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VANDERBURG METHODIST CHURCH CARRYING THE CROSS



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THE HOPE OF GLORY

By Rev. Kari Howard | NC Conference Superintendant

As the North Carolina Conference of the Global Methodist Church, our mission is to make the life of discipleship normative through worship, word, and witness, so that we make disciples of Jesus Christ and spread scriptural holiness across the globe.

As General Conference wrapped up earlier this month, I cannot help but think about the blessings we share in this movement called the Global Methodist Church. I will share just a few here so that we can rejoice in being a part of this Spirit led movement in our day.



To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. Him we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ. Colossians 1:27-28

Making known the riches: Through the Global Methodist Church, God is making known how great “are the riches of the glory” that the Gospel of Jesus Christ is alive and taking root globally. We hold a hope of glory that Jesus Christ is alive and active in ways and places far beyond our imagination.

Local Application: We are striving in North Carolina to live as disciples who worship the Lord in fullness, growing in relationship with God through Jesus Christ and filled with the Spirit. Him in us is the hope of glory. Let’s live in and encourage one another in worship and awe of our God who is over all the Church. We are His.

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Him we proclaim: The Gospel message is true and affirmed at General Conference. We affirmed a unified Articles of Faith. This document adopted overwhelmingly will “prescribe the normative doctrinal standards of the Global Methodist Church.” We agree that these are “affirmed by Scripture and shall be taught in our churches...” We know what we believe about our Triune God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. We also affirm what we believe, and will preach, teach, guard and defend about the word of God: “Scripture is true in all it affirms and entirely trustworthy and the only infallible rule of faith and practice.”

Local Application: The NC mission directs us to be disciples who are shaped by the scriptures. Let’s study the word of God, not just for information and inspiration but for application and transformation!

Teaching to compel maturity in Christ: How we live out what we believe in the GMC matters. We affirmed our General Rules in a contemporary expression. As Methodists in the world today, we are accountable disciples and we also believe as John Wesley taught: there is no holiness but social holiness. Among the beauty of our Social Witness we voted to approve language to “Protect the Unborn and the Mother.” We believe in the sanctity of human life.

Local Application: As disciples of Jesus Christ, how we live in this world and speak our values gives a witness to those around us. Every disciple has a testimony that points others to a relationship with and life in Jesus Christ.

Worship the Lord.

Study the word.

Be a witness of the gospel.

Make Disciples.

Spread scriptural holiness.

This is our calling. This is our mission.



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each week on our YouTube
channel
[@vanderburgchurch1809](https://www.youtube.com/vanderburgchurch1809) or
stream it later in the week on
our website.

CIRCLE OF FRIENDS

The Circle of Friends met Monday September 14 delayed in honor of the Labor Day Holiday with 12 ladies in attendance. The meeting was called to order with Psalm 46:1. Scrumptious refreshments provided by Melissa and Sheridan Fulbright were enjoyed by all during the devotional presented by Jeanne Miller. The focus was on evangelism.

The Craft banner by The Pardew's was installed. September Birthdays were recognized of Sherry Armstrong, Stacey Pierce and Cindy Rodden. A Craft Fair update was provided with 24 paid tables and breakfast to be sold at: sausage biscuit or sausage gravy \$3, coffee and orange juice for \$1. Specialty coffees are offered at separate pricing. Additional tables and tents if needed are available by Tommy Carriker. All members are providing baked goods for sale.

The Senior appreciation lunch was discussed with plans made for grocery shopping, prep, decorations and cooking.

Our next meeting is Monday October 5 at 6:30 pm. Please note that with our next meeting November 2, we'll gather at 6:00 pm due to the time change.

Blessings to all,

Stacey Pierce

MEETING

Mon. Oct. 5 | 6:30 PM
Jack Overcash Fellowship Hall

The Circle of Friends women's group that meets monthly to enjoy a time of fellowship, ministry and prayer. They are integral to the mission of the church, and you will find them at work at most every church event.



VANDERBURG WELCOMES YOU

**CRAFT
FAIR**

Proceeds Support Local
Organizations

OCT 17 8:00 am - 1:00 pm

VANDERBURG MC

Like, Follow & Share!

For everyone with FaceBook, you can find the Craft Fair event on the Vanderburg Church Facebook page. Please help us get the word out by liking, sharing and inviting your friends to attend!

JOIN US FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Sunday School 9:00 AM hour offers classes for all ages! Choose from any of these classes geared to help you dig deeper in the Word!



We need volunteers to serve as the Safe Sanctuary person in the kids Sunday School class. We just need your presence. You will not have to help with the class or prepare a lesson. If enough are willing to serve, a schedule will be made. Thank you, Lynn Neill, Debbie Walker, and Crystal Davis for helping!



