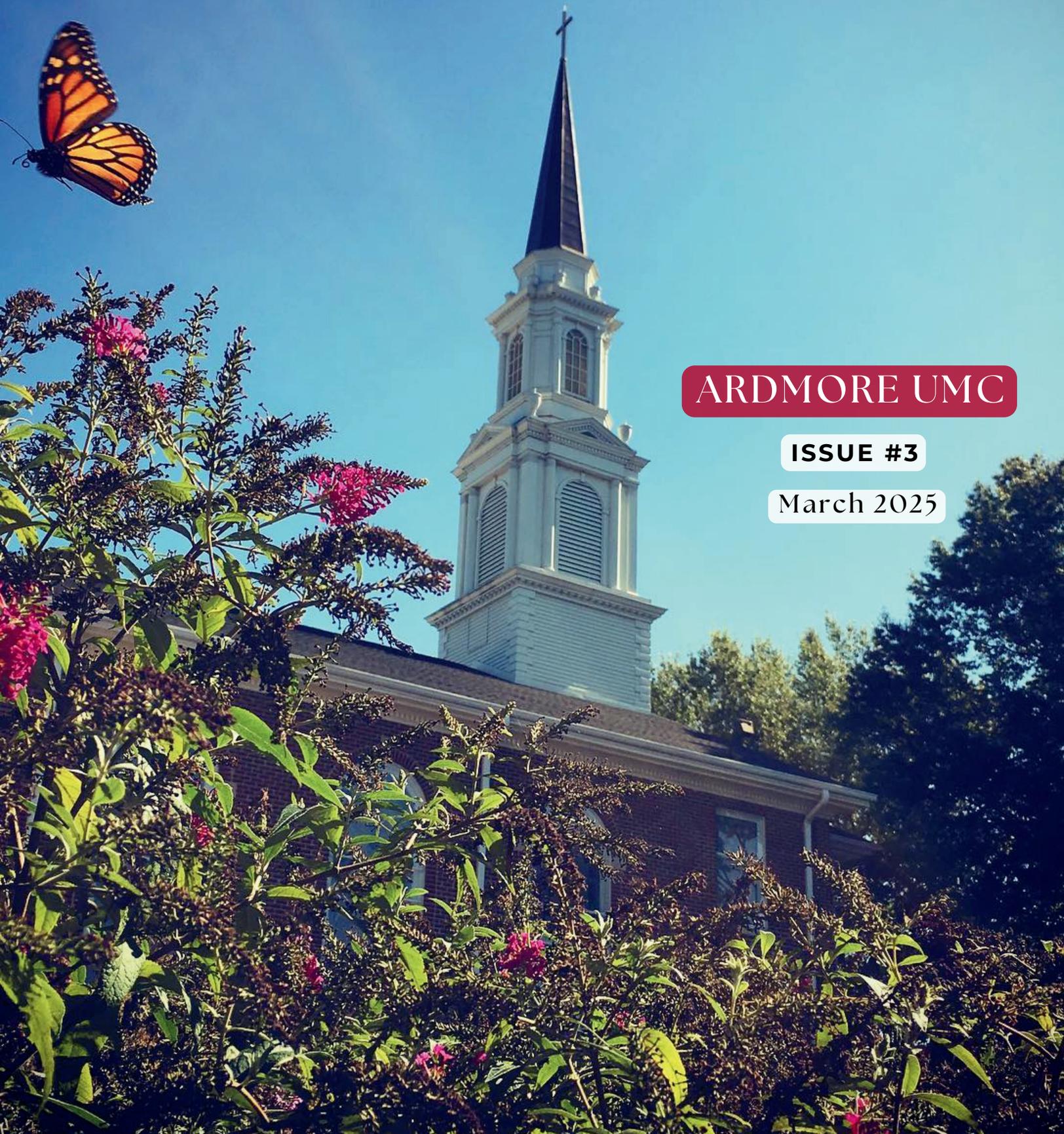


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The Norfleets: Honoring Ardmore's Love by Giving toward her Future



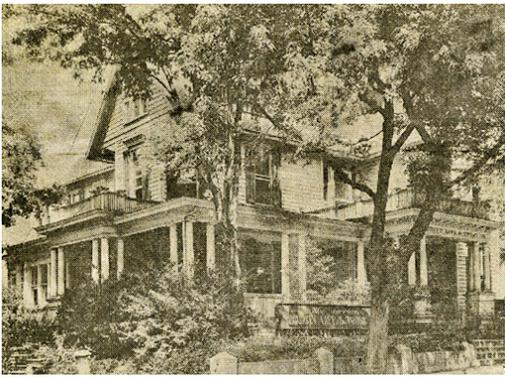
J. K. Norfleet Jr.

