# February 21, 2021

## Englewood United Methodist Church

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## Welcome

*We welcome you and all who have gathered for worship. May God's presence be real, meeting each of us at our point of need. Please make yourself known to other worshippers with expressions of welcome through emails, text messages, phone calls, and other safe distancing forms of expressions of love and encouragement.*

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*Ministers:* **All**

**Rev. Terry Williams**
*Lead Pastor & Chief Mission Strategist*
Cell: 252-903-3146

**Rev. Savanna Becker**
*Minister of Christian Education*

**Sharon Muller**
*Organist & Handbell Director*

**Melissa Barbour**
*Choir Director*

**Christian Davenport**
*Office Administrator*

**Nancy Porter**
*Secretary*

# FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

**February 21, 2021** **10:30 A.M.**

## WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Prelude/Bringing Forth the Light

Welcome & Announcements — Rev. Savanna Becker

Song of Praise — ***Sweet Hour of Prayer*** — Lu Czar and Sharon Muller

Affirmation of Faith — ***The Apostles' Creed***

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.** ***Amen.***

## WE HEAR AND RESPOND TO THE WORD

Prayer for Illumination — Rev. Terry Williams

First Lesson — ***1 Thessalonians 5:12-28*** — Rev. Savanna Becker

Message — ***Enhancing Our Spiritual Habits: Prayer*** — Rev. Terry Williams

Romans 8:26-27

Song of Dedication — ***In the Garden*** — Melissa Barbour

Morning Prayers

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever.** ***Amen.***

A Spiritual Offering

Community Moment

Prayer of Dedication — Rev. Terry Williams

Dismissal with Blessing — Rev. Terry Williams

## WE GO OUT TO SERVE

Trinity Chimes

Postlude/Going Forth of the Light

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**Flowers:** The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God by the EUMC Flower Ministry.

**Prayer Requests**: If you have prayer concerns you would like to share with the congregation, please contact Pastor Terry, send an email to nporter@englewood-umc.com, or call the church office at 443-2926.

**Calendar this Week - February 21 - February 27:**

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| *Sunday* | 9:00 a.m. | Koinonia Sunday School Class via Zoom *(Contact Amy Quigley for Link)* |
| | 9:30 a.m. | Seekers Sunday School Class - Room 206/207 |
| | 10:30 a.m. | Option for In-Sanctuary Worship |
| | 5:00 p.m. | UMYF - Fellowship Hall |
| *Monday* | 10:00 a.m. | Aldersgate Sunday School Class - Fellowship Hall |
| | 6:00 p.m. | COVID Leadership Response Team Meeting via Zoom |
| *Wednesday* | 6:30 p.m. | Lenten Study - *Enhancing Our Spiritual Habits - Prayer* via Zoom |
| *Thursday* | 4:30 p.m. | Wesleyan Friendship Sunday School Class - Fellowship Hall |
| *Friday* | | Church Office Closed |
| | 7:00 p.m. | Autism Support Group Meeting via Zoom |

**METHODIST HOME FOR CHILDREN** - Today is Methodist Home for Children Sunday. A special offering envelope is included in your Order of Worship for use in giving. Children come to the Methodist Home for Children from empty homes, failing in school, looking for acceptance in all the wrong places. Neglected, abused, traumatized. There is hope in each of them. You bring that hope to life. Together, we can give children the chance to live and grow to their full, God-given potential. Please help with a gift today. Make checks payable to EUMC and mark Methodist Home for Children on the memo line. Thank you for caring.

**LENTEN STUDY** - Beginning this Wednesday, February 24, 2021, Pastor Terry will be leading a Lenten Study - Enhancing Our Spiritual Habits and will be a carry over of the previous Sunday's sermon. This study will be held at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom. Everyone is welcome to join. The Meeting ID is: **882 9737 8176**. Passcode is: **429926**.

**COVID GUIDELINES REMINDER** - While many of our members have received the Coronavirus vaccine, we want to remind you that our COVID guidelines for worship in the sanctuary are still in place for the time being. This includes registering for worship ahead of time and checking in when you arrive, wearing a mask covering your nose and mouth throughout the service, as well as following the direction of ushers to be seated and remaining seated until released by an usher at the end of the service. We are looking forward to a time in the (hopefully) near future when we can relax these guidelines; however, we are not there yet. Please continue to remain vigilant in following these guidelines so that we can continue to keep everyone safe and healthy. For a review of these guidelines, visit www.englewood-umc.com/reopening.

**IN-SANCTUARY WORSHIP** - You now have the option for in-sanctuary worship at EUMC! Be sure to check the church website at **www.englewood-umc.com** for more information and guidelines for returning to in-sanctuary worship. In order to maintain social distance seating, please make reservations **each week** online on the church website or call the church office (**252-443-2926**). The worship service will also be live-streamed on Facebook and later in the day on our website for those who do not feel comfortable attending in-sanctuary worship.

**MEALS OF THE MONTH FOR FAITH CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES** - The food items for February are **Canned Chicken with Instant Potatoes, Rice, or Helper**. There is a tub and 2 yellow boxes located in the area beneath the name tags in the church lobby, labeled **"FCM MEALS OF THE MONTH"**. Please donate these non-food items during the month of February to help others who can't help themselves.

**2021 FLOWER CALENDAR** - The 2021 Flower Calendar is now available for your use in reserving that special Sunday to place flowers in the sanctuary in memory of your loved ones or in honor of a special event in your family. The 2021 Flower Calendar is now online on the church website (www.englewood-umc.com). Under the Worship heading click on Flowers. Scroll down for instructions to use the calendar to reserve a date. Click on the Sunday you would like to provide flowers. If the date is available, provide your name, email and the message you would like placed in the bulletin regarding the person(s) or event being honored by the flowers. Click 'Submit'. You should get an email confirmation that your date has been reserved. If you have questions or are unable to make your reservation, call the church office (252-443-2926) and we will be happy to help you. If the Sunday you would like to reserve has already been scheduled and you would like to place flowers in the narthex, please call the church office. As in the past you will receive an email or phone call reminder the week before your scheduled Sunday.

