



THE NEWSLETTER OF  
**Gibsonville**  
**United Methodist Church**

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**Rev. Jonathan Marlowe**  
**Dr. Angela Marlowe**

**JULY 2009**

*“Behold I make all things new”*

Our God is a God of new beginnings. Throughout the Scriptures, we see God constantly coming back to His people, giving them another chance, creating new possibilities, and making things new. When the human race turned from God, God saved Noah and his family through the flood, and gave them the rainbow as a sign of God’s promise to give our human family another chance. It was a new beginning, a fresh start. When Israel had fallen away from its divine vocation to bear the image of God to the world, God sent prophets like Jeremiah to renew his covenant with his people, writing his very words anew on our hearts. Most supremely in Jesus, God’s promises of newness were fulfilled, and even when we rejected the newness by crucifying God’s Son, the empty tomb was there three days later to bear witness to the resurrection, the first fruits of God’s New Creation. God continues His work of New Creation through the Spirit in the church as we bear witness through our words, actions, and worship to the reality of God’s kingdom at work in and through us.

God is making things new at Gibsonville United Methodist Church. And God is making things new for the Marlowe family. We rejoice and give God thanks for all that God has done through us up to this point. In particular, we give God thanks for the excellent ministry of David and Willis Greene at Gibsonville UMC over the last seven years. I give God thanks for the ministries that Angela and I have had up until this point in our pastoral journeys. And now God is bringing us together, preparing us to begin this new chapter in the story of our lives together. We do not yet know all the good things that God has in store for us, how God will weave New Creation throughout our lives together. But this much we know: God is with us. God is for us. And if God is for us, who shall be against us?

We look forward so much to getting to know the people of Gibsonville UMC. What are your dreams? your hopes? What is your story? How has God been active in your lives? What work might God be calling us into at this point in our lives? The possibilities seem endless. The task before us is enormous. But the power at work within us is more than sufficient to enable us to live up to our calling.

We ask of you three things as we begin our journey together. First of all, please pray for our family: Angela, Jonathan, Elizabeth, and Rachel. Second, please wear name tags and/or remind us of your names (and you may have to do that more than once!). Third, buckle your seatbelts because God is about to take us on a wonderful adventure together. He makes all things new!

Peace,  
Jonathan

**See Inside for:** Upcoming Events and Information, Anniversaries, Birthdays, Children's Ministries, Memorials and Special Gifts, July Calendar, Stewardship Update, Youth News, and much more .....

# UPCOMING EVENTS & INFORMATION

## MEN'S BREAKFAST GROUP

The Men's Breakfast Group will meet on **Tuesday, July 7 and July 21 at 8:00 AM** in the Fellowship Hall. All men are invited. If you have any questions, contact Wallace Kale at 449-5154.

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Board of Trustees will meet **Sunday, July 12 at 7:00 PM** in the Conference Room.

## CARE & SHARE

Care & Share will not meet in July. The next meeting will be August 13 at 7:00 PM in the church parlor. For more information contact Linda Waynick at 449-4541.

## CIRCLE #1

Circle #1 will not meet in July. The next meeting will be October 5. Circle #1 meets on the first Monday of every month. For more information contact Ann Moore at 447-4149.

## CIRCLE #2

Circle #2 will not meet in July. The next meeting will be August 25 at 11:30 AM in the church parlor. For more information or questions, contact Betsy Greeson at 449-6617.

## CIRCLE #3

Circle #3 will not meet in July. The next meeting will be August 17 at 7:00 PM. For more information contact Faye Cheek at 449-7990 or Nancy Shepherd at 449-4478.

## HISTORY COMMITTEE

The History Committee will not meet in July. The next meeting will be Monday, August 24 at 7:00 PM in the Conference Room. For more information contact Irma Walker at 449-6214.

Thank You!  
THANK YOU!

The Parsonage Committee would like to thank the people who so willingly gave their time to help paint the church parsonage. We could not have done it without you!



## AS WE WELCOME THE MARLOWE FAMILY!

There will be a covered dish luncheon after worship on Sunday, July 5 honoring our new ministers and their family - Jonathan, Angela, Elizabeth and Rachel. Please bring your favorite dish and beverage and come enjoy the fellowship.

