



# LWMC SHORELINES

MAY 2024

*Sailing on the  
Winds of the  
Spirit*

## Pastor Chris Eason

I can't believe we are about to step into summer soon! As we look around us we see so much growth during this time of year. Everything is growing and blooming, wildlife is abundant, and the beauty of our area is inspiring to everyone. Seeing that growth reminds me of a scripture 1 Timothy 4:15, "Practice these things, immerse yourself in them, so that all may see your progress". This scripture is a reminder of spiritual growth as a Christian. Much like the beautiful growth we see in flowers, "practicing these things" means for us to continually be active in discipleship through prayer, worship, Bible study, and fellowship. This establishes a strong root system in our faith. As we "immerse ourselves" we are reminded to continually feed and water our faith to maintain growth.



Finally, "so that all may see your progress" means we have to share with others. We are called to invite others directly through our discipleship vows, but they will also see our love of Christ through our actions. We are so blessed to have a loving church family that loves God and shows it through our actions. Let us continue to do so as we spread the Gospel together. God bless you!

## MEMORY VERSE OF THE MONTH

Genesis 6:8 (NKJV)

But Noah found grace in the  
eyes of the Lord!





## Be Strong and Courageous by Jeanne Gore

“Be strong and courageous. Do not be terrified; do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go. Joshua 1:9

Joshua 1:9 has seen me through many anxious moments through the years. Nothing has caused me more stress and anxiety than our recent move from our home of thirty nine years to Lake Waccamaw. My husband and I had prayed about it and felt it was what God wanted us to do.

As is often the case when making huge decisions, seeds of doubt tend to creep in. Packing up some coffee mugs for the move, I found myself asking if we were doing the right thing. In the cabinet I came across a blue index card on which I had typed this verse. I felt instant calming and assurance that our path was sure.

The day of closing I stopped at a light on the way to the bank. The HOPE radio host was reading and commenting on a scripture, Joshua 1:9. Sometimes we really do need frequent reminders of God's presence!

The reassurance did not end there. Later the same day the realtor called to tell us the new owner was having trouble activating the TV/Internet service, even though I had placed the cancellation a week before. I called Spectrum and spoke with an extremely pleasant and efficient young man. As we ended the call, I thanked him and asked his name. “Joshua.” “Oh, my goodness, Joshua 1:9 is one of my favorite Bible verses!” I told him. Joshua said his parents had a plaque with that verse on it which hung in their home as he was growing up.

God's word and promises are timeless. Centuries ago, His words fortified Joshua as he led the Israelites across the Jordan River into Canaan. The words have been implanted into the mind and heart of a young man as he navigates this tough world. His words continue to give me the reassurance I need to move ahead into uncharted territory.

*Dear God, thank you for giving us Scriptures to meet our every need and to direct us in the path we should go. Amen*





## YOUTH SUNDAY

Our Youth shine for Jesus to the world as they lead worship services! Pray for our youth as they end another school year!

### *Youth Leaders:*

**Kristin Pierce, Christy Babson, Hope High Jeana McDuffie, Sharon Zickafoose, Brianna Monroe**

Joshua: I'm a junior at CCCA early college, working on my welding and transfer degree. I work at Dale's Seafood while doing an internship at a metal fabricating shop. I'm a Boy Scout, working on my Eagle project at the lake!



William: I'm in ECHS Marching Band, FFA, and Boy Scouts. I like music. I play soccer and golf.



Danica: I am a junior & cheerleader at ECHS. I am in Junior Beta Club and do Landjudging. My favorite thing to say is "precious!"

Natalee: I'm in the 7th grade. I love cheerleading for ECHS



Levi: I'm a senior at ECHS. I play 4 instruments & played football. I'm in National Beta Club and Honor Society.



Sara: I attend ECHS. I play soccer & tennis. I'm an officer in FFA. I love going to NC State games and being with my family!

Gracie: I play drums at ECHS and I like UCONN!



Thank you to our children and youth for sharing their message with us.

Gracelyn Babson, Kynleigh Pierce, Bailey Wooten, Kamryn Pierce, Maggie Wooten, Greyson Mabe, Molly Mabe, Erin Mabe, Maggie Kern, Max Stone, Anna Stone

Levi Zickafoose, Sara Sessions, Joshua Glover, Will McDuffie, Eli Williamson, Danica Kern, Gracie Williamson, Natalee Kern



# Youth Leaders' "WHY!"

Brianna Monroe



For me, leading youth is a way to give back and be the person for them that I needed at that age. Being a teenager is tough, but it's nice to know that someone can relate to you and understand what it feels like. I always looked forward to youth group growing up, it does make an impact. And teaching them how to be good leaders, with a strong faith, in their community is something they will take with them well past youth.

