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WELCOME GUESTS & MEMBERS

Attendance: 5:30 p.m. 36 8:30 a.m. 168 9:45 a.m. 215 11:00 a.m. 136 Total: 555

MINISTRY NEWS

Reminder: Daylight Savings Time ends next weekend. Please remember to turn your clocks back one hour next Saturday night/Sunday morning, November 2/3.

In the Hospital: Mary Jordan – MWH; Mona Lamb-Spotsylvania

Christian Sympathy to: The Kuty Family on the loss of Larry Kuty on October 19th.

FREDERICKSBURG
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
B A Z A A R
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2
8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

*Unique & Homemade Crafts
Reasonably Priced!*

- ❖ *Handmade Christmas Ornaments*
- ❖ *Needlework (sewn, crocheted, knitted, quilted...)*
- ❖ *Children's Corner*
- ❖ *Jewelry & Accessories*
- ❖ *Household Decorative Items*
- ❖ *Baked Goods*
- ❖ *Antiques & 'Shabby Chic' Shoppe*
- ❖ *Light Lunch Will Be Available*

This Bazaar is held only every other year... so come early!

NEWCOMERS' CLASS

You are invited to join us for a three-week class where you will discover answers about our denomination and our church in a friendly and fun environment. This Newcomers' Class is designed for those who are considering membership. Learn the values and beliefs of FUMC and find where you fit in and how to get connected to the life of FUMC. Registration sign-up sheets are available at Welcome Desk. More questions? Please see Pastor Won Lee (lee.wongyu@gmail.com, 540-373-9021x15) or Jeff Smith (evangelism@fumcva.org, 540-841-3468).

Wednesdays from 6:30 – 7:30, Room #210

November 6 – “What does it mean to be United Methodist?”

November 13 - “Becoming FUMC Family”

November 20 - “Talk with Dr. Biler”

FOOD POUNDING

In this season of harvest, we count our blessings, and in joyful thanks strive to be a blessing to others. Our Food Pounding is a cherished FUMC tradition. Remembering Our Lord's charge to "Feed my sheep," we collect food to provide Thanksgiving dinner to local families. From now until the Food Pounding [Saturday, November 23, and Sunday, November 24], please collect each item at home. Then, bring the bagful of food to the Church and bring it up to the altar during the first hymn. There are many ways to participate:

1) Donate a bag of food as described below -- try challenging your Sunday School class or Bible Study to reach a goal of families to help.

1) Making a donation for turkey and/or ham. Make checks payable to FUMC, memo: Food Pounding.

2) Help loading and delivering the donations - it's such a blessing (and fun) to meet some of the people.

Grocery List and Schedule for Thanksgiving Food Offering (If possible, please use a re-usable grocery bag)

- October 12/13: Dressing Sunday, One Box of Bread Crumb Stuffing
 - October 19/20: Green Bean Sunday, 2 14.5 oz Cans of Green Beans
 - October 26/27: Mashed Potato Sunday, 1 Box Instant Mashed Potatoes
 - November 2/3: Cranberry Sunday, 1 16 Ounce Can Cranberry Sauce
 - November 9/10: Cornbread Sunday, One Box of Cornbread Mix
 - November 16/17: Macaroni & Cheese Sunday, 1 Box Mac & Cheese
 - November 23/24: Food Offering Sunday (Bring your bag of groceries to worship)
- At the food offering during the worship service, we will dedicate our bags that include a Thanksgiving greeting from your family.

YOUTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Youth Sunday School meets at 9:45am every Sunday during the year.

- 6th grade meet in room 207
- 7th and 8th grade meet in room 219.
- 9th through 12th grade meet in basement Youth Room.

All students in 6th - 12th grades – Join us
Sunday evenings
5:00 - 7:00 pm

Fellowship Hall (church basement)
UMYF begins with a snack supper followed by games, worship music, and individual Bible study for each grade level.

Coming Soon

Hanover youth retreat November 15 – 17

CHILI COOK-OFF

The UMM will be having the Third Annual Chili Cook-off on **Sunday, November 17th from 12:30 to 2:00 p.m.** in the Fellowship Hall downstairs. Everyone is invited to come and sample the finest chili around. Donations will be accepted at the door. Entries: 1 crock pot per category. Entry fee is \$5.00 per entry. This is open to FUMC church family, i.e. individuals, groups, scouts, etc. **DO YOU MAKE THE BEST CHILI? ENTER AND LET THE JUDGES DECIDE.** There are prizes for three categories, Texas style, Southern style and Non-traditional; the grand prize for the best chili overall. Please register by November 16th to Bob LaChance at rwlachance@verizon.net.