## PB & J DAYS

*I was hungry and you gave me food.  
Matthew 25:35*

**Wednesday, July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29**

The SEND Committee will continue to distribute bagged lunches containing peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, snacks and a drink to hungry children in the Gibsonville community. Volunteers are needed. There is also a need for additional fruit cups and juice boxes. Please meet at the church at 10:30 on Wednesdays to prepare the lunches then deliver them to surrounding neighborhoods. You will be finished by 12:30 PM. To volunteer please call Jan Cole at 449-7699.

**Below: The Friends in Faith Sunday School Class served breakfast at Greensboro Urban Ministries on Sunday, June 14. If you would be interested in helping at the next event contact Kendra Hiatt at 449-1121.**



# STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

*I will be loyal to the United Methodist Church, and uphold it by my prayers, my presence, my gifts, and my service.*  
- Membership Vow of the United Methodist Church

## By Our Prayers

Prayer request cards are available in the Welcome Center and Sanctuary pews. If you would like to share joys or concerns with the congregation, please complete this card and return it to the church office or to one of the Pastors. The prayer list is updated weekly in the Sunday Worship Bulletin. The Alive in Christ study group prays for these requests each Tuesday evening at the church's altar.

## By Our Presence

Date	Sunday School Attendance	Worship Attendance
6/7/09	77	179
6/14/09	74	168
6/21/09	77	191

## LOOKING FOR A SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS?

### CHILDREN

#### Second Floor

3—4 yr. old  
K—2nd Grade  
3rd—5th Grade

### YOUTH

Lower Level  
Middle High School  
Senior High School

### ADULTS

#### Lower Level

Friends In Faith  
*Couples & Singles*

#### First Floor

Celebration Sunday School  
*Couples & Singles*  
Wharton Sunday School  
*Mature Men & Women*  
Seekers

## By Our Gifts

### By our Gifts (as of 5/31/09)

Annual Budget	320,875
Operating Fund Received in May	28,878
Operating Fund Received Year to Date	120,003
Operating Fund Needed Budget to Date	135,755
Above/(Below) Budget to Date	(15,752)
Building Fund received in May	9,189
Building Fund received Year to Date	47,313
Mortgage Payments Year to Date	48,674
Above/(Below) Mortgage Payments YTD	(1,361)
Mortgage Principal Balance	1,238,681

A complete copy of the current financial statement is available in the Welcome Center.

## Our Service

### Acolytes

July 5: Aby & Breanna Duquette  
July 12: Olivia & Evan Hiatt  
July 19: Holt & Kiley Sears  
July 26: Stephanie Dawson & Kailey Ezekiel

### Altar Flowers

July 5: Terry & Susan McNeill  
July 12: Paul & Pat Lewis  
July 19: Wallace & Lisa Kale  
July 26: Gil & Karen Teague Clark

### Altar Guild

Susan Ezekiel & Susan McNeill

### Audio Board Operator Schedule

July 5: Operator—Glenn Zimmerman  
Assistant—Terry McNeill  
July 12: Operator—Ken Rickard  
Assistant—David Hammer  
July 19: Operator—Jeff Younger  
Assistant—Susan McNeill  
July 26: Operator—Clarence Ingle  
Assistant—Ethan Hammer

Children's Church There will be no Children's Church in July & August

### Counters (Offering) - Purple Team

Deleno Flynn, Howard Hendricks,  
Nancy Shepherd

### Greeters

Cathy Shelton & Carolyn Shelton

### Nursery (Infant)

July 5: Paula Lewis  
July 12: Jonna Robertson  
July 19: Michelle Barringer  
July 26: Nancy Johnson

### Nursery (Toddler)

July 5: Breanna Lewis & Emileigh Barfield  
July 12: Craig Robertson & Mark Sharp  
July 19: Fred Barringer & Terry McNeill  
July 26: Anita Johnson & Amy Riley

Usher (Head) Michael Hunt

### Visitation

July 6: Ingle/Litten  
July 13: Kale  
July 20: Greeson  
July 27: Waynick/Whitesell

### Meals on Wheels Delivery

Wednesday, July 1 and Thursday, July 2, (no delivery on Friday, July 3) Monday, July 27 through Friday, July 31.



