

Harrisburg Happenings

Our Mission is to cultivate authentic relationship with Jesus Christ by worshiping God, growing disciples and loving our neighbors



HUMC Building Team Summary Town Hall Session

Sunday, March 11, 2018 from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

At the June 25, 2017 HUMC Charge Conference, the formation of the Building Team was approved following several years of thoughtful, prayerful work by the Strategic Vision Team and Building Study Teams. The early work of these teams led to the recommendation at Charge Conference to establish the current Building Team and authorization to engage an architect to help HUMC take its next faithful step to grow in our mission.

Since Charge Conference, the Building Team has been meeting with Wesley Community Development (WCD), a non-profit headed by Joel Gilland with Methodist roots and expertise in helping congregations meet the needs of their church and greater community. With WCD's help, WGM, an architectural firm with extensive experience in helping churches create a vision to design and enhance their church properties, was interviewed and selected to help HUMC develop its vision and provide concepts for enhancing the church property.

One key step in the Building Team's work has been the charrette process. The charrette process provided an opportunity for 28 church members to meet 1:1 with WGM and the WCD consultants. Charrette participants represented people in all ages and phases of life. These question and answer sessions gave members the opportunity to provide their thoughts and ideas about HUMC's vision and needs. These conversations provided immediate feedback which WGM incorporated into their initial design concepts for enhancing HUMC property. Feedback from the charrette process offered the following visions for improving our existing facilities:

- Create a gathering space
- Create a defined entrance to our church building
- Create a large meeting room (40-50 people)
- Create a family / handicap accessible restroom
- Provide a dedicated space for youth
- Create additional meeting/classroom space
- Modernize the sanctuary

Conceptual drawings will be available for you to review and provide feedback at the drop-in **Town Hall Session on Sunday, March 11, 2018 from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.** We hope you will take time to come by the church and explore the possibilities!

Sincerely, *Chrisanna Voight*, Building Team Leader. Building Team Members: *Mike Askin*, Andrea Blankenship, Brad Green, Jennifer Kite, Shirley Luce, Richard Morrison, Tim Prentice, and Mike Stanley

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**RISE AGAINST
HUNGER**

...March 3rd 10 am.- 1 pm

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**SPAGHETTI DINNER
TICKETS ARE ON SALE
NOW**March 10th, 5:30 pm
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WALK WITH JESUS

March 25th, 3 - 5 p.m.

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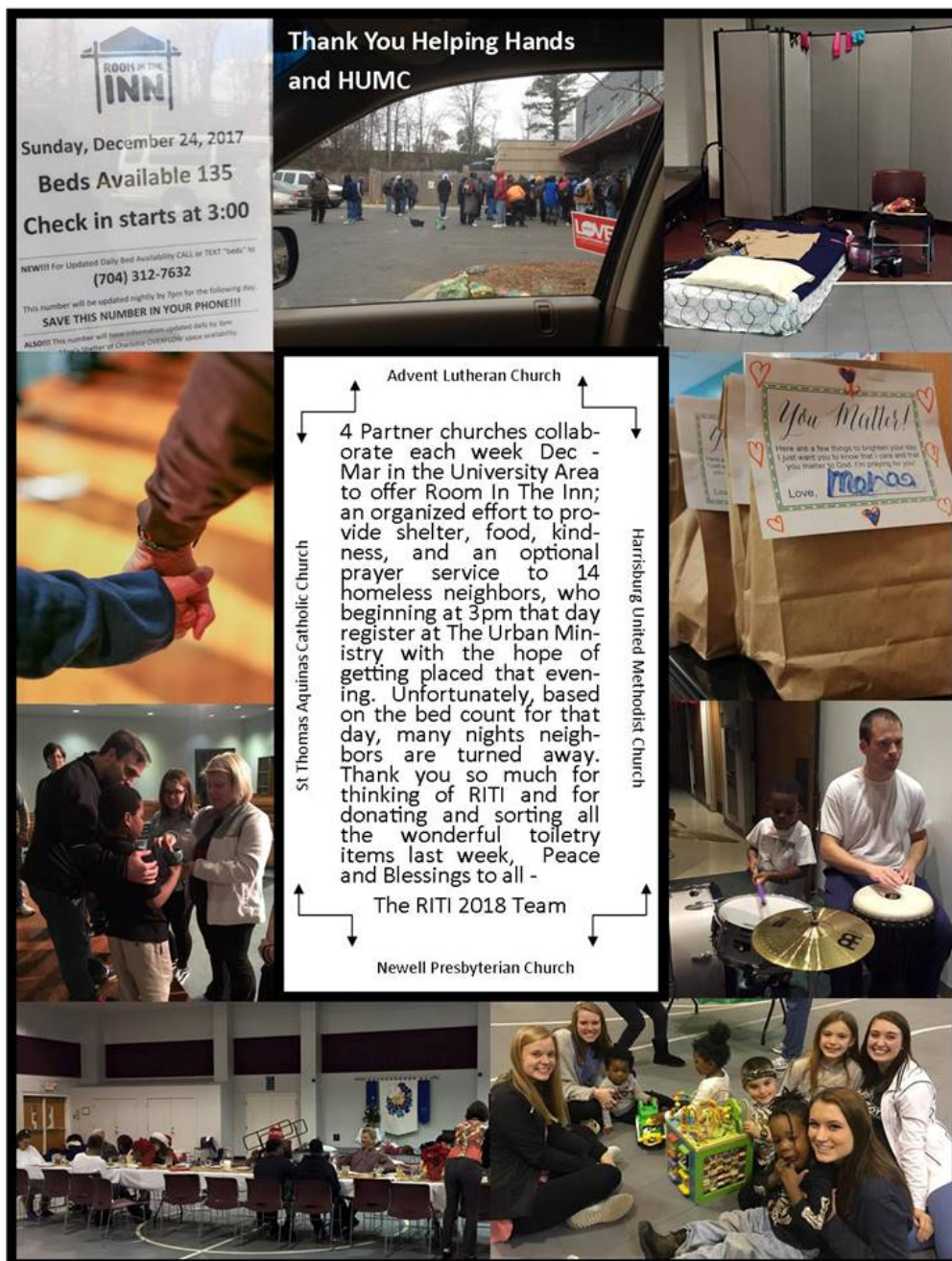
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FISH FRY & BAKE SALE