When Ardmore M.E., South, was organized in 1924, a charter member of the Board of Stewards was a devout and popular young war veteran from one of the most prestigious families in Winston-Salem. James Kirkpatrick Norfleet, Jr., a graduate of the University of North Carolina, had enlisted in the Guilford Grays and served with honor in Lorraine, France. Upon his return, he became an officer of Norfleet-Bagge, and married Miss Elsie Hines in 1923. The young Norfleets made their home on Ardmore/Hawthorne Road, and J.K., Jr., was elected as Superintendent of the Sunday Schools and Workers' Council. He led the discussion culminating in the selection of Ardmore as the church name in 1924, and worked tirelessly to help the church. Ardmore's members were stunned when he became ill with acute hemolytic nephritis in the spring of 1926, and circled around the young Norfleets to provide assistance. The church was devastated when he succumbed on April 22, 1926, at the age of 30.



J. K. Norfleet Sr.

His parents, James and Nannie Norfleet, were likewise devastated by the loss of their elder son, but were grateful to his many friends at Ardmore. James, Sr., had inherited the leadership of Piedmont Tobacco from his father, Marmaduke Norfleet, and had served on the Board of Aldermen, as chairman of the Forsyth County Highway Commission, Director and chairman of the board of Wachovia Bank, and Director of the Norfolk & Western Railroad. Nannie had been the first president of the American Legion Auxiliary and was president of the Missionary Society at Centenary. Within 3 days of the funeral, the senior Norfleets had set up an endowment fund for Ardmore which has provided our church income for almost a century. As the second anniversary of the church approached, the Norfleets gave Ardmore an Estey pipe organ in memory of their son which provided music for half a century, and followed that donation with choir robes and altar vestments. The senior Norfleets also gave of their time; Mrs. Norfleet simultaneously served as President of the Ardmore and Centenary Ladies' Missionary Societies.



Norfleet Home at 420 Spruce

The Norfleets both passed away on November 1, 1930, and the Board of Stewards passed a resolution which declared them “two of the best friends our church has ever had.” The Board of Stewards voted overwhelmingly to place the names of the Norfleets on one or two of the stained glass windows as approved by their surviving three children, and in 1942, Dr. J.E. Kerr noted in a letter that he couldn’t “write without recalling the debt we owe to Mr. and Mrs. Norfleet.” Even today, the Norfleet Endowment continues to make possible the work of Ardmore Church, setting an example for those of us in the twenty-first century of honoring our church’s love for others by giving toward her future.



Estey Organ

*Thank you for reading!
Barbara Foster*



Norfleet Home at 2858 Club Park

“Senior Moments”

WOW!!! Time is “Marching” on...get it? It’s March already...and I’m not ready for it. Although, I do enjoy the nice weather. Spring really is almost here. So many things happen in the spring...flowers bloom, birds and butterflies abound, outside activities crank up, etc. The church will have lots of activities for us to enjoy...Pancake supper, Ash Wednesday service, Women’s retreat, Playground Party, as well as Bible Study classes. Join in on these activities.

We had a fun time with Cameron Kent at our February Young at Heart event. He is a gifted speaker and writer and nice and interesting. Our big crowd enjoyed hearing him and lots of us bought his books... “The Oak Island Book Club” sounds very good...can’t wait to read it.



Our March Young at Heart will be Tuesday, March 25, 2025, at 11:30 a.m. in Bob Martin Fellowship Hall. Our program is another “rerun,” ... “Kashley,” the two ladies from Lewisville UMC who sang and played guitar and piano last year. They will do showtunes...promises to be a very entertaining program. I’m working on the lunch menu. I will send an email with all the details a few weeks before March 25, and you can make your reservations from that email or call or email me any time before the weekend prior to March 25.

Remember to keep in touch with each other, especially with those who don’t get out much. A phone call and/or a card means a lot. With warmer weather, maybe you can visit some of our homebound members. “Spring adds new life and new joy to all that is.” Be that new joy for someone.



*Happy St.
Patrick's Day!*

Mary Jo

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WE CARE FOR CREATION

One way you can take care of Creation is to recycle properly as we are keeping materials out of the landfill and some of them are getting another life. According to the City of Winston-Salem Sustainability office, folks putting improper items in the recycling carts is a huge problem because it clogs up the process and machinery. Below are the City of WS recycling guidelines for proper recycling:

What Can Be Recycled

- (Clean) Plastic Bottles, jugs, containers, and tubs - *No pumps or caps permitted*
- (Clean) metal cans, aluminum foil, tin foil containers
- (Clean) Glass bottles and jars - *No lids*
- Paper, including cartons and cardboard (flattened) - *No food residue*

What Cannot Be Recycled

- Batteries, electronics, cords/wires
- Ceramic items
- Clothes hangers, clothing materials, diapers
- Disposable cups
- Frozen food boxes, pizza boxes, to-go containers
- Household glass
- Plastic bags
- Shredded paper
- Hazardous and medical waste
- Toys
- Scrap metal/wood
- Styrofoam/Peanuts
- Tires

For more information about recycling, you can go to this [link](#) on the City of Winston-Salem website.

