



# January 2025

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## WORSHIP TIMES

9:45 am

Sunday School

10:45 am

Worship Service

## STAFF

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## ***From Pastor Mike....***

I hope and pray that each of you experienced a wonderful Christmas and had many moments of wonder and awe as you celebrated with your families and friends. It seems we spend an inordinate amount of time getting ready for the holiday season and it flies past us with the speed of a whirlwind. Maybe you are still packing away decorations, vacuuming tree needles and broken ornaments from the carpet, and even finding presents that were wrapped and hidden for Christmas and now just being remembered and found. The shared sentiment is that Christmas was great, but we are all so happy that the rush and commotion is over, and we can all settle down and resume our "normal" routines. Or can we?

A new year is starting and with it comes all the dreams and aspirations for a better and more productive year. Resolutions have been made. New calendars have been purchased. And hope reigns in each heart and spirit. But is this just a fleeting ideal or is it a genuine commitment to doing things in a new way and a new spirit? Over the next four weeks I will be preaching a series of sermons that I call "Life After Christmas". I will be looking at how our Advent and Christmas-tide preparations and worship experiences have affected our lives as both individuals and the Body of Christ which worships at Archdale Methodist. If we did our homework properly and if we worshipped the Messiah in a spirit of truth and love, then our lives will be affected and changed. After all, this was the message proclaimed in all of the "Songs of the Season". We heard about the coming of the Christ child, who was in fact the Messiah, and how He would and could transform our lives if we just let Him have control over us.

I will be looking at four aspects of how our lives can and will be changed by His Spirit as He works in us as Believers. We can experience post-Christmas as a new life expressed in that we are living in a new place and from a new position. We can also find in the Messiah a new purpose for our lives and a new perspective to fuel us and energize us. Maybe if we can embrace these new attributes as a reality in our Christian walk of discipleship, we will experience a newness in our lives that will transform not just us but also all those we come into contact with in our daily lives. Wouldn't that be a wonderful way to begin a new year. I believe that these new attributes would not only ensure a more productive year for each person but would also go a long way in helping to transform our church and our community. And isn't that the dream and goal that each of us has or should have for the coming year? Just imagine what might happen if we all started pursuing that goal. We might just make a difference in a whole lot of lives. Let the adventure begin!

## OUR SYMPATHIES

- Charles Snyder, inactive AMC member whose address we have as College Grove, Tennessee lost his sister, Janet Elizabeth Snyder Dugger (91), November 15, 2024. Her graveside service was held on Thursday, November 21, 2024 at Floral Garden Memorial Park Cemetery. Janet was the daughter of the late Lindsay and Bess Snyder who were long time members of Archdale United Methodist Church. Janet had been a member of AUMC for many years before her membership changed.
- An AMC homebound member, Charles Dobbins, lost his sister, Marie Dobbins Coker (95), on Tuesday, November 26, 2024. She was also the sister of inactive member, Larry Dobbins. No immediate services were scheduled.
- Our condolences are with the family of inactive Archdale Methodist Church member, Carl Henderson Tuttle, Jr. (91) who passed away December 12, 2024 at the Hospice Home of High Point. When active and involved at AUMC, C. H. was a member of the men's quartet which was comprised of Bob Murray, Max Grogan, Richard Lambert and C. H. He also sang in another gospel quartet which was formed with local talented individuals. His memorial service was held Wednesday, December 18, 2024 in the chapel of Cumby Family Funeral Service in Archdale officiated by Chaplain, Rick Charles, of Hospice of the Piedmont.

We remember all who have lost a dear family member with our love and sympathy.



### **Stephen Ministry**

The New Year is a good time for new beginnings. The holidays can be hard for those who have lost loved ones or suffered through an illness in the last year, or maybe for many years. Think of a time when you really felt cared for. Chances are someone focused on what you had to say, was attentive to your needs, and listened to how you felt instead of telling you how you should feel or what you should do. Listening is a very powerful gift. In Stephen Ministry, a great deal of time is spent in learning how to be a good listener. Listening takes patience and involves more than just words. Jesus was the model of a good listener. Much of his ministry was listening to people. By listening to what people had to say he demonstrated how much he really cared about them. Remember the stories of the woman at the well, Nicodemus, or the disciples on the road to Emmaus. All were times when Jesus showed his care and concern by first listening to people and then giving them what they needed. We all want Archdale Methodist Church to be a caring place, where members and guests truly feel people care about who they are and how they feel. Our Stephen Ministers use good listening skills to communicate how much they care. Stephen Ministers are available by contacting the church office.

