

**MARK YOUR  
CALENDARS**

- **March 1**  
Young at Heart  
12 noon in  
Evans Hall
- **March 9 Ash**  
Wednesday  
Lent begins
- **March 13**  
9am Miller  
Class Breakfast  
Evans Hall
- **March 28**  
7pm Church  
Council  
Evans Hall

# Hawthorne Happenings

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## Visioning Steering Committee Starts Work

The steering committee appointed last year to lead Hawthorne Lane's 2011 visioning process has begun its work. The goal is to adopt a four-year action plan focused on how the church can best meet the needs of its members and its community as it approaches its 100th anniversary in 2015.

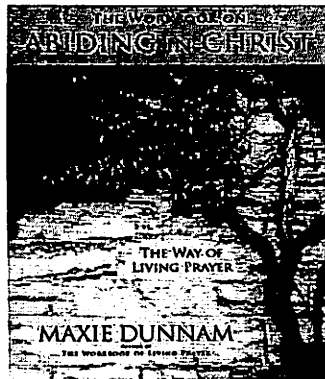
In their first two meetings, committee members have agreed on a series of steps which will involve the entire congregation in drawing up the new plan. While many details are yet to be resolved, it is expected the process will include a "town hall" meeting of the congregation, a number of small group discussions, and a retreat in which a final draft of the plan will be discussed. Prior to the town hall meeting, church members will be asked for input on matters to be discussed in the meeting.

Members of the steering committee are Jerry Adams, Jim Evans, Mendy Godman, Bill Horton, Tommy Lawing, Jr., Joe Rempson, Sewell Spradlin, Pastor Andrew Brown, Pastor Terri Vilagos, and Chairman Russ Ford.

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## Lenten Study - Abiding in Christ



*"Christianity is Christ. He came not only to save us from our sins, but to be an indwelling presence to shape us into his likeness."*

Lent begins March 9, 2011. You are invited to join in a Lenten study this year. During the 40 days leading up to Easter, the people of Hawthorne Lane Church, along with our friends and neighbors, have a great opportunity to discover more about what it means to "Abide in Christ". The Abiding in Christ workbook costs \$12 and will be available in the church office. Please email [info@hlumc.org](mailto:info@hlumc.org) OR call 704.332.8131 to reserve a copy.



**THE ELIZABETH  
COMMUNITIES  
OF FAITH**

Hawthorne Lane Church is again participating in the Elizabeth Community's Wednesday noon Lenten programs. This year the services will be held here at Hawthorne Lane Church. Each Wednesday a different area pastor will bring a message. As in last year's services, there will be music before noon, a short devotional program at noon, and a soup lunch at 12:30, provided by area restaurants. Your \$5 lunch cost goes entirely to the Salvation Army Women's Shelter at Caldwell.

## Children and Youth

### Preschool Scholastic Book Fair



The Book Fair is scheduled to run March 14th-18th before and after preschool (8:45-9:30 am & 12:30-1:30pm) and also Sunday 13th

and Sunday 20th after service (12:00-1:00pm) and will be held in the Preschool Office/Resource Room. Books can be purchased for children, make great gifts, or can even be purchased then donated to the school using the teachers' Wish Lists! Please contact Christina Oneal or Lisa VanNote if there are any questions or if more information is needed.

#### Children's Fellowship in March

Saturday, March 12: 9am-noon—Garden  
 Sunday, March 13: 5-7pm—Lent  
 Saturday, March 19: 9am-noon—Garden  
 Sunday, March 27: 5-7pm—Respect

### Youth Plant Sale



The annual youth plant sale is right around the corner. Please consider purchasing your spring plants from the HLUMC Youth. This fundraiser will help offset the cost of our summer mission trip to Washington, D.C. Order forms will be available in the church office or from any of your favorite youth. The plant sale will occur on Saturday April 9th, 2011. All order forms need to be in by Sunday April 3rd, 2011.

### Parents Night Out Saturday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>

5:00pm-10:00pm  
 Infants-5<sup>th</sup> grade  
 Dinner provided

Visitors welcome, tell your friends and neighbors  
 Registration forms available on the information table and in the children's area

*Sponsored by HLUMC Youth  
 Proceeds go to Youth Mission Trip*

Vacation Bible School:  
 June 27—July 2  
 9:00 am - 12 noon

Save the date:  
**HLUMC**  
**Music Camp**  
**July 11-15**  
 9am - 3pm

End of Camp Show and dinner:  
 Friday, July 15  
 6:00 pm

For children and youth rising 1<sup>st</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade

*Registration forms on the information table*

Pot Sunday

March 20, 2011

Recipient:  
 Urban Ministries

## 2010 Annual Report of the Permanent Endowment Fund

Portfolio Mix (on 12/31/2010):

73% Fixed Income  
 27% Value Equities

Market Value (on 12/31/2010):

\$539,255

Annual Gain:

\$ 10,888 (2.1%)

Expenses:

\$ 60

Contributions received (by 12/31/2010):

\$ 0

Disbursements:

\$ 15,389

New Tile Flooring, Children's Ed. Building

The Permanent Endowment Fund supports the ministry of our church by making priority upgrades to the facility while preserving the principal endowment investment. Your continued prayers and gifts are needed and very much appreciated. God bless.

*Bill Horton*



**Gifts Were Given in Memory of:**

**Lucille Wiley Hancock Barclay** by Jim & Sheila Evans, Mr. & Mrs. Robert M. Clarkson, Virginia W. Clarkson

**Georgie Thomas** by Al & Bobbie Davis

**Agnes & Frank Tucker** by Al & Bobbie Davis

**Marion A. Otterbourg** by Peggy Otterbourg

**Vonnie Southern** by Nancy McCorkle

**Call Me Service**

Do you receive a phone call from your church at 9:15 every Thursday morning? Almost 100 of your friends do.

