

# THE SEAGULL

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From 6:00 pm on Maundy Thursday to 6:00 pm on Good Friday our church held a prayer vigil. More than 50 people participated by signing up for 30 minute slots throughout the 24 hour period. In one of the slots where I was signed up to pray I decided not to ask God for anything; but instead just to thank Him for all that he has blessed our church with recently. There is no doubt that God's Spirit is flowing through this church.

Some of the things I was thankful for included what was happening in the lives of different people. I wouldn't want to embarrass them here by naming them out loud. But, here's a list of some of the more general things that emerged during that prayer time...

Pastor Julia's Maundy Thursday message. If you haven't seen it, stop what you're doing, look it up, and watch. So moving.

There's a new United Women in Faith (formerly UMW) Circle that is off to a strong start.

We reached our 40K in 40 Days goal and collected enough money to buy a new van for LINC (Leading Into New Communities).

We have Youth and Adults wanting to be baptized, and they will be in the next few weeks.

We have a tremendous number of children and young families participating in church this spring.

Offerings are up considerably compared to a year ago.

Many people who weren't worshipping with us a month ago are worshipping with us now. Attendance is growing nearly every week.

Our church has made significant contributions to relief efforts in Ukraine by giving to UMCOR.

People are begging for a return to three services, and the need for three services continues to increase.

The Landing shopping center, which we own next door, is at full occupancy and is paying for itself.

The church has developed a real trust in Pastor David and families are often requesting him to lead their loved one's funeral.

Our Racial Unity Group, which is leading us into new ways of doing ministry, has become a model that other churches are starting to follow.

Youth Summer Mission Trips are happening again.

Vacation Bible School registration is returning to pre-pandemic levels.

We're going back to Wrightsville Beach Park for Pentecost on June 5.

We have new people joining the choirs, and veteran members we can count on year after year.

The Spirituality and Mental Wellness seminars are making a big difference with people.

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I get to work with an amazing and dedicated staff each and every day here.

And I'm most thankful for my relationship with Jesus Christ who loves me, forgives me, and guides me each day.

I'm so thankful for the ways God is moving in our church. And I'm thankful for all the ways you are moving in concert with God through your prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness.

What are you finding that you are grateful for these days?

May the Peace of Christ be with you,  
Pastor Doug

Click [here](#) to read the Psalm for the month of May.



**CINCO DE MAYO!**

We sure hope you can join us on May 5!  
Book those sitters if needed!

Join us for our next  
Spirituality and Mental Wellness event!  
Tuesday, May 17

MEMBERS OF THE 30'S - 50'S CLUB, WE INVITE YOU TO



**STIRRED,  
NOT SHAKEN**  
Adult Social

Thursday, May 5, at 6:30pm  
Mason Harbor Yacht Club

RSVP to Kristin Selby: 910-612-2075  
kristin\_selby@yahoo.com




**Save the Date!**  
**Spirituality & Mental Wellness**  
Tuesday, May 17, from 7-8:15 pm  
in the Fellowship Hall

Childcare is available. Details to follow!



**WRIGHTSVILLE**  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me. -MATTHEW 25:40

The Wrightsville United Methodist Church Outreach Committee supports and nurtures individuals and organizations who are in need in our community, nation and world. We also seek to provide members of our congregation opportunities to define their own ministry in service of Christ.



**Mother Hubbard's Cupboard is in need of:**

- Peanut butter
- Individual cereals
- White or brown pasta
- Large juices
- Paper bags

**Mission of Hope: Rotifunk Hospital Appreciation Dinner**  
 RSVP to Donna Hudson by  
 Sunday, May 1  
[cfhudjr@yahoo.com](mailto:cfhudjr@yahoo.com)



**YOU ARE INVITED TO OUR DONOR APPRECIATION DINNER ON TUESDAY, MAY 10, 2022**

**6:00 PM - 8:30 PM**

**FELLOWSHIP HALL**

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR DINNER AND ENTERTAINMENT AS WE CELEBRATE 8 YEARS OF HEALTH & SUCCESS**

We hope you can join us at Willowdale in May!  
 To sign up, click [here](#).

**Willowdale Urban Farm**  
 A PROJECT OF WILMINGTON GREEN

Come dig in the dirt with us at Willowdale Urban Garden!  
 An opportunity for the whole family to serve our neighbors & support Wilmington Green.



