**\*\*\*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**

**January 24, 2016 Third Sunday after the Epiphany**

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:

**Almighty God, by whose law we are governed and by whose grace we are saved: Grant that we may be able to shake off the yoke of service to sin by the power of your Holy Spirit, so that at the last we may appear before you in that heavenly country promised by Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, for ever and ever. Amen!**

—Adapted from the Ambrosian Sacramentary

Hymn of Praise: 723 Shall We Gather at the River

Hymn of Praise: 185 When Morning Guilds the Sky

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

Psalm Reading: #750 Psalm 19 Lay Readers: Joe Ingram Jesse Eudy

Children’s Story

Morning Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer, #895

**Stewardship Scripture: MALACHI 3.10: “**Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the LORD Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it.”

Worship with Our Tithes & Offerings

\*Doxology 95 Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

Choir Anthem

Scripture: Psalm 139.23-24

Sermon: ***Teach Us To Pray: #3: The Prayer of Examen***

Hymn:  365 Grace Greater Than Our Sin  
Benediction

Postlude

Greeter: 10:45 Kappa Eash, Melissa Rager Sound: Richard Wood

Ushers: 8:45 Charlie Smith, Dink Hathcock Projection:

10:45 David Eash, Michael, Rager Piano: Sid Fields

Counters: Dean Springer, Sid Fields Organ: Elaine Crawley

Pastor: Michael “Lanny” Lancaster

Acolytes: 10:45 Eli Fields, Cole Stinnett Assisted by: Bonnie Ward

**Food Collection: The food pantry is full right now, but monetary donations are needed for SCCM for power and heat assistance. You can mark your check and envelope: “SCCM”**

\*Jesus & Java Host for January: 3-David & Pat Mills 10-Charles & Karen Herlocker

17-Bruce & Wanda Smith 24-Jim & Gayle Humphrey 31–David & Pat Mills

**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:** Our State and Nation, Community Schools, Brian Booth, John Hraczo Family, Tommy Hathcock Family, Ruby Lowder family, Ned Stallings, Gerald Janey and family, The Burgess Family, Wesley Morgan, Family of Tommie Efird, Trent Bowers, Family of Barbara Fincher, Elaine Crawley, Victoria Hutchins, Gayle Comer, Bobby Mills, Becky Troutman, Bobby Clodfelter, Ben Misenheimer family, Kent Medlin and family, Bobby Huneycutt and family, UMAR, Andria Bell, Lin Senter, Steve Blalock, Tyler Holton, Tony Furr, Cynthia Hagewood, Jack Lilly, Lanny Smith, Nick Caldwell, Jacob Kime, Marcus Gaddy, Jonathan Myers and family, Jahala Burris, 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, 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 or church office

**Announcements**

**\*”Teach us to pray!” sermon series! To learn more, you may order the book: “Prayer: Finding the Heart’s True Home” by Richard Foster. It is available on www.cokesbury.com**

**\*Confirmation classes: today at 5pm**

**\*Ash Wednesday: February 10 at 7pm, Fellowship meal at 6pm**

**\*United Methodist Women’s Sunday: Feb. 21**

**\***Bonnie Ward writes, “Thank you church family for the cards, prayers, and the memorial sent in memory of my mother, Ruby Lowder. She was a woman of faith and love. She taught us the importance of having God in our lives. I always feel God’s presence in this church and feel his love through everyone here.”—Your friend in Christ, Bonnie Ward

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

**“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.

**\*The Sunshine Group** will meet Tuesday, January 26, 10:30 AM in the fellowship hall of Badin Baptist Church.  Lynell Bromfield will share further experiences she has had on various mission trips she has taken.  Bring your favorite covered dishes, $1.00, a guest, and of course, yourself, for a time of good fellowship and wonderful food.