

2011 RIDE FOR LIFE - Needs Volunteers



The Spiritual Spinners will be hosting the Ride for Life on May 14th to help those facing challenging medical conditions and life situations.

To make this year's ride another huge success, we need you! Please consider volunteering to help at the rest stops, bake goodies (muffins, cookies, brownies, etc.), offer vehicle support, set-up, clean up, or cheer us on!

If interested, please contact Kathy Wall at kwall@nc.rr.com

Family. Friends. Neighbors. Coworkers Divorce

Someone You Know Is Hurting.

It's hard to know how to help someone who is going through a divorce. It takes a long time and a lot of work to heal the pain that comes with the break up of a marriage. DivorceCare is a special weekly seminar and support group for people who are separated or divorced. If you know someone going through a divorce, make sure he or she knows about DivorceCare. It might just be the best thing you could do to help. DivorceCare will begin meeting on Monday evenings at 7:00 in room 127 starting May 2nd. For more information or to pre-register please contact Thearon Willis @ thearonwillis@nc.rr.com and visit the FVUMC website for details.



Thursday Morning SOWers

Max Lucado Bible study

Beginning **Thursday, May 5th** we will spend 6 weeks exploring Max Lucado's "FEARLESS" study. Lucado shares that there are many things today we are fearful of, "But what if faith, not fear, was your default reaction to threats? If you could hover a fear magnet over your heart and extract every last shaving of dread, insecurity, and doubt, what would remain?" This study addresses these questions and more "taking an honest and hopeful look at what can happen when fear meets faith."

Join us on Thursday mornings from 6:00-7:00am in the adult wing as we journey together to trust more and fear less. Please contact one of our facilitators **prior to Thurs., April 28th** if you'd like to be a part of this upcoming study, in order for us to get you the materials before our first session. Facilitators: Tanya Dillard 557-1343 tanyad@nc.rr.com, Jennifer Harrenstein 552-5259 jharrenstein@fvumc.org or Stephanie Weeks 552-7458 sweeks@fvumc.org.

Ladies & Teen Girls Conference

Generations May 13-14

Church Alive, Fuquay-Varina, invites ladies and teen girls to join together and go deeper in God's Word. The keynote speaker is Jennifer Pasquale, author of the book *Memories & Milestones, Stepping Forward by Looking Back*. Her story will move you to action and empathy for those you serve. Ladies workshop leader, Debbie McClamrock from Fuquay-Varina, will share how to apply God's Word in your life. Pre-Registration (4/8-5/8/11) is \$25.00 and includes tee-shirt and Saturday continental breakfast and lunch. Agenda – Friday evening 5/13 gather at 6:30 pm for 7:00 worship service. Saturday 8:30-3:00 includes worship, workshops, (one for teen girls led by Jennifer Pasquale, and the other for adult women), luncheon and closing worship service. For more information contact Church Alive 577-6328 or churchalive@email.com

One generation will commend your works to another; they will tell of your mighty acts. Psalm 145:4



APRIL Needs!

The F-V Emergency Food Pantry food for March is **Canned & Dried Vegetables**. A blue collection container is in the church lobby for your donations.

Please, no glass containers.

A Final Resting Place

Would you be interested in a final resting place on our church property? There has been some interest in developing a Memorial Garden with a Columbarium at Fuquay-Varina United Methodist Church. The construction and maintenance of this project should be fully funded by the sale of niches for inurnment of the cremated remains. If you have an interest, please fill out the following and place in the collection plate. For further information, please contact David Jenkins at 552-9629 or Jim Dewey at 577-0197.

Something Is Different...Real Cups!

If you regularly enjoy the coffee at the Hospitality Table on Sunday mornings, consider bringing your own travel mug. This would free our kitchen's mugs for visitors and guests.



Fuquay-Varina UMC

Weekly Times

April 24, 2011



Visiting Fuquay-Varina UMC?

Come visit our Director of Adult Ministries, Debbi DeMaris in the lobby to know more about our church. You will find a table with goodies waiting just for you. It's a perfect time to ask questions about our church family, membership, and information about our wonderful programs and outreach opportunities!

The Spring Fair Trade Store: April 29-30 Shopping with a Difference

The Fair Trade Store returns for spring! On Friday and Saturday, April 29th & 30th from 8 a.m. until 8 p.m., in rooms 117/119 and at the garden pavilion, our church and community will be able to purchase items made by artisans around the world who are part of a Fair Trade business paradigm. The Spring Fair Trade store will feature items such as birdhouses, baskets, jewelry, spring clothing, books, planters, garden accessories and more! Come find a unique gift for an upcoming wedding, graduation, teacher's appreciation or Mother's Day. The Fair Trade Store helps us think about our habits as consumers and where these habits fit into our Christian walk as we strive to love God and neighbor.

Come Shop & Help

Volunteers are needed to help with the Spring Fair Trade Store. The added benefit of helping is that volunteers get to shop before, during and after their work time! Help is needed for set-up, sales and teardown. Please contact Lindsy Hines for more information or to sign up. Her e-mail is lindsyhines@nc.rr.com or call 995-2565.