**Where: 301 N. 30th Street**  
**When: Saturday, May 21**  
**Time: 10 am - noon**



United Methodist Women's  
**A Penny & a Prayer!**  
 Contribute your pocket change or bills for distribution to global & local mission projects.

Order [here](#) to support the youth!



**Support the High School and Middle School  
Youth Mission Trips this Summer by Ordering Moe's Taco Kits!**

Tuesday, May 17th

Pickup in front of the church between 5-5:30 pm

Order through the link at the top of the page.

Please order now and make sure to get all orders in before May 16 at 8 pm!

Questions? [fourtwelve@wrightsvilleumc.org](mailto:fourtwelve@wrightsvilleumc.org)



**The Upper Room Now Available Digitally!**

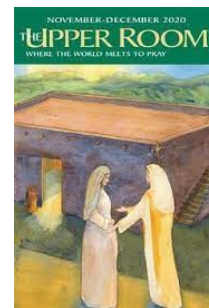
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- Daily email
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- The Upper Room mobile app giving you access to the devotional on your phone or tablet.

With a digital subscription, you also have access to the audio edition of the daily meditation. Just look for "Listen to the Devotional" feature on the website or your mobile app.

To access your subscription, follow the instructions below.

1. Click [here](#)
2. Create an account (or sign into The Upper Room if you have an account)
3. Enter Redemption Code: R3V0DAUU





### United Women of Faith Circle Meetings in May

Lydia Circle will meet on Monday, May 9, at 6 pm at the home of Judie Eakins. For more information please call Susan Tayloe at 252-916-2035.

Ruth Circle will meet Tuesday, May 10, at 10 am in the Parlor. If you need more information, please contact Marie Cooke at 910-617-4241.

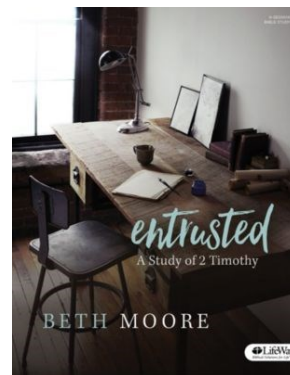
Circle of Hope will meet on Tuesday, May 10, at 12 pm in Room 203. Need more information? Please contact Jeannie DeGaetano at 910-617-7268.

Esther Circle is meeting on Tuesday, May 10, from 6-7 pm in Room 203. For more information please call Kiki Barden at 910-409-4767.

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Monday Night Lights  
Women's Bible Study  
Continues on Mondays  
at 5:30 pm  
On-site and online

Next study - "Entrusted" - begins July 11




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Monday Night Blessings continues on Mondays at 6 pm through May 16. Each week is a stand-alone lesson and all women are welcome.

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Men's Bible study continues on Thursday mornings at 6:45 – on-site and online.

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Ladies Bible study continues meeting Thursdays at 9 am

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Thursdays at 10 Women's Bible Study 6 week study continues their study of Priscilla Shirer's *Discerning the Voice of God* through May 19.

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Adult Sunday School Classes continue at 9:30 every Sunday morning.  
Interested in knowing more? [Donna@wrightsvilleumc.org](mailto:Donna@wrightsvilleumc.org)

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Interested in more information about a class or group that is meeting??  
[donna@wrightsvilleumc.org](mailto:donna@wrightsvilleumc.org)



S – seniors  
T – talking  
A – and  
R – remembering the  
S- seasons



STARS is back and we'd love for you to join us for lunch!!

Tuesday, May 3, at 11:30 am in the Fellowship Hall

Make your reservation by signing up on the deep roots bulletin board or contact [donna@wrightsvilleumc.org](mailto:donna@wrightsvilleumc.org). We can't wait to see you all!

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2020 Israel Pilgrimage Reunion Dinner – Those who traveled to Israel together in February 2020, please join us for a potluck gathering on Tuesday, May 3 at 6 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

We can't wait to be together again!

RSVP to [donna@wrightsvilleumc.org](mailto:donna@wrightsvilleumc.org)

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Interested in serving on Sundays? We have lots of places for you to serve!

Shoot me an email: [donna@wrightsvilleumc.org](mailto:donna@wrightsvilleumc.org)

or give me a call – 256-4471

I'd love to help you find your place!



