



GUATEMALA 2017 – July 15 – 23

JOIN US as we leave our comforts of home and trek off to the mountains of Guatemala.

Come to our meeting on Sunday, April 23 at 2:00 p.m. in the Library. Contact Trish Vaughan for more information (trish_vaughan@live.com).

HELP NEEDED!!! CREATIVE MINDS!! STRONG BACKS AND TRUCKS!!!

Fredericksburg UMC has been instrumental in helping set up a furniture bank. Now, we need to help sustain this new mission through volunteer service and donations of household items. People are needed to *pick up and deliver furniture to a local warehouse and organize donations.* We plan to work from **8:30 - 5 on Saturday, April 22nd.**

If you don't have a truck or can only spare an hour or two, your help is still needed. Also, if you have furniture or household items that need a new home, please contact Gerry Madigan, gerry.j.madigan@gmail.com, or Carol Setteducato, csette32@gmail.com, or call (540) 373-7132 to volunteer or donate your items. RSVPs are needed by Tuesday, April 18th, to organize the effort.

HOLY LAND TRIP

Brian Lamb is co-leading a trip with Rev. Keith Boyette from Wilderness Community Church to the Holy Land from January 2-11, 2018. This will be the sixth trip Rev. Boyette has led to the Holy Land. You will visit Bethlehem, Jerusalem, the Mount of Olives, the Sea of Galilee and cross it on a boat, Cana, Nazareth, Megiddo, Caesarea, Jericho, and Qumran. The tour includes an option to visit Masada and the Dead Sea. A devotional based on the events that occurred in the bible will be offered at each site you visit. Participants will be from several Virginia UMC churches. Cost of the trip is approximately \$3208 and includes all airfare from Dulles Airport, accommodations, taxes and fees. If you are interested in participating, contact Brian Lamb at blamb@wildernesschurch.org or [540-287-9288](tel:540-287-9288). A short informational meeting will be held in room 112 at 6:15 p.m. on Sunday, April 26th.

FUMC YOUTH MINISTRIES

A BIG "THANK YOU" to our Youth, parents, families, Kimberly Kemp, and the Youth Council Committee for all of your hard work, time, and energy you put into Stations of the Cross. Without your dedication, we would not have been able to create such a meaningful experience. Thank you!

Easter Breakfast: Come join us in the Downstairs Fellowship hall for some food and fellowship. The FUMC Youth are serving Breakfast from 7-11 today. A suggested donation of \$5 is appreciated. Proceeds go to support Summer Missions. Thank you for supporting our Youth!

No YOUTH Group tonight or Next Sunday (April, 23). Please enjoy time with your families and have a SAFE Spring Break. We will resume Youth Group Sunday, April 30 from 5-7, with a Celebration of all your hard work over the last few months!

SCHOOL DRESSING DAYS (SDD)

School Dressing Days is a community event for children needing some help getting ready for the new school year. It is sponsored by the Interfaith Community Council, of which FUMC is a member. Requested items: new or gently used backpacks (colorful ones for the smaller children and large ones for high-schoolers are usually in short supply); school-appropriate shoes (new or gently used); new girls' jeans sizes 5 and 7; little girls' undies sizes 4 and 8. Place donations in the SDD bin in Mission Control. Other items are shown on the flyer in Mission Control. Financial contributions may be made to help our "super shoppers" pay for the bargains they find. Make out the check to FUMC with School Dressing Days in the memo line. A Sign-Up Genius site will be ready soon to register to work at the event - a four-hour commitment is a blessing to the clients and to you, too. The event will be held Friday and Saturday, August 11 and 12, at the Church of Latter Day Saints on Bragg Road. Contact Jean Himmel at 540-368-9541 or dhimmell@cox.net.