**FLOWER MINISTRY** - When you place flowers in the sanctuary or narthex, if you would like to donate them to the Flower Ministry, please contact Jo Wilson at 937-4848. They will be delivered to our sick and shut-ins on Monday. On those Sundays when no one has signed up to place flowers in the sanctuary, the Flower Ministry Fund is used to place flowers in the sanctuary so that flowers will be available for the shut-ins that week.

**UPPER ROOMS** - Copies of the Upper Room Devotionals for March/April are available in the Fellowship Hall and on the table outside the church office. If you would like a copy and are unable to come to the church and pick it up, please call the church office *(252-443-2926)* and we will make arrangements to get a copy to you.

# PRAYER CONCERNS

*In order to keep the list of prayer concerns updated, at the end of each month all names will be removed from our prayer list. If you would like a name to continue beyond a month, please call the church office.*

Betty Sue Alford
Geraldine Armstrong *(Mother of Linda Pridgen)*
Sara Atkins *(Sister of Barbara Batts)*
Jean Bailey *(Recovering from Surgery)*
Gwen Baker *(Friend of Barbara Batts)*
Anne Barmer *(Friend of Christian Davenport)*
Lib & Mary Frances Bass *(Relatives of Brenda Andrews)*
Margaret Bass
Rolina Becker *(Sister of Rita Vickers)*
F. J. Brinkley *(Father of Charlotte Redd)*
Helen Bronner *(Upcoming Surgery)*
Evelyn Carlisle *(Friend of Lou Edmondson)*
Braeden Crum *(Friend of Christian Davenport)*
Lucy Culpepper
Lib Dawes
Karen Diamond *(Cousin of Kevin Holt)*
Allan Dickens *(Friend of Nancy Porter)*
Patsy Dickens
Hal Dorton
Paul & Ingrid Dunn
**The Family of Dr. James "Mickey" Efird**
Reese Ferrell *(Brother-in-law of Alda Fountain)*
Alda Fountain
Danielle Fronfield *(Granddaughter of Lee & Grace Bellamy)*
**Chris Gibbs**
The Family of Robert Alton Glover
Michael Hess *(Friend of Dessie Clark)*
Caryl Holoman *(Daughter-in-law of Randolph & Marie Holoman)*
Glenda Hortman
Betty House
Robert & Nancy Johnston
The Family & Friends of Edna Ruth Jones
Mike Leonard
Eddie Lee *(Cousin of Barbara Batts)*
Betty Lewis
Mary Lewis *(Twin Sister of Margie Holt)*
Brian Lockwood *(Brother of Sharon Muller)*
Charlie Luckesen *(Friend of Maria Bowlin)*
**Tina Mayo** *(Recovering from Surgery)*
Earl McIlwean
Peggy McKita *(Recovering from Surgery)*
Lou Miramontes *(Brother-in-law of Linda Pridgen)*
Leigh Ann Mondak *(Friend of Christian Davenport)*
Howard Moss *(Cousin of Grace Bellamy)*
**Jeff Muller**
Mary Jo Murrill
Michael O'Donnell *(Brother of Ralph O'Donnell)*
Louise Page
Bailey Rhodes *(Nephew of Angie Griffin)*
Chris Robinson *(Friend of Mae Carroll)*
Bill Rowley *(Son-in-Law of Crayton & Sylvia Overton)*
Mary Bandy Simpson
Minerva Elaine Smellie
Kelly Quigley Smith
Chuck Thorne *(Friend of Jeff Smith)*
Ruth Thorpe *(Aunt of Ralph O'Donnell)*
Dan Vaughan *(Recovering from surgery)*
The Family of Joseph Edward Vickers
Joyce Waters *(Friend of Ralph & Mary O'Donnell)*
Steve Webb *(Brother of Pat Bunn)*
Joyce White
Gail Wiggins *(Cousin of Grace Bellamy)*
Project AGAPE Staff and People of Armenia
Those Diagnosed with COVID-19, Families & Caregivers
**Those Affected by Ice/Snow Storms and Tornadoes**

# In Health Care Facilities

Autumn Care: Virginia Williams *(Mother of Terry Williams)*
Brekenridge: Vivian Easterling, Alene Hagwood, Delphia Hedgepeth, Rachel McClintock *(Mother of Judy Overton)*
Brekenridge Cottages: Mae Carroll *(152 Devon Lane),*
Brookdale: Rosemary Marshall *(Mother of Sharon Roth),* Blanche Quigley Wallace *(Mother of Sam Quigley)*
Fountains of the Albemarle: Marie Lewis
The Laurels of Chatham *(72 Business Drive, Pittsboro, NC 27312)*: Evelyn Glover
North Chase Rehabilitation & Nursing Center
*(3015 Enterprise Dr., Wilmington, NC 28405)*: Bobby James *(Room 500)*, Hassel James *(Room 501)*
Prodigy Transitional Rehabilitation *(Tarboro, NC)*: Tonya Bandy
Signature HealthCARE of Roanoke Rapids *(305 East 14th Street, Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870)*: Gerry Niece
Skills Creations *(Winterville, NC)*: Clayton Briley *(Brother of Christian Davenport)*
Spring Arbor *(1251 S. Winstead Avenue, Rocky Mount, NC 27803)*: Irene Brantley, Jerry Rodwell