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WELCOME

GUESTS & MEMBERS

September 8, 2013

Record of Faithfulness

Attendance: 5:30 p.m. 60	8:30 a.m. 120	9:45 a.m. 250	11:00 a.m. 154	Total: 584
July Giving: \$96,776.00	Needed Monthly: \$127,142.57	2013 Budget: \$1,525,680.00	Harvest Campaign: \$19,572.00	

In the Hospital this Week: Minor Armstrong-MWH; Larry Kutty-MWH

MINISTRY NEWS

PLEASE WEAR THE NAME TAG PROVIDED.

MINISTRY EXPO: "WE ARE THE HANDS OF CHRIST!"

WELCOME NEW FRIENDS!

Today we officially kick-off the ministry year! Small groups, Sunday School classes, choirs and other groups will be sharing their ministry and encouraging persons to worship, grow and serve in 2013/2014.

Ministry Expo displays have been set up in Kobler Hall until 7:30 p.m. on Saturday and from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on Sunday. On Saturday, ice cream will be served after the 5:30pm Open Door service. On Sunday, hot-dogs will be served in Kobler Hall and ice cream dessert at the Methodist Green from 10:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

If you are here for the first time stop by the Welcome Desk or introduce yourself to one of the Greeters/Ambassadors (purple shirts). A travel mug and additional church information are waiting for you. See you next week!

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

September 11 – "Talk with Dr. Biler"

September 18 – "What does it mean to be United Methodist?"

September 25 – "Becoming FUMC Family"

YOUTH UPDATE

There will be no youth Sunday School today due to our celebration of this year's youth mission work. Please join us in worship today to hear about our experiences! Youth Sunday School classes will commence on Sunday, September 15 with 6th grade in room 207, 7th and 8th grade in room 219, and high school in the youth basement room.

All students in 6th - 12th grades – Join us **tonight!**

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. Bring a friend **tonight, September 8** to share in the fun. If we have at least 60 youth **tonight**, each grade level can throw a cream pie at either Shirley or Patrick-- there would be 7 pies to throw!!!

Parents of 6th - 12th grade students, **tonight-September 8** Shirley will meet with *all returning and new youth parents* to share the vision of our program and to discuss mission opportunities at **5:00 in the Sanctuary**. Every parent should attend as all youth will need a completed 2013 - 2014 FUMC permission slip to participate in all UMYF weekly meetings and events.

Coming this fall:

MICAH breakfast service opportunity Sept. 21

Hanover youth retreat November 15 – 17

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

This year's annual Blessing of the Animals is planned for Saturday, October 5 at 10:30 A.M. All sociable and secured pets are invited to bring your families and join Pastor Won on the Methodist Green!

INTERNATIONAL MISSION TRIP OPPORTUNITY

Have a passion to serve Christ internationally? Yearn for a deeper relationship with Christ? You will find faith in action and love in person in Honduras next summer with Carolina Cross Connection. Since 1988 Carolina Cross Connection has been offering young people the opportunity to serve as the hands and feet of Christ. FUMC youth have been serving with CCC in North Carolina for years and we are ready to join them in Honduras in the summer of 2014! An informational meeting will be held on Sunday, September 15 in the Fellowship Hall between 5:30 and 6:30. CCC representative Brittany Bethel will lead our meeting and answer all of your questions. In order to participate, FUMC youth and young adults should be in 9th grade - college in the fall of 2014 AND must have participated in at least 1 week-long mission trip with FUMC in the past. Parents of youth and all potential chaperons, 25 years and older, should join us.

WELCOME UMW STUDENTS!

Need a ride to church? Contact Fanya Morton at 371-0208 or morton_family@cox.net.

FROYO FOR FREDERICKSBURG MOPS!

