

Long Memorial UMC

December 2025

Worship With Us Every Sunday

8:45 AM - Early Service - Chapel

11:00 AM - Worship – Sanctuary

11:00 A.M. – Online (FaceBook)

Anytime – Youtube (Long Memorial UMC)



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We are on the web at: longmemorialumc.org
Like us on Facebook: Long Memorial United Methodist Church

PRAYER TEAM

Members of the Prayer Team are offering daily prayers for those on our congregational prayer list and for other loved ones. If you would like to request prayers for someone -- whether they are part of our congregation or not -- please call Martha Butler (336-597-3946). If you would like to be on the Prayer Team, please let Martha know.

Our December schedule has many opportunities for worship, service, and fun. Here are a few of those events:



LOOKING AHEAD:

December 14 – 5:30 P.M. - Evening Children's Program –
Harris Hall

December 21 – United Methodist Men's Church wide Breakfast
9:00 A.M. – Harris Hall

Lessons and Carols 10:30 A.M. – Church Sanctuary

****Only 1 service that morning at 10:30****

December 24 – 5:00 P.M. – Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

****Only 1 service****

**A few families have still not picked up their
2025 Church Directory.**

**Please call Peggy in the church office
to arrange a time 336-599-1193.**

MEDICAL CONCERNS

Eddie Bridges
Linda Bridges
Lois Winstead
Tom Hill Clayton
Leon Long
Phyllis Tuck
Norma Sabiston



ALTAR FLOWERS

Thank you to all those who have generously given altar flowers this year! **The sign-up calendar for 2026 has been placed in the Narthex.** Please stop by and pick a date! Whenever you donate flowers, please remember to remove the arrangement after the 11 a.m. service. You are very much appreciated!!!

CHRISTIAN HELP CENTER NEEDS – In December:

Canned Meats and or Canned Soups and Crackers

A donation basket is available in the hallway between the sanctuary and the church offices. Than you!!!



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FINANCIAL UPDATE:

Here is information regarding our congregation's financial giving through December 7, 2025.

2025 Budget: \$475,801

Budget divided evenly per Sunday: \$9,150

Budget giving on Sunday, December 7, 2025: \$9,466

Average budget given each Sunday in 2025: \$8,416

Budget giving through December 7: \$416,115 (87% of budget given through 94% of the calendar year)

Amount of 2025 budget still to raise: \$59,686 (13% of the budget)

The average amount needed per Sunday through the rest of the year to meet the 2025 budget is \$19,895.

We thank you for your faithfulness in discerning what God has called you to share. We trust that God will help us all be good stewards of the blessings God has provided!

We are making progress on a church in paying our annual apportionments to the conference. We have sent over \$22,000 and have approximately \$35,000 outstanding. Apportionments are used to do the work of us United Methodists together as a Conference in eastern North Carolina and throughout the world. The funds provide training to clergy and laity, help with mission responses to natural disasters, pay for our church's leaders and administrative staff, in addition to many other ministries. Each year the conference calculates an apportionment amount for each church, based on the expenditures of that church in proportion to other churches. Larger-budget churches are apportioned higher amounts than smaller budget churches.

As a reminder, you can make contributions to the church by cash or check on Sundays or during office hours throughout the week, or you can use the "Vanco Mobile" app on your phone to make single or recurring payments, or you can arrange through the church office to utilize an Electronic Funds Transfer (direct deposit) on a regular basis. If you wish to change your EFT amount, please send an email to LMfinsec@esinc.net or come to the office to fill out a form. You can also mail a check to the church's PO box: Long Memorial UMC, PO Box 310, Roxboro, NC 27573.

