



FUMC Children's Ministries

"Train a child in the way he should go and when he is old he will not turn from it." - Proverbs 22:6

GRADE LEVEL STUDIES

This Wednesday will be the last of our Grade Level Studies programs. This week, we will end our classes at 7:15 and join together in the Sanctuary for a service of Holy Communion. The service will be short and age appropriate for children. Thank you to those volunteers who led the children in their classes:

- Kindergarten – Baptism – Lisa Earnesty and Alison Xanthopoulos and Megan Earnesty
- First Grade – The Lord's Prayer – Lori Govar and Chris Fines and Katie Dawson
- Second Grade - Communion – Shannon Bolick and Rachel Beasley and Matt Bolick
- Third Grade – Your New Bible – Melanie Haus and Michelle Wagaman
- Fourth Grade – Stewardship – Beth Rhoades and Laura Ellis
- Fifth Grade – The Apostles' Creed – Lindsay Sobota and Stacy Bywaters

ROTATION STATION "GOOD NEWS" TEACHERS NEEDED

We need leaders for both the art and music rotations for the upcoming unit, "Good News." The story is the Christmas story with emphasis on how we are called to share the good news. Teachers will plan one lesson and teach it to four different groups of children – one group per week between November 27 and December 18. Please let Shannon Bolick know if you are willing to serve in this way. It is a lot of fun and all materials will be provided.

NO SUNDAY SCHOOL ON NOVEMBER 20

On November 20 will be an exciting day as we celebrate our Food Pounding, as well as have a celebration of Defying Gravity after each service. We want families to participate together, so there will be no children's Sunday School on Sunday, November 20.

ADVENT ADVENTURE – DECEMBER 7

Christmas is coming! Join us on Wednesday, December 7 from 6:00 until 8:00 for our annual Advent Adventure. Families will rotate through different make and take stations to help prepare their hearts and homes for the coming of Christ.



The menu for November 16th is Turkey and Dressing, Sweet Potato Casserole, Cranberry Sauce, Green Beans, Salad, and Pies. Cost is \$7.00 per adult, \$3.00 per child 3-12, and under 3 is free. Maximum cost for a family is \$25.00. Please make your reservation by close of business on Monday (ingredients are purchased on Tuesday). Email your reservations to Carol Knott at carolknott@fumcva.org, or call (540) 373-9021, ext. 105. Tickets are sold at the door for take-out meals. Contact Mary Jordan at (540) 303-2281 if you would like to help set up, serve, or clean up.

FUMC BELL CHOIR

Do you want to ring that bell? The FUMC Bell Choir is starting back up in January 2017! There will be an informational meeting on Wednesday, December 14th, at 7:00 p.m. If you have any questions or cannot make the meeting, contact Kenny at Kennysmith@fumcva.org.



FUMC YOUTH

Youth Sabbath: High School Seniors, if you are interested in sharing your story during Youth Sabbath please contact Amy ASAP. Youth Sabbath will be January 22, 2017. Please mark your calendars now and start working on your message to share.

November 18-20 Hanover Retreat

Upcoming Dates to know:
November 20: NO Sunday School due to Celebration of Defying Gravity. **NO Youth Group Sunday evening.**

November 27: Enjoy Thanksgiving weekend with your families, **No Youth Group.**

December 3: Christmas Parade Youth Hot Dog Fundraiser. Students, if you plan to participate in Summer Missions, plan to participate in some way (donations/volunteering/ or both). Go to <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050e4caea62aa64-christmas> to volunteer or donate.

December 10: A Hanover Christmas. Youth, family, and friends are invited to experience the story of Christ Birth during "A Hanover Christmas." Camp Hanover in Mechanicsville, VA is recreating the Christmas Story. Come join us as we experience "A candlelight Nativity Experience." More info to come

6th Grade Sunday School Assistant needed: If you have a heart for youth, a desire to learn more about the Bible, and are available at 9:45 Sunday mornings...Please contact Amy at amydotto@fumcva.org for more info.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH OPPORTUNITY

Micah needs another group to fill the vacancy on the 3rd Tuesday of each month to prepare and serve breakfast for the homeless/disadvantaged in the Fredericksburg area. Our Faith and Fellowship Sunday School Class serves this breakfast every 4th Tuesday. Based on our experience, a group of about 8 people is sufficient to prepare and serve the usual number of attendees. The meal is served from 7:30 until 8:30. Preparation starts about 7:00, and clean-up is done by about 9:00. Except for the F & F Class, all the other groups are from outside Fredericksburg UMC. If individuals are interested in forming a group, please contact Kitti Mann at kittimann5@gmail.com or (540) 891-1671. For more information, contact Beverly or Dave Brumbaugh (davidbeverlyb@gmail.com, 540-479-3627).



