

Opportunities this week for Worship, Study, and Service

Sunday 3/1/26	Monday 3/2/26	Tuesday 3/3/26	Wednesday 3/4/26	Thursday 3/5/26	Friday 3/6/26	Saturday 3/7/26	Sunday 3/8/26
2nd Sunday in Lent 8:30 AM Praise Team Rehearsal 9 AM Contemporary Worship 9:45 & 10 AM Sunday School 11 AM Traditional Worship	 7 PM Boy Scouts	10 AM Belong 5:30 PM Belong 6 PM Praise Team 7 PM Cub Scouts	 6 PM Handbells 7 PM Chancel Choir	 5:30 PM Kingdom Kids	World Day of Prayer	 	3rd Sunday in Lent 8:30 AM Praise Team Rehearsal 9 AM Contemporary Worship 9:45 & 10 AM Sunday School 11 AM Traditional Worship

Worship Assistants for March 1, 2026

Altar Flowers:
 Audio Technician: Tim Wood
 Nursery: Ainsley Rash
 Counters (Offering) Green Team: Emily Jones, David Teague, Melissa Troutman
 Liturgical Color of the Day: Purple
 Liturgist: 9AM: Chris Kirkman
 11AM: Michelle Rash
 Head Usher 9 AM: Brent Shepherd
 11AM: Mark Shepherd
 Sound Operator: Claude Little
 Slides: Sue Hudson
 Camera: Barry Deaton
 Proclaim Designer: Susan Ezekiel

Worship Assistants for March 8, 2026

Altar Flowers:
 Audio Technician: Tim Wood
 Nursery: Judy Shepherd
 Counters (Offering) Green Team: Emily Jones, David Teague, Melissa Troutman
 Liturgical Color of the Day: Purple
 Liturgist: 9AM: Moses Malave
 11AM: Matt Morrow
 Head Usher 9 AM: Terry McNeill
 11AM: Mark Shepherd
 Sound Operator: Chris Kirkman
 Slides: Donna Rickard
 Camera: Carol Kirkman
 Proclaim Designer: Denise Little

Ministers: All Our Members
 Pastor: Rev. Carol Carkin * ccarkin@wnccumc.net
 Children & Youth Director: Michelle Rash * mlrash617@hotmail.com
 Director of Communications and Music: Dr. Greyson Clifton * greyson.clifton@gibsonvilleumc.org
 Custodian: Kibble Davis

Our Faithfulness 2/22/2026
 Worship Attendance: 9 AM: 32, 11 AM: 43
 Weekly Budget Offering: \$2,728.00



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March 1, 2026

SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

Gibsonville United Methodist Church exists to **WELCOME** people into faith in Jesus Christ, **EQUIP** them with a faith that helps grow as disciples, and **SEND** us into the world to serve and to make a difference for Jesus' sake.

9 AM

Contemporary Service

Welcome to Worship! We are glad you are here, and we pray that you will be renewed and blessed in this time and space. Please take a moment to connect with us via the attendance pad in each pew.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS		Chris Kirkman
SONG	<i>Open the Eyes of My Heart</i> <i>Remind Me Who I Am</i>	Praise Team
	Jeri Barringer, Amy Bingham, Emma Kirkman, Ruby Law, John Malave, Joyce Summers	
OPENING PRAYER		Chris
CHILDREN'S TIME		Michelle Rash
PASTORAL PRAYER		Rev. Carol Carkin
INVITATION TO THE OFFERING		Chris
SONG	<i>Jesus Loves Me</i>	Praise Team
DEDICATION OF THE OFFERING		Chris
SCRIPTURE READING	1 Kings 19: 4-16 (CEB)	Chris
MESSAGE	It's Not Too Late to Listen to God	Rev. Carol
SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION		
SONG	<i>Jesus Saves</i>	Praise Team
BENEDICTION		Rev. Carol

UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES CONTINUED

We are excited to invite our children to a FREE week of Farm Camp at Dinner Bell Farm in Snow Camp, July 13–17. Open to children currently in kindergarten through 5th grade, campers will enjoy feeding animals, gardening, exploring nature, and learning about God's creation. This special week is normally \$325, but is provided at no cost to our families, with meals and transportation available as needed. Registration can be found at the QR code. Please let us know by March 31 if your child will be attending.



Easter lily order forms are available at each entrance to the church. Please have them into the church office by March 29th.

We will hold our annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 28 at 10 a.m. (rain date of April 4). This year, rather than fill the eggs with candy, we are going to hide empty eggs and give each of the children who attend a gift bag including items like stickers, bracelets, religious coloring books, etc. Donations to help purchase the items for the goodie bags are welcome. (To ensure all of the bags contain the same items, please do not donate items to be included in the bag unless you can provide at least 75 of them.) Please let Michelle Rash know if you have any questions. Volunteers will be needed to fill the gift bags and hide the eggs. More information and the sign-up for volunteers can be found here.



The Western North Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church is hosting United, a gathering for youth to come together in fellowship, learn leadership skills and form community. The event is on Saturday, April 25 at Hood Seminary in Salisbury. We would need to leave the church at 8:15 that morning and should be back around 3:45. The church will cover the cost to participate. If you are interested in going, please let Michelle Rash know by March 31 so our group can register.

