

## Attention Dessert Bakers!

On August 27th our church is celebrating members 60 years and older! We need baked goods to set up on the eagerly anticipated dessert table. Please sign-up in the lobby by the shelves. Desserts are to be brought to the church Saturday August 27th 3:00-5:00 pm. Contact Debbi DeMaris 552-4331 ext 106 or [ddemaris@fvumc.org](mailto:ddemaris@fvumc.org) with questions.



## Kidz NPraise—Fall 2011



Register Today in the Lobby! Kidz NPraise is a children's choir program for ages 3 through 5<sup>th</sup> grades. The program meets weekly on Wednesdays, beginning September 7, at 4:30 pm and includes choir, movement, drama, rhythm instruments, handbells, handchimes, Bible lessons, games and more! This is an action packed program your kids will love! For more information, visit our table in the lobby or the church website, [www.fvumc.org](http://www.fvumc.org).

## Stephen Ministry



Some needs in which a Stephen Minister can help...

- Illness
- Unemployment or job crisis
- Terminal illness
- Separation or divorce
- Hospitalization
- Spiritual crisis
- Aging and elderly
- Relocation in or out of the community
- Birth or adoption
- Homebound
- Miscarriage or infertility
- Incarcerated
- Loss of a loved one
- Loneliness or discouragement
- Life changes and transitions
- Family frustrations and challenges
- Retirement
- Financial setbacks

Do you need a Stephen Minister in your life? Contact one of our Stephen Leaders for more information.

Susanne Young 552-7503  
Bob Sorrels 552-0505

Polly Sheets 552-5035  
Thearon Willis 820-1845

## Columbarium Proposal Meeting

Please watch the bulletin for an upcoming meeting on the proposed Columbarium sometime in Sept. If you have planned; considered cremation or have an interest in a Columbarium, or have questions, please contact David Jenkins at (919) 810-9975 (e-mail [David\\_Jenkins@NCSU.edu](mailto:David_Jenkins@NCSU.edu)) or Jim Dewey at (919) 577-0197 (e-mail [jdeweysr@aol.com](mailto:jdeweysr@aol.com)).



## August Book Club

*The Other Wes Moore - One Name, Two Fates*  
by Wes Moore (Spiegel and Grau, 2010)

To join the dinner and discussion on Friday, August 19th, contact Suzanne Jones at [dsjones@nc.rr.com](mailto:dsjones@nc.rr.com) or Matilda Storm at [matildastorm@embarqmail.com](mailto:matildastorm@embarqmail.com).



## PrimeTimers:

**Tuesday August 16 at 10:00am**

Buddy Walters, Fire Marshall for the Town of FV and long time FV Fireman, will be our guest speaker. He will be talking with us about Fire Safety as it relates to Senior Citizens.

**Saturday August 27 at 5:30pm**

Senior Adults 60+ are invited to a Senior Celebration hosted by our church. RSVP with the Church office!



## Worship Bags

Children in Worship bags have MOVED and are now available on the Bible cart inside the Centrum doors. These are for children who are attending worship; there are crayons, a clipboard, and a folder full of Bible coloring pages or activities for your child to use. Once your child has completed a page he/she may take it home with them. Place the other items back in the bag and return to the cart on your way out of the Centrum.

## Important Bulletin Reminders

When submitting your announcements for the Weekly Times, please remember to:

- Keep the length at 50 words or less
- Send to [bulletin@fvumc.org](mailto:bulletin@fvumc.org) by Tuesday at Noon
- Note the dates that the announcement needs to run

If you have any questions, please contact Terri Pavone at [tpavone@fvumc.org](mailto:tpavone@fvumc.org) or 552-4331 x114.



## Food of the Month for August: Mac & Cheese/Rice

For the F-V Emergency Food Pantry. A blue collection container is in the church lobby for your donations. *Please, no glass containers.*

## Recycle Reminder

Please throw your plastic, paper, aluminum, glass and chipboard into any blue bin located in each classroom and throughout the building!



## Fuquay-Varina UMC

*Loves God, Learns God, Serves God and Shares God*

# Weekly Times

August 14, 2011

## Leap of Faith

We are pleased to give thanks to God from whom all blessings flow. **As of last Sunday, we received \$200,849.35 toward our Mortgage debt which leaves a balance owed of \$585,540.84!** You will be able to follow up on our progress weekly as the updated information will be printed in the back of the bulletin. We ask for your continued prayers and commitment as we take this "Leap of Faith" to pay off our Mortgage debt by 9/1/2011. To ensure your contribution is coded correctly to the Mortgage debt, please note on the memo line of your check, Leap of Faith, Mortgage Debt, or Building. Again, thank you for your prayers and commitment.

## Church—Wide Wednesdays: August 17th

**The Meal:** No worries about dinner, we will have a wonderful meal prepared for you at a reasonable price! Meals will be served from 5:45-6:30pm. Cost: \$5.00 per adult, \$3.00 per child (12 years & under and seniors 65+).



**Menu: Chicken Picante**

**Don't forget to pre-purchase your ticket TODAY!**

**The Experience:** Our Children, Youth & Adult Ministries have teamed up to bring disciples of all ages from our youngest to our senior adults for 3 evenings of Fellowship, Mission and Prayer.

Activities will begin at 6:30-8:00pm

**Theme: Prayer Stations Childcare is available!**

## Promotion Sunday: August 21

All Children and Youth will move to their next Sunday School age level classes next week! If you have any questions regarding Children's Sunday School classes, please contact Judy Casper (557-3671 or [jacasper@earthlink.net](mailto:jacasper@earthlink.net)). Contact Kevin Johnson (552-4331 or [kjohnson@fvumc.org](mailto:kjohnson@fvumc.org)) for information regarding Youth Sunday School classes.