### Memorials

*In Memory of Bruce Webb*

*Given by:*

*Dean & Julia Calloway*

*Carole Webb*

*David & Cisily Webb*

*Greg & Kelly Webb*

*In Memory of John Kidd*

*Given by Mary Kidd*

### Honorariums

*In Honor of Gayle Dowdy*

*Given by Rodney & Amy Dabbs*

*In Honor of Blain Alwan,*

*Norman Askew & Steve Stutts*

*Given by The Upper Reflections*

*SS Class*

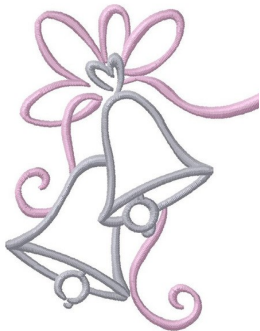
*In Honor of the George Elder SS*

*Class Teachers*

*Given by the George Elder SS Class*



01/01 Sharon Crist	01/18 Rodney Dabbs
01/01 Trang Phan	01/18 Charles Eurillo
01/01 Cade Hamilton	01/18 Charles Gentry
01/02 Mandy Forrester	01/18 Carol Hamilton
01/03 Brittany Lax	01/18 Marilyn Holtham
01/04 Larry Lawson	01/18 Connor Stanley
01/05 Matthew Habib	01/19 Bert Stone
01/07 Caleb Byerly	01/19 Cymbre White
01/07 Marsha Gentry	01/20 Libby Walters
01/07 Rory O'Connor	01/21 Taylor Beck
01/07 Zachary Orr	01/21 Evelyn Habib
01/07 Marsha Sparks	01/21 Lance McCall
01/08 Erica Graves	01/21 Phil McDonald
01/08 David McKinney	01/21 Beth Ritter
01/08 Charles Snyder	01/23 Christa Webster
01/10 Robin Causey	01/24 Charles Brannon
01/11 Riley Beck	01/24 Brooke Johnson
01/11 Noah Hunt	01/24 Rebecca Kidd
01/12 Ryan Bradley	01/25 Donna Gross
01/12 Fletcher Gallimore	01/26 Steve Gaskey
01/13 Butch Robertson	01/26 Lauren Roberts
01/13 Hannah Smith	01/26 Steve Simpson
01/14 Marcia Guffey	01/27 Finley O'Connor
01/14 Brian Lowe	01/28 Elizabeth Brannon
01/14 Gary Mitchell	01/28 Kayla Dabbs
01/14 Ben Walker	01/29 Sophia Billings
01/15 Jeremy Boles	01/29 Lindsay Grimmett
01/16 Brook Herring	01/29 Jessica Page
01/16 Tess Herring	01/30 Blain Alwan
01/16 Mark Prince	01/30 Neal Eason
01/16 Carly Tickle	01/30 Tammy Gallimore
	01/31 Merle Beverley



### WEDDING BELLS

WEDDING BELLS RUNG ON DECEMBER 14, 2024 FOR INACTIVE MEMBER, MEGAN SMITH TO J. K. MARTIN. SHE IS THE DAUGHTER OF INACTIVE MEMBERS, STEVE & MELISSA SMITH. HER GRANDMOTHER, SYLVIA SMITH, AND HER AUNT LAURA MCKINNON ARE ACTIVE MEMBERS OF ARCHDALE METHODIST CHURCH.

CONGRATULATIONS & BEST WISHES TO MEGAN AND J. K.

## **2025 Archdale Methodist Handbook**

The 2025 AMC Handbooks will be printed by the end of January. If you need to update any of your information: address, phone numbers, email address, etc. please contact the Church Office no later than Friday, Jan. 24th, 2025.

### **Change of Addresses:**

- Charles Dobbins family felt a change was needed in his mailing address to keep him at age 97 from crossing the road at his home on Fairview Church Road to get his mail. This occurred before he fell in the yard at his home and fractured his back. Following a hospital stay he was transferred to Shannon Gray Rehab in early December to receive physical therapy. It is unknown how long he will be at Shannon Gray. His mail should be sent to the following address:

Mr. Charles Dobbins  
c/o Dwight Dobbins  
5779 NC Hwy 62  
Trinity NC 27370

- Tom & Marilyn Holtham moved in early December to Carolina Pines, a retirement home. Their new address is: Tom & Marilyn Holtham  
2998 Alamance Road, Apt. 339  
Greensboro NC 27407



### **Where We Were Last Month**

Date	Offering Received	Budget Amount Received to Date	Budget Amount Needed to Date	Week #	Sunday School	Worship Attendance
12/01/2024	\$5,013.00	\$242,106.34	\$272,706.72	48	80	103
12/08/2024	\$3,570.00	\$245,676.34	\$278,388.11	49	81	105
12/15/2024	\$9,244.00	\$254,920.34	\$284,069.50	50	65	94
12/22/2024	\$5,859.00	\$260,779.34	\$289,750.89	51	81	129
12/29/2024	\$2,888.00	\$263,667.34	\$295,432.28	52	56	65

### **Capital Improvements Fund**

Given in Dec: \$1,770.00  
Received to date: \$7,707.00