

LENT AND EASTER

Fredericksburg United Methodist Church is offering events and opportunities to grow in your faith this Lent and Easter. We hope you will take advantage of them.

Holy Week Schedule:

- Maundy Thursday Service ~ 7:00 p.m. ~ Sanctuary
- Good Friday ~ Youth Stations of the Cross Walking Tour ~ 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.
- Holy Saturday Service ~ 5:30 p.m.
- Easter Prayer Vigil ~ Saturday 6:30 p.m. through Sunday at 6:30 a.m. in homes

EASTER SUNDAY, April 16

- Sunrise Service ~6:30 a.m. ~ Fredericksburg Presbyterian Church
- Breakfast* (Youth Fundraiser), 7:00 – 11:00 a.m. ~ Fellowship Hall
- Traditional Worship ~ 8:00 a.m. ~ Sanctuary
- Contemporary Worship ~ 9:30 a.m. ~ Kobler Hall
- Traditional Worship ~ 11:00 a.m. ~ Sanctuary
- Traditional Worship ~ 11:00 a.m. ~ Kobler Hall (live preaching & worship, no video feed)

Easter Parking

We anticipate larger-than-normal crowds this Easter. We have added an additional service at 11:00 a.m. We would like to reserve the two Charlotte Street parking lots for guests, the elderly, and those with small children (in carriers or strollers) for each of the services.

We request that able-bodied members and regular attendees please consider parking on the street or in one of the other lots available on Sundays:

- Lot behind Kobler Hall on Charlotte St. (former rental property lot)
- Lot on the church side of Charlotte St. that is closest to Princess Anne St.
- Municipal lot on Princess Anne St. between City Hall and the Courthouse.
- Kitchen lot off of Princess Anne St.

There will be signs at each of those lots.

We will also offer shuttle service from the City Parking Garage at the intersection of Sophia St. and Wolfe St. Two shuttles will run every ten minutes or so from 8:45 a.m.-11:15 a.m. from the Wolfe St. entrance of the City Parking Garage and then from 12:00 p.m.-12:45 p.m. from the church back to the City Parking Garage. Parking in the City Parking Garage is free for the first three hours.

Thank you for making our church a welcome place for others to experience the Risen Christ this Easter.



March 15th menu is Irish Stew, Biscuits, Salad, Fruit and 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 or cancellations to Carol Knott at carolknott@fumcva.org, or online at www.fumcva.org/connect. You may dine in or take out the dinners. Contact Mary Jordan at (540) 303-2281 to help set up, serve, or clean up.

***EASTER BREAKFAST**

Our Easter Breakfast tradition is held each year as a fundraiser for our youth. The breakfast is on Easter, April 16, from 7:00 to 11:00 a.m., downstairs in the Fellowship Hall. Pancakes, Breakfast Casseroles, Muffins, Fruit, etc. will be served by our youth and their families. This is a big project and many have already asked if and how they can assist this year. If you are interested in helping either through donations, volunteering, or even by preparing an egg casserole, please contact Amy at amydotto@fumcva.org. You do not have to be a Youth family to contribute. Proceeds from this breakfast will go to Youth Summer Missions. Thank you in advance for helping us continue this tradition.

FUMC YOUTH MINISTRIES

Sunday Night Youth Group: Baked Potato Bar Dinner. Choose a topping for your family to bring and share. Be creative. What do you put on your Baked Potato? Some suggestions: cheese, bacon, salsa, chili, broccoli, etc. Contact Diane Cotter at dianecotter@comcast.net to let us know what you plan to bring. Not sure about Toppings; we need a couple people to bring dessert as well.

Tonight, we will have a very special guest, Kimberly Kemp. Kimberly has graciously volunteered her time to work with our group to create the Stations of the Cross. Kimberly will meet with us during youth group to share her ideas as well as lead us in some activities to get us excited about the Stations. Help us welcome Kimberly during youth group!

Sunday, March 19: No Youth Group! We have 18 middle school students and 4 adults that will be returning from an exciting weekend at Journey. (As well as some of our Youth that have been/will be a part of LEAD 4:12).

High School Students: we don't want to leave you out. Please check weekly email for possible High School movie night ideas, and let me know your vote!

Middle school Basketball Pick-up Game: Due to popular demand, we are continuing the Middle School Basketball. We would also like to extend the invitation to the 6th graders. Please bring a friend and a parent Friday Night to play basketball and take part in a devotion. We will also help to set up Kobler for the Sunday Service on Friday, from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.

FREDERICKSBURG UMC PRAYER REQUESTS week of March 6, 2017

HOSPITALIZED: Natalie Kala
CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY TO: Family and friends of Vivian Jackson (Sister to Donna Nungesser) and Robin Butchers and family on the death of her sister, Liz Ingraham.