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Thanks to all who came out to The Venue on April 21 for our gathering of the “empty-nest- to-retirement crowd”. I think we can safely say that a “good time was had by all!”

Looking forward to our next get-together!



**JOY**

JESUS • OTHERS • YOURSELF

WRIGHTSVILLE UMC CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

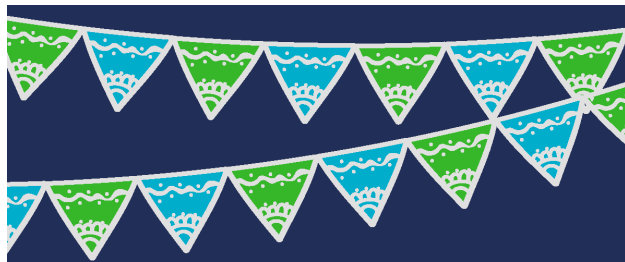
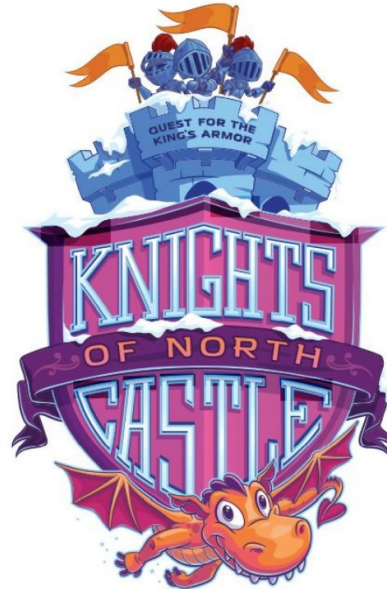
There are still spots available for  
Vacation Bible School!

Sign up [here!](#)

**Join Us  
for VBS!**

**June 13-16  
9 am-12:30 pm  
Ages 4-Grade 5**

**Email:  
fourtwelve@  
wrightsvilleumc.org  
to register your  
child!**



**FAITHFUL 5TH  
YOUTH GROUP**



**SUNDAY,  
MAY 1ST  
4:30-6 PM**



May 1st: 4-5 pm - 4 year olds & Kindergarten  
May 15th: 4-5 pm - 1st & 2nd Graders  
May 22nd: 4-5 pm - Ages 4-4th Grade  
Ice Cream Party Celebration!

SET AN  EXAMPLE

# 1 TIM FOUR TWELVE

WRIGHTSVILLE UMC YOUTH

- Wednesday, May 4: 5:30-7 pm
- Wednesday, May 11: 6 pm Family Dinner & Rehearsal
- Confirmation Sunday: May 15th at the 10:30 Worship Service

Sign up for Baccalaureate Sunday [here!](#)



**Baccalaureate Sunday!**  
**May 22nd at the 10:30**  
**Worship Service**

Sign up on Google Doc!  
 We can't wait to celebrate  
 Our Graduating Seniors!

## 4:12 Sundays

May 1st: (Be the Light Event)



**BE THE light** Meet at the Harrelson Center where *Grace and Opportunity* come together

Walk the Harrelson Center halls and learn how collaboration among 35 partners can serve our neighbors with grace & opportunity every day.

HELP HUB: Resilience & Crisis Response, Career Development, Health & Wellness, Food Security, Intergenerational Violence, Youth Resilience & Family Support, Equity & Access, Housing Stability, Stability & Special Needs.

Plaza on Princess  
 410 Princess St.  
 (On Harrelson Center Campus)  
 Sunday, May 1  
 4-7PM

Join us for the BTL youth fellowship, education and service project!

*"Let us not love with words and speech only, but with actions, and in truth."*  
 - John 3:18

May 8th: Happy Mother's Day!

Love the Moms in your life! (No 4:12)

May 15th : Youth Sunday & Confirmation Sunday

Sign up [here](#). We can't wait!

May 22: High School Youth - stay tuned for details!