FREDERICKSBURG UMC PRAYER REQUESTS week of April 16, 2017

HOSPITALIZED: Natalie Kala; Brandon Murphy, Norma Connelly, Marjory Gallahan

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY TO: Sue Kavina and family on the death of her brother Richard Snelling and her Aunt Edna Thigpen; Kelly Updike

HEALTH CONCERNS – GENERAL

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

HEALTH CONCERNS – INDIVIDUAL NAMES

Kristine Guido	Rebecca	Rian Craig	Joel Zurasky
Keri Purtell	Ed Levis	Sophie Govar	Lauren Jones
Tonya Nelson	John Straub	Kelly Berry	Bev McFarland
Andrew Newton	Ted Flickinger	Drew Coates	Peter Barstys

LIFE EVENTS, UNSPECIFIED AND GENERAL PRAYERS

Cassy Murphy	Michael McDevitt	Virginia Gough
Jamison	Family of Dillon Papier	Family of Zoey Light
Nick M.	Ray and Family	Dalton Wolf's family/friends
Ann Harden	Brendan	Rebecca & Mike
Sara Lewandowski	Anne Howson	Those grieving
Claire	David travel mercies	Benjamin Burgess\
Amy and Tim	Fred	Anita Bowyer & Family
Jason Hoffstot	Holly Mann	Mark C
Matthew Lewandowski	Maureen	Cooperation
Understanding	Being God's light to others	Jeffrey Costello
Gretchen	Tristan Ivey	MOPS direction/leadership
LGBTQ and Community	Finding what's next to serve God/FUMC	
Family & friends of students killed in car accident	Animals in need of forever homes	

MINISTRIES OF THE CHURCH

Church Universal and FUMC	Alpha – team & participants – continue to glorify God
Disciple Fast Track	Sunday Schools and other Small Groups

PRAISE

Health and Family	Catherine Pakes	All our many blessings
Spiritual Growth Retreat attendees	Darlene Runalduie	Spring and its promises
Our Risen Lord	Flowers	All children
Neil and Diane Sigmon	Holy Spirit and grace	Family, Friends and Trees
Kaitlyn Levis	Maureen's surgery	Emmaus Walk
Dylan & Kyle Johnson's birthday	Grandchildren	Autumn Reif
Rylee Maslock	Ron's health improving	Baby Henry's healing
Medical Advances	Life	

LONG-TERM CONCERNS

Rudolph Siron	Anne Blosser	Amy Young and Family	Andy Carpenter
Connie	Wayne Hedge	Shannon Berry	Cindy Wilson
Caroline	Patti	Jeff Temples	Julie Tubbs
Alberta Hickman	Kelly Blosser	Carl Durfee	Ed Resio
Linda Haynes	Vy Bass	Sara Bergazzi	Alma Bradley
Doug Green	Jim Mann	Bobby Hill	Lois Huffman
Virginia Smith	Kristy & Ron	Susanne Pancake	Wayne Jackson & Patti
Tabitha Van Doren		Mary Katherine Resio	Elise Velez and family
Sister Mary Olivia (Diane Shirley)		John & Joan Burnette	Lewis & Audry Leonard

NATION AND THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY AND PUBLIC SERVICE

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

Pray for 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

CALLED CHARGE CONFERENCE

A Called Charge Conference will be held for Fredericksburg UMC on Monday, April 24, 2017 at 7:00pm. The purpose of the called Charge Conference is to receive permission to change the basic structure of Fredericksburg UMC Church Council.

YARD SALE TO BENEFIT MOPS

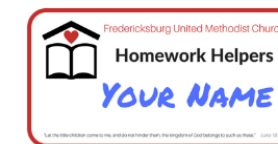
MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) is hosting a yard sale on April 29th from 8:00 a.m. to noon. at 19 Teton Drive, Fredericksburg 22408. Proceeds will go directly towards leadership training. Tons of baby and kid items! Spring cleaning and don't know what to do with all that extra STUFF? Consider donating it to us for our sale! Contact Jillian Murray at jillianmurray@fumcva.org with questions.

CALLING ALL GRADUATES!