March 30th

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Room In The Inn



The Room In The Inn project goes through March and there are plenty of opportunities for you to participate. Sign up on the Missions bulletin board or call the church office and we'll get you signed up. Church Office: 704-455-2311

RISE ABOVE HUNGER

Event Host: Harrisburg UMC & Pitts School Rd Elementary

Join the movement to end hunger in our lifetime!

We need your support to reach our goal to package **10,152+ meals** on **3/3/2018**.

When we rise together, we can create a world without hunger.

Please volunteer an hour or more of your time and join in the fun of hands-on meal packaging. ALL ages are welcome – bring the family! Donations are also appreciated. Each meal only costs \$.29 per meal. \$29.00 provides 100 MEALS!

When:

MARCH 3, 2018 - 10:00 AM to 1:00PM

Where:

Pitts School Rd Elementary School -
720 Pitts School Rd SW
Harrisburg, NC 28027



Have you purchased a ticket?

Have you signed up to
participate in the dessert
auction?

Our annual **Youth Spaghetti Dinner and Dessert Auction Fundraiser** is Saturday, March 10th at 5:30 pm. Please come and **support our Youth** as they raise money for summer mission trips and retreats! You can purchase a ticket from a youth and 90% of the proceeds will go toward their



You can also support them by donating a dessert to be auctioned off after dinner **and also by participating in the auction.** Auction proceeds will be divided out among those who help serve dinner that night. Tickets go on sale NOW! Please let

Richard know **in writing** rsmith@harrisburgumc.org if you are planning to provide a dessert for our auction!

Pastor Richard, rsmith@harrisburgumc.org



iBelong

In February, the theme for the iBelong outreach for special needs classes at Patriots and Pitts was Valentine's Day! Thank you to everyone who donated items for the crafts and snacks last month. In March, the theme will be Saint Patrick's Day. The students at Patriots will be doing a paper plate leprechaun craft and the students at Pitts will be doing a shamrock craft using doilies. Thank you to everyone who provided what was needed for the March snacks and crafts! Those who provided a monetary donation made it possible to purchase craft supplies that can also be used in upcoming months.

In April, the students at Patriots will be making a rain cloud craft. The students at Pitts will be making a rainy day paper umbrellas craft. Items needed for the April crafts are listed below.

The classes at Patriots go on monthly community based field trips. The bowling trip that was cancelled due to the weather in January was rescheduled for February 28. In March, they are planning an outing to Frank Liske Park followed by lunch at Cici's Pizza. The date is TBD. If you would be interested in going along on this field trip, please let me know. You must be an approved volunteer with Cabarrus County Schools to go along.

Items requested for April snacks and crafts need to be dropped off at the church by March 25th, with the exception of the snack for Patriots. That can be dropped off by April 8th, due to freshness/expiration date on the Little Debbie snack cakes or Lofthouse cookies.

Patriots:

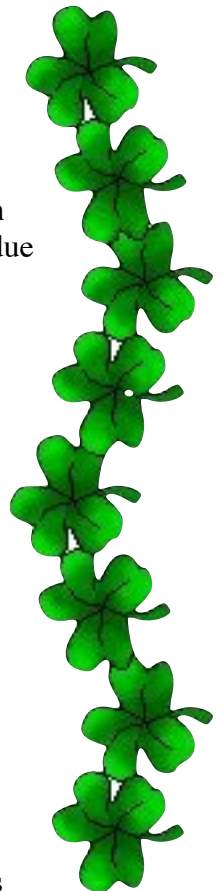
- 64 oz. jug of Hawaiian Punch, any flavor
- Little Debbie snack cakes or Lofthouse decorated sugar cookies for 16
- Napkins for 16, something that looks like Spring!
- Box of 5 oz. kitchen size paper cups
- 3 bags of cotton balls (for making clouds)
- 18 pieces of light blue card stock (for making raindrops)
- Light blue yarn (to attach raindrops to the clouds)
- 2 rolls of clear or cellophane tape

Pitts:

- Individual servings of plain applesauce, usually available in 6 packs
- Goldfish crackers (large box with multiple bags inside, from BJ's, Sam's Club)

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to the iBelong outreach in these four special needs classrooms. Everything we do touches the lives of the students, teachers, and support staff in a tangible way.