FUMC TO RING BELLS FOR SALVATION ARMY

Please volunteer to ring the Christmas bells and staff a Salvation Army Kettle at Goolrick's Pharmacy in historic downtown Fredericksburg on Tuesday, December 6th. We will work in pairs for one hour periods (or more if desired) from 10 AM until 4 PM. If standing for long periods of time is a problem, fill free to bring a folding stool or chair.

Competition with other teams to see who can raise the most money for the local Salvation Army is encouraged. The Army will provide a sign with our church logo so that the community is aware of our support of the Christmas Red Kettle Campaign. This is your opportunity to help turn a blue Christmas into bright smiles and fill empty tummies. If interested in this opportunity to serve our community at no cost to you except your time, please email Shirley Cullop, shirleycullop@cox.net, or call [540-361-4528](tel:540-361-4528) and leave a message.



FESTIVAL OF WREATHS

The Wreaths are hanging. Put your name and your bid (minimum of \$25) on the index card attached to the wreath you choose. The highest bidder will purchase the wreath of his/her choice. **Final bids are due by 1:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 20.** Please contact Janet Davis at 371-1045 or Janhoen@verizon.net. Maps with wreath locations are at the Charlotte Street entrance and the Welcome Desk in the Gathering Space.

COPING WITH GRIEF DURING THE HOLIDAYS

Sunday, November 13, 2:00-4:00 p.m. Capital Caring Office, 111 Olde Greenwich Drive, Suite 101. Refreshments and live music. Children welcome. To register, contact: Kristi Difilippo at (540) 735-0972 or kdifilippo@capitalcaring.org.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Use the Charlotte Street or the Handicap Accessible Side Door (between Hanover and Charlotte Streets during church business hours (Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.). All other doors are locked.

CHRISTMAS DOVES

Look for the Dove Tree beginning Saturday, November 19. When you select a Dove from the tree, you fulfill a Christmas wish for a teen or adult who receives mental health services. Most often these persons do not have the support of a loving family, and our gifts may be the only ones they receive. Sign on one of the clipboards located near the tree for each Dove ornament you choose. Be sure to pick up a copy of the instructions. Please place wrapped Dove gifts in the Parlor by Sunday, December 11; they will be inventoried that day. Thank you for helping continue this cherished holiday tradition.

HERITAGE COMMITTEE

The Heritage Committee is seeking nativity sets to display in the glass display cases during the Christmas season. If your family has a set that will not be used this year and could be loaned to us, please contact Margaret Mock, Co-chair, Heritage Committee, (540) 371-3740, or mimisenor@cox.net. Thank you for considering this loan.

ALTAR FLOWER CALENDAR

The 2017 Flower Calendar is on the wall outside of the Sacristy (Room 116). Please fill in the date you would like to donate flowers, and fill out the information form with your bulletin message. Leave the completed form in the slot provided.

MERRY MAKERS

Merry Makers are taking a guided tour of the Udvar-Hazy Branch of the National Air and Space Museum in Chantilly on November 17. We will leave the parking lot at 8:15 and return about 3:30. Bring a lunch to eat on the bus (van) or purchase lunch at the fast food restaurant at the museum. To reserve your spot, send \$5.00 to Ronda Worcester, 701 Cobblestone Blvd. #102. Fredericksburg, Va. 22401. Contact her at 479-6090 or Rondaworcester@yahoo.com with questions.