Come on out to Menchie's Frozen Yogurt on **Monday, September 9th from 4-8pm** and support Fredericksburg MOPS! No need for a flyer, just mention MOPS when checking out and a portion of the proceeds go to fund our awesome group of Mothers of Preschoolers. MOPS exists to equip, encourage and develop every mother of preschoolers to realize her potential as a woman, mother and leader in the name of Jesus Christ. Menchie's Frozen Yogurt is located in the Spotsylvania Town Center just down the street from Bravo Italian. Questions about MOPS? Email Allison or Annie at fmopssteering@gmail.com

STAFFORD "CHURCHES REMEMBER,"

SEPTEMBER 21

"The Churches Remember: A Community in War and Peace," a program offered by the Civil War Sesquicentennial Committee, will be presented on **Saturday, September 21**. The program includes a narrated bus tour of seven historic churches in Stafford County and a box lunch. The cost is \$45. For more information, pick up a brochure from the rack in the Gathering Space.

MUSIC AT FUMC

Adult Choir Practices began on Thursday September 5th. We will be practicing four anthems in advance of our starting date.

The following September schedule will return to Wednesdays at 7:15 pm.

NEW MEMBERS WELCOMED.... We are in need of a Bass/Baritone strong leader. This also holds true for an Alto or 2nd Soprano who can lead a section or solo as needed.

COME ONE! COME ALL ! Notice to INSTRUMENTALISTS at FUMC:

Bill McCoy also would like to invite teens or adults (who can play at least Grade 3 HS Band Level) to consider playing for the 8:30 am or 11:00 am services as we begin our Fall Choir Season. You may contact Bill at the following number- 540-220-3210

LET US SING TO THE LORD A NEW SONG!

BAZAAR FESTIVAL OF WREATHS SEPTEMBER 15

Adults, have you suppressed your artistic talents and now want to let them free? – Well now is the time. We are looking for 25 entries of WREATHS to be displayed in October and November throughout the church where they will be judged, and silent bids (a minimum of \$25) will be taken with the highest bidder getting to purchase the wreath of his/her choice at noon November 2, 2013, the day of the Bazaar.

Wreaths can have a variety of themes:

Christmas	Seasonal
Baby	Herbs
Garden	Kitchen
Easter	Seashore/vacation
Patriotic Holidays	Athletic Themes

Just use your imagination

Contact Janet Davis at 371-1045 now. Sign up by September 15 and have your wreath ready by September 28th. Be part of our BAZAAR that's held only every other year. FUMC has a reputation as having one of the best BAZAARS in the area.

CHOIR NEWS

Be sure to stop by the choir table at our fall kick off today!! Schedules will be available. Please note rehearsal start times.

September 8th: Youth Choir begins at 4pm.

September 11th: Children's Choir begins at 5:45pm

September 15th: All other Choirs begin (Angel Choir, Wesley Ringers, Pilgrim Ringers, Chapel Ringers)

New this year:

We are starting a new bell choir. All 2nd – 5th graders interested should sign up on September 8th. Rehearsal will be from 4:30-5pm on Sundays.

Angel Choir will now meet before Sunday school in the preschool commons from 9:45-10am

UMW GENERAL MEETING SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5TH

All interested women, men, and Senior High Youth and their friends are encouraged to attend a very special United Methodist Women General Meeting on Saturday, October 5, from 11:30 A.M. until 1:30 P.M. in Kobler Hall. Our program will celebrate the first 100 years of Ferrum College. A skit entitled "Because They Had the Vision. . ." will share Ferrum's century-long history. We are especially honored that Ethel W. Born, author of this skit, will be here as our guest narrator. A special offering will support the creation of an endowed chaplaincy at Ferrum College. We will gather in Kobler Hall at 11:30 A.M. to enjoy a luncheon catered by Mary Jordan. **Reservations are required** and may be made at either the Welcome Center outside Kobler Hall or the Receptionist's desk at the Charlotte Street entrance beginning September 7/8. You may also register by email to Jean Himmel (dhimmel1@cox.net). Cost for the luncheon is \$9.00, and the registration deadline is Wednesday, October 2. Child care will be available if requested at registration.

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP
DINNERS**

THE WAIT IS ALMOST OVER! Wednesday Night Fellowship Dinners will return September 11 with more yummy food and a chance to visit with old and new friends. There will be no standing reservations this year. Please sign up each week BY MONDAY on the bulletin board outside the church work room or by contacting Lisa Earnesty at earnesty@verizon.net. If your plans change, please cancel your reservation so that we can maintain an accurate count for food shopping and preparation.