Are you graduating from high school, college, getting your master's degree or doctorate? Let us know! Pick up a Graduation Form in the Gathering Space or outside Amy Dotto's office (Room 2016). Return it to Amy no later than May 15.

WELCOME DESKS

Jillian Levis is coordinating volunteers for the welcome desks in Kobler Hall and the extended narthex. Volunteers are needed for all Sunday services to sit at the desk before and after the service – they don't need to miss the service itself. Contact Jillian at levis4@verizon.net or (540) 538-3650.



We need substitutes! Grab your crayons and pencils help

the kids with their spelling, math and reading. For information, contact Sandy Howson at showson@infionline.net.

LOGAN BARRY EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT: OPERATION WARM HEADS, WARM HEARTS

Logan Barry would like to collect at least 150 hats and blankets for local cancer patients going through treatment. Logan will present Massaponax High School with a "how to" guide with educational materials and contact information for Spotsylvania Regional Medical Center and current point of contact. Place donations in the marked box in the Mission Control by April 30.

Name: _____

Preferred Contact Information: _____

Phone No. _____

Email: _____

I would like to help/sign up for:

- ___ FUMC 101
 - ___ Childcare Needed
- ___ Wednesday Night Dinner
 - ___ How many?
- ___ Homework Helper Substitute
- ___ Greeters Which Service? _____
- ___ 9:45 Communion Servers
- ___ Ushers
 - ___ 9:45
 - ___ 11:00

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
- ___ Stephen Ministry

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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. 8:00 AM Sun. 11:00 AM
- Sun. 9:30 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 – April 8/9, 2017

Saturday, 5:30 p.m.	21
Sunday, 8:30 a.m.	188
Sunday, 9:45 a.m.	256
Sunday 11:00 a.m.	191
Total	656

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FUMC PRESCHOOL

We have a limited number of openings still available in our classes for 4s for the new school year starting in September. Call the Preschool Office at (540) 899-3172 or email preschool@fumcva.org for more information.

MISSION CONTROL

Tina Renninger is the leader of Mission Control Contact her at (540) 371-1984 or tinarenninger@gmail.com. If you wish to collect items. Mission Control is near the elevator in the gathering space.

MISSION CONTROL NEEDS

Food Pantry. In April, we are asking for Oatmeal. If you prefer to make a monetary donation, indicate "Food Pantry" on your check.

Cold Night Shelter: Handi-wipes, Clorox wipes. **Preschool:** Labels for Education.

Lions Club: eyeglasses, cases, hearing aids. **Micah:** Women's underwear, sizes 7-10, and Chapstick; men's boxer underwear, M and L; new or gently used backpacks; men's and women's belts; small hand sanitizers.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER ~ Kobler Hall ~ 5:00 to 6:30 p.m.

April 19th menu: Chicken Divan, Parsley Potatoes, 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. Make reservations 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. Dine in or take out the dinners. Contact Mary Jordan at (540) 303-2281 to help set up, serve, or clean up.

MARY ELLEN STEPHENSON CIRCLE OF UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

The Mary Ellen Stephenson Circle of the United Methodist Women will meet on Thursday, April 20 at 7:00 p.m. in Room 207. We will continue our study of the Women of Faith Bible study, *Living a Life of Balance*. (Copies are available through Amazon--ISBN: 0-7852-5263-0.) We will discuss chapter 2, "Balancing Time and Responsibilities." All women are welcome to attend. For more information, please contact Janine Kutty at janinekutty@yahoo.com or 540-898-0256.

FUMC 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

EASTER EGG HUNTS

Happy Easter! Today 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. Even if you didn't bring a basket, come join the fun. We will have bags for you to use.