**I ❤️ SUNDAY**

**Sunday School**  
**Every**  
**Sunday Morning!**

**10:30-11:30 am**

**Middle School:**  
**Room 201**

**High School:**  
**Fellowship Hall**



**SAVE THE DATE!**  
**Youth Sunday**  
**AND**  
**Confirmation Sunday**  
**MAY 15TH, 2022**  
*More details coming soon*

*Don't miss it!*



## May 2022 Birthdays

1. Amy Knowles, Reid Caulder, Laura Hearn, Taylor Pearson, Trevor Collins, Whitney MacDaniel, Reid Caulder
2. Helen Baseley, Jean Collie, Tom West, Marie Cooke, Austin Pugh, Harrison Phillips, Sadie Howard, Blair Sites, Hilary Hellens, John Datta
3. Gladys Beach, Sherry Ward, Jackie Whitaker, Thom Hoagland
4. Duane Ward, Anna Konrady, Wallace Piner
5. Linda Chapman, Parker Wilkins, David Collins, Steve Hinderliter, Peggy Mahan, Eric Peterson
6. Michelle Clark-Bradley, Sara Long, John Toler, Grayson Lee
7. Bob Moffett, Pam Moffett, Chris Dixon, Jennifer Scherer, Jordan Dobbins, Laura Sullivan, Ryan Bisplinghoff, Graham Hergenrader, Rick Edwards
8. Barbara Gowdy, Abigail Richardson, Liz Walker, Beau Toups, Susan Ward, Curt Murdock
9. John Cunius, Ryan Dennis, Chris Reichard, Josh Mihaly
10. Donna Duncan, Reggie Honbarrier, Campbell Atterbury, William Noland, Kaelyn Isenhardt
11. Travis Nichols, David Witmer, Owen Carter, Evan Rahe, Max Agee, Jim Boone, Garrett Luhring
12. Anne Leister, Steve Wilt, Marcelle Austin, Lachlan McCorkle
13. Jessie Perry, Jeffrey Byrd, Mary Skrabel, Ginny Tyndall, Wortley Forbes, Jim Lister, Parker Skoblar, Michael Vollmin
14. David Ray, Maggie Reed, Shelton Converse, Alexandra Miller, Jordan Fullerton, Wright Collins
15. Cameron Pearson, Sam Preziosi, Emily Primm, Lola Rioux, Noah Rioux
16. Sue Combs, Addison Lewis, JP Little, Tess Perry, Sydney Perry, Melissa Brooks, Jamie Witmer, Eliza Rose Haugland
17. Emily Speight, Daniel Knott, Olivia Reeves, Zeke Crawford, Garrett Shay, Joe Kittinger
18. Billy Emmart, Colin Brouse, Rick Funai, Deb Fauble
19. Ron Sauer, Pam Millar, Jonnie Harris, AJ Green, Linnea Kanyok, Jane Crenshaw, Steve Crawford, Kelly Toups, Betty Calvert, Tom Harris, Evelyn Hand, Erin Collins
20. Julie Green, Rod Millage, Ella Meyer, Richard Truman, Jackie Horton
21. Susan Fieldstein, Mike Carter, Liza Everhardt, Cary McCormack, Thomas Dombroski, Kira Kerr, Elsie Lewis, Mitch Cahn, Dylan Hoke, Peyton Hoke
22. George Morton, Beth Foster, Martha Leonard, Capri Ella McGary, Laura Brogdon-Primavera
23. Greg Roche, Trent Reed, Karen Franck, Sara Millage, John Braddy, David Brewer
24. Jane Ramsey, Marsha Ratliff, Max Wagenseller, Harrison Isear, Toby Lewis
25. Gia Lambeth, Anne Fowler, Hudson Farrell
26. Roger Chase, Sue Coupland, Nan Girardi, Rachel Locklear, Melissa Rahe, Hannah Ford, Rudy Warren, Chip Mahan
27. Sissy Daniels, Carter Hamerski, Jackson Cole, Gracie Morris, Christy Simmerman
28. Susan Mayo, Andrew Kerekes, Emily Bullock, Erin Bullock, Pat Williford, Allie Royal, Patrick Cameron Madden, Lorrie Luhring
29. Croix Paquin, Eric Kullberg, Victoria Ryan-Barr, Kees Amerson, Olive Aughtry, Sandra Kittinger, Chris Whitten
30. Inis Chappell, Phillip Maginnes, Clif Ferrell, Jennifer Nichols, Parker Dills, Robert Bringard
31. Betty Leak, Paul Dzurilla, Tara Harris, Lindsay Vollmin, Kennedy Ray Ward, Stephanie Buckner

happy birthday to you.....