HEALTH CONCERNS – GENERAL

Drug addicted individuals, those with mental illnesses, those with degenerative muscular diseases, those struggling with dementia

HEALTH CONCERNS – INDIVIDUAL NAMES

Scott	Martha Conkle	Caroline	Don	Jason
Richard Snelling	Axel Huff	Tonya Nelson	Donna	Savannah
Don Mentzer	Andy Carpenter	Connie	Rettia Morgan	Doug Brown
Bob Causer	Rennie Szczur	Ruth McGhee	Ron Wasem	

LIFE EVENTS AND GENERAL PRAYERS

Patricia	Aging Parents	Life Transitions	Brendan
Rebecca	Mike	Ben	Maureen
Dan	Mary in MOPS	Forsyth Family	Family lost house in fire
Walter	Autistic Children	Priscilla	Homeless animals
Mark C.	Relationships	Selena and Family	For growth in love and faith
Peace	Bill	Doug	Community dinner participants
Friendships	Parenting	Arthur	God's guidance and will be done

MINISTRIES OF THE CHURCH

Church Universal and FUMC	Alpha – team and participants	Divorce Recovery
Financial Peace	Disciple Fast Track	Sunday Schools, small groups

PRAISE

Friends/acquaintances	Gods' Faithfulness	Fred's good health	Terri's retirement
Family and friends	Mike Jacob	Jean Johnson	

LONG-TERM CONCERNS

Julia Tubbs	Alberta Hickman	Kelly Blosser	Carl Durfee
Beckie and Ed Resio	Dale Leonard	Linda Haynes	Vy Bass
Sara Bergazzi	Alma Bradley	Doug Green	Jim Mann
Wayne Jackson & Patti	Mary Katherine Resio	Nick M.	Rudolph Siron
Virginia Smith	Tabitha Van Doren	Elise Velez & family	Bobby Hill
Sister Mary Olivia	Kristy & Ron	Lois Huffman	Susanne Pancake
John (Jack) and Joan Burnette		Lewis and Audry Leonard	

NATION AND THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY AND PUBLIC SERVICE

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

all US men and women serving in the military services wherever 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

SUNDAY COFFEE HOUR

The coffee and snacks between services today are being provided and served by Girl Scout Troop 263. Should you or your organization like to participate in providing for the coffee hour, contact Bob LaChance at (540) 891-4342 or rwlachance@verizon.net.

PRAYER SERVICES

March 12-Alpha & Emmaus

Prayer is always a vital resource in enabling God's work in individuals and churches. Come to the Chapel on Sunday from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. For more information, contact Larry Tubbs at tubbsl@verizon.net or (540) 898-0876.

TAKE YOUR BURDENS TO THE CROSS

Throughout Lent, a wooden cross will stand in the Courtyard (near the glass doors). You are invited to write your "burden" on a card and tie it to the cross. Purple cards can be found in baskets throughout the church. On Easter Sunday, please bring fresh cut flowers. We will cover the cross with flowers as a symbol of resurrection and hope.

COMMUNION SERVERS NEEDED

The Contemporary Service (9:45 a.m.) needs communion servers. Contact Lay Leader Joanne Wilson, at (540) 220-1299 or wilsoninfred@verizon.net, or indicate on the tear-offs.

FUMC NEWS

For those who do not subscribe to the weekly FUMC email News Blast, paper copies are available in the extended narthex, the gathering space, and at the Charlotte Street entrance. There are also paper copies of Pastor Larry's weekly devotion, "Sowing Seeds of Faith."

RIDE NEEDED

Charissa lives in the Cosner Corner area and needs transportation to and from a church service. Please call her at (540) 419-8664, if you are able to help her.

Name: _____

Preferred Contact Information: _____

Phone No. _____

Email: _____

I would like to help/sign up for:

Wednesday Night Dinner
 _____ How many?

Hospitality Ministry Opportunity

Greeters Which Service? _____

9:45 Communion Servers

Ushers
 _____ 9:45 _____ 11:00

Children's Choir
 _____ Child _____ Adult Volunteer

Spiritual Gifts Class _____ Childcare
 _____ Sunday _____ Wednesday

UMW Retreat
 _____ Childcare required

Native American Ministry Training

I'd like to be contacted about:

Committing my life to follow Jesus for the first time

Making a commitment to renew my faith

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

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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 – March 4/5, 2017

Saturday, 5:30 p.m.	36
Sunday, 8:30 a.m.	137
Sunday, 9:45 a.m.	286
Sunday 11:00 a.m.	150
Total	609

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MISSION CONTROL NEEDS

Food Pantry. This month, we are trying something a little different. We are getting requests for baby food. With that in mind, the pantry will attempt to stock up on a variety of baby food products for the month of March.

If you prefer to make a monetary donation, please indicate "Food Pantry" on your check.

Cold Night Shelter: Handi-wipes, Clorox wipes.

Preschool: Labels for Education.

Lions Club: eyeglasses, cases, hearing aids.

Micah: We still need backpacks, women's underwear sizes 6 through 10, and chapstick; Men's Boxer Underwear, M, L, and XL; new or gently used backpacks; and white crew type socks for men and women. To use Mission Control, contact Lisa Simmermon at (540) 785-8664 or lsimmermon@verizon.net and tell her what you are collecting and contact information. Mission Control is near the elevator in the gathering space.

