**\*\*\*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 4, 2016 16th Sunday after Pentecost**

Prelude and Lighting of the Candles

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

Hymn of Praise: 452 My Faith Looks Up to Thee

Hymn of Praise: 572 Pass it On

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

Psalm Reading: #854 Psalm 139

Lay Readers: 8:45am: Tim Wysocki 10:45am: Betty Currie

Morning Prayer and The Lord’s Prayer, #895

**Stewardship Scripture: HAGGAI 2.8: “**'The silver is mine and the gold is mine,' declares the LORD Almighty.”

Worship with Our Tithes & Offerings

\*Doxology 95 Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

Choir Anthem

Scripture: Luke 14.25-33

Sermon**: *TAKE UP YOUR CROSS***

***\*Service of Holy Communion***

Hymn:  351 Pass Me Not O Gentle Savior

Benediction

Postlude

Greeter: 10:45 Hilton & Mary Butler Sound: Michael Rager

Ushers: 8:45 Gary Wagoner, Joe Ingram Projection:

10:45 Hilton Butler, Jay Fesperman Piano: Sid Fields

Counters: Kay Pope, Jill Almond Organ: Elaine Crawley

Pastor: Michael “Lanny” Lancaster

Acolytes: 10:45 Lillie Eudy, Eli Fields Assisted by: Valerie Putnam

\*Jesus & Java Host for September: 4–Bruce & Wanda Smith

11–Jim & Gayle Humphrey 18-David & Pat Mills 25-Sid & Margaret Fields

**Food Collection for September: Boxed & Canned Pasts Meals**

**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, Rev. Kevin McCormac, Cameron Burleson, Mary Ellen Aldridge, Frank Sanders, Melissa Crisco, Bonnie Mehalechko, Terry Sloan, Jacob Kime, Joe Creech family, Valerie Putnam, Lynn Hines, Butch Baucom, Annette Steed family, Dorthina Samples, Billy Miller, Kenneth and Barbara Stoker, Theresa Henderson and family, Laura McIntyre, Ophelia Blalock, Guill Russell, Sonia Simmons, Bryan Booth, Tommy Hathcock Family, Ned Stallings, Gerald Janey and family, Family of Tommie Efird, Trent Bowers, Elaine Crawley, Victoria Hutchins, Bobby Mills, Bobby Clodfelter, UMAR, Andria Bell, Lin Senter, Steve Blalock, Tony Furr, Jahala Burris, Stella Senter, Wayne Mauldin, “Sprinky” Burris, 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**

\*Leaders Prayer Circle: THIS Thursday at 7pm in the Fellowship Hall

\*Children’s Promotion Sunday: 9/11



\*YOUTH, YOUTH, YOUTH: AND PARENTS! first meeting of the year is Sunday, 9/11 at 5pm. We will do some dreaming and planning for our year of mission and ministry!

\*United Methodist Women: Monday, 9/12 at 1pm in the Choir Room

\*The Finance and Stewardship Team is preparing our budget for 2017. Please let Debbie Wood know of changes for your ministry team needs.

\*Jesus said, “I was hungry and you gave me something to eat.” Congratulations, Stony Hill! You gathered 146 pounds of food for the hungry in August. Goal for this month: 150

\*The United Methodist Women are sponsoring a school supply collection to be gathered in the bin near the baptismal font

**“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.