

# THE EPISTLE

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August 9, 2024

*Find Hope Here*

*Sedgefield United Methodist Church*

*2830 Dorchester Place  
Charlotte, NC 28209*

*[www.SedgefieldChurch.org](http://www.SedgefieldChurch.org)*

*704-523-0077*

*Rev. Tom Stinson-Wesley, Pastor*

## Reflections From Pastor Tom



Dear Friends,  
This Sunday, I will be preaching on  
Ephesians 4:25-32 and my title will be  
“Words That Heal.”

In addition to this Sunday’s sermon, I will  
also preach another sermon soon that will  
address the power of our words. My timing  
for these two sermons with a common theme is intentional.  
This season of campaigning is filled with words - slogans,  
promises to the people, insults toward opponents, etc. We  
know it will only get worse. It is exhausting and troubling.

Our task as followers of Jesus is to be careful with our  
words. We will talk this week about the church in Ephesus.  
Paul found it necessary to instruct them about using the  
right kind of words. Paul’s tone was parental. This will be an  
opportunity for all of us to think about the words we say.

Blessings,  
Pastor Tom

# This Sunday in Worship

August 11, 2024  
10:30 a.m.  
Words that Heal

Sunday School meets at 9:30 a.m.  
in Room 203 in the Education Bldg.

## Altar Flowers

The Altar Flowers this Sunday,  
August 11, 2024 are in honor of  
Frank and Mary Beth Fields' 41st  
Wedding Anniversary on August 7th.



Want to honor or remember someone by  
donating Altar Flowers? You can do so by using  
the Altar Flower Sign-Up Page in this Epistle or  
call the church office at 704-523-0077.

## Future Sermons

*Aug. 18 - The Best Use of Your Time*

*Aug. 25 - What To Wear*

*Sept. 1 - Don't Know Much*

# Upcoming Events

- ▶ **Membership Info Meeting**  
Sunday, August 11, 2024  
11:45am -12:45 p.m.  
Fellowship Hall  
(Childcare Available)
- ▶ **Admin Council Meeting**  
Thursday, August 15, 2024  
6:30 p.m.  
Via Zoom
- ▶ **Serve At Rebound-Dinner**  
Sunday, August 18, 2024  
4:45 p.m.  
907 W. 1st Street
- ▶ **Church Cookout**  
Saturday, August 24, 2024  
11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.  
Front Lawn  
Including Water Slide for Kids  
(11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.)
- ▶ **Serve At Rebound-Breakfast**  
Sunday, August 25, 2024  
7:45 a.m. - 8:45 a.m.  
907 W. 1st Street
- ▶ **Blessing of the Backpacks**  
Sunday, August 25, 2024  
10:30 a.m.  
Sanctuary
- ▶ **Youth Group Starts on**  
Sunday, August 25, 2024  
12 Noon - 1:30 p.m.  
St. Andrews UMC  
1901 Archdale Drive  
Charlotte NC 28210



# Altar Flowers

**Use the Sign-up Genius Link  
Below to Order Flowers.**

**[https://www.signupgenius.com/go/  
10C0D4DA5AB2AAB9-sedgefield](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4DA5AB2AAB9-sedgefield)**

- pick an available date
- write a message to let us know who/what you want to memorialize, honor or celebrate

**Or you can just call the Church Office  
at 704-523-0077 to order flowers.**

**The Altar Flower donation remains the same at \$40 which  
can be paid online using the Church Website  
[sedgefieldchurch.org](http://sedgefieldchurch.org) or by sending a check to  
Sedgefield Church, 2830 Dorchester Place,  
Charlotte NC 28209.**

**Please note “for flowers” online or your check.**

# Save the Date

You won't want to miss our  
Final Summer Cookout on  
Saturday, August 24, 2024

Sedgefield Church & Sedgefield  
Neighborhood Cookout  
11:30 am - 1:00 pm on the Front Lawn  
2830 Dorchester Place, Charlotte 28209



**PLUS A WATER SLIDE  
FOR THE KIDS.**



**Volunteers and food are needed.  
Please sign up using the link below:**

[https://www.signupgenius.com/go/  
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**Everyone is invited!  
Enjoy good food, fun and fellowship.**

*Bring a Friend or Neighbor*

**Please note these two events taking place on Sunday, August 25, 2024**



**Sedgefield Church's Annual Blessing of the Backpacks  
Sunday, August 25th  
10:30 am in the Sanctuary**



**Youth Group Meets  
12 Noon - 1:30 p.m.  
Sunday August 25, 2024  
at St. Andrews UMC  
1901 Archdale Drive  
Charlotte NC 28210**

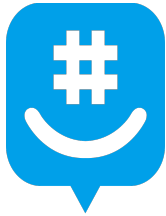




**Tuesday Morning Bible Study  
will return in September.**

**We will begin meeting on Tuesday  
September 3, 2024 at  
11:00am in Fellowship Hall.**

**Everyone is Invited.**



**You are invited to join the  
Sedgefield Church  
Group Me Prayer Group.**



Sedgefield Church has a notification platform through Group Me which enables Pastor Tom to let people know when someone from our congregation is in need of prayer.

Many of you already receive these notifications.

If you would like to be part of this group, please email

**[PastorTom@SedgefieldChurch.org](mailto:PastorTom@SedgefieldChurch.org)**

and give him your cellphone number (preferred) or your email address and he will add you to this group.

This is an opportunity to minister to each other through prayer.



## Ways to Give Your Offerings to Sedgefield UMC



### **Online Through**

[sedgefieldchurch.org](http://sedgefieldchurch.org)

Make a credit card  
or electronic  
contribution.



### **Bank Draft**

Set up automatic



### **Church**

Mail your check to:

Sedgefield UMC  
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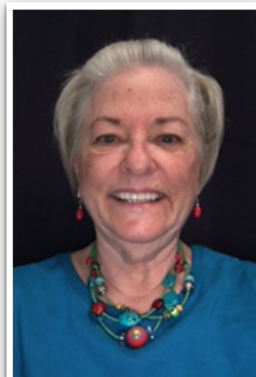
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