As a church, we need to have a nursery available for visitors as well as church members. See Susan Fogleman if you are interested in helping with this ministry. The service is streamed live, for nursery workers to enjoy.



The Young Adult class is growing! The class has moved to Room 107. All are invited to be part of this group.

CHILDREN & PRE-TEEN



Our children use the series All-in-One Sunday School, designed for preschool-12 yrs old. The teachers have enjoyed combining the classes and learning together.

All children are welcome each Sunday. You will find them in room 111.

Susan Fogleman and Sarah Davis will be joining the team to rotate teachers. This will allow for teachers to have the opportunity to enjoy being a part of a Sunday School class or take some needed time of rest. If you feel led to stop by and give the leaders a hand, they would appreciate it!

Thank you for being God's guiding light, transforming the world through God's unconditional love.

YOUNG ADULT CLASS

It is such a blessing to see that our new Young Adult class is going well. They are using the Lifeway Bible Study.

We have seven that have been attending. Please invite others.

The class meets in room 107, and all young adult singles and couples are invited.

BOB COMBS CLASS

The Bob Combs Class offers a quarterly curriculum for older adults 60+. Dig deeper into Scripture with the Bible Studies for Life, a resource featuring in-depth Bible exposition on the passages studied in this book.

They are led by Mark & Nancy Brawley & Susan Fogleman and meet in room 102.

CHRISTIAN OUTREACH

The Christian Outreach Class chooses a variety of topics; from Word studies on Bible Books or deciding on a study by a respected teacher. The group is made up of all age Adults.

They are lead by Marguerite Beyerle and Bradley Mills and meet in room 110.

ADULT BIBLE CLASS

The Adult Bible Class offers a quarterly curriculum for adult men and women. The study offers opportunities to deeper explore the truths found in God's Word.

Many help facilitate the weekly discussions and lessons. You can find them in room 104.

MISSION OUTREACH



SUPPORTING SAMARITAN'S PURSE

Samaritan's Purse is a nondenominational evangelical Christian organization providing spiritual and physical aid to hurting people around the world. Since 1970, Samaritan's Purse has helped meet needs of people who are victims of war, poverty, natural disasters, disease, and famine with the purpose of sharing God's love through His Son, Jesus Christ. The organization serves the Church worldwide to promote the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Vanderburg Methodist Church supports the work of these ministries through its budgeted bi-monthly giving, support and prayers. You'll also find our Vanderburg Methodist Men and Circle of Friends making regular donations to these and other worthwhile organizations locally, regionally and globally.

Through the work of Preacher Buddy's personal ministry, Sons of Thunder, we are connected to Haiti and the work of Mr. Robert Pierre, who is sharing the love of Christ and teaching the gospel to Haitian children and adults.

Supporting FeedNC

FeedNC is a nonprofit organization serving Iredell and surrounding counties by creating connections to food, education, and resources as a catalyst for change. Through innovative programs—including our Grassroots Grocery, community dining, workforce development, food rescue, and outreach initiatives—we work alongside our neighbors to address food insecurity while building pathways toward long-term stability.

Supporting Christian Mission

The Christian Mission exists to break the cycle of poverty by providing crisis assistance, case management, educational programming, and community engagement.

FROM THE CHURCH CALENDAR

WEEKLY WORSHIP

Vanderburg offers 2 weekly worship services on Sunday.

8:00 A.M.

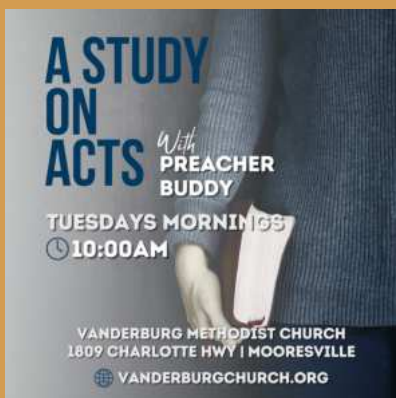
Early Worship Service

(no 8:00 A.M. service on the first Sunday.)

10:00 AM

Traditional Worship Service

Acts Bible Study resumes on Tuesday morning, Sept. 1 at 10:00 AM. It's not too late to join the group!



EVERY FIRST SUNDAY



OCTOBER

5

The Outreach Team will meet on Mon. Oct. 5 at 5:30 PM in the Adult Bible Classroom.

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The Circle of Friends will meet for their scheduled fellowship meeting on Mon. Oct. 5 at 6:30 PM in the Jack Overcash Fellowship Hall. Women of all ages are welcome!

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The Vanderburg Methodist Men meet for their scheduled breakfast meeting on Sun. Oct. 11 at 7:00 AM in the Jack Overcash Fellowship Hall. All are welcome!

