**\*\*\*Special Welcome to our Guests! There is a place for you at Stony Hill! Please register on the fellowship pads on the inside aisle of each pew\*\*\***

**STONY HILL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

**28996 Stony Hill Rd. Albemarle, NC 28001 Phone: 704.982.7211**

**Pastor: “Lanny” Lancaster Ministers: The Whole Congregation**

**September 20, 2015 Sevententh Sunday after Pentecost**

Prelude and Lighting of the Candles

Choral Call to Worship

Christian Greeting: L: The Lord be with you! **P: And also with you!**

Announcements and Passing of the Pew Pads

Prayer for the Holy Spirit:

**Merciful Lord, Comforter and Teacher of your faithful people: Increase in us our desire for you; confirm the hearts of those who hope in you; helpu us to understand the depth of your promises, that we may behold by faith what has not yet been revealed; Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, forever and ever. Amen.**

**—**adapted from The Ambrosian Sacramentary

Hymn of Praise: 62 All Creatures of our God and King

Hymn of Praise: 451 Be Thou My Vision

The Mission of Stony Hill United Methodist Church is to: **FOLLOW JESUS, MAKE DISCIPLES, AND TRANSFORM THE WORLD.**

Psalm Reading: #738 Psalm 1 Drinda Hathcock - Barbara Stoker

Children’s Story

The Lord’s Prayer, #895

**Stewardship Scripture: 1TIMOTHY 6.18-19: “**Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share. In this way they will lay up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age, so that they may take hold of the life that is truly life.”

Worship with Our Tithes & Offerings

\*Doxology 95 Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

Choir Anthem

Scripture: Luke 15.11-32

Sermon: **What is Grace? Part 2: Unconditional approval???**

Hymn:  430 O Master Let Me Walk with Thee

Benediction

Postlude

Greeter: 10:45 Tom & Loraine Fesperman Sound: Chad Parsons, Lee Smith

Ushers: 8:45 Dink Hathcock, Jack McRae Projection: Madison Smith, Levi Stamper

10:45 Tom Fesperman, Dewell Cook Piano: Sid Fields

Counters: Sid Fields, Dean Springer Organ: Elaine Crawley

Acolytes: 8:45 Eli Fields, Sarah Booth Pastor: Michael “Lanny” Lancaster

10:45 Gauge Eudy, Will Barfield Assisted by: Valerie Putnam

**Food Pantry Collection for April: Canned Fruit**

**\*Jesus & Java Host for September: 6–Pam Kiker & Lynne Terry**

**13–Charles & Karen Herlocker 20–Bruce & Wanda Smith**

**27–Jim & Gail Humphrey**

**Every Week at Stony Hill**

**“The Connection”** Sundays: 8:45am: Worship Service with Modern worship music and traditional hymns with praise band, “generations” **Jesus and Java** 9:30am: coffee time, Fellowship Hall 9:45am: Sunday School for all ages **“Traditions”** 10:45am: Worship Service with traditional hymns and the Stony Hill Choir

5:00pm (during school year): Youth Group meeting

Wednesdays: 7:00pm: Choir

**Prayer Concerns: Prayer Concerns:** Our State and Nation, Community Schools, Rev. Roger Thomas, Bobby Clodfelter, Jeremy Goldstein family, Ben Misenheimer family, Kent Medlin and family, Bobby Huneycutt and family, UMAR, Andria Bell, Rev. Steve Smith, Lin Senter, Wanda Smith, Steve Blalock, Tom Mauldin, Tyler Holton, Tony Furr, Cynthia Hagewood, Jack Lilly, Nancy Roush, Lanny Smith, Nick Caldwell, Jacob Kime, Marcus Gaddy, Jonathan Myers and family, Jahala Burris, Barbara Hathcock, Darlene Owens family, Bill Scholl, Dale Dickens, Cantrell Miller, Stella Senter, Wayne Mauldin, Joshua Perez, Stephen McLean, Holden Rimmer, Michael McLean, David Lowder, Byron Starnes,“Sprinky” Burris, Grady James, Roger Hinson family, Tommie Efird, Faye Clodfelter, Stephen Beasley, Marcos Martinez, **Thomas Deschenes,** Dennis Buchanan, David Sanges, Daniel Hamilton, Brenda Baker, Pastor Lanny, Janet and family

Shut-ins: Ron & Loretta Allred, Gene Helms, Ruby Murray, Carolyn Terry, Gene Watkins

\*If you have a prayer concern that you would like added or deleted from the list, please call or email Pastor Lanny at the parsonage.

**Announcements**

\*Flowers for today are given in loving memory of Bob & Edith Mills and Clair & Lillie Foy Ingram by Bobby & Kay Mills and family

**\*STONY HILL YOUTH ARE MEETING ON SUNDAY NIGHTS AT 5PM. COME FOR FUN, FOLLOWING JESUS, AND FELLOWSHIP!**

\*Worship celebration of the appointment of Rev. Laura Auten as the new District Superintendent of the Uwharrie District, United Methodist Church, Sunday, September 20 at 4pm at Henry Pfeiffer Chapel, Pfeiffer University. You are invited to bring a large jar of peanut butter for collection for the hungry in our community. Come out and celebrate the beginning of Rev. Auten’s journey with us!

Sermon Series: “WHAT’S IS GRACE?” YOU DON’T WANT TO MISS IT!!!!

\*To learn more, order the book, “What’s so amazing about grace?”

by Philip Yancey, available on [www.cokesbury.com](http://www.cokesbury.com) and Amazon

Family Fun Day!!! Sunday, September 27 5-7pm!

Come enjoy food and fun for all ages!

\*PPR Meeting: Tuesday, 9/22 at 8pm

\*Finance Meeting: Tuesday, 9/29 at 8pm

\*Council / Charge Conference: Tuesday 10/6 at 8pm

\*Missional Network (for all council members): Sunday, 10/18 at 6pm, at Union Chapel UMC

**\*“Transform the World”** at Badin School:

**\*Reading Buddies** / assisting teachers. If you would like to volunteer to be a reading or math buddy or assist teachers at Badin, volunteer forms are available. A background check is required.

**\*Check out** our church website: [www.stonyhillumc.org](http://www.stonyhillumc.org) , like us on Facebook, and follow us on Twitter! Check them for upcoming worship experiences and activities at the Church!

**\*Did you know** that you could set up an electronic payment or bank draft to manage your giving to the church? For more information, contact your bank.