



Fredericksburg United Methodist Church

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WELCOME – TO ALL WHO ENTER

SEEK others in the community,
SERVE their needs,
GROW the love of Christ.

In the hospital this week: **Leon Shiner, Tristan Ellis** (Parents are **Brian and Laura Ellis**), **Gwen Reilly, Alberta Hickman, and Imogene Keith.**

TODAY is Macaroni & Cheese Sunday - one box mac & cheese

The Community Thanksgiving Eve Service will be hosted by the Presbyterian Church on Wednesday, November 25th, 7:00 p.m.

An Invitation to join Shiloh Baptist Church (Old Site) for their 150th anniversary of the first gathering of Fredericksburg’s African Americans to give thanks after the Civil War.

You may wonder why we began holding our Thanksgiving service so early in the morning. It’s because in those difficult, early years, most of our members were granted no holiday from work on Thanksgiving, which had been declared a national holiday by President Abraham Lincoln in 1863, shortly after the Emancipation Proclamation went into effect. In 1865, desiring to give thanks for the end of human enslavement in Virginia, members of Shiloh began gathering together early in the morning, just as light was dawning. Since that first Thanksgiving after the Civil War, the tradition has continued as a way of honoring the courage and faith of those on whose shoulders we stand. Simultaneously, of course, we give thanks for the many blessing that God allows us to share with others in our own day.

In the spirit of Christ, “the great inviter,” please know that you and any members of your congregation would be most welcome to join us for this 150th anniversary service. Coffee, tea, and a light breakfast repast will be provided immediately after the service. Sincerely, - The congregation of Shiloh Baptist Church (Old Site)

This weekend, we are lifting up prayers for Christians around the world who are persecuted for their faith.

Janet Lahr Lewis, a member of FUMC has spent many years working with Christians in Palestine and Israel. This morning, you are invited to write a note of encouragement or email to Christian communities there. Your notes can be placed in the offering plated or brought to the communion rail/table. Emails should be sent to Janet at jlahrlewis@gmail.com, put “Prayers and Support” in the subject line. These will be shared with clergy who will read them to their congregations. It is a tangible way that we can let our brothers and sisters know that the Church is praying for them.

It’s not too late to turn-in your 2016 pledge card. Drop it in the offering plate or bring to the office. Thank you for your support of FUMC’s ministries

FOOD POUNDING

Our plan is to deliver the bags of food on Sunday, November 22nd following church services and then to help with distribution on Monday, November 23rd and Tuesday, November 24th. Contact Mike Cotter at (mvcotter@comcast.net)
October 11- Dressing Sunday - One box bread crumb or stove top stuffing
October 18- Green Bean Sunday - Two 14.5 oz. cans of green beans
October 25- Mashed Potato Sunday - One box instant mashed potatoes
November 1 - Cranberry Sunday - One can 16 oz. can cranberry sauce/jelly
November 8 - Cornbread Sunday - One box of Cornbread mix
November 15 - Macaroni & Cheese Sunday - one box mac & cheese
November 22 - Food Pounding Sunday - bring bags to the altar for blessing and Delivery to Heritage Park and Hazel Hill.

Seeking a Director of Youth Ministries

Fredericksburg UMC is currently seeking a part-time (minimum of 20 hours per week) Director of Youth Ministries to build young disciples of Christ by developing and implementing a comprehensive approach to youth ministry (in the areas of inviting/seeking, connecting, serving and growing in discipleship) while serving as a spiritual leader and role model. Send your resume and letter of interest to prewitt5@cox.net. **No phone calls, please.**

Watch for the Dove and Angel Tree

November 19th – December 13th

November 19, 2015 – Place Doves and Angels on the Christmas Wish Tree
November 21st/22nd, 28th/29th, & December 6th – Select Doves and Angels
December 13th – last date gifts must be returned to Congregational Care Office #205 to distribute.

The location to deliver the Dove and Angel gifts has CHANGED beginning Sunday, December 6th thru December 13th please bring the wrapped gifts to room 205 which is the Congregational Care Office where Pastor Hank used to be.

Dove gifts are taken directly to the Kenmore Club for Inventory of all Dove gifts from the community, Sunday December 13th from 12:15 – 2:30 PM. Refer all Dove gift questions to Diane Manchester (540) 786-0551.

Pat Blosser will inventory and sort gifts in room 205. Her helpers will retrieve bagged family gifts for delivery throughout the following days as needed. Refer all Angel gift questions to Pat Blosser (540) 373-0593.

