

## God Cares For You

God counts the number of the stars. He knows the number of hairs on your head, whether they are few or many. He watches the sparrow fall to the ground. Jesus died for none of these things, but He did die for you. Whatever you are facing today, He cares much more about you than the stars or sparrows. Look to Him, put your trust in Him, and know that He has you in the palm of His hand.

Psalms 55:22 - Cast your burden on the Lord, and he will sustain you; he will never permit the righteous to be moved.

1 Peter 5:7 - Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you.

Isaiah 41:10 – Do not fear, for I am with you, do not be afraid, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my victorious right hand.

Matthew 11:28 – Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest.

Psalms 62:8 – Trust in him at all times, O people; pour out your heart before him; God is a refuge for us. Selah

Romans 8:28 – We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose.

John 14:27 – Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.

Philippians 4:6 – Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.

~Shared by Kim Combs

## **NEW AND IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

### **Charge Conference News**

Mark your calendar for November 29th from 7:30-8:30 for our annual charge conference! We will be hosting it this year at Walnut Grove UMC with our sister church, Pleasant Green UMC, also having their charge conference at Walnut Grove. Hope to see you there!

### **Holiday Treats for Pathways Elementary Teachers and Staff**

A group of parents, grandparents, and friends are providing treats for the teachers and staff of Pathways Elementary on December 15th. This includes store-bought cookies (with the nutrition label) and individually wrapped candy. If you would like to contribute, please bring the above items to the Fellowship Hall by Sunday, December 10th, and place them in the container labeled "Holiday Treats For Pathways Teachers and Staff". For more information, contact Ashley James at (919) 618-7524.

### **Sharing Christmas Cheer**

We have a request from the chaplain at Orange Correctional Center as we partner with sister Orange Cooperative Parish churches to help 150 inmates receive a small gift for Christmas. For the next two Sundays at church, drop off items in a designated box at the back of the sanctuary. Please note the antiperspirant cannot be the gel variety. Thanks for helping share Christmas joy to those in our incarcerated community.

### **Music Ministry Update**

Rehearsals for our annual Christmas presentation, "The Celebration of Christmas" are well underway on Sunday afternoons at 4:30pm and Wednesday nights at 7:30pm. It will be presented on Sunday, Dec. 17th at the 10:30am worship service. If you would like to get in on a short-term commitment, this is for you!

The Hallelujah Kids (K through 5th grade) are moving right along with rehearsals for their Christmas program, "Sleepover at the Stable". It will be presented on Sunday, Dec. 24th during the 10:30am worship service. Practice for this Sunday is at 5:30pm. You've never seen (and heard) animals tell the Christmas story quite like this before! Also, if you have a 3 or 4 year old who would like to take part, let Leigh know.

For more information, contact Leigh McFalls at [leighmcfalls@gmail.com](mailto:leighmcfalls@gmail.com) or 919-818-3317.

### **Lunch With Lauren**

Consider taking our intern this year out to lunch after church. Lauren can learn more about the ministries and life of Walnut Grove through your sharing stories and food together. You can sign up on one of the available Sundays by clicking the link below. Thank you for supporting all that she is doing for the church and her call to ministry.

[Meal Time with Lauren](#)

### **Local School Needs at Pathways Elementary**

Winter Clothing (all sizes)

Smaller boys' /girls' shoes

Water Bottles

Individually Wrapped Snacks

Individually Wrapped Candy

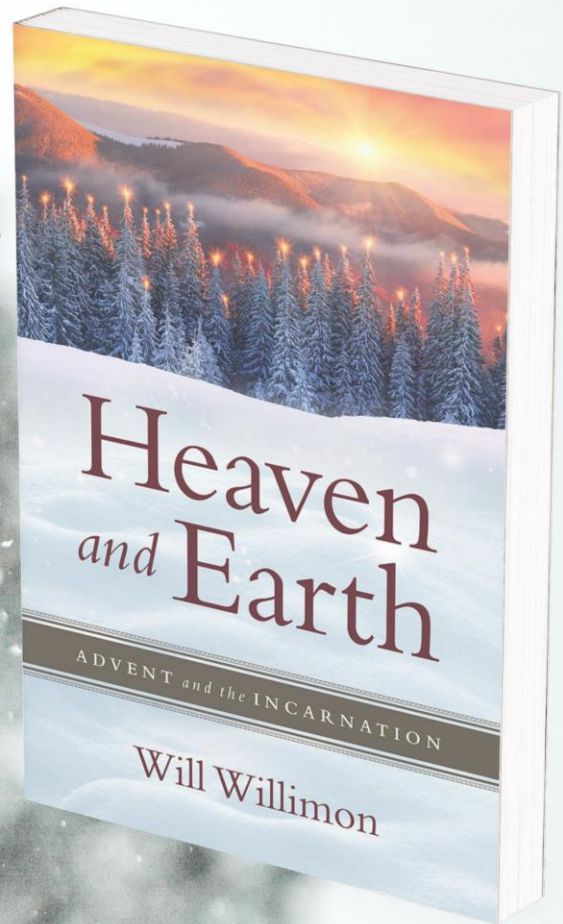
Thank you for helping those in need in our community. You can drop these items off at church and we will get them to the school!

