



## 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

### ROTATION STATION "GOOD NEWS" TEACHERS NEEDED

The children in Rotation Station have just finished their unit on Samuel. They saw how as a boy Samuel heard God's message and served God and how we too can serve in many ways once we listen for His call. Many thanks to those who made the story come to life: Joy McIntire (storytelling), Betsy Corcoran (music), Janet Willard (games) Karen Julihn (art), Laura Ellis (media), Sandy Howson (2<sup>nd</sup> grade), Dave and Carrie Bertauski (3<sup>rd</sup> grade), Jenny Kefauver (4<sup>th</sup> grade), and Matt Bolick (5<sup>th</sup> grade).

Our next unit will begin on November 27 and is entitled, "GOOD NEWS." We will look at the Christmas story from the perspective of each person having a special role to spread the news of Christ throughout the world.

We still need help for several upcoming units. Please consider how you can help serve our children and share God's love with them. Let Shannon Bolick know if you are interested in any of the spots below or would like more information.

- January 8 – February 5: "Jesus Is Baptized" – Media teacher, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade shepherds needed
- February 12 – March 12: "The Lord's Supper" – Media teacher, 4<sup>th</sup> grade shepherd needed
- March 19 – April 30 (but not on Palm Sunday or Easter): "Easter People" – art, media, music, science, cooking, games teachers, 5<sup>th</sup> grade shepherd needed
- May 7 – June 4 "Forgiveness" – All areas and shepherds needed.

### NO SUNDAY SCHOOL TODAY

Today is 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.



## 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. Mark your calendars now and start working on your message to share.

### 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.**

**Dec. 3: Christmas Parade** Youth Hot Dog Fundraiser. Students who plan to participate in Summer Missions should participate (donations/volunteering/or both). To donate or volunteer, go to <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050e4caea62aa64-christmas>.

**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

**6<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:amydotto@fumcva.org) for more info.

### COLD WEATHER SHELTER

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

- Once again, we will be responsible for set up and volunteering at the shelter on the 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Saturday nights from November through March. The Christian Life Class has graciously agreed to do the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday nights. Teams of 5 or 6 will be needed to fill the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> 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.

### BOOK BUDDIES PROJECT

The United Methodist Women are collecting **new** 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 accepted through December 3 in time for distribution at TOYLAND!

### 2017 WAYFARER MOSAIC DEVOTIONAL

The 2017 Wayfarer Mosaic, a weekly devotional written by the Wayfarers Sunday School class and friends, is now available! Each week will feature an original devotion and seven Bible verses that relate to that week's topic. The cost is \$15 each, and the proceeds will benefit projects of the church. This year funds from the Mosaic helped to provide camp scholarships for Westview on the James. See a member of the Wayfarers class in the downstairs fellowship hall before or after the 9:45 Sunday School hour to purchase your copy. They make great Christmas gifts! Thank you for supporting this ministry! For more information, please contact John Mann ([slowjet@live.com](mailto:slowjet@live.com)) or Janine Kutty ([janinekutty@yahoo.com](mailto:janinekutty@yahoo.com)).

### POINSETTIAS

To order poinsettias for church decorations in honor and/or in memory of a loved one, use the envelopes in the pews, extended narthex, Charlotte Street reception desk, and gathering space. Fill in the information, place a check or cash in the envelope, and drop it in the offering plate. If you plan to pick up your flowers after the 11:00 p.m. Christmas Eve service, check the box on the envelope. Orders must be received by December 5. Suggested donation is \$15.00 per plant.

## CHRISTMAS ANGEL/DOVE TREE

The Angel/Dove Tree is in the gathering space. When you select an Angel you fulfill a Christmas wish for a child whose parent is imprisoned. 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 Angel or Dove ornament you choose. Be sure to pick up a copy of the instructions. Please place wrapped Angel and 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 [mimisenior@cox.net](mailto:mimisenior@cox.net). Thank you for considering this loan.

### FUMC BELL CHOIR

The FUMC Bell Choir starts again in January! Information meeting on December 14<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 p.m., Room 118. Contact Kenny at [Kennysmith@fumcva.org](mailto:Kennysmith@fumcva.org).

### YOGA CLASSES

Come one, come all to learn Yoga. Tuesday and Thursday at 9:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. All ages, all levels welcome. For information, go to [lawasem749@verizon.net](mailto:lawasem749@verizon.net).

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Contact Information: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### I would like to help/sign up for:

- STOP Hunger Now:
  - Set Up
  - Take Down
  - 11:00-12:00 or  12:15-1:15
- Cold Weather Shelter
- Hospitality Ministry Opportunity
- Youth Group Volunteers
- Christmas Parade Donations
- Micah Lunch Program
- Christmas Dove Project
- Found Pounding Delivery
- Alpha
- Financial Peace University
- Disciple Fast Track

### 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
- Bible Study



**No Fellowship Dinner on Wednesday, November 23. Have a blessed Thanksgiving!**

The menu for November 30<sup>th</sup> is a Baked Potato Bar, Baked Pineapple, Mixed Salads, and Birthday Dessert.

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](mailto: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.



## 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:

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I praise God for:

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### Attendance – Nov 12/13, 2016

Saturday 5:30 PM	33
Sunday 8:30 AM	145
Sunday 9:45 AM	155
Sunday 11:00 AM	<u>190</u>
	523

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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. Please no cereal.  
**Cold Night Shelter:** Handi-wipes/Clorox wipes. **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. Contact Lisa Simmermon at (540) 785-8664 or [lsimmermon@verizon.net](mailto:lsimmermon@verizon.net).  
 Tell her what you are collecting and contact information. Mission Control is near the elevator in the gathering space.