Originally implemented in 2006 for emergency & inclement weather notifications to our members who didn't have quick or easy access to the internet or e-mail, HLUMC's Call Me Service is now one of our church's primary means of communications.

What is the Call Me Service? Basically, it's a telephone service which can deliver the same 90-second message to everyone simultaneously.

How does it work? On Tuesday afternoon, Tommy Lawing Jr picks up a draft copy of the next Sunday's bulletin from the Church Office, adds any announcement requests from various leaders and writes the script. It is recorded and sent to your phone at 9:15am Thursday mornings.

HLUMC's Call Me Service is an opt-in service which means we have the express permission from each person who is called.

If you're not already a Call Me subscriber and would like to receive our 90-second Call Me announcements every Thursday morning, just call Dawn or drop her an e-message at 704-332-8131 or drevere@hlumc.org.

**Thank You!**

The Trustees would like to thank Sylvia and Buddy Walker for donating the money that was used to renovate the lounge bathrooms. This was an area that was in desperate need of repairs and updating. There are so many areas of the church that need our attention, but due to other financial commitments we are not able to make the changes. Trustees are always grateful for your gifts of time and commitment to projects at Hawthorne Lane.

- 1 - Wes Lawing
- 2 - Gwen Gardner, Tom Weaver
- 3 - Heather Weeks, Linda Sloan, Teresa Brantley, Connie Thomas, David Thomas, Raelana Poteat, Jessica McCoy
- 4 - Doug Riepe, Regan Godman, Edward Watnik
- 6 - Bill Smith, Jenni Jackson, Amy Stockwell, Ben Helms
- 7 - Jann Kilgo, William Durham Walters IV, Ruby Lopez-Snow
- 8 - Katrina Dell, Logan Godman
- 9 - Nancy Haines
- 10 - Peggy Otterbourg, April Walker
- 11 - June Love, Susie Thomas, Darlene Dorsey
- 12 - Tricia Timmons
- 13 - Michael Soltys, Bryon Hinson, Theresa Brunken, Patrick Wright
- 15 - Don Poteat, Cortney Dillard, Lily O'Keefe
- 16 - Betty Werts, Bruce Fisher, Kate Franklin
- 18 - Sarah Flanagan, Cole Rempson
- 19 - Cammie Brantley
- 20 - Betty Gilliam, Bill Horton
- 21 - Kristin Hopkins
- 22 - Gordon Broome, Gwen Hoover
- 25 - Lila Stockwell
- 26 - Colleen Smith
- 27 - Ellen Otterbourg, Betty Haywood, Joe Rempson
- 28 - Faye Armstrong, Rhyne Franklin
- 29 - Cindy Schuster
- 30 - Christina Oneal, Melissa Cole
- 31 - Patrick Mast, Allyson Martin, Jenny LaBrosse



**Hawthorne Lane Church Hero of the Month**

**Jim Evans**

Jim is a very caring person who has faithfully served this church for decades, and has played an invaluable role in "raising" many young people.

*You may nominate a Hero for April by filling out a form and putting it in the ballot box in the Sanctuary (near the 8th Street entrance.)*

# Serving Joyfully in March

Dates	Acolytes	Nursery Volunteers	Snack Supper Providers
3/6	Avery Rempson Ellie VanNote	Sylvia Walker Patrick Mast Elizabeth LaBrosse Kerri Mast Gena Horton Buddy Walker *Joe Rempson	Beatty/Pearson (Youth only)
3/13	Jenna Love Lawson Stanley	Anja Workman Rodd Workman Heather Weeks Jason Weeks Blaine Johnson Ruth Stilwell *Kristen Kouri	Dagenhart (children & youth)
3/20	Evan Workman Gray Workman	Sylvia Caldwell Mendy Godman Doug Fowler Carl Godman Sam Hinson Kris Dell *Lisa VanNote	Monaghan (Youth only)
3/27	Olivia Weaver Katrina Dell	Mary Rush Rachel Rempson Leo Theriault Shelly Theriault Tressa Rush Joe Rempson *Robin Conrad	Brown (children & youth)

\* on call (check in and get pager)

**Ushers and Greeters:** Jenni Jackson, Tim Armstrong, Lynn and Chris Moore, Jonah Brown, Chris Spradlin, Julie Johnson

**Loaves & Fishes**  
*Priority Needs for March*

**Canned Meat**  
**100% Juice**

**The Church Office is open**  
Monday - Friday 9 am - 3pm  
Church Phone 704-332-8131  
Church Fax 704-332-8129  
Website [www.hlumc.org](http://www.hlumc.org)

## Financial Corner

DATE	OFFERING RECEIVED	BUDGET AMOUNT NEEDED TO DATE	BUDGET AMOUNT REC'D TO DATE	(UNDER)/OVER	
1/2/2011	\$4,568	\$2,588	\$4,568	\$1,981	
1/9/2011	\$5,857	\$11,645	\$10,425	(\$1,220)	
1/16/2011	\$4,218	\$20,702	\$14,643	(\$6,059)	
1/23/2011	\$4,034	\$29,759	\$18,677	(\$11,082)	
1/30/2011	\$13,984	\$38,816	\$32,661	(\$6,155)	
					<b>"3FloorsUp" Renovation Project</b>
					Congregational Support / Pledges \$135,138
					As of 1/30/2011 Received to Date \$113,138

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