PRAYER REQUESTS: *Sherry Beck, Amy Bingham, Glenda Blalock, Coy Clayton, Dot Coltrane, Cyndi Combs, Kristen Glosson, Christie Hakes, Mike Hawk, Mary Heermans, Josh Hedgecock, Howard Hendricks, Christy Hussey, Jason Litten, John Morrow, Michael Orlando, Greg Stentz, Johnny & Jean Summers, Jessica West*

UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES

Help Feed Our Children and Tweens: We provide a light supper at Kingdom Kids on Thursdays (eating at 5:45 p.m.) and our tweens on Sundays (eating at 5:00 p.m.) Volunteers to prepare and serve meals are needed for the following dates. The church can provide food if needed. Thanks to everyone who has already volunteered!

Thursday: March 12 Sunday: March 22

Belong small groups will be offered by Pastor Carol during Lent on Tuesdays (10 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.) February 24th through March 24th. This practice involves group spiritual direction for Christian friendship and communal discernment. In a world filled with loneliness and division, sow seeds of belonging with group spiritual practices that foster unity and consensus. Journey towards God's preferred future, where connection brings us together as one in faith and love.

Poverty Awareness Training: April 18th from 1 to 4 p.m. Whether you have experienced poverty yourself or not, the Poverty Simulator is designed and presented as an empathy exercise based on the distinct experience of rural poverty and its many facets to promote compassion and deeper understanding. Mark your calendar and stretch your heart. It may just bless you with unexpected grace and insights for yourself.

Story Scholarship application deadline is March 31st. The Scholarship Committee will meet on April 5th at 3:00 p.m. to review the applications. Scholarship Awards will be announced on May 17th during both worship services. Applications are available on the church website.

Wedding Shower: There will be a wedding shower honoring Allison Deaton and Jarrett Jackson on March 22 from 3:00-4:30 pm. The shower will be held at Mackintosh On The Lake Clubhouse, 4210 Bonnar Bridge Pkwy, Burlington, NC 27215. A registry can be found at theknot.com/Jarrettallison.

Planning has begun for Vacation Bible School! This year's theme is Rainforest Falls: Exploring the Nature of God. VBS will be held the week of June 15th to June 19th, from 5:30 to 8:15 p.m. each day. There is no cost to attend. Children currently in kindergarten through 5th grade are invited to attend, with youth currently in 8th grade or older invited to volunteer. More information and registration for volunteers and participants can be found here.



CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND SMALL GROUPS

Time to update your children's information: We have updated our Children and Youth Information, Release, and Permission Forms and ask all parents and guardians to complete the new form by March 1 so we have the most current information on file. The form is available on the church website and through this and other QR codes posted in the nursery and children and youth rooms. After March 1, we'll need a completed form on file for children and youth to ride the bus or take part in certain church activities without parental supervision. Thank you for helping us keep our children and youth safe and well cared for.



Nursery: GUMC offers nursery care for children from birth through age 5 each Sunday morning during both worship services and Sunday School.

Kingdom Kids: Kingdom Kids meets on Thursdays from 5:30 to 6:45 pm. Dinner is provided each week for children and volunteers.

Children's Sunday School: We are using the Sunday School curriculum "Two or More." This curriculum provides children with Bible-rich experiences and grow in faith together. It is designed to be a one-room curriculum, bringing elementary-aged children together to be seen, known and loved. The elementary Sunday School class meets each Sunday morning on the second floor of the church.

Tween Youth Group: The tweens meet on Sundays from 4 to 5:15.

Tween Sunday School: On the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month, we offer two separate tween Sunday School classes, one for 5th and 6th graders and one for 7th and 8th graders. Both use the Bible Studies for Life curriculum and meet on the lower level of the church.

High School Ministry (9th through 12th grade): We are exploring options for a winter or spring retreat for our high school youth. We are also in early discussions with other local churches about doing collaborative events with their youth on a regular basis.

Sunday School for Adults: The Wharton Sunday School class meets in room #115 on the first floor at 10am. Another option for adults is the Friends in Faith class, which meets in room #107 on the first floor at 10 a.m. All adults are welcome!

11 AM Traditional Service

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GATHERED TO PRAISE

PRELUDE Dr. Greyson Clifton

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Michelle Rash

CALL TO WORSHIP Michelle

Leader: Wilderness-wanderers, holiness-seekers, listen for God's voice today.

People: God, speak; your servants are listening.

Leader: God's voice may be loud, or it may be still and small.

It may be drowned out by the noise of the world or the busyness within.

People: Today, we create space to receive your Word however it may come.

We still ourselves and trust that you are speaking even now.

Come, Word of life, direct us in your way.

OPENING PRAYER Michelle

*HYMN *Lord, Speak to Me* **UMH #463**

CHILDREN'S TIME Michelle

PASTORAL PRAYER Rev. Carol Carkin

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING Michelle

OFFERTORY Chancel Choir

*DOXOLOGY *Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow* **UMH #95**

*DEDICATION OF THE OFFERING Michelle

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION Michelle

SCRIPTURE READING **1 Kings 19: 4-16 (CEB)** Michelle

MESSAGE **It's Not Too Late to Listen to God** Rev. Carol

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

SENDING FORTH

*HYMN *Be Still, My Soul* **UMH #534**

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING Rev. Carol

POSTLUDE Dr. Clifton

** Please stand if you are able.*