### SUNDAY LUNCH WITH FRIENDS

Sunday Lunch With Friends will not meet at Brock's on November 20th or 27th due to the Thanksgiving Holiday. Sunday lunch meetings resume on December 4th and 11th. Due to Christmas/New Year, we will not meet on Dec. 18th, 25th, or January 1.

### New Disciple Fast Track Bible Study Starting in New Year

Since 1987, Disciple Bible Study has reached nearly 3-million people worldwide. Beginning in mid-January on Wednesday evenings, Carole DuBois, Pastor of Congregational Care at Fredericksburg UMC, will lead the class. **Classes meet for a total of 24 weeks** and there are 12 sessions in the Old Testament and 12 in the New Testament. **Each group session lasts 75 minutes.** A brief, illustrated review video enables participants to recall important facts and ideas; lively and engaging video presenters then offer insights into the current week's session. Participants have the opportunity to take a spiritual gifts assessment and determine meaningful ways they can serve and live out their discipleship commitment. They also have opportunities for celebrations marking their completion of the Old and New Testament components of *Disciple Fast Track*. If you are interested in an in-depth Bible study, then Disciple Fast Track is for you. To sign up, use the tear off in this announcement sheet. Contact Carole DuBois at [caroledubois@fumcva.org](mailto:caroledubois@fumcva.org).

### Financial Peace University Class Starting in New Year

Fredericksburg UMC will host a Financial Peace University class beginning on Monday January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2017. Financial Peace University (FPU) is a 9-lesson, money-management course taught by America's most trusted financial guru, Dave Ramsey. Dave and his teaching team will walk you through the basics of budgeting, dumping debt, planning for the future and much more. **This class will meet on Mondays at 6:30PM** and be led by Tim Gates. Cost for the course material is \$99. To request more information and your intention to take the course, use the tear off on the edge of the announcement sheet and place it in the offering. For more information, contact Tim Gates, [tjzstang08@gmail.com](mailto:tjzstang08@gmail.com).

### Alpha Course Offered Starting in New Year

Beginning in January, on Wednesday evenings at 6:30PM, after the Wednesday dinner, Fredericksburg UMC will offer the Alpha Course. Alpha is a series of sessions exploring the Christian faith, typically run over eleven weeks. Each talk looks at a different question around faith and is designed to create conversation. Alpha is run all around the globe, and everyone is welcome. After dinner, there is a brief presentation given on one of the faith questions and this is followed by small-group discussion. The course is designed both for those new to the faith and those who have attended church for years but have never explored the basic questions of Christianity. All are welcome. To register for the course, use the tear off on the edge of your announcement sheet. For more information, please contact Larry Julihn at [ljulihn@gmail.com](mailto:ljulihn@gmail.com).

### CHURCH SCHEDULE FOR THANKSGIVING WEEK

The church offices will be open Monday and Tuesday (November 21 and 22), 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The offices will close at noon on Wednesday, November 23 and be closed on Thanksgiving Day (November 24) and Friday (November 25). Have a blessed Thanksgiving!

### FREDERICKSBURG UMC PRAYER REQUESTS week of November 14, 2016

Rob McDaniel(Poet's Walk) Mary Kaiser	<b><u>HOSPITALIZED:</u></b> Anne Blosser Joyce Manchester's mother	Linda Bonshire
Ed Resio Mary Katherine Resio Family and Friends' health John Bass Kristy and Gin Grace Bax Sis. Mary Olivia (Diane Shirley)	<b><u>HEALTH CONCERNS</u></b> Alice Blain Jeff Corbin Nick M. Ed Manger Jenny Squires Amanda John S	Wayne Jackson Amy and Tim Teresa C. Peter Barstys Drug addicts Janet Calvert All who are ill
Benjamin Doris Jack Post-election healing Brendan All Emmaus pilgrims	<b><u>LIFE EVENTS</u></b> 3 small children of NC Homeless Animals Broken friendships Elizabeth Williams Rebecca Hillary Clinton	Dave Armstrong Iona Siegel Rebecca Ronnie Field Tasha and Rauer Bob Dennis Maria Ratliff

### PRAISE

Dylan Johnson healing Girl Scout Troop 263 Reconciling Ministries Network	Adelynn Smith Emmaus Community	Grade Level Studies Family, Szlyk, Eagleton families
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**November 19/20, 2016**

### CELEBRATION

We are concluding a church-wide worship series called "Defying Gravity." Today, we celebrate not only the completion of the series but the commitments we are all being asked to make to God and to Fredericksburg UMC. Tom Berlin ends his book: *Defying Gravity* with the following statement:

"All of us can defy gravity. It doesn't take a lot of money. It does take time. It takes sacrifice. It takes a shift in our view of the world. We must learn to see our lives as belonging to God and trust that God will direct our lives in a generous way that will bring us joy and significance. God longs for us to experience a life in Christ that will make us generous in all ways, with our kindness, compassion and love as evidenced in the use of our time and money. Such a life enables us to break free of the world's gravity and enjoy the pull of God's kingdom so that the Spirit of God will be evident in our own."

### FESTIVAL OF WREATHS

Get ready to hang your favorite wreath in your home or give as a gift! The bidding for the Festival of Wreaths ends at 1:00 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 20<sup>th</sup> as committee members will be in Kobler Welcome Center to announce the winners of each wreath. If you cannot attend, we will call the top bidder for each wreath and they may pick up the wreath at their convenience. We thank each of you for making this a fun event – especially those who made the beautiful wreaths and those who appreciated their talent enough to bid on the wreaths. Proceeds will go to the refurbishing of the parlor. The Bazaar Committee



We need your help!

- Donate to help pay for meals (payable to FUMC, Stop Hunger on memo line)
- Volunteer for set up and/or work a shift: 11:00 – 12:00 or 12:15 to 1:15
- Sign Up on the website under Connect/Events or indicate on the tear-offs