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*Address Service Requested*

Gibsonville United Methodist Church exists to **W**elcome people to faith in Jesus Christ, **E**quip us with a faith that helps us grow as disciples, and **S**end us into the world to serve and to make a difference for Jesus' sake.

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

### PLAN TO GET SWAMPED WITH FUN AT CROCODILE DOCK Vacation Bible School—August 3 through August 7!

It's a week filled with movement, music and messages! The VBS Planning Team is in the process of recruiting leaders and wants you to know about two unique ways you can serve at VBS.

For more information please contact VBS Director, Sally Duquette at 449-9021 or the church office at 449-4810.



#### STATION LEADERS

Set up a Dock Station such as crafts, games, or drama. Prepare the daily lesson and then teach it 4 times to the crews that come through your station. Stations include:

- Gator Games—Outdoor activities*
- Crawfish Crafts & Missions—Arts & Crafts*
- Dockside Drive-In—Watching DVD's and leading discussions*
- Rocky's Preschool—3 & 4 year olds*
- Bible Bayou—Drama & Stories*

#### CREW LEADERS

Guide the crews (small groups) through the different stations. Crews remain the same each day so you have the privilege of making lasting friendships with the children in your crew.

### CROCODILE DOCK - VOLUNTEER FORM

Please turn in volunteer form to the church office.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Yes, I am interested in serving in the following wild ways!

\_\_\_\_\_ STATION LEADER

Please circle one: Games, Crafts, Theater, Preschool, Dramas

\_\_\_\_\_ CREW LEADER

**Memorials and Special Gifts to Honor Friends and Loved Ones**

**IN MEMORY OF**

**T.G. Evans**  
Donnie & Celia Summers  
**Margaret (Sis) Calligan**  
Sue Hogan  
**Margaret Dennis**  
Sue Hogan  
**Patsy Flynn**  
Sue Hogan  
Joe & Sara Thompson  
**Odis Gordon**  
Donnie & Celia Summers  
**Juanita Henry**  
Sue Hogan  
**Myrtle Huffman**  
Sue Hogan  
**Terry Veiga**  
Boyd & Betsy Greeson  
Buzz & Suzie Griggs  
Max & Pam Litten  
Irma Walker  
Linda Waynick  
**Kay Yow**  
Sue Hogan

**IN HONOR OF**

**Edith Apple & Michael Hunt**  
Amanda Johnson Morrow  
**Emileigh Barfield's Graduation**  
Craig, Lisa & Cameron Barfield  
**Dr. & Mrs. Julian Lindsay**  
Sue Hogan  
**Rev. & Mrs. J.J. Miller**  
Sue Hogan  
**Dr. & Mrs. Charles Page**  
Sue Hogan  
**Howard Ray's Birthday**  
David Hix  
Linda Waynick  
**Margaret Shepherd's Birthday**  
David Hix  
**Special Friends' Camp**  
**Volunteers**  
Ed Thomas

**The Greene's New Address**

David, Willis, Elizabeth and Carter  
23 West I Street,  
Newton, NC 28658

GUMC Family,

Thank you so much for the nice Bible to take to college with me. I am blessed to have such a nice and caring church family.

Thanks again.  
Jared Peacock

Dear, Willis, David and Church Family,

Thank you for the Bible. I greatly appreciate it. It will help me to remain close to God while at college. I can also use it in some of the religion classes I'll take at Campbell. Thank you for thinking of me during this special time in my life.

Sincerely,  
Ethan Hammer

Dear Church Family,

Thank you so much for all your kind expressions of love and concern. Also your prayers, visits, food and keeping us in your hearts during Teri's lengthy illness! You are a wonderful church family and we feel so truly blessed.

