



# The Faith Circuit Rider



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### Scripture Thought:

Restore to me the  
joy of your  
salvation and grant



me a willing spirit.

Psalm 51:12

St. Benedict said, "Always we begin again." I suppose every United Methodist understands that, especially in July. It is my joy to have been appointed to serve together and the spirit on St. Benedict, we begin again.

I have had the pleasure of meeting many of the folks of Faith as we have begun our journey together. I look forward to meeting all as the days unfold.

My time in Waynesville will be limited, as June and I still live in Murphy. However, I hope we might keep in touch personally on Sunday and through phone and electronic communication as needed during the week.

My contact information: phone- 828-557-8734 and Email- [rrollins@yahoo.com](mailto:rrollins@yahoo.com) and I invite you to reach out as desired or needed.

One of my favorite prayers is from St. Benedict. I leave this with you. It is my prayer for us as we grow in Christ as the People of Faith.

Agape',

*Pastor Rob*

Prayer of Saint Benedict to Seek and Find God

Father, in Your goodness  
grant me the intellect to comprehend You,  
the perception to discern You,  
and the reason to appreciate You.  
In Your kindness  
endow me with the diligence to look for You,  
the wisdom, to discover You,  
and the spirit to apprehend You.  
In Your graciousness  
bestow on me a heart to contemplate You,  
ears to hear You,  
eyes to see You,  
and a tongue to speak of You.  
In Your mercy to confer on me  
a conversation pleasing to You,  
the patience to wait for You,  
and the perseverance to long for You.  
Grant me a perfect end, Your holy presence. I ask this in the name of  
Your Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen

## From the Lay Leader

August 2018

“Gather Around the Table “

Gerald and I received a birdfeeder for an anniversary gift. We have spent countless hours watching a multitude of different species dine at the table. We've noticed that it is not always the same “birds of a feather” who flock together to share those tiny morsels of wild bird seed. We don't always recognize all of God's colorful creations who visit for a meal but have found it interesting to watch their habits and interaction with one another.

I thought about how we as individuals come to the Lord's table for our communion meal. Each one of us different in all facets of life, but one common link as members of the body of Christ. Sharing the gift of the Sacraments of the bread and cup makes us one. Gender, ethnic background, education, age, denomination, none of this matters in the eyes of God. We are all his creation and all that he made is good, because He said so!

Next Sunday as we gather for communion, please remember that we do this in remembrance of the Son of God, Emmanuel, the Christ child who came to save His people.

*Susan*

### Treasurer's Report



July 27, 2018

*“I will be loyal to the United Methodist Church and uphold it with my Prayers, my Presence, my Gifts, my Service, and my Witness.”*

**2018 Budget \$49,293.00**

Needed through 7/27/18 for budget	\$28,589.94
Received to date for budget	\$29,860.00
Ahead of Budget	\$ 1,270.06
Paid out to date for budget	\$ 23,282.92

**WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR FAITHFULNESS!**



The UMM will meet at the church at 8:30 AM on Saturday, August 4th. John Davis will bring the donuts.

*Gerald*

## JIF Class



Thank you, George for the interesting and informative lessons on Angels. We appreciate your sharing your knowledge with us.

During August we have a smorgasbord of lessons: The Soul Keeping series will end with 2 more sessions (Gratitude and Growth) ...led by John and Susan.

### Homecoming Sunday is the 12th....No Class

On the last Sunday of August, Janie begins her new series on demons. This will be an interesting subject and will lead us to think and reconsider.

The dedication and talents of our teachers are truly appreciated.

And from one of our class members: "One of the least appreciated aspects of our church is the Adult Sunday School Class. If you like to think, to see how accepting Methodism is of many different views, or you want to know your fellow worshipers better at 9:45 for Sunday School. We welcome everyone and their ideas."



**PPRC**

It is with joy and delight we welcome Rob and June Rollins to Faith United Methodist Church. Rob will serve as our senior minister.

This past conference Rob retired as a member in full standing from the Western North Carolina Conference. But, luckily for us, he was heard to say that he was not ready to give up all aspects of serving as a pastor. Our past District Superintendent, Randy Harry was quick to say that he had a place for him and that is how we lucked out! And, indeed, we give thanks!!

Rob has recently served as the minister at Murphy United Methodist Church. Rob and June will continue to live in Murphy. This may be considered "a ministry of the long trail" to misquote a comment once made about Francis Asbury. However, our church has proven to be able to adapt and serve in whatever situation God has seen fit. We look forward to the lessons we will learn as we, with Rob, attempt to serve in this manner.

My understanding is that Rob grew up as a Baptist and then became a Methodist. He is noted in our conference as an excellent preacher. He has already established himself as a supporter of Sunday School and is doing all that he can to help us move forward together.

We are excited to explore where our worship and work shall take us in this new ministry. Welcome Rob and June, we rejoice in being in ministry with you!

Janie Benson, PPRC Chair



As we turn the corner of summer into August, it's time to take a deep breath and organize our thoughts for the rest of the year. July was rather hectic and so we will extend our July missions fundraiser to support the veterans of Haywood county. Our donation will go to Haywood Christian ministry to their Veterans program. Most of the agencies in our county are referring veterans to HCM so we have a better opportunity to support these folks.

Our Labor Day cookout will once again raise funds to assist the homeless school children in Haywood county. More about this in the next edition.

*Beth*



OPEN DOOR - 32 Commerce Street,  
Waynesville, Saturday,  
August 18th at 5:30PM.

**Colorful Ladies**  
**of Faith**

The Coloring Ladies will meet on Thursday, August 16, at 10:00 in the Fellowship Hall. If you wish to stay for lunch, please bring your own lunch as we fellowship together.

**CONTACT**  
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If any changes or additions need to be made please contact me by calling 828-456-6944 or email [jlf21@charter.net](mailto:jlf21@charter.net). Thanks, Judy

### *Flowers for Faith*



The flowers in our sanctuary each Sunday enhance our Worship experience. Thank you to those who volunteer to provide flowers. There are some open Sundays in September, October and November. If there is a special Sunday you wish to place flowers in memory or honor, please sign up quickly to procure your special Sunday. The charts are on the Bulletin Board and on the table in the front foyer.



Everyone is invited to attend the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration for Rev. John and Ginger Rutland on Saturday, August 11, 2018 at the Lambuth Inn Room 100. You may drop-in any time from 3-5 PM. No gifts please, only your presence!

## August Servants:



*Greeters:* Betty Gant

*Educational Entrance:* Committee of the U.M.M



Our church now has assistance for the hearing impaired. If you have trouble hearing the service, please pick up a hearing aid in the narthex. A special thank you to Eduardo and Tracy for spearheading this project and helping to make our worship services more meaningful for all.

## August Celebrations



### AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

3-Grace Davis  
10-Chrystie Minchew  
18-Mary Schrenk  
21-Brent Yarski  
22-Kim Goodin  
27-Bina Cogdill



### AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

14- John & Grace Davis  
15-James & Martha Goodin