GOD GIVES US MORE THAN JUST
PROMISES - HE GIVES US EACH
OTHER



DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

December 01 – Levi Gilbert
December 03 – Avery Hightower
December 04 – Patti Morgan
December 05 – Mitch Pergerson
December 06 – Kim Carver, Lucas Strachan
December 08 – George Gentry
December 10 – Don Hill
December 11 – Mackenzie Clayton
December 12 – Dolly Denton, Aiden Strachan
December 14 – Caroline Cates, Jerry Groce
December 15 – Becky Brann, Nathaniel Illsley
December 16 – Jamie Young, Nancy Lee Newell, Brian Lowery
December 18 – Cooper Weinberger, Meg Denton
December 20 – Ernie Jones
December 21 – Clay Tuck
December 22 – Ron Johnson
December 25 – Scott Paith
December 27 – David Lewis
December 28 – Cathy Lowery, Susan Claire Bailey
December 29 – Nannette Carver
December 30 – Will Carver, Gracie Sandy

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

January 01 – Paige Fitzgerald
January 03 – Ben Tillett
January 05 – Linda Mabe
January 09 – Mary Calhoun
January 10 – John Ducker
January 13 – Keith Starr, Morgan Stovall
January 19 – Orion Castelo
January 20 – Tommy Clayton
January 24 – Janet Clayton
January 25 – Deborah Burke, Frances Brown
January 28 – Kyle Gilbert
January 29 – James Mundy
January 30 – Abby Hicks

WE HAVE BEEN ASKED TO SAVE CHRISTMAS CARDS TO SEND TO MURDOCK CENTER IN CREEDMORE FOR CRAFTS.

Please keep the entire card in tack. These patients can not read and it gives them a job by dismantling each card for a craft. Please bring them to the church office the first of 2026 and we will deliver these treasures to Murdock. Thank you!!!!

Below you will find our Long Memorial UMC church family 2025 Christmas Card Exchange List. Please drop your cards off in the designated box in the Narthex.

For the last several years the Long Memorial Christmas card boxes have been a wonderful ministry and also a labor of love. UWF Circle #1 has volunteered the last few years to take on this project so that it may continue.

Please understand, this is an optional activity and you are in no way required to write cards to everyone on the list. These cards should bring joy to you this Christmas season, however, if they do not bring that Christmas "joy," then it is perfectly fine to not participate.

If you would like to participate please drop your cards off in the designated box in the Narthex. Our circle volunteers will handle sorting. We know in years past many wonderful volunteers would often drop by and sort these cards but for now it is our circles goal to handle this for the congregation. If you would love to help, you can contact Ashley Bailey or Jona Fitzgerald and we will fill you in on the details.

Also, cards must be picked up by Sunday, January 4th. All cards that are not picked up and are remaining after that date will be recycled, except for those addressed to our "shut-ins."

Thank you for allowing Circle #1 to share some Christmas spirit with you by continuing this tradition!

- Harriett Adcock
- Barbara Alexander
- Terry & Martha Allen
- Phillip & Felicia Allen
- Robert & Cheryl Allen
- Rev. Julia Alliger & John Ducker
- Jean Andrews
- Lyle & Susie Andrews Ainsworth
- Chris & Laura Atkins & Family
- _____
- Agnes Bacnik
- Steve & Ashley Bailey & Family
- Jay & Amy Bayliff
- Claudia Berryhill
- Rachel Blanchard
- Rick Blanks
- Johnny & Shirley Bradsher
- Wilbur & Becky Brann
- David & Elizabeth Bremer & Family
- Eddie & Linda Bridges
- Frances Brown
- Kayla Brown & Family
- Todd & Kim Bulgrin
- Danny & Gloria Bumpass
- Deborah Burke
- Keith & Lori Burnette
- Martha Butler
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- Mary Calhoun
- Hogan Carringer
- Darnell & Vickie Carver
- Gordon & Kay Carver
- Nannette Carver
- Will & Kim Carver & Family
- Lin & Terri Cates & Family
- Jenna Clayton
- Kevin & Janet Clayton & Family
- Sherry Clayton & Jackson