UM Conference Disaster Response

A special offering will be taken this week and next for NC tornado victims. One hundred percent of the offering will be used for relief and support. At least 22 people were killed and more than 130 injured within the bounds of the NC Conference on Saturday, 4/16. An operations/call center at the MERCI Center is set up for volunteers to contact @ 888-440-9167.

News from SPRC

FVUMC recently received confirmation that we will have a Pastoral Intern from the Duke Divinity School joining us here this summer. She will be with us for 10 weeks beginning May 29th and is need of housing during that time.

Should you be aware of the availability of appropriate accommodations for this short period, please contact Terri Pavone at the church office or email at tpavone@fvumc.org

Community Choir Fest

On May 1 at 3:00 pm at FV Presbyterian Church, come and enjoy the music of area church choirs performing worship and praise music. A special offering will be taken to benefit SWFCA—helping residents of Fuquay-Varina and Willow Spring with emergency financial assistance.



There is Good News!

Hear this Good News! HE IS RISEN! HE IS RISEN INDEED! Jesus told him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life.

No one can come to the Father except through me. *John 14:6 (NLT)* Stephen Ministers are brothers and sisters who walk with you as you find your Way. Would you like to have company on your walk today? Need someone to walk with, talk with or even just to sit in silence with? Stephen Ministers are available, *Just For You!*

Susanne Young 552-7503 Polly Sheets 552-5035
Bob Sorrels 552-0505 Thearon Willis 820-1845
Mel Cade 557-4347

Recycle Shoes For Those In Need

Donate your shoes to someone in desperate need! Any type, any style, and any size. *Share Our Shoes* donates old shoes to those that have none! A collection box is located in the lobby. Use rubber bands to secure pairs together! For more information contact Shari Judd at 567-0524.



PrimeTimers' Upcoming Events

May 24th: Bentonville Battleground! We'll have lunch on the way home.

June 21st: for a cook-out and memory sharing of our Fathers' or other important men in our lives.

Call Debbie Corr 557-7437 or Fran Sykes 552-9220 to sign up for these these trips and if you need a ride to & from the Church



A Journey Through the Bible Two Sessions Beginning May 4th!

Wednesday Mornings at 10:30-11:30am
And Wednesday Evenings at 7:00-8:00pm
All are welcome! Come join the lecture and discussions in Room 117/119!
Don't forget to bring your Bible!



Pastor's
Bible Study

Charge Conference

A Charge Conference is being called for Tuesday, May 10th at 7:00pm in Rooms 117/119 to elect our New Building Committee. The Church Council, Vision Team Members, and Facilities Team Members should make plans to attend! Our church members are asked to be in prayer for discernment and guidance as we prepare to move forward.

VBS 2011 - Volunteer Sign Up

Are you looking for a short term opportunity to serve... stop by the lobby TODAY to volunteer for an exciting Inside Out & Upside Down on Main Street, VBS 2011! Evening VBS will run from Sun June 26th - Thurs June 30th and daytime will run from Mon June 27th - Fri July 1st. **MANY volunteers are needed to make this a GREAT week for the kids.** One of our VBS area leaders will be available in the lobby to answer questions or provide further information. Join the FUN!



Join the Covenant Garden

You are invited to become a member of Covenant Community Garden. Everyone is welcome to participate in the garden, regardless of your "green thumb" (or lack of one) or your level of experience. There are 2 options for participating in the garden; an active member or a supporting member. Contact the Garden Coordinator, Joy Brown at 557-5954 for more information.



Wake Interfaith Hospitality Network

Invites you to an **Open House** celebrating the new **Transitional Housing Program** on Sunday, May 1, 1-5:00 pm, 907 Method Road in Raleigh. Apartment tours, refreshments, and information will be available.

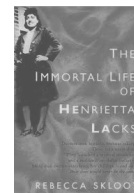
Senior Recognition

Kevin needs to know if you have a senior in high school to be recognized in the senior recognition Service on Sunday June 5. Please let him know by calling the church office or emailing him at kjohnson@fvumc.org. Also, be looking for information and opportunities for seniors during this time leading up to their graduation!



May Book Club

The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks by Rebecca Skloot, (Macmillan, 2009)
From a single, abbreviated life grew a seemingly immortal line of cells that made some of the most crucial innovations in modern science possible. And from that same life, and those cells, Rebecca Skloot has fashioned in *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks* a fascinating and moving story of medicine and family, of how life is sustained in laboratories and in memory. The author with the help of her Henrietta's family tells a rich and haunting story that asks the questions, Who owns our bodies? And who carries our memories? To join the dinner and discussion on Friday, May 20, contact Judy Casper at jacasper@earthlink.net or Matilda Storm at matildastorm@embarqmail.com.



Relay for Life: May 21-22

The American Cancer Society is working hard to make a world with less cancer and more birthdays for everyone, a reality. Fuquay-Varina and Holly Springs are bringing an opportunity to get involved with the American Cancer Society through a local Relay For Life of South Wake. There are many opportunities that You can support this community event including: forming a relay team, becoming an event sponsor, lighting a candle at the luminaria ceremony and many other ways. For more information please call 919-334-7196, email southwakerelay@gmail.com or visit the website www.southwakerelay.org



Make room for all God's Children...



Please Move
to the Center
of the Row

Help us be more hospitable to all our worshipers and guests; Please move toward the center of each seating section.