

Christian Church
(Disciples of Christ)
in North Carolina

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Update

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2018 Summer Camp Schedule for Camp Caroline:





A Clergy 'In-Service' Event Friday-Saturday January 26th & 27th, 2018.

Camp Caroline

This retreat/worship planning event is open to any who wish to come, but is centered and focused on ministers serving in a congregational setting (and others who plan worship).

Rev. Melinda W. McDonald and writer/theologian Susan Haney will be facilitating a study of Lenten and Easter texts with an eye toward worship and sermon preparation. There will be large group time, small groups time, and unstructured time for us to immerse ourselves as well as breathe again.

The final cost has not been set as requests are going out to local congregations and districts to help fund the event.

More information will follow in November.

Peace, Rev. David S. Kays revdskays@gmail.com Hookerton District Minister's Alliance

Upcoming Events in the Region

Oct. 29 - Ordination of Verna Daye at St. James Church of Christ (Disciples of Christ) Fremont, NC at 4:00 pm

Oct. 30 - Sharp lecture at Barton College 7:00 pm

Nov 4 - Sisters Are Jewels Brunch at Print Works Bistro, Greensboro at 11:15

 School for Congregational Leaders St. Paul Christian Church, Raleigh 9:00am

Nov. 7 - Hookerton district Clergy at Aiden at 6:00 pm

Nov. 11 - School for Congregational Leaders St. Paul Christian Church, Raleigh 9:00am

Nov. 25 - Ordination of Tom Millay, Chapel Hill (to be held at Brinkley Baptist Church)

Nov. 26 – Ordination of Melissa Loy Guthrie at First Christian in Greensboro at 4:00pm



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At the 2017 General Assembly in Indianapolis, IN, Disciples served in many ways. One of those mission projects was constructing panels for a Habitat for Humanity home. After the Assembly, these panels were transported to the Indiana State Fairgrounds, where more volunteers completed the project. Just recently, the full structure was moved to the foundation site, and completed for local homeowner Sebastian Quintero, a student at Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis, who wanted to use the home to provide a place for his mother to live, following his father's recent death.

Giving through September from North Carolina congregations to **Disciples Mission Fund**, is up 5.7 % compared to last year. This helps all the ministries we do together.

Week of Compassion giving from North Carolina so far this year is approximately \$125,000.



Interim Regional Minister Resigns

I have written to the Regional Executive and the Regional Board that I am concluding my ministry with the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in North Carolina on November 8. Here are a few excerpts from that letter which explain my need to do that.

"In the past few weeks I have discovered that the demands and responsibilities of being a husband and caretaker have increased to where they are conflicting with my sense of responsibilities to the Christian Church in North Carolina. Since arriving here, for whatever reason, Wendy has had declining health and increasing medical problems and issues. With the multiplicity of matters involved in ministry with the Region of North Carolina, it is unfair to continue under the guise of full time ministry when I cannot give full time attention nor full time hours. It is therefore my feeling that I need to vacate this position in light of commitments "in sickness or in health" that I made nearly 50 years ago.

I am extremely disappointed that life has taken this turn for me. My intention was to continue with the Region until a new Regional Minister was called.

My prayers continue with you for the church here. There are so many good things about this Region. There are good people who are capable and will be able to address the issues facing this Region. I pray also for your search process, that you will quickly find the person God has in mind for leading this Region."

The Executive Committee has met and will be meeting again tomorrow to discuss immediate matters related to the Regional Ministry. The Regional Minister Search Committee is continuing its work and is scheduled to meet again November 4. Until further notice if there are needs for the Regional Minister, please contact the Regional office and you will be directed to who can assist you.