## Advent Bible Study

*an Advent study*

# WATCH OUT. GOD IS ON THE WAY.

JOIN US ONLINE  
MONDAYS AT 7PM



## Tithes and Offerings

We have four ways to give to our ministries. If you would like your offering to be allocated towards a specific ministry, please indicate it in the memo of your check or you will be prompted on the website.

1. Give during our weekly Worship Services.
2. Mail in a check to 7215 Walnut Grove Church Road, Hurdle Mills, NC 27541.
3. Use our church [website](#). Click GIVE in the upper right corner.
4. Use our online giving app "Vanco Mobile".

## JOYS & CONCERNS

### Prayer List

- Family of Ann Davis (sister-in-law of Donnie Davis)
- Family of Allen Tidwell
- Betty Sue Hyder (cancer treatments), Margaret Williams' sister and Sharyn Gates' aunt
- Family of Ann and Bruce Richardson in the loss of Ann's mother
- Beth Roberts, who was recently in a bad car accident. She is the daughter of Billie Roberts

- Families of Jenny Fritz. Friend of Heidi Gerbracht
- Billy Addison from Erwin, NC who has been diagnosed with mouth cancer. Cheryl Humphrey is asking for prayers for Billy.
- Pat Sykes
- Debbie Haywood (cancer treatments), friend of Ann and Bruce Richardson.
- Dana Kimrey. He is the brother of Lorraine Hines.

## **Quilts**

1. Bill Cole - from Hurdle Mills, recovering from knee surgery. He is the son of Rachel Cole.

(The prayer quilt will be at the front of the sanctuary on Sunday. You're invited to tie a knot and say a prayer over the quilt before and after the service.)

## **Upcoming Birthdays**

Friday 11/24 – Margaret Williams

Sunday 11/26 – Jamie Blalock

Wednesday 11/29 – Michelle Dunevant, Jordan Jeffreys

Friday 12/1 – Callie White

If your birthday is incorrect or missing, please contact Kim at the church office at 919-732-5722 or by email at [office@walnutgroveumc.org](mailto:office@walnutgroveumc.org) so we can update our records.

## **STAYING CONNECTED**

[WG YouTube](#)

[WG Facebook](#)

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## **Serving in Worship**

### **November 26th**

Acolytes: Wyatt James/Kennedy Dunlap

Greeters: Cheryl & Scott Humphrey

Ushers: Cathy & Chris Boling

Nursery: Laurie Rogers/Sharyn Gates

Scripture: Emma Beckham

Trustee Open/Close: Cheryl Humphrey

### **December 3rd**

Acolytes: Isaac Conway/Gracie Hall

Greeters: Patty Maseth/Mary Emma Roberts

Ushers: Lorraine & Phil Hines

Nursery: Judy Parker/Grace Dunlap

Scripture Reader: Lorraine Parker

Trustee Open/Close: Rev. Laura Dunlap

Communion Servers: Cheryl & Scott Humphrey

**NOTE:** If you're unable to serve in your role listed above, please find someone to serve in your place and notify the church secretary of the change. This will allow us to have an updated listing to publish each week.

### Upcoming Happenings

Sunday, November 26	9:30am Sunday School 10:30am Worship Service 10:45am Children's Church 4:30pm Christmas Worship Choir 5:30pm Hallelujah Kids Play Practice
Wednesday, Nov. 29	6:00pm Worship Band 6:30pm Worship Choir 7:30 – 8:30pm Charge Conference
Friday-Saturday, Dec 1-2	Walnut Grove Crafters
Saturday, December 2	9:00am Decorate Church for Advent – All welcome
Sunday, December 3	9:30am Sunday School 10:30am Worship Service (Hanging of the Greens) 4:30pm Christmas Worship Choir
Wednesday, December 6	6:30pm Worship Band 7:00pm Worship Choir
Sunday, December 10	9:30am Sunday School 10:30am Worship Service 10:45am Children's Church 3:00 – 7:00pm Christmas at Camp Chestnut Ridge 4:30pm Christmas Worship Choir
Wednesday, December 13	Mary Martha Busy Ladies 7:00pm Worship Choir
Friday, December 15	Youth Winter Retreat Registration Due
Saturday, December 16	9:30am – Worship Choir dress rehearsal Trip to Billy Graham Library and "The Real Christmas Story"

Sunday, December 17      9:30am Sunday School  
                                 10:30am Worship Service – Adult Christmas Program  
                                 3:00 – 8:00pm Youth Caroling and Christmas Party  
                                 5:30pm Hallelujah Kids play practice

Wednesday, December 20   6:30pm Worship Band  
                                     7:00pm Worship Choir

Saturday, December 23      9:30am Hallelujah Kids dress rehearsal

Sunday, December 24      9:30am Sunday School  
                                 10:30am Worship Service – Children's Christmas Program  
                                 7:00pm – Christmas Eve Candlelight Service



Monday, December 25

Friday-Sat., Dec 29-30      Walnut Grove Crafters

Sunday, December 31      9:30am Sunday School  
                                 10:30am Worship Service  
                                 5:00 – 8:30pm New Year's Eve at the Grove

See You Sunday!!