Advent Study – “The Journey” by Adam Hamilton

Small group schedule:

- Tuesday 6:30-7:30 PM – room 236 – Pastor Won will teach
- Wednesday 6:30-7:30 PM – room 236 – Pastor Brenda will teach
- Thursday 11:00 AM-12:00 PM – room 210 – Carole Dubois **Class starts 11/19/15**
- Sunday 11:00 AM-12:00 PM – **room 209** – Jenna Cooley and Pam Mearns
- Christian Family Life Sunday school class 9:45 – 10:45 AM – 210
- Contemporary Sunday school class 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM – room 210
- Faith and Fellowship Sunday school class 9:45 – 10:45 AM – room 208
- Wesley Forum Sunday school class 9:45 – 10:45 AM – room 209

We invite you to our Advent Bible Study, “The Journey: A Season of Reflections: Walking the Road to Bethlehem” by Adam Hamilton. This 4-week Advent Bible Study will begin on the week of November 29th and small groups for this study will meet at different dates and times as given above Small group sign-up sheets are placed on the information desk in the gathering place. Online sign-up is also available at the church website at www.fumcva.org. The study book can be purchased for \$13.00 at Church. For questions, contact Pastor Won Lee at wonlee@fumcva.org.

Leo and Betty Yates have moved!!!

New address is: 912 Rolling Road, #208, Catonsville, MD 21228
Leo and Betty just celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary.

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
November 8, 2015

Saturday 5:30 PM – 22
Sunday 8:30 AM – 125
Sunday 9:45 AM – 142
Sunday 11:00 AM – 127
Total – 416

Bishop: Young Jin Cho
Fredericksburg DS: Ted Smith
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DATES TO REMEMBER:

November 21st-22nd – Thanksgiving!
Food bags will be collected and distributed.
November 28th-29th – 1st week of Advent – “The Journey”
December 13th – Carol Service... 5:00-6:00 PM

UMYF News

IMPORTANT: please start having the youth bring in their shoeboxes and items to fill them for the college care packages; if we don't get enough I'll only be able to send a few. Remember these are things to cheer up a college student right before their finals. Anything small and relatively healthy, not all candy please. Here is a list I got offline that looks good. <http://www.cozi.com/live-simply/care-packages-ideas-brighten-day-college-students-young-adults>

November 15th: Gargantuan Game Night. We have scoured the Interwebs to find the best out there. We'll play some fun stuff and have a blast.

Next week November 22nd: Last night for shoe boxes and items to put in them. We will put together the care packages for our former UMYF youth who are studying for their exams. These youth have come back and let us know just how much these care packages mean to them; so let's not let them down!

FREDCAMP JULY 3-9, 2016

Fred Camp is for high school youth and rising 9th graders. Please visit FREDCAMP.org to learn more about this awesome week. **Deadline for registration is Dec 3, 2015.** All payments for Fred Camp should be made with a check, payable to Fredericksburg United Methodist Church youth. Please write your youth's name and FredCamp in the memo line. All payments should be mailed to: Fredericksburg United Methodist Church, 308 Hanover Street, Fredericksburg, VA 22401. Please make sure your payment will arrive the Friday prior to the posted due dates. Please email me at csette32@gmail.com after you put your payment in the mail. If you have questions, please contact Carol Setteducato at [540-373-5472](tel:540-373-5472).

****We are in need of an adult male camper. This is a great opportunity to be with some amazing youth for a week and see how God works through our youth.** This experience will change your life for the better!!**

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.

Book Buddies Project

The time is here for UMW's collection of new and gently used children's books for The Salvation Army's annual TOYLAND project for underprivileged children in the greater Fredericksburg area. Your help is greatly appreciated as we hope to put books into the hands of nearly 3000 children in need this Christmas.

The collection box marked with The Salvation Army logo is in Mission Control and books will be accepted through December 1 in time for distribution at TOYLAND.

Many, many thanks from the UMW and The Salvation Army of Fredericksburg!

United Methodist Women

An organized unit of United Methodist Women (UMW) is here at FUMC. We are a community of diverse women with a purpose, and we invite every woman to learn more about who we are and what we do. Please join us **TODAY, from 3:00 until 4:00 P.M. in the Fellowship Hall (lower level).** We will enjoy fellowship and dessert before completing simple mission projects.

1st Night New Year's Eve!!!

