

EVENT SCHEDULING: 2017-2018

Please submit event request forms for all meetings and events that use the facility so that we can schedule your rooms. This includes one-time meetings/activities and recurring ones. September is the roll-over to a new calendar year for our facility schedule. Without this request form, your meeting may fall off the schedule and another event could take its place. Event registration forms may be filled out online at www.fumcva.org/about-us/forms/event-registration-form or hard copies may be obtained in the mail/copy room (Room 105). For more information, please contact carolknott@fumcva.org or phone 540-373-9021, x105.

YOUTH MINISTRY

DO SOMETHING!

Youth Kickoff: Sunday, September 10 from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Calling all Youth ages 6th Grade through 12 and their Parents - you are cordially invited to our first official youth event of the 2017-18 school year. We will have a (Cookout/Potluck). Main dish provided. If your last name is A-M, please bring a side dish, N-Z bring a dessert. Parent information meeting and form signing to follow while "Youth Shenanigans" take place on the green. Looking forward to seeing everyone and for a great year!

New Sunday School Year Starts Sunday, September 10 at 9:45

A BIG THANK you to all who helped with The Heartwood Center Lunches. We wrapped up our final packing this past Wednesday, please stay tuned to find out just how many lunches we packed!!

Calling All College Students: We need your address! FUMC youth want to keep in touch and let you know we are thinking/praying for you. If you are interested in receiving some "snail mail," please send your college address to Amy at amydotto@fumcva.org.

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

NO CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL IN AUGUST

Our children's Sunday School program is taking a break during the summer to encourage families to worship together. Children are ALWAYS welcome in worship! We will have a special children's time at the 9:45 service as well as the children's bulletins and busy bags. We start back up in our new age-level classes on Kick Off Sunday, September 10.

PRIMARY SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED

Do you love children? Do you love Jesus? Do you love helping children learn about and get to know Jesus? COME TEACH SUNDAY SCHOOL!!! We are looking for people to co-teach our primary Sunday School classes for preschool ages, kindergarten, and first grade during 9:45 hour. Materials and curriculum are provided. You will be blessed by the relationships you form. Prayerfully consider if you can use your time and your talents in this way to serve our children. Contact Shannon Bolick at storyshan@hotmail.com.

ROTATION STATION 2017 / 2018 Schedule

It is time to pick HOW and WHEN you want to share your gifts with the children of FUMC through Rotation Station Sunday School. Each year, we need almost 100 people to bring the stories of the Bible to life. This is for ALL of our church family, not just parents of children. We all have some way to share the Good News with our children. Materials and curriculum are provided. Workshop leaders plan one lesson and teach it four times to different groups of children. Shepherds commit to five weeks and serve as a helper for the teachers and a friend to the children. Please see which unit you are interested in helping with. IT IS FUN! For each unit, we need four shepherds (to accompany the age group of children) and five workshop leaders (who teach the same lesson on four different Sundays). The areas are Art, Music, Storytelling, Media, Science, Cooking, and Games. Contact Shannon Bolick to sign up or for more information. The units for the upcoming year are as follows:

- "Living God's Word: Friendship" – September 10 – October 8
- "Abraham and Sarah" – October 15 – November 19
- "Christmas Around the World" – November 26 – December 17
- "The Man Beside the Pool" – January 7 – February 4
- "Timothy, Eunice, and Lois" – February 11 – March 11
- "Easter: Peter's Story" – March 18 – April 22
- "Daniel in the Lion's Den" – April 29 – May 27

MICAH WELCOME HOME BASKETS

Micah is having great success reducing the number of street homeless in our community, and as people are moved into housing, we like to provide them with a "Welcome Home Basket" to ease the transition. These basic items can make it a little easier to live in and care for their new home. Suggested items include: *Shower Curtain, Bath Mat, Bath Towels (2-4), Washcloths (2-4); Dish Towels, Broom/Dust Pan, Paper Towels, Sponges; Sheet Set (twin or full), Pillow; Cleaning Supplies (Dish Soap, All-Purpose Bathroom Cleaner, 'Clorox' Wipes, Windex, etc.)*. Drop off your items in the Micah Welcome Home Basket Bin at Mission Control. Fredericksburg UMC will provide kitchen-size trash cans in which to place the supplies. Micah thanks you for continued contributions and support.

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP MATERIALS CHANGING

This fall, we will switch to a new format for Sunday morning printed materials to improve communication and be better stewards environmentally and fiscally by conserving paper. We will produce a slimmed down version of the Announcement Sheets, to be known as the Sunday News and Notes, featuring a few news highlights affecting the largest number of church attendees, a place for important dates and for sermon notes, etc. For the 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. services, a half-page insert will provide an order of worship.

Because we still need to disseminate information, groups, classes and ministries are encouraged to communicate directly with their constituencies via email and other means. In October, we will offer a printed monthly newsletter known as "The Open Door." Items that previously went into the current Announcement Sheet insert, but do not make it into the new Sunday News and Notes, will be a part of this monthly newsletter. The newsletter will primarily be shared electronically, but paper copies will be available upon request for those who do not use email or just prefer a printed copy. Copies will also be available in the church in strategic locations. A video outlining these exciting new communication vehicles can be viewed at <https://youtu.be/sKmrscgIQUU>.

Your patience and grace is appreciated in this time of transition. Thank you for your support as we seek to communicate in ways that reach the greatest amount of people. For information, contact Pastor Robb Almy, RobbAlmy@fumcva.org or (540) 373-9021, x106.

OPPORTUNITY FOR YOUNG WOMEN

The Virginia Conference United Methodist Women is sponsoring the annual Young Women's Event (open to women 18-40) September 15-16 at Blessings Lodge, Camp Overlook, Keezletown, Virginia. This event is open to all interested young women; membership in United Methodist Women is not required. The theme is "Encountering God in Everyday Life: Nurturing Your Relationship with God through Spiritual Practices" and the leader is the Rev. Devon Earle, Associate Pastor of Fairlington UMC in Arlington. The retreat begins with registration on Friday (5:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Dinner follows at 7:00 p.m.) and ends with worship and communion on Saturday (4:00 p.m.). Scholarships are available for first-time attendees. September 8 is the registration deadline. For more information, contact Janine Kuty at 540-898-0256 or janinekuty@yahoo.com.

WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Registration is now open for the *Live Your Faith Bold and Brave* Women's Conference to be held on our district at Ebenezer UMC in Stafford on Saturday, September 30, 2017. Registration: \$20.00 includes breakfast and lunch. Onsite child care available, \$5.00 per child and includes lunch (max \$20 per family). Please click below for links to information on the event: Live Your Faith Bold and Brave Women's Conference link: <http://ebenezerumc.org/event/womens-conference/>.

MEDICAL PERSONNEL, EMTs, FIREFIGHTERS, FIRST RESPONDERS, TRAINED FIRST AID PROVIDERS, MEDICS, ETC. - We need you!

Fredericksburg UMC is preparing a list of individuals who are trained to provide assistance in a medical or situational emergency. If this is you, please contact Kitti Mann (kittimann5@gmail.com) and provide her with your name; contact information; worship service you usually attend as well as information regarding ministries and missions of which you are a part. The list will be used to identify you as a resource in the event of an emergency at the church. The information you share with us will only be used within the church and accessible by a limited number of individuals, with the understanding it is to be used only in the event of an emergency. Many thanks for assisting your church family.

SUNDAY COFFEE HOUR

If you or your organization would like to participate in providing for the coffee hour, contact Bob LaChance at (540) 891-4342 or rwlachance@verizon.net.

MATCHING DONATION FOR MICAH AND FOOD PANTRY

An anonymous donor has challenged the church to a dollar-for-dollar fundraising campaign for Micah and the Food Pantry that could net each ministry \$10,000! If you would like to give to this campaign and have your dollars matched (up to \$10,000 for each ministry), indicate on the memo line of your check either "Micah Match" or "Food Pantry Match" or "Micah and Food Pantry Match" to split your contribution between the two ministries. Contact Pastor Larry Davies at LarryDavies@fumcva.org or (540) 373-9021 X104.

MOPS (MOTHERS OF PRESCHOOLERS)

Starting in October, we will begin a MOPS/Moms Next group on Wednesday nights, twice a month. MOPS/Moms Next exists to encourage, equip and develop every mother of preschoolers. Childcare is on a very limited basis; please inquire when registering. To register or get more information, please contact Allison Xanthopoulos at (703) 929 4274 or fmopssteering@gmail.com.

BAZAAR UPDATE

The FUMC BAZAAR will be held on Friday evening and Saturday morning, November 3rd and 4th. There will be a wide variety of potential Christmas gifts for friends and family. We will have more workshops on August 14th and 28th. Weekly workshops start on September 11th. Workshops start at 9:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

2017 SCHOOL DRESSING DAYS REPORT

The initial report of children served during the two days of the School Dressing Days event this year: 452 families; 1,174 children.

Thanks to all of you who donated items, funds and/or time to make this event a success.

Name: _____

Preferred Contact Information: _____

Phone No. _____

Email: _____

I would like to help/sign up for:

- Greeters Which Service? _____
- 9:45 Communion Servers
- Ushers _____ 9:45 _____ 11:00
- FUMC 101
- District Men's Night Out
- Children's Sunday School Co-Teachers
- Bazaar Workshops/Donations

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
- Better Health

August 20, 2017

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:

Blank lines for prayer requests

I praise God for:

Blank lines for praise requests

Attendance - August 13, 2017

Table with 2 columns: Day/Time and Attendance count. Total: 429

Bishop: Sharma D. Lewis
Rappahannock River DS: Ted Smith
Ministers: Members of the Congregation
Lead Pastor: Ext. 104
Associate Pastor: Ext. 106
Pastor of Congregational Care, Ext. 111
Director of Youth Ministries: Ext. 107
Director of Children's Ministries: Ext. 110
Music Director: Ext. 116
Contemporary Worship Director: Ext. 113
Children/Youth Choir Director, Ext. 114
Preschool Director: Ext. 117
Facilities Manager: Ext. 115
Office Manager: Ext. 105
Financial Administrator: Ext. 102
Church/Membership Secretary: Ext. 103

MISSION CONTROL NEEDS

Food Pantry Needs: boxed macaroni and cheese. If donating funds, please write 'Food Pantry' on your check. Please focus on the needs of the Heartwood Summer Lunch Program for the month of August. See reverse side for the list of needed items.

Preschool: Labels for Education.

Lions Club: glasses, cases, hearing aids.

Micah's current needs are: Men's underwear (size M, L, and XL); Women's underwear (size 6 through 10), Backpacks; Deodorant; Small travel-size shampoo.

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.

EMMAUS WALK

The Men's Walk is September 21-24 and the Women's Walk is October 26-29. The deadline for pilgrim applications is two weeks prior to the weekend date (September 7th and October 12th, respectively). For more information, please contact Lynda Swanlund, FUMC Emmaus Representative, at lswanlund@cox.net or John Mann, the Community Lay Director, at slowjet@outlook.com. There is an Emmaus Scholarship fund, should you wish to donate to help other pilgrims.

MUSIC NOTES

Do you love to sing? Do you have a spirit to serve? We would love for you to join the Sanctuary Choir! We meet on Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. Rehearsals begin on August 30th. For more information, contact David Kirven at davidkirven@fumcva.org or (540) 373-9021 ext. 116.

The Chapel Ringers, FUMC's Adult handbell ensemble, is looking for new members! Please join us for fun, fellowship, and music making. All you need is the ability to count, a sense of humor and a love of music! Rehearsals are on Wednesday evenings at 6:00 p.m. beginning on August 30th. For more information, contact David Kirven at davidkirven@fumcva.org or (540) 373-9021 ext. 116.

'Early riser and love to sing? The Family Choir is looking for new members and is open to youth through adult. For more information, please contact David Kirven at davidkirven@fumcva.org or (540) 373-9021 ext. 116.

FREDERICKSBURG UMC PRAYER REQUESTS WEEK OF AUGUST 10, 2017

HOSPITALIZED: Dave Brumbaugh

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY TO: Audrey Durfee and family and friends of Carl Durfee; family and friends of Hunter Seale (cousin of Ken Davis)

HEALTH CONCERNS - GENERAL

Drug and alcohol addicted individuals, those with mental illnesses, those struggling with dementia; all who battle cancer

HEALTH CONCERNS - INDIVIDUAL NAMES

Table listing names of individuals with health concerns: Carth Hunt, Bob Swift, Joyce and Family, Mary Bergazzi, B.P. Sullivan, Jr., Tonya Nelson, Sandy Shupe, Gladys Faust, etc.

LIFE EVENTS, UNSPECIFIED AND GENERAL PRAYERS

Table listing life events and general prayers: Love to replace hatred, Mike Beard, Arlee Morgan, All in harm's way, Peace, Boy Scout Troop 170, FL 8/17-8/25, etc.

MINISTRIES OF THE CHURCH

FUMC - direction and clarity in serving God's purposes Church Universal
Sunday Schools and other Small Groups at FUMC

PRAISE

Brynna's help God giving his Son to heal broken world School Dressing Days

LONG-TERM CONCERNS

Table listing long-term concerns: Gigi, Brandon Murphy, Helene Patterson, Ken Davis, Rudolph Siron, Amy Young & Family, Andy Carpenter, Connie, etc.

NATION AND THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY AND PUBLIC SERVICE

Table listing nation and those serving in military and public service: Nation and Leaders, All Military & Law Enforcement, Airman Adam DeWitte, etc.



August 20, 2017

Sermon Series CREED WHAT CHRISTIANS BELIEVE AND WHY August 6- Sept 3. Aug 6: I Believe in God, Aug 13: I Believe in Jesus, Aug 20: I Believe in the Holy Spirit, Aug 27: I Believe in the Communion of Saints, Sep 3: I Believe in Forgiveness, Resurrection, Life Everlasting

FUMC 101 (August 30, September 6 and 13)

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 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 August 30, and September 6 and 13, 6:30-8:00 p.m. in Room 236 above Kobler Hall. Contact Denise Gates at dgparishnurse@hotmail.com.

MINISTRY EXPO

Make plans now to take part in the 2017 Ministry Expo, kick-off for Fredericksburg UMC's Fall and Winter programs. This year's Expo will be on Sunday September 10, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in Kobler Hall. There will be food and fun activities as well as lots of information regarding the Ministries; Missions and Small Groups here at Fredericksburg UMC. Come and find your Ministry Match. If you have a Ministry; Mission; Class or Small Group that you would like to publicize, please contact Kitti Mann (e-mail: KittiMann5@gmail.com or phone: 540-891-1671).

FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY

Financial Peace University is a 9-week, money-management course taught by America's most trusted financial guru, Dave Ramsey. Aided by our FUMC coordinators, Dave and his team will walk you through the process of budgeting, dumping debt, planning for the future, and much more! Classes start Monday, September 18th at 6:30 p.m. You must register online at https://fpu.com/1044979. Nursery is available. Contact Clay Murray at cmurray@coldwellbankerelite.com or Tim Gates at tjzstang08@gmail.com.

WANT TO KNOW MORE ABOUT THE BIBLE?

The Adventurers Sunday School Class will be studying 'Favorite Bible Passages' during September-November. The class meets each Sunday from 9:45 to 10:45 a.m. in Room 201. Come and join us for this study!

GRACE AND JUSTICE ON DEATH ROW

Thursday, September 14, 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

Headquarters Library, 1201 Caroline Street, Fredericksburg, VA 22401

Author Brian Stolarz will talk about his successful defense of a Texas death row inmate.

Discussion follows, facilitated by members of St. George's Episcopal Church.