OUTREACH PANTRY

The Outreach Pantry is in need of on-call volunteers up to twice a month, as the need arises. If interested, please contact Ed Sielski at 786-8515.

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



Grade Level Studies

Beginning this Wednesday, October 30, and running for four weeks, we will once again offer our "Grade Level Studies" program. In this series, each age level of children will study a different part of our faith. Teachers and assistants are needed for the fourth and fifth grade classes. Materials and training will be provided. Classes are on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 until 7:30. Please consider if you are able to help with one of these programs.

Kindergarten - BAPTISM: What is this water thing all about?

First Grade - LORD'S PRAYER: Learn the Lord's Prayer and the meaning behind the words.

Second Grade - COMMUNION: Learn what happens during this sacrament, why we do it, and what it means.

Third Grade - USING YOUR BIBLE: After receiving your new Bible, get to know it!

Fourth Grade - STEWARDSHIP: What can you give? We aren't just talking about your allowance.

Fifth Grade - APOSTLES CREED: Learn the Apostles Creed and what its history is.

Children's Program Registration Forms

Please make sure that you have registered your children for this year's programs. We like to have everyone's contact information and health history on file as well as those who are able to pick up your children. These forms are available from Sunday School teachers, outside of the chapel, or in the door of the children's ministry office.

Once you have filled one out, please return it to Shannon Bolick or your child's teacher.

Rotation Station

We still need volunteers for the following units. Please let Shannon Bolick know if you are willing to help.

- "Good News" - December 1 - 29 (4th grade shepherd)
- "The Little Boy's Lunch" - January 5 - February 2 (4th grade shepherd)
- "The Ten Lepers" - February 9 - March 9 (storytelling, science, media, 3rd grade, 4th grade)
- "Easter People" - March 16 - March 20 but not on Easter (storytelling, media, 3rd grade)
- "The Road To Emmaus" - April 23 - May 25 (storytelling, music, games, science, 4th grade, 5th grade)

Kids With Purpose

Each winter for several years, FUMC has hosted a Kids With Purpose program to engage our children in hands on mission and ministry. This program needs a director! We are looking for someone with a passion for mission work, a love of Jesus, and a excitement in working with children. The directorship would involve lining up the different mission projects for each week and coordinating with the different agencies receiving our support, linking the activities with Biblical teaching, and helping teachers with lesson planning. Shannon Bolick will work side by side with you throughout the process. The program is planned to start in January. Please prayerfully consider if God is calling you to this. Contact Shannon at 834-2264 or storyshan@hotmail.com for more information.

Junior Church at 11:00

Our attendance at Junior Church at the 11:00 service has been mostly nonexistent for the past six months. We are going to discontinue this program at the 11:00 service. Children are ALWAYS welcome in worship and we will continue to have busy bags and children's worship bulletins. We will also continue to offer the children's message.

If the interest in this program at 11:00 changes, we will reexamine this decision.

Junior Church at 8:30 will continue as usual.

UPWARD BASKETBALL LEAGUE TO BEGIN AT FUMC

FUMC will be starting an Upward Basketball league beginning in January for K5-6th grade boys and girls. Upward provides a fun sports experience based on healthy competition for kids, teaching skills for the sports arena and values for life. Upward stresses values such as sportsmanship, teamwork, integrity and respect—as much as winning. Registration has begun, so if you know of children who you think would enjoy this unique sports experience, please consider FUMC Upward basketball. We will also be looking for coaches, referees and others just looking to help with this awesome ministry. If you have questions or would like to join our team, please contact Mark Earnesty at 540-891-8872 or earnesty316@netzero.com. You may also register on-line through the church's website – www.fumcva.org.

UMM ANNUAL SPIRITUAL RETREAT

Virginia-Wide United Methodist Men (UMM) are enjoying their annual spiritual retreat in **Blackstone, Virginia, November 1-3**. More than 300 men will gather for 2 ½ days of spiritual talks, sharing and Christian fellowship. Cost is \$190.00 and includes lodging and food, with special \$50.00 scholarships for first time attendees. Golf tournament or horseshoe tournaments are offered at a small extra cost. Registration forms are on the UMM bulletin board. Call Bud Orcutt at 373-0919 for additional information.

BOOK BUDDIES!