The City of Fredericksburg is not doing 1st Night this year. Fredericksburg UMC is going to have our own 1st night for our congregation and the community. We need lots of help to do this right, lots of coordinators and lots of volunteers. Contact Mike Cotter at mvcotter@comcast.net or 540-786-3658 and tell him you want to be in on the fun and excitement. **Kick-off meeting to begin planning is on November 15th in room 209 at 12:00 PM all are invited.**

Merry Maker's Trip Riverside Dinner Theater – *Mame* January 10, 2016 at 1:00 PM

Transportation will be provided for those who need it. Make your check out for \$52.00 to FUMC and send to Ronda Worcester at 701 Cobblestone Blvd, #102, Fredericksburg, VA 22401. E-mail questions to rondaworchester@yahoo.com. The deadline for reserved seats is November 30th.

Reminder: The Merry Makers going to the Virginia Historical Society trip on Tues.. Nov. 17th will be leaving the parking lot at 8:30 AM and returning at approximately 3:00 PM. Please be prompt.

Micah Cold Weather Shelter is Opening

This weekend Micah's cold weather shelter will open. It will be available to the area's street homeless from November 15 to March 15. FUMC is responsible for helping with the shelter on the third, fourth and fifth Saturday nights of the month. The Christian Family Life class is taking the 3rd Saturday nights. We need volunteers to help on the 4th and 5th Saturdays. Responsibilities of the teams are to help make beds for the evening, fold clean laundry, welcome guests as they arrive. We begin at 6:00 PM and are usually finished most nights by 7:30 PM. Paid staff are also available and are responsible for staying through the night. If you have questions or would like to volunteer please contact Diane Cotter at dianecotter@comcast.net or 540-786-3658. Our first night to serve is November 28.

We can't have too many bus and van drivers... for transportation of our homeless from our Church to the Micah Cold Weather Shelter on Friday and Saturday evenings. If you are interested in becoming an approved driver please contact Kurt Nordstrom at kurtNordstrom@fumcva.org or Mona Lamb at monalamb@fumcva.org.

Collecting for the Cold Weather Shelter this season... This year FUMC has been assigned Wet Wipes to bring to the Cold weather shelter on our Saturday nights. If you would be able to donate some packages, you can leave them in the Micah boxes in Mission Control room. Thanks, as always for your support.

Request for Wedding Photos

As a tribute to our long history, the Heritage Committee would like to display wedding photographs of couples who have been married in our church. Photos from any time period are acceptable. Older photos from parents or grandparents, as well as more recent weddings, are welcome. The original photos will be scanned and returned to the owners. Copies will be used in the glass display cases. If you have photos to share, or if you have questions, please call Margaret Mock, 540-371-3740 or send email to mimisenior@cox.net.

Bazaar Briefs

Excitement and amazement were in the air on Nov. 6 and 7 when the Bazaar displayed its crafts and handiwork, a year in the making. We deposited \$10,097 as a result of all the joint efforts - including the beautiful wreaths which you bid on and purchased. Many thanks to all the workers and customers who bought by showing their appreciation for all the talented people whose skills went into this very successful and happy biennial project for our beloved church.

Sound Board Technician

Needed for the 9:45 AM worship service. Training will be provided. Please contact Pastor Won at wonlee@fumcva.org.

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.

November 11th MENU:

Turkey and Dressing
Sweet Potato Casserole
Cranberry Sauce and Baked Apples
Green Beans
Fruit and Salad
Dessert

Dinners are served from 5:00-6:30 PM. Adults \$7.00 Children 3-12 \$3.00 Families \$25.00.

SWIM

Saturday Worshipers in Mission!
Volunteers are needed after the 5:30 PM Saturday Worship Service; SWIM makes lunches for Micah. Sandwiches are made and the lunches are put together. Then they need to be delivered to Micah. SWIM makes these lunches once a month on the second Saturday.

Live Nativity

December 13th from 4:00 – 5:00 PM
Volunteers are needed to be Mary, Joseph, and a couple of shepherds, costumes will be provided. The Live Nativity precedes the Christmas Carol Service so come early to the service and stop by the Methodist Green. For more information or to volunteer contact Mona Lamb at monalamb@fumcva.org.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Name: _____

Preferred Contact Information: _____

PhoneNo: _____

Email: _____

I would like to VOLUNTEER for the following ministries.

_____ **Wednesday Night Dinner**

_____ **9:45 Sound Technician**

_____ **SWIM**

_____ **Nursery Workers 9:45**

_____ **Drivers Micah Cold Weather Shelter**

_____ **1st Night Volunteer**

_____ **Live Nativity**