As Christians, we are stewards of resources that God has given us (see the parable of the Talents). A good steward should be able to maximize anything that God has given them.

Debbie Williams, Creation Care Team

MARCH MISSION ENGAGEMENT

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

Baby Diapers Sizes 5, 6 and 7
Canned Vegetables

March Food Pantry Dates

Thursday, March 6th
Thursday, March 20th

CLOTHING CLOSET NEEDS

Underwear for women, men and
children
Sports bras for women
-Currently accepting winter clothing
for men



**American
Red Cross**

Ardmore hosted another successful blood drive on Monday, February 10th. Our donors provided 43 units of blood! Thank you to Carolyn Coram for leading our blood drive, all of our blood donors and our volunteers. Mark your calendars for Saturday, June 14th, our next blood drive.

Early Response Team (ERT) Basic Training

JOIN OUR TEAM: Learn the basics of disaster response, including how to stabilize and secure homes safely and how to work effectively with survivors and others on the response team. The Western Conference has been providing ERT trainings throughout the district twice a month. Eddie Foster and Carolyn Coram are available to answer questions. Must be 18 years of age.

UMCOR Sunday Special Collection

Sunday, March 30, 2025

The UMCOR Sunday offering underwrites UMCOR's administrative costs. This offering allows UMCOR to use 100% of all funds given to humanitarian response and recovery efforts directly to communities in need. You will find collection envelopes in your bulletin on March 30th.

An Ardmore United Methodist Church group will attend the Forsyth County prison on Sunday, April 6th at 4:30 pm to worship with those who are incarcerated. Please contact Daughn Eagan at deagan11@icloud.com or 336-418-4452 to register or for more information.

SAVE THE DATES

Sunday, April 6th: Worship at the Forsyth County Prison
Friday, May 16th: Prayer Circle at the Forsyth Detention Center
Saturday, September 27th: Day of Giving

March

Family Ministry Worship & Events Schedule

Join us on Sunday mornings during our 10AM or 11:15AM Worship Services for a Kids & Family Worship Experience. This is a fun, interactive and engaging time of worship for kids pre-k – 5th grade, we also invite parents to join in! Come hang out in Room #215!

DATE	THEME	ACTIVITY & CRAFT
03/02/2025 10AM & 11:15AM	KIDS & FAMILY WORSHIP WHAT IS LENT? (Matthew 4:1-11)	GAME: Treasure Hunt CRAFT: Lenten Books SNACK: Bible Snacks
03/04/2025 5:30PM	SHROVE TUESDAY – PANCAKE SUPPER A FREE family dinner. Open to everyone and hosted by the United Methodist Men in the Fellowship Hall! GAMES & PRIZES FOR ALL AGES!!!!	 
03/08/2025 10AM – 11AM	PLAYGROUND PARTY! Have a SHAMROCKIN' good time at the Playground with games, prizes & a sweet treat!	 
03/09/2025 10AM & 11:15AM	KIDS & FAMILY WORSHIP THE ISRAELITES MESSED UP (Judges 2)	GAME: Obey & Follow the Leader CRAFT: Pattern Making SNACK: Rock and Manna
03/16/2025 10AM & 11:15AM	KIDS & FAMILY WORSHIP [WEAR GREEN SUNDAY] SAMSON'S STORY (Judges 13 – 16)	GAME: Hair, Shoulders, Knees & Cup CRAFT: Braided Bracelets SNACK: Strong & Sweet
03/20/2025 4PM – 7:30PM	 KIDS & FAMILIES SERVE DINNER AT FOOD PANTRY ← Sign up for a time slot to volunteer with your family and serve dinner to our neighbors! There is something for all ages!	
03/23/2025 10AM & 11:15AM	KIDS & FAMILY WORSHIP RUTH WAS REDEEMED (Ruth)	GAME: Rice Relay CRAFT: Family Portrait SNACK: Rice Cakes
03/30/2025 10AM & 11:15AM	KIDS & FAMILY WORSHIP GOD ANSWERED HANNAH'S PRAYER (1 Samuel 1 – 3)	GAME: Mother, May I? CRAFT: Hannah Portrait SNACK: Promise Pretzels



Youth

ARDMORE YOUTH

MARCH

SCHEDULE

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

SUNDAY, MARCH 2ND

MARDI GRAS MADNESS

GAME: FAKE OR CAKE?