FUMC RUNNING CLUB

The Children's Running Club will not meet this coming Wednesday, but will resume on Wednesday April 26 from 6:30 – 7:30 for our third week of practice. We will also meet on Wednesday, May 3 and then will culminate with the annual Great Train Race on May 7 where we will not only run, but cheer and encourage one another. Families should register on their own if they wish to run in the race. This year, we will focus on Thessalonians 5:11, "Therefore encourage one another and build each other up." We will begin with devotions and then stretch and meet with adult volunteers to train at individual paces. We need adult runners to help with many different levels of runners!!!

GIGI GOD'S LITTLE PRINCESS

Calling all little princesses ages 3-5! Since God is the King and we are all His children, doesn't that make us princesses? Join us for a four week series for preschool aged girls based on the book series by Shelia Walsh, *Gigi, God's Little Princess*. We will meet on Tuesday afternoons from 1:30 until 2:30 on April 25, May 2, 9, and 16 to learn what royal qualities God calls us to show, learn about princesses in the Bible, and have some frilly, glitzy, girly fun. Participation is limited and priority will be given to older girls. To register, contact Shannon Bolick at storyshan@hotmail.com.

REGISTER FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2017

VBS 2017 is right around the corner and registration is OPEN! This year, we are following Paul's journey through Rome. FUMC will become ancient Rome during the week of June 26 – 30 from 9:00 – 12:00. You can register on the church website at <http://fumcva.org/grow/children> or with a paper registration form found at church. As always, we need a ton of helpful hands to make VBS the wonderful success that it is. 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. Please email our VBS director, Jillian Murray at: jillianmurray@fumcva.org for more information or to sign up to volunteer. You can also sign up as a volunteer at <http://tinyurl.com/fumckids2016>.



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ALLELUIA! HE IS RISEN!

April 16 – Easter Sunday

7:00 a.m. – Easter Breakfast Celebration provided by our youth

8:00 a.m. – Easter Sunday Service in our Sanctuary

Easter Egg Hunts for the children following each Easter Service

9:30 a.m. – Easter Sunday Service in Kobler Hall

11:00 a.m. – 2 Easter Sunday Services in our Sanctuary and Kobler Hall

EASTER BREAKFAST

Come to our Easter Breakfast on Sunday, April 16, from 7:00 to 11:00 a.m., downstairs in the Fellowship Hall. Pancakes, Breakfast Casseroles, Muffins ,and Fruit will be served by our youth and their families. Proceeds will go to Youth Summer Missions.

GUEST PARKING IS ON THE MOVE

At Fredericksburg United Methodist Church, we seek to be a welcoming and hospitable church. One of the many ways we live out this value is by providing guest parking for persons new to our church. In the weeks to come, the two current "Guest Parking" spots in the back Charlotte Street lot will move to the front Charlotte Street lot. In addition, one more additional space will be designated for guest parking for a total of three guest spots. If you are a member of Fredericksburg UMC or regularly attend Fredericksburg UMC, please leave these spots open for first-time guests coming to Fredericksburg UMC. We know this might be a slight inconvenience (especially when the rest of the lot is full and there may be an open guest spot), but we also know how caring our congregation is and how much our congregation would love to see someone else come to know the love of Christ and the love and support of the body of Christ at Fredericksburg UMC. For more information please contact Pastor Robb Almy (540) 373-9021 X106.

CHURCH CLOSED

The church offices will be closed on Monday, April 17.

FUMC 101

You are invited to a three-week informal class to discover answers about our denomination and our church. FUMC 101 is for those new to FUMC and/or considering membership. Attendance at the class does not commit you to membership. Register online at www.fumcva.org/connect or use the tear-off sheet to sign up. Questions? Call FUMC at (540) 373-9021, ext. 105. Classes meet April 12, 19, and 26; from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m., in Room 236. Contact Denise Gates at dparishnurse@hotmail.com for more information.

FAREWELL RECEPTION

For Bill McCoy, our Organist and Sanctuary Choir Director
Please join us for a reception on Sunday, April 23, in the Gathering Space following the 11:00 a.m. service, as we thank Bill for his many years of service here at Fredericksburg United Methodist Church and wish him a happy retirement.