Robin Breidinger, iBelong Coordinator robin.breidinger@gmail.com 607-743-9247





HOLY WEEK



Palm Sunday, March 25th Worship 9 a.m. & 11 a.m. Sunday School at 9:45 a.m.

On Palm Sunday at the 11:00 a.m. service the Harrisburg Chancel Choir will present the Cantata **"The Weeping Tree"**. "The Weeping Tree" is a poignant portrait of the cross that uses beloved hymns, newly composed music, thoughtful narration, and simple sacred symbols to create a touching testament of grace.

March 25th, **Walk with Jesus, March 25th 3-5 p.m.** Walk with Jesus. A family Easter event! It is designed for parents and their children (of all ages) to experience Easter and the events leading up to it together. You will:

- ❖ travel to Jerusalem for Palm Sunday
- ❖ sit down for the Last Supper
- ❖ pray in the Garden of Gethsemane
- ❖ discover the sacrifice of Good Friday
- ❖ celebrate freedom from their sins at the empty tomb that first Easter morning



This experience will be on Palm Sunday, March 25th. This is a walk through experience and takes between 20 & 30 minutes.

Maundy Thursday, March 29th, 6:30 p.m. - Maundy Thursday is an alternate name for Holy Thursday, the first of the three days of solemn remembrance of the events leading up to and immediately following the crucifixion of Jesus. The English word "Maundy" comes from the Latin *mandatum*, which means "commandment." As recorded in John's gospel, on his last night before his betrayal and arrest, Jesus washed the feet of his disciples and then gave them a new commandment to love one another as he had loved them (John 13:34). This is why services on this night generally include the washing of feet or other acts of physical care as an integral part of the celebration.





Easter Sunday - April 1, 2018

We hope you join us for our Easter Celebration on Sunday, April 1st. We'll have three services
Easter Vigil - April 1, 6:45 a.m., **Easter Worship** 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. and **Easter Sunday School** 9:45 a.m.



Memorial gifts have been given to
 the Glory of God, in memory of
 Annie Louise Hoover,
 by Trent & Jana Avery
 by Jim & Dena Ford

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 by William Plfaguer
 by Trent & Jana Avery
 by Douglas Odom
 by Jim & Dena Ford



The Harrisburg Staff Parish Committee is
 anticipating the need to hire additional helpers for
 the Nursery in the upcoming months.

Potential nursery workers cannot be members
 of Harrisburg United Methodist Church. If you
 know someone who might be interested in
 applying for a position, please have them contact
 Chad Roberts (chad.s.roberts@gmail.com) or
 Robin Breidinger (robin.breidinger@gmail.com)
 for more information.

HARRISBURG United Methodist Church

Growing together in faith, love, and service.



FISH FRY & BAKE SALE

'Good Friday' March 30, 2018 (11 am to 7 pm)
(or... until we run out of fish!)

4560 Highway 49 South, Harrisburg, NC

704-455-2311 | www.harrisburgumc.org

Fish Fry Meals:

Fresh Fried Fish, Tartar Sauce, Hushpuppies,
Fresh Cut Fries or Baked Potato & Homemade Slaw
Hot Dogs available as well

Adult dine-in (lunch or dinner)

\$9.00 Pre-Sale

\$10.00 At the Door

Includes a drink & all you can eat meal

\$6.00 Take-out Fish Plate (lunch or dinner)

Children

\$4.00 dine-in (Ages 4-9)

Free Children Ages 3 and under



Proceeds go to Support Church Missions



Homemade Desserts - Bake Sale

*Donated by church members with proceeds going to support
The Sam Wallace Fund for Lexi Cunningham, The Cabarrus County
Animal Shelter, and Heifer International*



The Kind Hands Small group is taking on the responsibility of this year's Fish Fry. The girls are very excited about this venture! The group decided to designate the money raised to three missions: one local, one community, and one world mission.

The local mission being the **Sam Wallace Fund** supporting the family of Lexi Cunningham. The community mission is an **animal shelter**. And the world mission is **Heifer International**.



Kind Hands Needs Your Help!

Lots of desserts are needed. Individual servings, as well as whole cakes, pies and breads.

Bring your donations to the church on Good Friday in the morning or you may drop items off at the church on Thursday.

The fifth grade girls in the Kind Hand group are the leaders. So please let Lily Prentice, Amy Bartel, Elizabeth Scott, or Kelly Eason know if you plan to bake. OR email the church office administration@harrisburgumc.org



Along with baking for the bake sale and purchasing tickets. Next week the Fish Fry committee will be asking for volunteers. So plan now to reserve a few hours on March 30th to volunteer at the Fish Fry.