisco Presby. Church
Sunday, Feb. 18	8:00 a.m.	United Methodist Men's Breakfast Meeting—Fellowship Hall
	9:30 a.m.	Food and Fellowship— Fellowship Hall
	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
	10:50 a.m.	Worship
Tuesday, Feb. 20	9:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.	Terrific Tuesdays Together
Wednesday, Feb. 21	8:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.	UMM Transport food from Second Harvest Food Bank to Northern Stokes Food Pantry
	6:30—8:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer
	6:15—7:15 p.m.	Forgiveness Spiritual Growth Study—Fellowship Hall

Announcements

SAVE THE DATES: Wednesday, February 14 is not only Valentine's Day this year, it is also Ash Wednesday. We will have an Ash Wednesday Service in the Sanctuary at 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, March 29—Maundy Thursday

Sunday, April 1—Easter—We will be hosting the Sunrise Service and Easter Breakfast for Delta UMC, Snow Hill UMC and members of our community. Please help spread the word and invite your friends and neighbors to join us for all of our Lenten and Easter services.

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE: On Wednesday, Feb. 14 at 7:30 p.m., SHUMC will join Christians around the world as we begin our observance of Lent prepare for Easter by observing a period of fasting, repentance, moderation and spiritual discipline.

Ash Wednesday emphasizes two themes: our sinfulness before God and our human mortality. The service focuses on both themes, helping us to realize that both have been triumphed through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

During our Ash Wednesday service, the pastor will lightly rub the sign of the cross with ashes onto the foreheads of worshipers. The use of ashes as a sign of mortality and repentance has a long history in Christian worship.

Historically, ashes signified purification and sorrow for sins.

We will be using the palm branches from last year's Palm Sunday service to burn to produce ashes for this service. The ash cross on the forehead is an outward sign of our sorrow and repentance for sins.

BARN QUILT SQUARE PAINTING CLASS: During March the United Methodist Women will be sponsoring a Barn Quilt Square Painting Class at the church. Cost for the class is \$40.00 per person. Registration ends on February 18. Please contact Cindy Roberts for questions and to register.

LENTEN SPIRITUAL GROWTH STUDY: Everyone is invited to attend a Wednesday evening group during Lent this year. The focus of this group will be the biblical concept of *forgiveness*. We have invited Karen Ring to lead this opportunity for spiritual growth. God's forgiveness of our sins – through the redeeming grace of Jesus Christ, is the very heart of our faith.

We eagerly embrace forgiveness for ourselves, but often find it hard to forgive others. We pray as often as daily that God will forgive us *as we forgive others*. Do we realize what we are asking for? Come join with others as we seek a better understanding of forgiveness, and the gift it offers to the forgiving and the forgiven.

SNOW HILL WIFI—NETWORK: SnowHillPublic-guest, Password: Welcome

LENT 2018

How will the season of Lent impact your life this year? The forty days before Easter, excluding Sundays, has traditionally be a time for Christians to confront our sinfulness, remembering our mortality, and giving thanks for the gift of salvation we receive through the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

While there is not one prescribed way to observe Lent you might consider a combination of: **Fasting**—giving up something (how about a bad habit), **Bible Reading, Prayer, Service, Learning, and Worship.**

We encourage you to observe a Holy Lent this year along with your brothers and sisters at SHUMC. Please invite someone to join in your Lenten journey.



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FEBRUARY 11, 2018

**FOLLOW JESUS, MAKE DISCIPLES,
TRANSFORM THE WORLD**

REV. DR. PATRICIA SPICER
PASTOR

REV. KEITH LAWSON
ASSISTANT PASTOR