Name: _____

Preferred Contact Information: _____

Phone No. _____

Email: _____

I would like to help/sign up for:

- ___ Cold Weather Shelter
- ___ Micah Tuesday Breakfast
- ___ Hospitality Ministry Opportunity
- ___ Monday Morning Bible Study
- ___ Wednesday "Open Your Bible" Study
- ___ 11 a.m. Small Group Study
Child care (how many) _____
- ___ Wednesday Fellowship Dinner _____
How Many?

Youth Group Volunteers

- ___ Christmas Parade Donations
- ___ Micah Lunch Program
- ___ Christmas Dove Project
- ___ Found Pounding Delivery

I'd like more information on:

- ___ Baptism & Baptismal Reaffirmation
- ___ How to join this church family
- ___ Children's Activities
- ___ Youth Activities
- ___ Men's Activities
- ___ Women's Activities
- ___ Senior Activities (Merry Makers)
- ___ Prayer Shawl Ministry

WELCOME

(Please complete and place in offering plate.)

- First Time Guest
 Members
 Second Time Guest
 Attend regularly
 Third Time Guest
 Wish to Join
 Out of Town Guest

Guest Of: _____
Which service are you attending?
 Sun. 8:30 AM Sun. 11:00 AM
 Sun. 9:45 AM Sat. 5:30 PM

Names of those in attendance:

Adult(s) _____
 Child(ren) _____

 New Information Yes No
 Address _____

 City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____
If you would like to change or add your email address please print clearly below

Email _____
 _____ would like to sign-up for our weekly "News Blast" newsletter.

PRAYER/PRAISE

May we publish your request in the announcement sheets?
 Do Not Publish
 Publish

I ask prayers for:

I praise God for:

Attendance – Nov 5/6, 2016

Saturday 5:30 PM	33
Sunday 8:30 AM	141
Sunday 9:45 AM	191
Sunday 11:00 AM	<u>153</u>
	519

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MISSION CONTROL NEEDS

Food Pantry: November's focus is Sweet Potatoes/Yams, Instant Potatoes and Stove Top Stuffing. Canned vegetables, canned fruit, canned meat, grape or strawberry jelly and bread are also needed.

Preschool: Labels for Education. **Lions Club:** Eyeglasses, Cases, Hearing Aids.

Micah: Men's Boxer Underwear, M, L, and XL; new or gently used backpacks; and white crew type socks for men and women. If your group is not listed and would like to be, contact Lisa Simmermon at (540) 785-8664 or lsimmermon@verizon.net. Tell her what you are collecting and your contact information. Mission Control is near the elevator in the gathering space.

BOOK BUDDIES PROJECT

The United Methodist Women are collecting new and gently used children's books for The Salvation Army's annual TOYLAND project for underprivileged children in the greater Fredericksburg area. We hope to put books into the hands of nearly 3,000 children in need this Christmas. The collection box marked with The Salvation Army logo is in Mission Control. Books will be accepted through December 3 in time for distribution at TOYLAND. Thank you!

COLD WEATHER SHELTER

Cold Weather Shelter season is here. Micah needs your help. Contact Diane Cotter at dianecotter@comcast.net or 540-786-3658 if you are interested or have further questions.

- We have the opportunity to serve breakfast for Micah guests on Saturday, November 19. We begin at about 7 am and finish up by 9 am. We will be serving at Fredericksburg Presbyterian Church. You help provide food and serve a buffet style breakfast for guests leaving the shelter that morning. Young and not so young are welcome to participate. Groups need community service hours or a service project...this is for you!
- Once again, we will be responsible for set up and volunteering at the shelter on the 3rd, 4th and 5th Saturday nights from November through March. The Christian Life Class has graciously agreed to do the 3rd Saturday nights. Teams of 5 or 6 will be needed to fill the 4th and 5th Saturdays. We begin around 6 pm and finish by 7:30. All you need is a welcoming smile and a Christian heart.
- Finally, FUMC has been assigned to provide handi-wipes (or any wet wipe for face and hand clean up) and Clorox-type wipes for the shelter this year. Any contributions of these items will be accepted in the Micah Mission Control Box throughout the winter.

Thanks in advance for your support of our community's neediest neighbors.