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The Trustees will meet for the scheduled bi-monthly meeting on Tue. Oct. 13 at 6:30 PM

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The Circle of Friends Craft Fair will be held Oct. 17 starting at 8:30 AM.

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Pre-School Fundraiser will be held at Randy's BBQ in Statesville between 4-8:00PM.

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Trunks & Treats community event will be held on Sun. Oct. 25 between 4-6:00 PM. All are welcome!

CHOIR ON WEDNESDAYS

Want to share your talent with the church? You are welcomed in the Vanderburg Choir! See Mrs. Brenda Byrd to let her know of your interest.



SPECIAL CELEBRATIONS



- 2 - Jenna Stutts & Joey Peltier
- 3 - Ivan Bowers, Cashion Fulbright & Ashley Pulver
- 4 - Wayne Sherrill
- 6 - Mark Brawley & David Steelman
- 8 - Cindy Pardew & Caroline Hayes
- 9 - Kevin Hunsucker & Jerry Smith
- 12 - Sheila Moore & Austin Davis
- 15 - Linda Wilhelm
- 16 - Ashley Brooks & Lily Blevins
- 18 - Kristi Overcash & Stephanie Johnson
- 20 - Katherine West
- 22 - Madison Ketchie & Stefanie Neill
- 23 - Nora Smith
- 24 - Dana Beaver & Tricia Freeze
- 26 - Heather Hunsucker
- 27 - Gene Brawley
- 28 - Paul Neill & Debbie Walker
- 29 - Amber Church
- 30 - Luke Brown



October 1

James & Shannon Waggoner

October 2

Wayne & Tonya Neill

October 9

Joe & Karen Peltier

October 11

Buddy & Monte Compton

October 15

Chauncey & Cindy Rodden

Billy & Pam Benfield

October 24

Tony & Susan Fogleman

NEWS & UPCOMING EVENTS

CHIME UPGRADE PROJECT COMPLETE!

by Eric Brawley

Over the course of the last several months, the Vanderburg Methodist Men have been working on upgrade of the chimes after determining the equipment was well-past it's prime.

The chimes core audio equipment & speakers were replaced, and they are working well again. Those in the area can hear them at 12 PM & 6 PM!

Many kudos & thanks go out to generous anonymous donations from members of the congregation, donations received from the fundraiser dinner, as well as the Methodist Men, for helping to get the 30+ year old equipment replaced.

SENIOR APPRECIATION LUNCHEON A SUCCESS!



On Sat. Sept. 26, the Circle of Friends hosted their annual Senior Appreciation Luncheon for members 75+ and their guest. The meal included baked potatoes with a variety of toppings, along with salad, rolls, beverages and dessert.

Following the delicious meal, door prizes were drawn. Nancy Brawley and Sherry Armstrong shared some church history and encouraged everyone to write down their memories growing up that would be beneficial to future generations. It was such a wonderful opportunity to serve and celebrate this special group of individuals and they appreciated all that attended!





VANDERBURG CHURCH

VANDERBURG'S TRUNKS & TREATS

SHARE THE LOVE OF GOD

October 25
4:00 PM
6:00 PM

Join Vanderburg Church for an afternoon of family fun! Everyone is welcome to enjoy fresh **hot dogs**, **fellowship**, and **trick-or-treating** for the kids in a fun, safe environment.

Trunks full of treats and hearts full of God's love!

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FINANCES



2027 Budget

The Finance Committee met on Tue. Sept. 15 to prepare the 2027 Budget. After evaluating

requests from different teams and committees, a budget of \$285,345 was approved and forwarded to the Administrative Council on Sept. 22 for approval. After discussion, no changes were made and the budget was approved by Council. Final approval will come at Charge Conference scheduled for Nov. 4.

Copies of the 2027 Budget can be picked-up from the Church Office after Charge Conference, and any questions, can be directed to Linda Wilhelm, Finance Committee Chair.

Sept. Financial Snapshot

Tithes & Offerings	\$ 15,415
Expenses	\$ 10,198
Budgeted per Month	\$ 21,996
YTD Offering	\$ 155,452

Monthly Finance Reports can be found in the Narthex the first Sunday of each month. All questions can be directed to the Finance Chair, Linda Wilhelm.

If mailing your Tithes and Offerings, please send to:



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Give, and it will be given
to you. A good amount will be
poured into your lap. It will be
pressed down, shaken together, and
running over. The same amount you
give will be measured out to you."

LUKE 6:38 NIRV

UPCOMING MEETINGS

The Administrative Council meets bi-monthly during the odd months. Anyone is welcome to attend the meetings, but only members are allowed to vote.

If you have any questions or concerns you would like to pass on to the council, please reach out to Pastor Buddy Compton or Chair, Greg Whitfield.