The UMW once again are collecting new or gently used children's books (ages Birth-12) for disadvantaged children served by *The Salvation Army and The Salvation Army Women's Auxiliary* at Toyland. Last year more than 1,900 of these children in the greater Fredericksburg area were provided with thousands of toys, clothes and books. Your efforts to give the gift of reading to these children, many of whom have never had books of their own, is deeply appreciated. FUMC's overwhelming support last year helped hundreds of these youngsters in our area. The need will be even greater this year since two local charities have terminated their long-standing children's Christmas programs. The Salvation Army has stepped up to the plate to try to fill the gap and the expectation is for an additional 900+ children – a total of almost 3,000! A collection box marked with The Salvation Army shield is located in the Mission Control area. The final day for collection will be Monday, December 2. If you need any help please call the number listed below. Again, our sincerest thanks for your loving help and support. Sharon West, Chairman, Salvation Army Women's Auxiliary – (540) 891-9230.

WEBSITE AND COMMUNICATIONS VOLUNTEER

Are you a techie? Do you love working on computers and websites for fun? Do people label you a geek? If so, FUMC is looking for a website and communications volunteer. If you are interested, please contact Pam Bosch at 540-373-9021, ext. 19.

FIRST AID/CPR CERTIFICATION

ASHI first aid and CPR certification will be offered at FUMC. The certification will last 3 and 2 years respectfully.

When: Saturday, November 16th 8:00am-3:00pm

Where: FUMC Fellowship Hall

Cost: \$30

Bring: Food and beverages for the day

To register, contact: Stephanie Maurer,
themidwife@zoho.com or 540/273-8790

Limited spots are available.

THE CHURCH NEEDS TO REPLACE ITS VAN!

Dear FUMC Members. We need to replace our 2000 Dodge Van and that means raising funds to do it! The van was purchased gently used and now has 77,000 plus miles on it. Operated by a number of different church groups, it has seen a lot of wear and tear. We have quietly been asking individuals to start the campaign with major donations, and the generosity of these folks has truly been amazing. However, it is time to turn to our congregation and church groups to ask for their help. We still have a way to go to reach our goal to replace the old van with a newer one. Please consider joining us with a gift of whatever you feel led to give. Checks should be made out to Fredericksburg United Methodist Church (FUMC) with a notation that the gift is for the Van Replacement Fund. Thank you so much for your help! Shirley Cullop

MERRY MAKERS TRAVEL TO LINCOLN'S COTTAGE

The Merry Makers Group will travel to Lincoln's Cottage in Washington DC on Thursday, November 14, 2013, for a 10:00am tour. Following the Cottage tour we will travel to Mike's in Springfield for lunch. Lunch will be on your own. We will leave the church parking lot at 8:00am and return around 3:30pm.

To make your reservation, please mail a check for \$15.00 to:

Margaret Filler
7102 Aldrich Court
Spotsylvania VA 22553

Cut-Off Date is November 7, 2013.

If you have any questions, please call Margaret Filler 540-850-6293.

The phone number in the directory is incorrect...I no longer have a landline.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP DINNERS-CHANGES

Changes have been made in the Wednesday Night Dinners in an effort to get a more accurate count to plan meals. This has not been successful, so we are making the following changes:

- Standing reservations will be accepted.
- Sign up in the Gathering Space.
- Sign up weekly can be made by contacting Lisa Earnesty at earnesty@verizon.net, or by signing up on the board by the workroom.

If your plans change, please call the office or email Lisa Earnesty to cancel by close of business on Monday.

- Adults-\$6.00, Children-\$3.00 for 3-12
- Under 3 yrs old is free
- \$20.00 Family Cap

Tickets will be sold for take-out meals.

October 30

Menu: Orange Chicken, Fried Rice, Stir Fry Vegetables, Almond Cookies, Orange Slices

FESTIVAL OF WREATHS 2013

The beautiful wreaths are hanging and ready for you to admire and put in your bid to purchase. The silent auction will be ongoing until noon on **November 2, 2013**, when those who have the highest bid on the wreath of your choice will be the owner of a lovely, handcrafted wreath. There is a map showing where the wreaths are hung and all will be on the main hallways of the church and Kobler Hall. All proceeds go to projects for your church, FUMC, so enjoy the excitement of participating in the BAZAAR. Also, be sure and see the exhibit in the Archive display case for the upcoming BAZAAR and our past successes.

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR 2014 ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Pastors and laity are urged to submit names for nomination to the District Office no later than **October 30, 2013**. If interested, please pick up the form in the Administrative Office.