Adults-\$6.00, Children-\$3.00 for 3-12

Under 3 yrs old is free

Tickets will be sold for take-out meals.

September 11

**Menu: Barbeque, Cole Slaw, Baked Beans,
Potato Salad, Make Your Own Sundae**

OLD TESTAMENT SIMPLIFIED

Sunday, October 6 through Sunday, November 17

Time: 5-6 p.m.

Room 202

This is a fun way to acquire a skeletal structure of the Old Testament so you can flesh it out the remainder of your life as you study the scriptures. The study led by Rev. Nancy Compher starts with the 7 geographic moves of God's people in the Old Testament and goes on to have you learn 20 key persons in the Old Testament with a short narrative about each person. It will be important to attend all classes. There is no textbook.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

The Prayer Shawl group will meet in the Parlor Wednesday, September 18, 2013 from 12:30 till 2:30. Please bring your current project and a snack to share. Do you knit or crochet...would you like a refresher on knit or crochet. We invite you to join our group. If you have any questions regarding the Prayer Shawl Ministry, please call Margaret Filler 582-5907.

FUMC BAZAAR CRAFTING SESSIONS!

The year is flying by and our FUMC Bazaar, held only every two years, is scheduled for **Saturday, November 2, 2013!** All proceeds will go towards funding various church mission projects. Our Bazaar Committee is currently busy meeting every second and fourth Monday from 9:30-11:30 am in the Fellowship Hall. **Starting on Monday, September 9, we will be meeting every Monday.** Church members and friends and family of FUMC have been crafting items at home or during our Monday sessions together. If you have any ideas or just want to help work on our on-going crafts, please come join the fun on our 'crafting Mondays'. If you have any completed craft items that you want to drop off to our Committee, just put them in the "Mission Control" room in the bin marked "Bazaar" or bring them to any of our crafting Mondays in the Fellowship Hall. Any questions or need more information? Contact either Sharon Blancard at 540-847-5755 or Anne Riordan at 540-809-7111.

MERRY MAKERS TRIP

Thursday, September 19, 2013

Kick off the Fall season by joining us for a tour of the Lorton Workhouse Art Center, formerly the D.C. Workhouse & Reformatory. It is now filled with art galleries, and studios with pottery, jewelry, many other mediums, and a museum. After visiting Lorton we will have lunch at Madigan's Waterfront Café in nearby Occoquan and will have time to explore some of the many shops in Occoquan.

Departure Time: 9:00am Church Parking Lot

Return: Approximate 4:00pm

Cost: \$10.00 a person (lunch on your own)

To make a reservation, send a check for \$10.00 made out to FUMC, to Julie Tubbs, 6301 W. Dranesville Drive, Fredericksburg, VA 22407.

Questions: Call Julie @ 540-898-0876

MONDAY MORNING SPIRITUAL GROWTH

The Monday Morning Bible Study meets from 10 – 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 for September 16 will focus on MIRIAM, sister of MOSES.

MISSION OPPORTUNITY

Fellow missionaries, experienced and inexperienced, your help is needed! Come and join a missions rebuilding effort on the Maryland shore to help repair and restore homes damaged by Hurricane Sandy. Fredericksburg UMC and Tabernacle UMC and other Fredericksburg District churches are assembling a team of volunteers to travel to Crisfield, MD, **the week of Oct. 27 - Nov. 2, 2013**, to help with a full range of rebuilding and repair tasks in the peninsula area. Full accommodations will be provided, but team members will be asked for a small donation to help cover meals and other associated expenses. If you are interested, contact Phil Haynes at **(703) 967- 9268** (c), email: conradp1@verizon.net, or Bill Botts at botts2@verizon.net.

UNITED METHODIST MEN

The FUMC United Methodist Men will sponsor a field trip to the National Museum of the Marine Corps on **Saturday, September 14, 2013**. A pancake breakfast will be served in the Fellowship Hall from 8:00 to 9:00 a.m. *A donation is requested to cover the cost of the food.* We will then caravan to the museum where at 10:00 a private tour of the museum will be lead by Senior Docent Bob LaChance. The church bus will be available for seniors and single attendees. Please register for this great opportunity to see first-hand the history of this great land of ours as seen through the eyes of the U.S. Marines. Contact Bob LaChance for information and to register – rwlachance@verizon.net or phone 549-891-4342.

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.

In this and coming issues, we will introduce you to our Stephen Ministers:

Barbara Simpson has been a Stephen Minister for over 22 years and a Stephen Leader since 1995. Trained at St. Paul UMC in Woodbridge, she started our FUMC Stephen Ministry program. Originally from Pennsylvania, she was an elementary school teacher and principal and started two Montessori pre-schools. She has been trained in small group leadership and has conducted Spiritual Gifts workshops at FUMC and in the community. She attends the 8:30 service and would be glad to talk with you after the service.

For help or further information, contact one of our Stephen Leaders:

Bob Bonshire, 540-898-4796

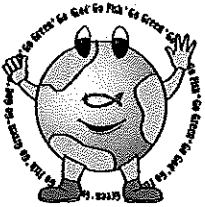
Bill Simpson, 540-899-5701

Barbara Simpson, 540-226-1793

GIRL SCOUT BRONZE AWARD PROJECT

We have collected about 250 children's books for the elementary-age boys and girls without any in their homes. Thank you so much for your generosity! Allison Kreisman, Girl Scout Troop 3189

Caretakers of God's Creation



GREEN TEAM

Green Team Tip of the Week:
Avoid covering radiators and vents with furniture or curtains; program thermostats to come on thirty minutes before you wake up or come home.

ECUMENICAL CENTERING PRAYER MEETING

The Contemplative practice of Centering Prayer will meet here tonight, Sunday the 8th of September at 6:45 pm in the Chapel upstairs. It starts promptly and lasts one hour. If you have ever been curious about this form of prayer, this is a golden opportunity to explore. The recent Upper Room has a wonderful explanation in its "prayer workshop" article. The goal of Centering Prayer is simple – closeness to God. Any questions, please call Janet Davis 371-1045

PRIVATE GUITAR LESSONS

Interested in learning guitar from a Christian perspective? Spike Burton, Contemporary Worship Leader, is offering guitar lessons. As young as 6 years old and as old as 100! Space and times are limited. Call (540) 226-7346 or email Spike@tacomusic.com for more information.

OUTREACH PANTRY

The food pantry (open Monday-Friday, 1:00-3:00 p.m.) always needs pasta and sauces, hot and cold cereals, powdered milk, rice, soups, bread, canned fruits and vegetables, PEANUT BUTTER, jelly (grape/strawberry), canned meats, meat, healthy food, baby formula, and diapers. Put "outreach" on your check memo line. Call Ed Sielski at 786-8515. The FUMC Food Pantry served 117 families/477 people in August.

FUMC CHURCH TRAVEL MUGS NOW AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

FUMC Church Travel Mugs are now available for purchase at church office - \$10.00 each. All the profits will be used for evangelism ministry. Hold FUMC in your prayers over morning coffee/tea, or on your commute. For more information, please see Jeff Smith or Pastor Won.

MEMBERSHIP ROSTER

If you have life changes (moved, changed telephone numbers, married, divorced, or had a child), please notify Michelle Cooper, Membership Secretary, at justasec@fumcva.org or (540) 373-9021, x 23. The church needs your help to keep records up to date.

CALENDAR

(Only Church and Community Support Groups are Noted.)

Saturday, September 7 – Bring a Friend Weekend

Fall Kick-Off/Bring a Friend (Kobler Hall)	4:00-7:30 p.m.
Praise Band (Sanctuary)	3:00-5:15 p.m.
Open Door Service (Sanctuary)	5:30-6:30 p.m.
NA (201)	7:00-9:00 p.m.
AA Fred Chapter (Fellowship Hall)	7:30-9:30 p.m.