## Prayer List May 2022

“Pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effec-

Liam Primavera	Ruth Ann Southworth
Mamie O’Toel-Smith	Connie Woodard
Carolyn Fuquay	Lou Ann Smith
Connie Woodard	Horace Willson
Horace Willson	Sydney Healey
Kennedy Kelso	Dennis Martin
Flo McClain	
Carla Roth	
George Whittle	
Nancy Wimbish	
Linda B. Wilson	
Connor Rode	
Sarah Norris	
Tom Finley	
Mike Harris	
Connie Yow	
George Owens	
Frank Leak	

A requested prayer of thanks from many who have benefited from our prayers

### Condolences and prayers to the families of:

Charles Fackrell, Alyssa Barbian, Harrison Steven, Catherine Jones Biggerstaff (Meredith Collins’ grandmother), Sandra Garrett (Todd Garrett’s mother), Larry Moye (Holly Ray’s grandfather), Anna Stinson (Cathy King’s mother), Tom Traina (Bill Traina’s brother), Hilda Mitchell (Lee Ann Bolton’s grandmother), Patsy Emmart (Billy Emmart’s mother)

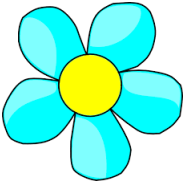
We encourage you to lift up the names of people in our church, your family, or friends you know personally so that the church might pray for them.

If you would like to add a person’s name to the prayer list please contact Mikki Perry at 910-256-4471.

Worship in the  
Sanctuary every  
Sunday at 8:15 am  
& 10:30 am  
Adult Sunday School  
at 9:30 am

# May 2022

Children and Youth  
Sunday School:  
10:30-11:30 am.  
Wiggle Worship:  
8:15 am Worship Service  
Nursery provided during  
both worship services.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 4 pm Joyful 4 Jesus for 4 year olds & Kindergarten 4-7 pm 4:12 Youth Be the Light Event	2 5:30 pm Monday Night Lights Women's Study 6 pm Monday Night Blessings	3 11:30 am STARS 6 pm Israel Reunion 7 pm Young Adult Bible Study	4 5:30 pm Confirmation	5 6:45 am Men's Bible Study 9 am Ladies Bible Study 10 am Women's Bible Study 6:30 pm Stirred, Not Shaken 8 pm AA	6 6:45 am Men's Bible Study 9 am Ladies Bible Study 10 am Women's Bible Study 8 pm AA	7 8 pm NA
8 Happy Mother's Day!	9 5:30 pm Monday Night Lights Women's Study 6 pm Monday Night Blessings 6 pm Lydia Circle	10 10 am Ruth Circle 12 am Circle of Hope 6 pm Esther Circle 6 pm Mission of Hope Dinner 7 pm Young Adult Bible Study	11 6 pm Confirmation Family Dinner & Rehearsal	12 6:45 am Men's Bible Study 9 am Ladies Bible Study 10 am Women's Bible Study 8 pm AA	13 6:45 am Men's Bible Study 9 am Ladies Bible Study 10 am Women's Bible Study 8 pm AA	14 8 pm NA
15 8:15 am Youth Sunday 10:30 am Confirmation & Youth Sunday 4 pm Joyful 4 Jesus 1st & 2nd Graders	16 6 pm Monday Night Blessings	17 5-5:30 pm Pick Up Taco Kits for 4:12 Youth Fundraiser 7 pm Young Adult Bible Study 7 pm Mental Wellness Seminar	18	19 6:45 am Men's Bible Study 9 am Ladies Bible Study 10 am Women's Bible Study 8 pm AA	20	21 10-12 Willowdale Urban Farm 8 pm NA
22 10:30 am Baccalaureate Sunday 4 pm Joyful 4 Jesus: Ages 4 through 4th Grade: Ice Cream Celebration!	23	24 7 pm Young Adult Bible Study	25	26 6:45 am Men's Bible Study 9 am Ladies Bible Study 10 am Women's Bible Study 8 pm AA	27	28 8 pm NA
29	30 Memorial Day Church Offices Closed	31 7 pm Young Adult Bible Study				



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# Deep Roots... Bountiful Fruit

(it happens here.)

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