



## DESSERT & DEVOTIONS AT BROOKWOOD

These photos are from a recent dessert and devotions evening at the Village of Brookwood, hosted twice a month by Leslie Peavy, our Minister of Visitation. As is clear from these pictures, the group enjoyed good conversation and this time of fellowship with one another.

Once a month Front Street leads a service at Brookwood for the residents there.

## CAROLINA BRASS CONCERT

Carolina Brass will be giving a concert in the sanctuary of Front Street United Methodist Church on Sunday,

**September 25, 2022** at 4:00 p.m.

Carolina Brass is celebrating their 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary year in 2022. The concert is free and open to the public. Please invite your friends and neighbors to this wonderful event.



## C4C UPDATE CONTINUED FROM FRONT PAGE

buddies, math buddies, lunch buddies, etc. These kids need all of the love and support that we can give them in every way possible.

If you want to serve the children and families at Eastlawn by either volunteering in the school or helping with the backpack ministry, please contact me at [melissa@frontstreetumc.org](mailto:melissa@frontstreetumc.org).

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# FRONTLINE

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## C4C UPDATE

I wanted to update you on our partnership with Eastlawn. As you may know, the food collected goes to our C4C (Congregations for Children) partner school Eastlawn Elementary. Historically, the food that we have collected has gone to Out of the Garden Project in Greensboro and then back to Burlington to our local elementary school. We are trying to simplify this process by collecting, sorting, and bagging food at Front Street. From here, the food can then be taken directly to Eastlawn and straight into the classrooms. This will provide many more opportunities for people at Front Street to participate in our Backpack Ministry by donating food or money, sorting, bagging, and distributing food. We can do this alongside one another. Watch this space for opportunities to get involved!

Thank you to everyone who donated food during our August food drive. We are so appreciative of your continued support of our Backpack Ministry. We are still in need of some specific additional items: canned meat, mac and cheese, pasta sauce and peanut butter in **plastic jars**, and granola bars. Also, if you find yourself with extra plastic bags from the grocery store, we would love them! We will use them to bag up the food for the students. You can drop the bags or food items in the Welcome Center. We will begin sending home food for 100 kids starting next week.

This year, I am excited to share that we can now go back into the school system to volunteer! We can serve as reading  
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# A LOOK AHEAD:

## KNOWING CHRIST

### MIDWEEK MESSAGE

Be sure to check out our Facebook page or YouTube channel for the latest Midweek Message from Pastor Ray and Pastor Stephan. The video premieres on Wednesday and will also be included in Friday's "Happenings" email.

## SHARING CHRIST

### UPCOMING RAMP BUILD - SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

John Wesley offers us a challenge: "Do all the good you can, by all the means you can, in all the ways you can, in all the

places you can, at all the times you can, to all the people you can, as long as ever you can." Our Wheelchair Ramp Team takes Wesley's challenge seriously by building a ramp each month for people in our community who may otherwise be literally 'trapped' in their homes. The team consisting of a dedicated core group of 10-

15 volunteers give generously of their 'free' time to help build these ramps. Adults and youth are invited to join the team. The next wheelchair ramp build is planned for September 17 at 8:30 a.m. Contact Tom Sineath (tom.sineath@gmail.com) for details.

### AGAPE CHRISTMAS BOXES

It is time once again to begin filling Christmas boxes for refugee children in Armenia. For several years, the NC Conference has adopted Project AGAPE Christmas boxes as a conference-wide mission project. AGAPE Christmas boxes are one way Front Street UMC can share Christ's love with the children of Armenia.

This year there are separate packing lists for boys and girls. Copies of the packing lists and instructions are available in the Welcome Center.



Wheelchair ramp build #388 on September 13, 2022



Plastic shoe boxes are available in the Welcome Center for you to take and fill and return to the church **NO LATER THAN Sunday, September 25.**

### CROP WALK

The time is near for the 2022 Alamance County CROP Walk to be held on **Saturday, October 1** at Trinity Worship Center. The Alamance walk began in 1979 and has raised \$2.3 million in support of our local agencies and for hunger relief worldwide. Everyone can help, as a walker, as a sponsor, or both! Stop by the CROP table in the Welcome Center for more information.



### IT'S BACK! YOUTH FUNDRAISER – CHARLESTON WRAP

Beginning on **Sunday, September 25** our youth will again be selling Charleston Wrap products as a fundraiser for youth missions. Order from a wide selection of wrapping paper, accessories, personalizable gifts, exclusive kitchen and home items, tasty gourmet goodies, and so much more. Go ahead

and get your Christmas shopping done early! To order, visit our table in the Welcome Center beginning that same day, **September 25** or click on the link that will be posted in Chris' Corner that week. All the funds we raise go to our Missions Fund for summer 2023. The fundraiser will run

through **Sunday, October 16**. Online orders may require a minimum amount for free shipping. All orders in by October 16 will be received well in time for Christmas.

### REGULAR OFFICE HOURS RESUME

As of September 6, the church office hours are:

**Monday-Thursday: 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.**  
**Friday: 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.**

## Prayers

- **Susan Haithcock** who has Parkinson's and not doing well
- **Judy Pratt** who has developed further complications since having surgery
- **Genie Wilson** who is having heart issues

## Thank You

Dear Front Street UMC,  
I am a varsity student-athlete at Walter M. Williams High School. Your community leadership and financial support have truly enriched my high school experience and I'd like to thank you for being an inspiration to me and my teammates. With your help we are going to have a great season. Onward Bulldogs,  
Dylan Brooks (Class of 2024)



We are still looking for individuals or groups who are willing to provide meals for the Williams High School football team. The following are the available dates: **September 15, 22, 29 and October 6 and 27**. Please contact Jennifer Smith at jensmith71@msn.com or 336.260.2699, if you are interested in helping or have any questions.



### FINANCIAL GIVING UPDATE FOR 9/9/2022

YTD Actual Giving - \$708,346.73  
YTD Budgeted Giving - \$968,771.70

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