Community
Thanksgiving Service
 St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church - Fredericksburg
 November 22nd, 7:00 p.m.
 REV. LARRY DAVIES, SPEAKER
 LEAD PASTOR, FREDERICKSBURG UMC
 All Fredericksburg churches have been invited to attend

FREDERICKSBURG UMC PRAYER REQUESTS week of November 7, 2016

HOSPITALIZED: Anne Blosser; Rob McDaniel (Poet's Walk)

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY TO

Bonnie Knight Cooper on the death of her sister, Rebecca Wright-Cooper
 Allison and Greg Xanthopoulos and family on the death of Ray Reip, her grandfather
 William Sale and family on the death of Pauline Sale

HEALTH CONCERNS

Andy Carpenter	Ed Resio	Wayne Jackson
Mary Katherine Resio	Dave Armstrong	Jeff Corbin
Amy and Tim	Iona Siegel	Nick M.
Teresa C.	Family/Friends health	Rebecca
Maria Ratliff	Spike Burton's father	John Bass
Ed Manger	Peter Barstys	Ronnie Field
Kristy and Gin	Jenny Squires	Drug addicted individuals
Tasha and Rauer		

LIFE EVENTS

Benjamin	3 small children of NC	Families
Doris	Brendan	Ben
Daughter of deceased friend	Suicide survivor	April Ross
Emmaus community and pilgrims	Husband with epilepsy	Homeless animals

SERVING IN THE MILITARY AND PUBLIC SERVICE

Airman Adam DeWitte	Pvt Winter Ewer	Walt Kuck
Sgt John Phin	Tyler Reece	William Rowe
Sgt J Seaux	Kyle M. Shiner	SSgt Ted Steber,

Pray for all the U.S. men and women serving in the military services wherever they are assigned
 Pray for their safety; healing if injured; and peace of mind, body, and spirit
 Pray for the safety of all police, fire, and medical emergency personnel

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WELCOME

November 12/13, 2016

ANNUAL FOOD POUNDING

Remembering our Lord's charge to "FEED MY SHEEP", we collect food for Thanksgiving Dinners. Collect each item at home, then bring a bag full of food to church to have it blessed at the altar during our first hymn on November 20. We will deliver the bags of food after church. We will meet on Sunday, November 13 at noon in Room 209. We need volunteers and pick-up trucks to deliver the food on November 20. Contact Mike Cotter at mvcotter@comcast.net or Mark Gilday at m.w.gilday@gmail.com if you would like to participate in either activity.

October 9 – Dressing Sunday – One box of bread crumb or stove top stuffing
 October 16 – Green Bean Sunday – Two 14.5 oz. cans of green beans
 October 23 – Mashed Potato Sunday – One box of instant mashed potatoes
 October 30 – Cranberry Sunday – one can of 16 oz. cranberry sauce/jelly
 November 6 – Cornbread Sunday – one box of cornbread mix

November 13 – Macaroni & Cheese Sunday – one box of mac & chesse

*November 20 – FOOD POUNDING SUNDAY – Bags brought to the altar for blessing!

* A special message from our church and \$15 food gift card are also provided to families.

CELEBRATION

Saturday, November 19 and Sunday, November 20

After each service, enjoy a meal with friends in Kobler Hall as we celebrate the conclusion of the Defying Gravity Sermon Series and your commitment to the Ministry and Mission of Fredericksburg UMC.

Saturday 5:30 Open Door Service: *Pizza and Salad*

Sunday 8:30 Traditional Service: *Breakfast Buffet (Ham and Biscuits, Egg Croissants, French Toast, Fruit Cups, and Coffee and Juice)*

9:45 Contemporary and 11:00 Traditional Services: *Potato Salad and Cole Slaw, Vegetable Tray and Fruit Tray, Chicken Salad, Ham on Rolls, Chicken Wings, Coffee, Tea, and Desserts.* All lovingly prepared using the gifts God gave Mrs. Mary Jordan and her team of culinary experts.

STOP HUNGER NOW
 DECEMBER 4 CHURCH WIDE EVENT
"For it is in giving, that we receive."
 FRANCIS OF ASSISI

Please plan on being a part of this amazing event . . . Donate to help pay for meals and/or volunteer for a shift: 11:00 a.m.-12:00 noon or 12:15-1:15 p.m. Details coming soon!