DEVOTION: CHOICES – CHOOSE HONESTY (COLOSSIANS 3:1-11)

SUNDAY, MARCH 9TH

NO YOUTH GROUP – SPRING BREAK STARTS!

SUNDAY, MARCH 16TH

ST. PATRICK'S DAY SHENANIGANS

SUNDAY FUNDAY: BOWLING AT CREEKSIDE LANES (BRING \$5)

SUNDAY, MARCH 23RD

CHEERWINE & DESIGN

ACTIVITY: PAINTING

DEVOTION: CHOICES – CHOOSE SERVICE (MATTHEW 25:31-46)

SUNDAY, MARCH 30TH

GAME SHOW "SHOWDOWN"

GAME: GAME SHOW CHALLENGES

DEVOTION: CHOICES – CHOOSE OTHERS (JOHN 15:13)

Jessica Dalton (Youth Pastor) // jessicad@ardmoreumc.org // 336.682.5024



EVERYONE IS INVITED TO THE
PLAYGROUND PARTY!



SATURDAY, MARCH 8TH
(10AM - 11AM)

ARDMORE UMC PLAYGROUND

JOIN US FOR MUSIC, GAMES, PRIZES AND SOME SHAMROCK SHENANIGANS AS WE CELEBRATE MARCH AND ST. PATRICK'S DAY!



Springtime is preschool registration time!

We are already thinking about back to school.

Through The Week School is now enrolling infants through age 5. We have a few spots available in each age group! Contact the office at (336)722-8430 or check out the preschool website at <https://ardmoreumc.org/preschool>.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



SHROVE TUESDAY
**PANCAKE
DINNER**

MARCH 4TH

5:30PM

*A FREE family
dinner open to
everyone!*

*Hosted by the
United Methodist
Men in the
Fellowship Hall!*

*Games & Prizes for
ALL AGES!*

FREE!



Easter Hydrangeas

This year we will be offering the purchase of Hydrangeas for Easter Sunday (in honor/ in memory of appreciated lives close to our hearts). The cost of Easter Hydrangeas is \$28, and the deadline for placing orders is Monday, April 7.

Happy Spring!
Carolyn Coram

Can You Help Us Feed Our Neighbors?

SAVE

SERVE DINNER AT FOOD PANTRY

KIDS & FAMILIES

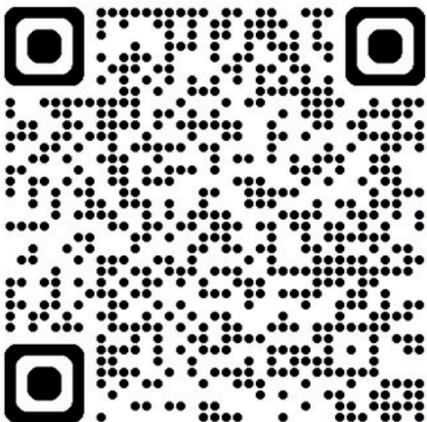
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*VOLUNTEER TIME SLOTS
FROM 4PM - 7:30PM*

THE

DATE

ARDMORE
 **UMC**
COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY



Our family ministry is providing dinner to the guests of the Ardmore UMC Food Pantry & Clothing Closet on Thursday, March 20th.

← Sign-Up Here or Contact Jessica Dalton (jessicad@ardmoreumc.org) to volunteer!

Happy Birthday!

March

4TH

Michael Crawford
Mindy Engstrom

10TH
Pat Jones
Daniel Kern

5TH

Lee Ansley
Barb Carter

11TH
Dennis Houle

6TH

Courtney Klinger
Laureen Spaugh

12TH
Jane Click

13TH
Camilla Sherrill

7TH

Sid Whitehart
Jane Wooten

14TH
Willard Fenegan

8TH

Bonnie Fogg
Bradyn Neal

15TH
Fred Marlow

16TH

Sarah Patten

20TH

Debbie Wall

21ST

Walt Grabon
Peter Harrison
Andrew Lamphear

22ND

Ronda Ely

23RD

Caroline Blackwell
Vickie Campbell-Snyder

24TH

Troy Marlow

25TH

John Hanks
Donna Melrose

26TH

Anne Collins

27TH

Nick Parker

29TH

Renessa Amos
Walt Baker, II

30TH

Benjamin Vye
Nicholas Vye
Earl Williams

31ST

Ryan Price
Ava Steele