Thanks again.  
Donna & Sam Hughes



July 4  
**Ron & Mitzi Ingle**  
**Tony & Paula Lewis**

July 6  
**Terry & Susan McNeill**

July 7  
**Jim & Tina Gunn**

July 17  
**Glenn & Molly Zimmerman**

July 18  
**Boyce & Nancy Johnson**  
**Tommy & Joyce Summers**

July 19  
**Jim & Etta Brown**

July 24  
**Jim & Kendra Hiatt**

July 27  
**Bentley & Susan Owen**

**JULY**



- 1 Linda Gerringer
- 4 Rusty Newsome
- 5 Elise Kennedy
- 6 Carol Newman
- 7 David Hix  
Tim Plumley  
Sherry Wyrick
- 8 Jonathan Crotts
- 9 Coy Jarrett
- 10 Sue Anne Woods
- 11 Aaron Griggs
- 12 Pat Lewis  
Tommy Hix  
Mendi Young
- 13 Glenn Brain
- 14 Mary Ellen Boyles  
Jim Brown
- 15 June Allison  
Etta Brown  
Travis Hunt
- 16 Marianne Jones  
Tyler Hunt  
Judy Shepherd  
Mandy Williams
- 17 Margie Hopkins
- 18 John Robertson
- 19 Craig Almeida
- 20 Randy Randolph
- 23 Mattie Bales  
Van Moore
- 24 Larson McDonald  
Judy Novak  
John Terry
- 25 Howard Hendricks  
Bruce Porter
- 27 Kim Norwood  
Keith Stone
- 28 Susan McNeill
- 29 Jim Gunn  
Sue Hogan
- 30 Lauren Cline
- 31 Robin Fogleman  
William Lewis  
Donnie Summers



# Gibsonville United Methodist Church

## July 2009



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1  10:30 AM PB&J Ministry  7:15 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal	2  NO Bible Study	3	4
<b>MEALS ON WHEELS MONDAY THROUGH THURSDAY</b> No delivery on Friday.						
5  9:45 AM Sunday School  11 AM Worship  12 Noon Covered Dish Lunch for the Marlowe Family	6 <i>Office Closed</i>  Visitation: Ingle/Litten  Circle #1 will NOT meet	7  8 AM Men's Breakfast Group  7 PM Alive in Christ Group	8  10:30 AM PB&J Ministry  7:15 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal	9  Care & Share will NOT meet in July  7 PM Bible Study	10	11
12  9:45 AM Sunday School  11 AM Worship  2 PM VBS Station Leaders Meeting  7 PM Board of Trustees	13  Visitation: Kale  7 PM Leadership Team	14  9 AM Children <i>Terrific Tuesday</i>  7 PM Alive in Christ Group	15  10:30 AM PB&J  7:15 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal	16  7 PM Bible Study	17	18
19  9:45 AM Sunday School  11 AM Worship  5 PM Fellowship Committee  4 PM Youth Council Leaders  5 PM Youth Council	20  Visitation: Greeson  Circle #3 will NOT meet in July	21  8 AM Men's Breakfast Group  7 PM Alive in Christ Group	22  10:30 AM PB&J Ministry  7:15 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal	23	24	25
26  9:45 AM Sunday School  11 AM Worship	27  Visitation: Waynick/Whitesell  7 PM SEND Committee	28  7 PM Alive in Christ Group  Circle #2 will NOT meet in July	29  10:30 AM PB&J Ministry  7:15 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal	30	31	
<b>MEALS ON WHEELS</b>						

# CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES



## July's B.I.G. Idea!

*We believe that stories of faithful friends help us know how to be a faithful friend.*

## Bible Verse For July

*"A fiend is always a friend, and relatives are born to share our troubles."  
(Proverbs 17:17)*

All children, ages 3 through 5th Grade, meet on Sunday mornings at 9:45 AM beginning with Children's Choir. Following choir, the children divide into age groups for their Sunday School classes: Ages 3-4, K—2nd and 3rd Grade—5th Grade.



May 26, 2009

Gibsonville United Methodist Church  
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Dear 3rd, 4th and 5th Graders of Gibsonville United Methodist Church,

The officers and staff of the National Wildlife Federation would like to thank you for the generous \$313.50 donation that you raised by hosting a bake sale and lemonade stand to help the polar bears.

All of us appreciate the efforts that your church and community make to encourage charity and commitment to efforts such as our vital conservation work. We will make every effort to use the gift wisely as we continue to focus on keeping the wild alive.