MERRY MAKERS

The Merry Makers will travel to Colonial Heights, VA on March 29 to the Swift Creek Mill Theater to enjoy a buffet luncheon and matinee presentation of a delightful mystery comedy "Something's Afoot". Cost for lunch, theater and transportation is \$52 per person, payable by check to FUMC, memo line: "Merry Makers". Reservation deadline is March 20. Mail your check to Julie Tubbs, 6301 W. Dranesville Dr., Fredericksburg, VA. 22407. The bus and van will leave the parking lot at 10:30 a.m. and return at approximately 6:00 p.m. Questions, call Julie at (540) 898-0876.

"CREATED FOR HAPPINESS: UNDERSTANDING YOUR LIFE IN GOD"

FUMC's UMW is providing a spiritual growth retreat in Kobler Hall on Saturday, April 8, 2017. Registration and breakfast begin at 8:30 a.m. The presentation begins at 9:00 a.m., followed by lunch at 12:00 noon. Worship follows. The event ends at 2:00 p.m. Registration is required. Use the bulletin tear-off, the UMW bulletin board sheet, the sheet at Kobler Hall Welcome Desk, online at www.fumcva.org/adult/grow, or e-mail to Terri Wiseman, tabw74@gmail.com. The cost is \$15. Childcare is available upon request.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

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

PALM SUNDAY

Children are invited to process with Palm Branches on Palm Sunday, April 9. We will meet in the narthex before the traditional services and in the Gathering Space before 9:45. There is no children's Sunday School that day. The children can then sit with their parents.

EASTER EGG HUNTS

On Easter Sunday, we will have an Easter egg hunt after each worship service. After the 8:00 and 11:00 services, children will hunt eggs on the Methodist Green. After the 9:30 service, children will have an egg hunt on the preschool playground. To donate, please fill plastic eggs with small treats, tape them shut, and place them in Mission Control.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2017

VBS 2017 is right around the corner! During the week of June 26 – 30, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, we are following Paul's journey through Rome. FUMC will become ancient Rome. We need a ton of helpful hands to make VBS a wonderful success. How is God calling you to help? We need musicians, games leaders, tribe leaders for each age group, and shop keepers in the areas of: Grammaticus shop, toga shop, carpentry shop, architecture shop, metal working shop, leather working shop, scribe shop, and wreath making shop. Email our VBS director, Jillian Murray at: jillianmurray@fumcva.org for more information or to sign up to volunteer. Sign up as a volunteer at <http://tinyurl.com/fumckids2016>.

WESTVIEW ON THE JAMES SCHOLARSHIP

The Wayfarers Sunday School class and the United Methodist Men would like to offer children from FUMC the opportunity to attend Camp Westview! They are offering two scholarships for young people ages 7 – 17. If interested, pick up an application from the church office, the children's ministry office, or the youth ministry office and return it to Carol Knott. Application deadline is Sunday, March 19. Scholarship recipients will be asked to write about their experiences at Westview on the James to share with the church family upon return. Visit www.westviewonthejames.org.

ROTATION STATION

Today, the children in Rotation Station (grades 2 – 5) are finishing their unit on The Lord's Supper. The children saw how Jesus gave his disciples, and us, the Lord's Supper as a way to remember him and how much he loves us, the lessons he taught us, and the sacrifice he made for us. Thank you to those who volunteered to make this series come to life: Melanie Haus (storytelling), Lori Govar (cooking), Bill McCoy (music), Trish Vaughn (art), Sandy Howson (2nd grade), Rachel Burner (3rd grade), Alison Donley (4th grade), and Lindsay Sobota (5th grade). Our unit on "Easter People" runs from March 19 through April (except for Palm and Easter Sundays). Contact Shannon Bolick at storyshan@hotmail.com if you can help or sign up at <http://tinyurl.com/fumckids2016>.



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NEW SERMON SERIES BEGINS MARCH 12



WEDNESDAY NOON LENTEN PRAYER SERVICES

- March 15 ~ St. George Episcopal, 905 Princess Anne Street
Message by Rev Elizabeth Dowdy (FBC MWH Chaplain)
 - March 22 ~ Fredericksburg Baptist Church, 1019 Princess Anne Street
Message by Father Don Rooney
 - March 29 ~ Fredericksburg Presbyterian Church, 810 Princess Anne Street
Message by Larry Davies (Fredericksburg United Methodist Church)
 - April 5 ~ Fredericksburg United Methodist Church, 308 Hanover Street
Message by Brittany Tamminga (Presbyterian Church)
- Contact the church office (540) 373-9021 with questions.



Fredericksburg UMC is hosting a training for those interested in ministry with Native American communities. Our church is hoping to send a leadership team and future mission teams to Arizona to serve. Topics covered will include context of ministry, best practices, cultural norms and values. The workshop is three hours, dynamic and participatory. Mission leaders, youth workers, volunteers or anyone interested in working with Native populations, register today for this amazing one-day Seminar presented by Rochelle J. Lacapa, MPH is the workshop presenter. Ms. Lacapa is a member of the White Mountain Apache Tribe and holds a degree in theology from Notre Dame and a Master of Public Health from Johns Hopkins. Ms. Lacapa was director of Johns Hopkins Center for American Indian Health on the White Mountain Apache reservation. Reserve your spot today - <http://highlandsupportproject.org/nat>