## Save the Date: A Special Opportunity!

**Saturday, Sept 10th, from 8:00am-12:30pm**

Fuquay-Varina UMC is pleased and privileged to host Dr. John Ed Mathison, who retired in June 2008, after 36 years as senior minister of Frazer Memorial UMC in Montgomery, Alabama. Under his leadership, Frazer grew from 400 members to more than 8,800 and had the largest Sunday School attendance for United Methodist churches in America. Dr. Mathison will be here to teach from his book, *Treasures of the Transformed Life*. FVUMC is inviting UMC churches across our conference as well as other churches in our community to participate. This is an opportunity you don't want to miss so get it on your calendar now and look for further announcements about how to get the book and register to be blessed by John Ed.



## Fantasy Football @ FVUMC

Men, prepare to show off your fantasy football prowess. Be a part of FVUMC's Fantasy Football league. The draft will be held at Aug. 29th at 6pm. There is no cost to participate. Sign-up deadline is Friday, August 26th. Contact David Mintz (mintzdavid@nc.rr.com or 210-2950).



## Women Opportunities!

### Joyce Meyer Live! Raleigh

Hear the teaching of Joyce Meyer at the RBC Center August 19 (evening) 20 (morning/afternoon) Free of charge. If you would like to attend with a group from FVUMC, please contact Cathy Vogt, [jakenmorgan@embarqmail.com](mailto:jakenmorgan@embarqmail.com) or [919-607-2150](tel:919-607-2150)

### Fall Women's Retreat

At Teen Valley Ranch in the beautiful NC Mountains! Thurs. evening, Sept 29 thru Sat. 12noon, Oct. 1. Cost is \$125 for lodging, food, and activities. Registration forms are in the lobby or the church office. Contact Cathy Vogt at [jakenmorgan@embarqmail.com](mailto:jakenmorgan@embarqmail.com) or [919-607-2150](tel:919-607-2150).



8:15 – one nursery for ages 3 and under  
9:30 – three nurseries (infant, movers, toddlers)  
10:50 – two nurseries (infant and toddler)



## 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!

## Sign up for Fall Disciple Studies!



This year the DISCIPLE program begins the week of August 21st. Prayerfully consider participating in Disciple studies this fall.

Disciple studies are an opportunity to read, reflect and grow in Christ. Details in the lobby or contact Debbi DeMaris at [ddemaris@fvumc.org](mailto:ddemaris@fvumc.org).

## Upper Room Bible Study

The Upper Room Bible Study class is for the beginning novice Bible study student as well as the more experienced students of God's Word. Facilitator: Craig Judd Room 117 at 9:30

## Faith Weaver Friends

### Informational Meeting-Aug 28th

Faith Weaver Friends is an opportunity for our 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> graders beginning on Sunday afternoons in Sept. In order for this ministry to take place we will need a team of dedicated and enthusiastic helpers... no experience needed. All parents are encourage to attend! Come find ways that you can help make a positive impact on our children. Contact Marianne Carroll at [mcarroll35@gmail.com](mailto:mcarroll35@gmail.com)

## All God's Children Sunday School Returns!

Loving Volunteers Needed for teaching teams - no special training required! **Beginning Sunday, September 4th**, we are bringing back this wonderful class to serve our very special children with developmental disabilities. It will be offered during the 10:50 Service. We have new resources that will give both parents and teachers peace of mind: pagers for parents, and a nurse in the room. If you would like to volunteer to help in the class periodically or full-time, please contact Jenna Ramsey ([teacherramsey@yahoo.com](mailto:teacherramsey@yahoo.com)). If you have a child that would like to join our class, please contact Diane Gabry ([ggabry@nc.rr.com](mailto:ggabry@nc.rr.com)) for registration.

## Main Street Kitchen-August 20

The menu: Spaghetti with meat balls, tossed salad, dessert .  
**Items needed for this meal: hamburger meat, pasta noodles, bag salad, bags of frozen meatballs, bacon bits, croutons, shredded cheeses, large cans of fruits or frozen fruits, frozen vegetables or large cans of veggies.**

This is an wonderful opportunity to give back to our local community, a chance to be the hands and feet of Christ, feeding the hungry. We welcome all to be a part of this mission, no commitment required. Please feel free to contact Paula Cade at 919-557-4347 with any questions.

## Understanding Our Vision Statement

### Two Meetings Scheduled: TODAY and 8/25

Our recently adopted vision statement that FVUMC is a "Christ-centered community that loves God, learns God, serves God, and shares God" is a vision that was crafted through a lengthy process of prayer, study, dialog, and discernment. Although simple in its construction, the statement has far reaching implications for future decision making in our church. Two initial meetings with the Visioning Team have been scheduled to offer the congregation an opportunity to deepen its understanding of the Vision and the process through which it was developed. **The meetings are scheduled for TODAY from 6-8 PM and Thursday, Aug. 25 from 7-9 PM.** The meetings will be identical in content. Every one in the congregation is invited to attend. Please pray about making your attendance at one of these meetings a priority.

## Family. Friends. Neighbors. Coworkers 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 breakup 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. A new 13 week DivorceCare session will begin on Monday evenings at 7:00 in room 127 starting August 22<sup>nd</sup>. For more information or to pre-register please contact Thearon Willis @ [thearonwillis@nc.rr.com](mailto:thearonwillis@nc.rr.com) and visit the FVUMC website for details.