As a token of our appreciation, a copy of our Keep the Wild Alive poster for your classroom will arrive separately. We wish all of you a happy and productive future.

Sincerely,  
Elise Garten  
Constituent Program Operations  
National Wildlife Federation

## TERRIFIC TUESDAYS

Once a month, children will take off on a TERRIFIC adventure filled with fun & fellowship. Each event begins at 9:00 AM at the church and ends at the church at 12:00 Noon. All rising kindergartners through rising 6<sup>th</sup> graders and their friends are welcome. Registration forms are available in the Welcome Center. Children must have a medical release form on file. Please register for the July event by July 13.

### JULY 14 - MOVIE - *Kung Fu Panda*

Carousel Cinemas at Alamance Crossing

### AUGUST 18 - PAINT YOUR OWN POTTERY

Mad Platter in Burlington

## CHILDREN'S CHURCH

In order to allow the volunteers a summer break, Children's Church will not be held the months of July and August. Children are always welcome in worship and are encouraged to pick up a Children's Worship bag as a way of enriching their worship experience. Children's Church will resume on September 6. Thank you to Sally Duquette, Coordinator for Children's Church and all of the volunteers. You are an important part of the spiritual development of our children.

## YOUTH MINISTRIES

### Youth Council Leaders Meeting

The Youth Council Leaders will meet Sunday, July 19 at 4:00 PM in the Youth Room.

### Youth Council Meeting

The Youth Council will meet Sunday, July 19 at 5:00 PM in the Youth Room.

If you have any questions please call the church office at 449-4810.

# VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL SPONSOR FORM



Gibsonville UMC is seeking local businesses and individuals to serve as sponsors for this summer's Vacation Bible School. Contributions will be used to provide T-shirts to all participants and to help cover the cost of materials. Last year over 100 children experienced God's love through GUMC's Vacation Bible School. This week-long program is provided without any charge to the participants. Your

contributions make it possible for the church to provide this outreach to the community.

If you are interested in serving as a sponsor, please complete the bottom of this form and return it with your check made payable to "GUMC-VBS Sponsor" PO Box 82, Gibsonville, NC 27249 by July 31. Thanks in advance for your consideration of this worthy cause. Please call the church office at 449-4810 should you have any questions.

Yes, I would like to support **Gibsonville United Methodist Church's Vacation Bible School** and the children and families in the surrounding community, by making a donation in the amount of:

\_\_\_\_\_ \$100.00    \_\_\_\_\_ \$75.00    \_\_\_\_\_ \$50.00    \_\_\_\_\_ \$25.00    \_\_\_\_\_ Other

Name or Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_

*(Make checks payable to GUMC - VBS Sponsor)*

# VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REGISTRATION FORM



**Gibsonville United Methodist Church**  
501 Church Street, Gibsonville, NC 27249

*Presents*

## CROCODILE DOCK

August 3 through August 7

5:45 PM—8:15 PM

3 yr olds—rising 6th graders

For additional forms please visit our website at [www.gibsonvilleumc.org](http://www.gibsonvilleumc.org) or call the church office at 449-4810. One form per child. Please register by Sunday, July 26.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Last school grade completed: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s) Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency contact and phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies or other medical conditions: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of a special friend your child might like to be with: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please circle the appropriate size:**

T-shirt size:    Child    S    M    L  
                          Adult    S    M    L    XL    XXL

## Medical & Liability Release Valid August 3 – August 7, 2009

In the event of sickness or some medical emergency, I request that my child:

\_\_\_\_\_ receive any medical attention or treatment deemed necessary, therefore I give permission to any hospital, doctor, and/or health care provider to transport, treat and/or admit my child for care. I understand that I am responsible for all expenses and charges for the treatment and care of my child. In the event that I am not present at the time of the emergency or cannot be contacted, my care has been entrusted to the staff and designated ministry leadership of Gibsonville United Methodist Church.

**Signature of Parent or Guardian:**

**Insurance Information:**

Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Group: \_\_\_\_\_

**PARENTS OF 3 – 5 YEAR OLDS** - Please pick up your child at 7:55 PM from the playground. You and your child may then go to the Sanctuary for each evening's closing celebration.