

**JULY**  
**2025**

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#### WORSHIP TIMES

9:45 am  
Sunday School

10:45 am  
Worship Service

#### STAFF

##### **Pastor**

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

Recently Gary Hunt and I attended the North Carolina Global Methodist Annual Conference in Winston Salem. This was the first Annual Conference in which Archdale Methodist was recognized as a member church. It was a wonderful time of worship and fellowship, with a little business sprinkled in. One piece of business that was voted on and approved is that I have been appointed to serve as your pastor. It's official, you are stuck with me, and I thank God for the privilege and opportunity to continue on as your pastor.

During one of the worship services, Bishop Jeff Greenway preached to the group of ministers being ordained into the Global Methodist Church. One thing that stuck with me from his sermon was his thoughts on being called into ministry. Many people feel that only the clergy experience a call to ministry. Bishop Greenway said there were three calls that **EVERY** believer receives from Christ. The first is a call to **Know Jesus**. This is the call to come and follow Jesus and allow Him to be the Lord and Savior of our lives. The number one mission and purpose for Jesus' life was to die upon the cross and rise from the grave so that all persons could have salvation. Salvation is far more than just "getting saved". It is the establishing of an ongoing dynamic relationship with God through Jesus Christ by the power of the God's Holy Spirit. If we fail to answer this call, we cannot call ourselves Christians.

The second call that Bishop Greenway shared is the call to be **Like Jesus**. This is the expectation God has for His followers to mature in their faith and to grow in Scriptural Holiness. John Wesley called this process **SANCTIFICATION**. We are each one called to move forward in our faith and become more like Christ everyday in both attitude and behavior.

The third call is to **Serve God**. The natural and normal results of a believer maturing in faith is to share the good news of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection with anyone who comes into their lives. We are called to reach out in love and meet the needs of others. This is an individual responsibility as well as a task for the church as a body. Our salvation is not just a gift given to us but is also something that we are to share with the whole world. We have the God-given privilege of loving others and bringing them into the Kingdom of God.

I came away from the Annual Conference with a deep appreciation for the guidance and leadership given to the NC Global Conference and the denomination. In Annual Conference we were challenged to "make disciples of Jesus Christ who flourish in scriptural holiness as we worship passionately, love extravagantly, and witness boldly." This is a huge task but one I believe we can accomplish if we work together and rely on God's Holy Spirit to empower us. I'm so glad we are a Global Methodist congregation.

Memorials

*In Memory of Ray Cecil  
Given by Allen & Janet Shives*

*In Memory of Al Lee  
Given by Brad & Debbie Striplin*

*In Memory of Joe Martin*

*Given by:*

*Tommy & Betsy Reagan*

*Carole Webb*

*The George Elder Sunday School Class*

Honorarium

*In Honor of Betty Rader's Birthday*

*Given by Mary Kidd*

# Happy Birthday!

07/01 Abbie Ambrose  
07/02 Betty Roach  
07/03 Lou Lamphear  
07/06 Betty Rader  
07/07 Doug Harmon  
07/12 Jack Hensley  
07/12 Raye Love-Martin  
07/14 Kathy Brown  
07/23 Kristie Rodgers  
07/25 Leslie Lowe  
07/29 Peter Thomas



The Church Office will be closed  
on

Friday, July 4th



**Save the Date:**

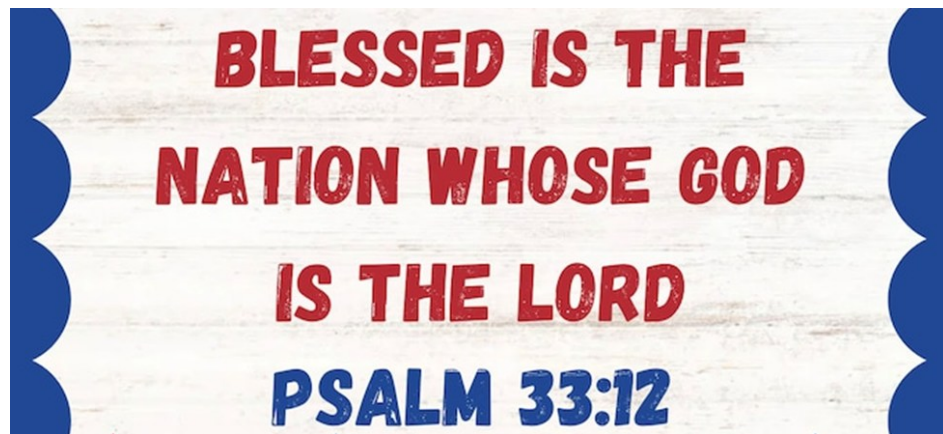
**Administrative Council Meeting  
Sunday, July 27th at 4pm in the  
Fellowship Hall**

## **OUR SYMPATHY**

- Richard Glenn Lambert, Sr., (age 91) AMC member, passed away June 3, 2025 surrounded by his family and his favorite gospel music playing softly. Richard joined the church in 1961. Richard was given a God given musical talent which he used as a member of the Chancel Choir at AMC. He also sang in a men's quartet comprised of Bob Murray, C. H. Tuttle, Jr., Max Grogan and Richard. He is survived by wife, Betty, daughter, Cindy, and son, Glenn, Jr. He has one grandson, Shane. Richard was one of 14 children and has one surviving sibling, his sister, Louise Martin. He was preceded in death by a son, Ronnie.

Private services are to be held at a later date.

Betty and Glenn, Jr. are members of Archdale Methodist Church and we extend our deepest sympathy to all of Richard's family.



Where We Were Last Month						
Date	Offering Received	Budget Amount Received to Date	Budget Amount Needed to Date	Week #	Sunday School	Worship Attendance
06/01/2025	\$4,347.00	\$86,072.19	\$115,566.88	22	68	96
06/08/2025	\$8,093.00	\$94,165.19	\$120,819.92	23	79	104
06/15/2025	\$6,185.00	\$100,350.19	\$126,072.96	24	64	92
06/22/2025	\$3,016.00	\$103,366.19	\$131,326.00	25	80	90
06/29/2025	\$9,357.00	\$112,723.19	\$136,579.04	26	72	98

### **Capital Improvements Fund**

Given in June:       \$1,740.00  
Received to date:   \$8,640.00