Administrative Council Members

The following individuals serve Vanderburg as a member of the Administrative Council. Their service to the church is greatly appreciated!

Pastor - Buddy Compton
Chair - Greg Whitfield
Vice Chair - Dwight Neill
Lay Leader - John Beyerle
Lay Annual Conf. Delegate - Brenda Byrd
Council & Finance Secretary (non-voting) - Jill Lowe
Trustee Chair - David Edmonds
SPRC Chair - Kevin Winecoff
Finance Chair - Linda Wilhelm
Treasurer - Kay Edmonds
Parsonage Chair - Jeanne Miller
Sunday School Superintendent - Susan Fogleman
Scholarship Chair - Greg Whitfield
Membership Secretary - Kay Edmonds
Circle of Friends President - Stacey Pierce
Methodist Men President - Bradley Mills
At Large Members - Frankie Sue Coleman & Tommy Carriker

Due to the Thanksgiving holiday, the Administrative Council will meet on Tue. Nov. 17 | 6:30 PM

ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MEETING SEPT. 22, 2026



The Administrative Council met Tue. Sept. 22 at 6:30PM in the Jack Overcash Fellowship Hall. There were 11 council members & 1 non-voting members present. Following an opening prayer by Preacher Buddy, and approval of the Aug. minutes, the following committees reported. The full minutes are available from the church office.

Vanderburg Methodist Men reported by Bradley Mills

A Golf Tournament is being planned for Spring, 2027 and the VMM will host the annual Thanksgiving Meal the Sunday before Thanksgiving. Boston Butts will be offered again in December.

Circle of Friends reported by Stacey Pierce

Craft Fair is coming together with 20+ vendors, Basket Raffles, Bake Sale. They look to have 35-40 for the Senior Appreciation Luncheon. The meeting time for their monthly fellowship will change to a start time of 6:00 PM beginning in Nov.

Vanderburg Preschool No report

Preacher Buddy shares that they would like to soon start offering to pray with the parents in the Preschool pick-up line.

Sunday School No report

SPRC

reported by Kevin Winecoff
They will have a called meeting soon to continue to work on 2027 Leadership. Charge Conference is scheduled for Nov. 4.

Scholarship No report.

Membership

reported by Kay Edmonds

Current membership is 337. Baptized non-professing membership is currently 72.

Parsonage

reported by Jeanne Miller

Blinds are needed in several rooms.

Trustees reported by David Edmonds

A roofer is coming this week to fix the leak in the Narthex. They reviewed quotes to add security cameras and onsite monitoring. Due to costs, they will not proceed. Costs for home security plans are more reasonable, so the Trustees will explore those options. The new lights poles at the road and in the courtyard look and are working great. Working with the Finance Comm., our insurance policy is being evaluated by 2 different companies in order to make the best decision for the policy renewal for 2026-27. We met with a representative of the Girl Scout organization and a motion carried to approve them to meet 2 Saturdays/month in the Scout Hut.

Outreach - No Report.

Finance reported by Linda Wilhem

The 2027 Budget was reviewed by the Council. Specific changes were noted and discussion followed. A motion was made and approved for the 2027 Budget to be accepted.

Pastors Report by Preacher Buddy

Discussed average attendance of the early service. Continuing to get feedback from attendees. Will have a combined Sunday each 1st Sunday for Communion. Plans continue for a Spring Outreach to include other GMC's from Mooresville, singers, flyers, dancers and more.





Vanderburg Church Preschool

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Directors: Susan Fogleman & Angelene Nelson



IMPORTANT!



Oct. 9: Shepherd Fire Dept. Visit

**NO
SCHOOL**

Oct. 12: Teacher Workday (no school)



Oct. 30: Preschool Trunk or Treat

Preschool News

Our first field trip of the year was a huge success. The kids and adults had a great time. The day was perfect with Carolina blue skies and cool crisp weather.

Please join the preschool staff at Randy's BBQ in Statesville on October 20 for our first fundraiser of the year. Enjoy great food and delicious baked goods. We would appreciate your support.

Dan Nicholas Park



SUPPORT VMC'S PRESCHOOL

RANDY'S BBQ

FUNDRAISER & BAKE SALE

Come eat delicious BBQ, fixin's, and dessert to support: **Vanderburg Methodist Church's Preschool!**

Dine-In or Take-Out
Cash or Check ONLY*

Take-Out: (704) 873-4444

Tuesday, October 20th
4:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Randy's Address:
213 Salisbury Rd.
Statesville, NC 28677



THANKSGIVING DINNER

The Vanderburg Methodist Men welcomes
you for the annual Thanksgiving dinner.

Sun. Nov. 22 | 6:00PM

Jack Overcash Fellowship Hall



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TO: