

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) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

EMail \_\_\_\_\_

Please add me to the Newsletter e-mail list.

Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

PRAYER/PRAISE

May we share your request with the congregation? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No

I ask prayers for:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

I praise God for:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Attendance ~ December 13, 2015

Saturday 5:30 PM – 44  
Sunday 8:30 AM – 153  
Sunday 9:45 AM – 158  
Sunday 11:00 AM – 140  
Total - 495  
Carol Service 205

Bishop: Young Jin Cho  
Fredericksburg DS:  
Ted Smith  
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Church Secretary: [michellecooper@fumcva.org](mailto:michellecooper@fumcva.org)

**DATES TO REMEMBER:**

December 24:  
4:00 p.m. Children's service  
6:00 p.m. Traditional service  
8:00 p.m. Contemporary service  
11:00 p.m. Traditional service  
December 31 – 1<sup>st</sup> Night 6-9PM



**CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES**

**Epiphany Party**

The Christmas season doesn't end on December 26! On Wednesday, January 6, families are invited to come celebrate "Three Kings Day." We will hear a story, make crafts, learn about the wise men's visit, and see what gifts we have to give to Jesus. Program is for children of all ages from 6:30 – 7:30 in the Preschool Gathering area of FUMC.

**Kids With Purpose Is Coming!**

On Wednesday nights from 6:30 – 7:30 from January until Easter we will host KIDS WITH PURPOSE! KWP is a hands on mission program for children in grades kindergarten through fifth grade. We are thrilled to have Rachel Burner directing our program this year as we get children involved in serving others in our community. We are looking for volunteers to serve as leaders for the different classes as well as volunteers to help coordinate various service projects. Please let Shannon Bolick know how you would like to help.

**Vacation Bible School 2016**

It is time to begin planning for the excitement of summer at our annual VBS. We are currently in need of a director to make this happen. As director, you get to set your vision for the program and the dates. Lots of help will be provided. If you choose to follow the Marketplace style, the theme this year is Egypt! Joseph's Journey from Prison to Palace. PLEASE prayerfully consider if you are being called to this or how you would like to help make VBS 2016 come to life.

**Sunday school on December 27**

All children's Sunday school classes will meet in room 213 on the Sunday after Christmas. We will watch a Christmas movie together.

**Child Safety Reminder**

Remember that our Child Protective Policy says that at no time should a child (under sixth grade) be unaccompanied at FUMC. This includes walking to classes, waiting for parents, or in the parking lot. Thank you for keeping our children safe!

**UMYF News**

January 10, 2016: We will resume our regular youth meetings on January 10, please note, there will NOT be a meeting on December 20 as previously scheduled. However, if any of your kids are interested in a wonderful service opportunity, our church through Diane and Mike Cotter are organizing a First Night (December 31st) since the city will not have a program this year. Please contact him. He really wants youth to lead some simple fun activities for the kids who might show up. Other downtown churches will be participating in this as well.

As we transition to our new leader Amy, I am asking that you all reach out to help her in her massive responsibilities. One person cannot do the entire thing without lots of parent support. Each little bit of support adds up to a lot, so don't underestimate anything you can do to assist.

**The Church is *closed* Monday, December 28, 2015.**

There will be no programs or meetings on the schedule for that day including the Outreach Pantry. The Church will not have power due to the final phase of changing the poles in the parking lot. We will be open for business as usual on Tuesday, December 29, 2015.



**Fredericksburg United Methodist Church**

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**December 20, 2015**

**WELCOME – TO ALL WHO ENTER**

**SEEK others in the community,**

**SERVE their needs,**

**GROW the love of Christ.**

In the hospital this week: **Karen Newton, Tristan Ellis**  
We extend Christian Sympathy to: **Jenny Kefauver** and family on the passing of her father. **Doug & Lisa Burnett** and family on the passing of his grandfather Bill Hobaugh. **Kristen Johnson** and family on the passing of her 100 year old grandmother, Helen Jurewicz.

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*You are invited to Christmas Eve at  
Fredericksburg United Methodist Church*

*Four O'clock in the Evening  
Children's Service in Kobler Hall*

*Six O'clock in the Evening  
Traditional Candlelight Service in the Sanctuary*

*Eight O'clock in the Evening  
Contemporary Candlelight Service in Kobler Hall*

*Eleven O'clock in the Evening  
Traditional Candlelight Service in the Sanctuary*

*Parking is located in our parking lot on Charlotte Street, with additional street parking  
around the church. A parking garage is available at 600 Sofia Street.*

*Childcare will be provided during the 6pm & 8pm services. Our nursery is located in the  
basement level of our Ministry Center.*

**NO PARKING ON HANOVER STREET CHRISTMAS EVE!**

There are NEW parking restrictions on Hanover Street and according to the Fredericksburg Police Department they will be in effect on Christmas Eve during the 4:00 and 6:00 PM service. **If you park in PERMIT PARKING ONLY you will get a ticket.** There is still Handicap Parking in front of the Church.

**CONFIRMATION 2016**

If you are in the sixth grade (or older), you are invited to participate in Confirmation, which will begin in January. It is an exciting journey, and we look forward to having you on board. Join us on Sunday, January 10th, for a Confirmation overview and orientation. Participants in the program and their parents should report to the sanctuary at 9:45 a.m. Sixth-grade Sunday school will not take place that morning. For additional information, please contact Katherine Counsell at 371-8259 or [katcounsell@verizon.net](mailto:katcounsell@verizon.net).

**Lost and Found** – Bible and purple case with Believe written on the outside. If you are missing this item come to the administrative office to pick it up.

**WESLEYAN CIRCLE IS CHANGING THEIR MEETING DATE**

If you have been looking for an afternoon circle to join, the Wesleyan Circle is moving to daytime, first Tuesdays. Starting January 5, 2016, this circle will meet at 2:00 in the library. We would love to have you come and check us out. Contact Ronda Worcester with questions. [Rondaworcester@yahoo.com](mailto:Rondaworcester@yahoo.com) or 479-6090.

**2016 Wayfarer Mosaic Devotionals are here!**

The 2016 edition of the Wayfarer Mosaic, a weekly devotional written by members and friends of the Wayfarers Sunday School class, is now available. You can pick up your copy by going to the Wayfarers' Sunday school classroom (downstairs in the Fellowship Hall) either right before or after the 9:45 Sunday school hour. Copies are \$15 each (checks made payable to Wayfarers), and all profits will be donated to church projects. This devotional has a writing for each week and a Bible verse for each day. These make great gifts! Thank you for supporting this outreach project of the Wayfarers.

**SEEKING DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN, YOUTH AND HANDBELL CHOIRS**

Fredericksburg UMC is currently seeking a part-time Director of Children, Youth and Handbell Choirs. Send your resume and a letter of interest to [prewitt5@cox.net](mailto:prewitt5@cox.net). No phone calls, please.

**The Power of a Pair of Shoes  
for  
Soles 4 Souls**

Everyone deserves a good pair of shoes. Every day children are prevented from attending school, adults are unable to work. Walking becomes unbearable. A new pair of shoes provides relief today so thousands can succeed tomorrow. The shoes you no longer want create opportunity many need. Shoes keep people healthy, happy and thriving. In many developing nations, walking is the primary mode of transportation. Every day millions are exposed to unsanitary conditions that lead to diseases such as hookworm, threadworm, and the dreaded Tunga Penetrans, or "jiggers". These diseases may lead to sickness, even death. They also keep children out of school leaving them without an education and continuing the cycle of poverty. With your help, we can provide a life-changing solution: a good pair of shoes. Kaley Lampman is heading up this collection. We will also collect socks for Micah along with this project to provide shoes and socks to those less fortunate than we are. This collection will go on throughout Advent.

**Congregation Care**

**Memorial Service and Reception for Frances Garrison will be January 16<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 PM; we will post updated information as we get closer to this date.**

**Updated Report from Finance Committee**

The following is the anticipated Revenue and Expenses for the month of December, 2015:

Estimated Expenses to year end: \$38,704.21  
Month to date: \$64,436.28

Total expected expenses for Dec., 2015 \$103,140.49

Negative year to date expenses for Dec., 2015: \$11,080.71

Total needed to balance the books for 2015: \$114,221.20

Received month to date in Dec., 2015 (we have 2 Sundays plus Christmas left): \$54,500.50

On track to meet all obligations with continued faithful stewardship: \$59,720.70

On behalf of the finance committee we appreciate your continued support of our church. We also will be providing you monthly updates on the financial status of our 2016 budget. This report will be in the Open Door in January. Respectfully submitted Doug Holbrook, chair.



**First Night, December 31<sup>st</sup>  
A family friendly celebration  
to bring in the New Year**

**6:00 – 9:00 PM.**  
Final planning meeting Dec. 27<sup>th</sup>  
at noon in room #209.  
All are welcome!

**Fredericksburg United Methodist Church** is excited to offer **FIRST NITE @ FUMC!** We welcome ALL community families and their children for a joy filled evening of fun and fellowship. Games, face painting, art activities, cookie decorating, s'mores and Dynamic Drums on the Green for everyone. Come and enjoy some local entertainment and talent from 6-9pm New Year's Eve, December 31<sup>st</sup>. (Hotdogs, chips and drinks –all for \$1)  
Access the church from the Charlotte St. entrance – downtown Fredericksburg.  
**Items needed:** Cookies for decorating they can be store bought or homemade, and metal containers like buckets or barrels to be used as drums. Monetary donations will also be accepted to purchase supplies, make your check out to FUMC and in the memo line put 1<sup>st</sup> Night. Thank you in advance for your willingness to be a part of this celebration. Contact Mike Cotter to volunteer your time and energy [mvcotter@comcast.net](mailto:mvcotter@comcast.net) or (540) 786-3658.

**Our Angel Tree** children's gifts are packed and ready to be delivered this weekend. Even if you don't drive a sleigh, please consider stopping by room 205 and selecting a family's bag(s) to deliver. You will be provided with the address and a phone number for your family. Please contact the caregiver to insure that someone will be at home to receive their gifts. In addition to the presents, each child and caregiver will receive an age-appropriate booklet about God's love for everyone on earth and an invitation to worship with us this Christmas. Should you encounter any problem, please contact Pat Blosser at 540-907-5212. Thanks for sharing God's love!

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT  
DINNERS  
COME AND JOIN US**

Make your reservations Monday of each week on the bulletin board outside the mailroom (105), in the Gathering Space or contact Lisa Earnesty [earnesty@verizon.net](mailto:earnesty@verizon.net).

**NO Dinners until  
January 6, 2016  
Happy New year!!!**

Dinners are served from 5:00 – 6:30 p.m. Adults - \$7.00; Children 3-12, \$3.00; Families - \$25.00

**Sound Board Technician**

Needed for the 9:45 a.m. worship service. Training will be provided. Please contact Pastor Won at [wonlee@fumcva.org](mailto:wonlee@fumcva.org);

**PIZZA WITH PASTORS  
Today, December 20, at  
12:15 p.m. in Room 202**

Are you new to FUMC? Are you interested in joining the church? Or do you simply want to know more about FUMC? You are invited to Pizza with Pastors. This will be a time for you to learn about the ministries of FUMC and to get to know our pastors on a personal level. \*Childcare is available. Questions? Contact Pastor Won Lee at (540) 379-9021, x 15, or at [wonlee@fumcva.org](mailto:wonlee@fumcva.org).

**Prayer Shawls**

If you are interested in being a part of our Prayer Shawl Ministry please contact Margaret Filler at (5400) 850-6293

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

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

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

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

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

**I would like to VOLUNTEER for the following ministries.**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Nursery Workers 9:45**

- \_\_\_\_\_ **1<sup>st</sup> Night Volunteers**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Making cookies for decorating**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Donating metal cans and barrels for drumming**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Donating Door Prizes**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Pizza with the Pastors**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Prayer Shawl Ministry**

