



**Gibsonville United Methodist Church**

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**April 2026 Newsletter**



## MINISTRIES & MORE

### **Fruit and Protein First Sunday of Every Month**

Gibsonville First Baptist Church operates a food pantry (Hope Corner) that serves our community. Each week 25 to 30 families/individuals receive food. Our church supports this mission by collecting food and delivering it to the food pantry. Hunger continues to be a problem in our area so this is an important way we can support those in need. Please remember to bring non perishable food to church on **Sunday, April 5th** and place it in the bins in the welcome center or in the closet off the narthex. Suggested food items include the following: peanut butter, canned meat, canned meat stews, beans, brown rice, quinoa, and canned fruit. Please check expiration dates on all donated food.

### **Community Dinner:**

No Community Dinner in April

### **Meals on Wheels**

Meals on Wheels Delivery will be March 20, 22, 23, & 24.

### **Care and Share**

Care & Share will meet April 9th at 10:30 a.m. in the parlor.

### **UM Men's Meals Together**

The United Methodist Men will have their breakfast meeting on Saturday, April 4th at 9 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. All men are welcome and encouraged to attend. If you have any questions, please contact Claude Little (336-447-4002) or Ben McMillan (336-269-7724).

### **United Women in Faith**

The United Women in Faith will meet on Tuesday April 21st at 10:30 AM in the parlor.

**The SPRC Committee** will meet April 13th and 27th.

**The Finance Committee** will meet April 20th at 6:30 p.m.

**The Trustees** will meet on Saturday, April 18, at 10:00 a.m. in the conference room.

**Poverty Awareness Training:** April 18<sup>th</sup> 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. You can sign up with this QR code or contact the church office by April 13th.



**The Story Scholarship Committee** will meet on April 5th at 3:00 p.m. to review the applications. Scholarship Awards will be announced on May 17<sup>th</sup> during both worship services. Applications are available on the church website and in the church office.

### **Mark Your Calendars Now for VBS — June 15th to June 19th**

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.



**Paths of Welcome:** Prayer, Compassion, Awareness: A Day of Solidarity with Immigrants at Marvin United Methodist Church, 4401 Indiana Ave, Sunday April 26th from 3 to 5 p.m. For more information please contact Rev. Dr. Luke Edwards at ledwards@wnccumc.org.

# April 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1  6 PM Handbells 7 PM Chancel Choir	2  <b>7 PM Maundy Thursday Service</b>	3	4 9 AM UMM Breakfast
<b>5</b> <b>Easter Day</b> 8:30 AM Praise Team Rehearsal 9 AM Contemporary Worship 9:45 & 10AM Sunday School 11 AM Traditional Worship <b>3 PM Story Scholarship Committee</b>	6  7 PM Boy Scouts	7	8	9  <b>10:30 AM Care &amp; Share</b>	10	11
<b>12</b> <b>2nd Sunday of Easter</b> 8:15 AM Praise Team Rehearsal 9 AM Contemporary Worship 9:45 & 10AM Sunday School 11 AM Traditional Worship <b>4 PM Mental Health Training</b>	13  <b>7 PM SPRC</b> 7 PM Boy Scouts	14  6 PM Praise Team 7 PM Alive in Christ 7PM Cub Scouts	15  6 PM Handbells 7 PM Chancel Choir	16  5:30 PM Kingdom Kids	17	18  <b>10 AM Trustee Meeting</b> <b>1-4 PM Poverty Awareness</b>
<b>19</b> <b>3rd Sunday of Easter</b> 8:15 AM Praise Team Rehearsal 9 AM Contemporary Worship 9:45 & 10AM Sunday School 11 AM Traditional Worship	20  <b>6:30 PM Finance Committee</b> 7 PM Boy Scouts  <b>MOW</b>	21  <b>10 AM UWF</b> 6 PM Praise Team 7 PM Alive in Christ 7PM Cub Scouts	22  6 PM Handbells 7 PM Chancel Choir  <b>MOW</b>	23  5:30 PM Kingdom Kids  <b>MOW</b>	24  <b>MOW</b>	25
<b>26</b> <b>4th Sunday of Easter</b> 8:15 AM Praise Team Rehearsal 9 AM Contemporary Worship 9:45 & 10AM Sunday School 11 AM Traditional Worship	27  <b>7 PM SPRC</b> 7 PM Boy Scouts	28  6 PM Praise Team 7 PM Alive in Christ 7PM Cub Scouts	29  6 PM Handbells 7 PM Chancel Choir	30		

## Upcoming Opportunities

**Outreach Opportunity—Blessing of 3 Meals a Day Food Drive:** GUMC will partner with SAFE during the month of April to collect food for distribution to our community. Historically donations to SAFE are down during this time of year, however the need does not decrease. GUMC would like to join other faith and civic organizations to help SAFE keep their shelves full during this period. SAFE has been an integral part of our Summer Feeding Program and was the recipient of the funds we collected for the Backpack Ministry. Beginning April 12<sup>th</sup> through May 3<sup>rd</sup>, we will collect shelf stable food items to support this mission. Items most needed include canned meats, cereal and oatmeal, pasta and sauce, cooking oil, spices, canned fruit, peanut butter, and jelly. If you would like to contribute to this mission, please bring your items to church and place them at the altar. Items will be transported to SAFE at the end of the Blessing of 3 Meals a Day Food Drive. Food insecurity continues to be a problem in our community. We see this firsthand with the Feed the Fridge program at the library. It is estimated that 1 in 5 children in NC experience food insecurity. As we count our blessings, let us also consider sharing them with our neighbors.

### Vacation Bible School

**June 15 to June 18, 2025 from 5:30 to 8:15 p.m.**

#### You Are Invited To Join The VBS TEAM!

##### Volunteer Positions Needed:

Crew Leaders    Games Leaders    Bible Adventures Leaders    Kitchen    Imagination Station Leaders  
Sticky Scripture Leaders    Registration

**Volunteer for VBS or register a child using the QR code:**



#### BECOME A SPONSOR!

The cost of Vacation Bible School is about \$55/child — that includes dinner each night, all the needed materials and a T-shirt for each participant. Gibsonville UMC is committed to keeping this program free to all participants. Please consider making a financial contribution and serving as a VBS sponsor this year to help us reach 60 children in and around Gibsonville with the love of God this summer.

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

\_\_\_\_\_ \$100    \_\_\_\_\_ \$75    \_\_\_\_\_ \$50    \_\_\_\_\_ \$25    \_\_\_\_\_ Other

Name of business name: \_\_\_\_\_

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