Sunday, September 8 – Bring a Friend Weekend

Fall Kick-Off/Bring a Friend (Kobler Hall)	8:30-1:30 p.m.
Worship: Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)	8:30 a.m.
Contemporary Worship (Sanctuary)	9:45 a.m.
Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)	11:00 a.m.
Children's Sunday School	9:45 a.m.
Youth Sunday School	9:45 a.m.
Sunday School (Adult)	9:45 and 11:00 a.m.
Hot Dogs in Kobler Hall	10:45-1:30 p.m.
Ice Cream Dessert on the Green	10:45-1:30 p.m.
UMYF (207, 209, 210, 219, Fellowship)	5:00-7:00 p.m.
UMYF Parent Meeting (Sanctuary)	5:00-5:30 p.m.
Ecumenical Centering Prayer Meeting (Chapel)	6:45-7:45 p.m.

Monday, September 9

Preschool	9:00-12:00 p.m.
Bazaar Committee (Fellowship)	9:30-11:30 p.m.
Support Group Meetings (201-202, 207-210, 213-214, 219-220)	6:30-9:00 p.m.
NA (Fellowship Hall)	7:00-8:30 p.m.

Tuesday, September 10

Preschool	9:00-12:00 p.m.
Micah Breakfast (Fellowship Hall)	7:30-8:30 a.m.
Staff Meeting (202)	9:30-11:00 a.m.
Cub Scout Pack 170 (201, 202, 209, 210, 214)	5:30-7:30 p.m.
Hispanic AA (207)	7:00-8:00 p.m.
AA (Fellowship)	7:00-9:00 p.m.
Bible Study (Parlor)	6:00-7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, September 11

Preschool	9:00-12:00 p.m.
Covenant Group (Parlor)	8:30-9:30 a.m.
Wednesday Chapel (Chapel)	11:00-11:30 a.m.
Wednesday Night Dinners (Kobler Hall)	5:00-6:30 p.m.
Youth Bible Study (207)	5:30-7:30 p.m.
Children's Choir (117)	5:45-6:30 p.m.
Boy Scout Troop 170 Meetings (Fellowship)	6:00-9:00 p.m.
Newcomers' Class (210)	6:30-7:30 p.m.
Wonderful Wednesday (214,215,216)	6:30-7:30 p.m.
Praise Team Practice (115)	7:00-9:00 p.m.
Sanctuary Choir (Choir Room)	7:30-9:00 p.m.
AA Fred Chapter (201)	7:30-9:30 p.m.

Thursday, September 12

Preschool	9:00-12:00 p.m.
UMW Gladys Cocke Circle (Fellowship)	10:00-12:00 p.m.
UMW Mary Ellen Stephenson Circle (Parlor)	7:30-9:00 p.m.

Friday, September 13

Community Dinner (Shiloh) (Fellowship Hall)	4:00-6:00 p.m.
NA (Fellowship)	6:30-9:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 14

UMM Meeting & Trip to Marine Museum	8:00-12:00 p.m.
Pre-Marriage Workshop (201)	10:00-4:00 p.m.
Praise Band (Sanctuary)	3:00-5:15 p.m.
Community Dinners (Fellowship)	5:00-6:00 p.m.
Open Door Service (Kobler Hall)	5:30-6:30 p.m.
NA (201)	7:00-9:00 p.m.
AA Fred Chapter (Fellowship Hall)	7:30-9:30 p.m.

Sunday, September 15

Worship: Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)	8:30 a.m.
Contemporary Worship (Kobler Hall)	9:45 a.m.
Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)	11:00 a.m.
Children's Sunday School	9:45 a.m.
Youth Sunday School	9:45 a.m.
Angel Choir (Preschool Commons)	9:45-10:30 a.m.
Sunday School (Adult)	9:45 and 11:00 a.m.
Cub Scout Pack 170 Raingutter Regatta (Green)	1:00-4:00 p.m.
UMYF (207, 209, 210, 219, Fellowship)	5:00-7:00 p.m.
Youth Choir (Choir Room)	4:00-5:00 p.m.
Pilgrim Ringers (118)	4:30-5:15 p.m.
Chapel Ringers (118)	5:30-6:30 p.m.
Ecumenical Centering Prayer Meeting (Chapel)	6:45-7:45 p.m.

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