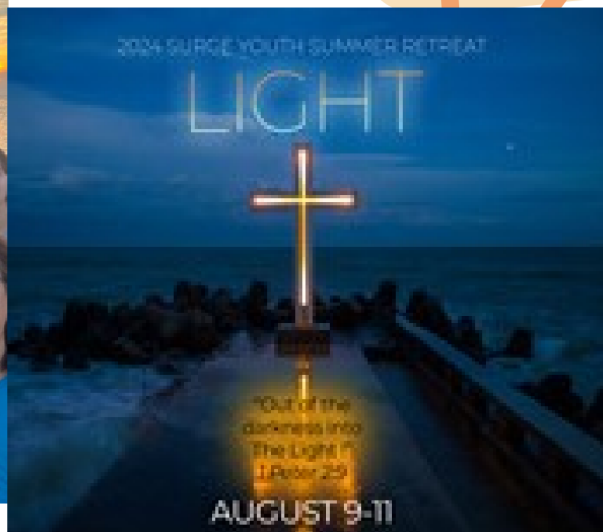
Sharon Zuckafoose

I love being a youth leader for the same reasons I am still teaching beyond retirement. Young people keep me young! I love having the honor and opportunity to guide young people in their faith journey, help them build character and help others!

Jeana McDuffie

I feel led to youth ministry to help guide our young people to become outstanding community leaders. There are so many negative influences in our world today and I would like youth group to be a positive experience. I can remember how I appreciated my youth leaders when I was a teenager, Mark and Jodi Council. Building the youth of our nation up is so important.

## SURGE 2023



**SURGE 2024** is coming soon! Pastor Chris is a co-founder and will be leading worship. Invite a friend--registration is due by May 21st. See Jeana McDuffie or Pastor Chris for more information



### What?

Whiteville Parks and Recreation is inviting you to participate in a chronic disease prevention program. Adults and older adults will be educated on the benefits of healthy lifestyle change through the 6 content areas below. Each session will include a recreational activity that encourages movement through daily tasks.

### Why it Matters?

Increased prevalence of chronic conditions and decreased availability to necessary resources continue to be a growing issue in Columbus County, North Carolina. This program aims to provide accessible health promotion services to the broader community for improved lifestyle habits and routines.

### What to Expect?

- 01 What is Chronic Disease?
- 02 Physical Activity
- 03 Nutrition
- 04 Self-Management
- 05 Environmental Adaptations
- 06 Occupational Performance

### Where and When?

Whiteville Parks and Recreation  
155 Rec Center Drive, Whiteville, NC 28472

May 20th - June 24, 2024  
Mondays from 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm



Together, we can make a difference. Join Whiteville Parks and Recreation and be part of the solution. Together, let's enhance occupational performance through preventative measures.



155 Rec Center Dr.  
Whiteville, NC 28472



910-642-9052



Whiteville Parks and  
Recreation



[kcarroll@whitevillenc.org](mailto:kcarroll@whitevillenc.org)

I will be present at each session to provide relevant knowledge on occupational therapy's role in chronic disease prevention and management, as well as motivate participants to be active agents of change.



KELSEY CARROLL

## KELSEY CARROLL

I will be graduating in August, 2024 with my Doctorate in Occupational Therapy. Following graduation, I will be working in Fayetteville at RDL Outpatient Therapeutic Services working with a variety of populations. Throughout this academic program, I have completed advanced research on diabetes across the lifespan. Like most people, I have seen the struggle of living with diabetes through relatives, peers, and clients. The aim of this program is to encourage adults and older adults to educate themselves on the importance of healthy lifestyle habits, roles, and routines. The program will incorporate physical activity opportunities, as well as appropriate nutrition and self-management strategies to improve the quality of occupational participation. I hope to empower individuals to take advantage of available resources in the community for better health outcomes.



# NEW MEMBERS

LWMC rejoices as our family in Christ grows! As in our commitment to God and His Church, please lift our newest members up through your prayers, encouragement, and discipleship!

**Madison Carroll Ward Matthew and Savana Caison, Sharon Conner, William Council, Kristine Eason, Ruby Eason, Kim, Channing and Joshua Glover, Karl Less, Renee Pierce, Anna Stone**



## SAFETY OFFICER

*Waccamaw Christian Missions, Inc completes first service project!*

Nathan & Don hard at work!

Billy says, "I'm not in charge!"  
Hmmm....:)  
Your paragraph text



**Huge THANKS to all the volunteers, including the LW Women for providing Lunch! Stay tuned for the next service opportunity. Everyone can do something!**