CHRISTMAS WISH TREE

The *Christmas Wish Tree* is a holiday tradition at FUMC. This special tree offers our church family an opportunity to share God's love and the good gifts He has given to us. Look for our tree, decorated with paper *Dove* and *Angel* ornaments, beginning Sunday, November 13. When you select a *Dove* from our tree, you fulfill a Christmas wish for a teen or adult who receives mental health services. Most often these persons do not have the support of a loving family, and our gifts may be the only ones they receive. Although their identities are confidential, their Christmas wishes have been provided through the Rappahannock Area Community Services Board (RACSB). **Please place wrapped *Dove* gifts in the parlor by Sunday, December 8. The gifts will be inventoried on Sunday, December 8.** If you have questions about *Dove* gifts, contact Linda Conlin at 891-4297. When you choose an *Angel* from our tree, you will fulfill a Christmas wish for a child whose mother or father is in prison. Most of these children live in homes where meeting their basic needs is a continuing challenge. Another important aspect of this ministry involves building or restoring family relationships. Your gift assures a child that the absent parent has not forgotten them. If you are available to help deliver *Angel* gifts during the week before Christmas or if you have questions concerning *Angel* gifts, call Pat Blosser at 373-0593. **All wrapped *Angel* gifts must be returned to the church Parlor by Sunday, December 8.** Sign on one of the clipboards located near the tree for each *Dove* or *Angel* ornament you choose. Be sure to pick up a copy of instructions. Thanks for helping continue this cherished holiday tradition!

MONDAY MORNING SPIRITUAL GROWTH

The Monday Morning Bible Study meets from 10:00 - 11:30 in Room 210, on the 1st and 3rd Monday of every month. Each chapter of the book, *Women of the Bible – 52 Bible Studies for Individuals & Groups* by Jean Syswerda, introduces us to a new woman. We learn about her life and culture and discover God's role in her story – and our own. Every week is a fresh lesson, making it possible for newcomers to join right in at any time. Open to all women and men (18-118), we look forward to welcoming new faces, familiar faces and ones we have missed. Please come as often as your schedule allows. To order a book, arrange for babysitting or if you have further questions, call Ann Braz at 710-6588. Our lesson on November 4th centers around Jael.

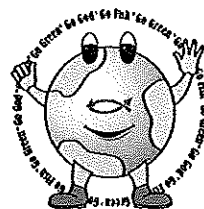
THE FUMC STEPHEN MINISTRY

The Stephen Ministry is a one-on-one caring relationship using trained members of FUMC. We offer those who are hurting the love and care they need for support. If you are having a difficult time, someone to care, listen, to share God's love with you can help you get through the confusion, stress or loneliness you may be experiencing. This may apply to you, a relative or a friend who is hurting. For help or further information, contact one of our Stephen Leaders:
Bob Bonshire, 540-898-4796
Bill Simpson, 540-899-5701
Barbara Simpson, 540-226-1793

Caretakers of God's Creation

GREEN TEAM

Green Team Tip of the Week:
Follow Grandmother's advice:
"Use it up, wear it out, make it do,
or do without."



BAKE SALE DONATIONS NEEDED FOR THE BAZAAR!

Our FUMC Bazaar is taking place on Sat/November 2. As part of this tradition, we include a 'Bake Sale Shoppe' that will feature home-made goodies created by our members or extended church family.

Please consider helping out by baking/making a goody to sell at our shoppe. We really could use homemade cookies and brownies, cupcakes, and any other item, such as jellies/jams, fudge/candies or other gourmet food items.

PLEASE PACKAGE TWO (2) COOKIES OR BROWNIES IN A BAGGIE (or other container) & CUPCAKES INDIVIDUALLY. CANDIES CAN BE WRAPPED WITH SEVERAL PIECES – DEPENDING ON THE TYPE OF CANDY/FUDGE.

DROP OFF AT KOBLER HALL ON FRIDAY/NOV 1 or SATURDAY/NOV 2.

Pies and cakes are welcome also but they would need to be individually cut into serving pieces and packaged by you before dropping them off. Experience showed us this works best rather than selling whole pies and cakes.

Please tear off the bottom of this sheet if you can help out and fill in the information. Simply put it in the offering plate. OR you can always email this information to Anne Riordan at: aminsley@aol.com. Questions? Call Anne on #786-4367.

Yes, I can donate something for the Bazaar bake shop!

Name: _____

Email: _____ Phone # _____

Items you are baking/making: _____
