**\*\*\*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 March 6, 2016 Fourth Sunday in Lent**

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:

**O God, most forgiving, who calls back those who stray; O God most merciful, who does not despise sinners: We your people rely upon your promise that you will pardon all who turn to you. May all who seek you find you. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, forever and ever. Amen!**

—Adapted from the Gallican Sacramentary

Hymn of Praise: 172 My Jesus I Love Thee

Hymn of Praise: 347 Spirit Song

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

Psalm Reading: #766 Psalm 32 Lay Readers: Bonnie Ward Barbara Stoker

Children’s Story

Morning Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer, #895

**Stewardship Scripture: 2CORINTHIANS 8.2-3a: “**In the midst of a very severe trial, their overflowing joy and their extreme poverty welled up in rich generosity. For I testify that they gave as much as they were able, and even beyond their ability.”

Worship with Our Tithes & Offerings

\*Doxology 95 Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

Choir Anthem

Scripture: **Jeremiah 18.1-6**

Sermon: *The Prayer of Formation*

Service of Holy Communion Servers 8:45 Jack McRae

10:45 Dewell Cook, Tom Fesperman, Marci Lemons

Hymn:  338 Where He Leads Me  
Benediction

Postlude

Greeter: 10:45 Paul & Betty Currie Sound: Richard Wood

Ushers: 8:45 Dink Hathcock, Jack McRae Projection:

10:45 Cecil Almond, Loraine Fesperman Piano: Sid Fields

Counters: Kay Pope, Sid Fields Organ: Pat Speight

Pastor: Michael “Lanny” Lancaster

Acolytes: 10:45 Caleb Lemons, Gauge Eudy Assisted by: Valerie Putnam

\*Jesus & Java Host for March: 6 – Dink & Drinda Hathcock 13 – Bobby & Kay Mills

20 - Barry & Vanessa Mullinix 27 - EASTER

**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, Guill Russell, Sonia Simmons, Bryan 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**

**\*UMCOR: A special offering will be received today for the United Methodist Committee on Relief. This is the branch of the church that responds to disasters in our state, nation, and around the world. You are invited to prayerfully give to this great cause to help people who are suffering.**

**\*”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**

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

**Holy Week**

Palm Sunday: Mar. 20 at 8:45am and 10:45am

Holy Thursday: Mar. 24. Meal at 6:30pm Worship at 8pm

Good Friday: Mar. 25. Meal at 6:30pm worship at 8pm

Holy Saturday: Mar. 26: Egg Hunt at 2pm Women place flowers at 1pm

Easter Sunday: Mar. 27: Sunrise Service at 7am, Fellowship Breakfast at 7:30am, Musical Celebration at 9am

**“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.

**\*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”