- Tommy Clayton & Tom Hill Clayton
- Sara Coates
- Nancy Coleman
- Dan & Sam Craig
- Danny Cultra & Deborah Bradsher
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- Bradley & Pam Day
- Nancy Day & Family
- Dolly Denton
- Meg Denton
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- Jackson & Linda Elliott
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- Hunt & Jona Fitzgerald & Family
- Jeff & Paige Fitzgerald
- Tom & Teresa Fitzgerald
- Bo & Laura Freeman
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- Mark & Maxine Galloway
- Woody Garrett
- Rosalie P. Gates
- Casey & Autumn Gentry & Family
- George & Tonya Gentry
- Kyle & Stefanie Gilbert & Family
- Brent & Rachel Groce & Family
- Jerry & Ann Groce
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- Milton & Carol Hadley
- J. Ed & Kathleen Hall
- Corey & Courtney Craig Harding & Family
- John Lacy & Ellen Harris
- Paul & Sammy Helminger
- Susan Hester
- Calvin Hester
- Mark Bowman Hester
- Michael Hester
- Alan & Cindy Hicks
- Jeffrey & Beverly Hicks & Family
- Chuck Higgins & Susan Stedman
- Don & Zandra Hill
- Emily Humphries
- Tommy & Sally Humphries
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- John & Sarah Illsley & Family
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- Ron & Cindy Johnson
- Nathan & Kristen Zang Jones & Family
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- Karen Kerrick
- Ashley Knott & Family
- Jim & Donna Kurst

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- Anna Scott Lawrence
 - David Lewis
 - Janet Lewis
 - Lou Lockhart
 - Tom & Cornelia Loftis
 - Leon & Glenn Long
 - Paul Long
 - Brian & Cathy Lowery

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- Doug & Linda Mabe
- Steve & Loudell Medford
- Ted Michie
- Mike Miller
- Bob & Patti Morgan
- Bob & Bonnie Morningstar

- _____
- Jamie & Connie Mundy
- Kelly Mundy & Family

- _____
- Nancy Lee Newell

- _____
- C.L. & Billie Oakley
- Martha Ann O'Hara
- Leah Owen

- _____
- Scott & Stacey Paith & Family
- Mitch & Debbie Pergerson
- Jean Peterson
- Jim & Anne-Barry Priest
- Ed & Jackie Priestaf

- _____
- Ashley Reed & Family
- Todd & Nina Rhodes & Family

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- Judy Robinson
- Walt & Tracy Rogers & Family

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- Bill & Elizabeth Sabiston
 - Norma Sabiston
 - Eric & Betsy Sandy & Family
 - Paula Gentry Siegel
 - Melissa Shaw
 - Steve & Lori Shull
 - Lonnie & Carol Sieck

- Kenneth & Maribel Strachan & Family
- Keith & Helen Starr
- Mark & Kimberly Stewart
- Jill Strickland & Family
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- Danny Talbert
- Al & Jo Ann Taylor
- Lee & Mitze Thomas
- Stephen & Mary Ann Thomas
- Ben & Harriett Tillett & Family
- Clay & Martha Tuck
- Phyllis Tuck
- Carol Tucker
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- George & Michelle Van Den Driessch & Family
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- Jim & Susan Wade
- Nicky & Jeanne Webster & Family
- Joe & Sharon Weinberger
- Joseph & Lily Weinberger & Family
- Sallie Weinberger
- Bill Westenberger
- Bill & Connee White
- Bob & Susan Wilkerson
- Steve & Cindy Wilkinson
- Janice Wilson
- Lois M. Winstead
- Wayne & Judy Winstead
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- Jamie & Michelle Young & Family
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Preschool Teachers:

Pam Day	Lisa Fie
Sam Craig	Brenda Gomez
Vickie Carver	Carly Moore
Kayla Brown	Tracey O'Briant
Brenda Bittner	Pat Walker
Courtney Martin	Morgan Carter
Jane Woody	Laura Dallas
Sharon Davis	Brittanie Lacks
Courtney Dixon	Cindy Chambers

Merry Christmas!

THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED DECEMBER 24, 25, 26, 29, 30
FOR CHRISTMAS.

THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED JANUARY 1 FOR NEW YEARS.

