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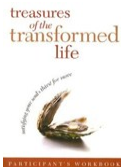
Saturday, Sept 10th, from 8:00am-12:30pm

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. Dr. Mathison will be here to teach from his book, *Treasures of the Transformed Life*. This is an opportunity you don't want to miss!

Registration forms are due by September 1st!

They are located in the church office or on the website!

Child Care available for our members!



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!

Contact Debbi DeMaris at ddemaris@fvumc.org or 552-4331 ext 106

Take Up Your Cross and Follow Jesus

In Matthew 16:24 Jesus tells his disciples and us *Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will find it.*

The cross was an instrument of death and here it symbolizes our commitment to Jesus. We must quit living for ourselves and live our lives for Jesus and for the glory of the Kingdom of God. We must follow Jesus and live the life he taught us to live.

Is the weight of your cross more than you can bear at this point in your life? Let a Stephen Minister walk along side of you and help shoulder the load of that cross. Contact one of our Stephen Leaders for more information.

Susanne Young 552-7503

Polly Sheets 552-5035

Bob Sorrels 552-0505

Thearon Willis 820-1845

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).



8:15 – one nursery for ages 3 and under

9:30 – three nurseries (infant, movers, toddlers)

10:50 – two nurseries (infant and toddler)

NEW on www.FVUMC.org

- ☺ The **Wellspring Newsletter** is online!
- ☺ F-VUMC's weekly **Sunday Sermons** online!

Prime Timers

Tuesday September 27th

Join us for a trip to Larrys Bean's.

This is a coffee roaster in Raleigh.

We will have lunch before we return to Fuquay.

Call Debbie Corr(557-7437) to sign-up & if you need a ride.



Food of the Month

VEGETABLES

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

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 our guests!

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 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 or 552-4331 x114.



Fuquay-Varina UMC

Loves God, Learns God, Serves God and Shares God

Weekly Times

August 28, 2011

Leap of Faith

We are pleased to give thanks to God from whom all blessings flow. **As of last Sunday, we received \$239,621.22 toward our Mortgage debt which leaves a balance owed of \$546,768.97!** 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.

Programming Notes:

Faith Weaver Friends

Parent Orientation at 4:00 in Room 204 **TODAY!** FWF (2nd & 3rd graders) meets throughout the year from 4:30-6pm on Sundays. *Begins September 11th.*

Kids for Christ

KFC (4th & 5th graders) meets throughout the year from 4:30-6pm on Sundays. *Begins September 11th.*

Confirmation

Confirmation Orientation with 6th graders and parents will meet at 4:30 in the Lobby/Centrum **TODAY!**

Lifeline: Kickoff Sunday

All 7th-12th graders come on out to hang out, worship, and learn from God's word together on Sundays at 6:15-8pm beginning **TODAY!**

Lifeline: Parent's Meeting:

All parents and students are invited to stay to be informed and to ask questions about the upcoming year! **Today at 8:00!**



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

New Sunday School Offering

Twenty times in the New Testament, Jesus issued a compelling and challenging invitation to Follow Him. He's not interested in mere fans. He doesn't want enthusiastic admirers. He wants Completely Committed Followers. *NOT A FAN* is a six week DVD based study offered by the Christians Under Construction Sunday school class that explores what it means to deny one's self and truly follow Jesus. Follow the journey of Eric Nelson, a man leading a compartmentalized triple life as a pleasure-seeking rebel, a cutthroat corporate executive, and a nominal Christian. When confronted with a near death experience, Eric embarks on a spiritual journey that transforms his commitment to Jesus Christ and tests the faith of his friends and family. This study will begin September 11th at the 10:50 study hour in Room 118. For more information contact Charlie Gray at cgray@nccumc.org.

Women Opportunities!

Circle of Faith (United Methodist Women)

Our meetings resume on the FIRST TUESDAY - September 6th in Room 127 at 10:00am. Come learn about how we accomplish the Purpose of United Methodist Women. Questions, call Fran Sykes, 552-9220.

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 or 919-607-2150.

Columbarium Proposal

September 22 at 6:30 pm Room 117

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) or Jim Dewey at (919) 577-0197 (e-mail jdeweysr@aol.com).



Lifeline Youth Ministries

Lifeline: Kickoff Retreat

September 9-11 @ Camp Rockfish
Slots are still available for our first ever Lifeline Kickoff Retreat. Pick up the registration forms on Kevin's door or get them at fvumc.org.

Wednesday Night Life Groups:

Wednesday September 14

Life Groups are small groups that will meet each Wednesday to study the Bible, and grow deeper in prayer and accountability. They will be broken up by middle school and high school and by gender. Groups will be introduced at the Lifeline Kickoff Retreat.

Faith Weaver Friends

Informational Meeting- Aug 28th at 4:00pm in Room 204

Faith Weaver Friends is an opportunity for our 2nd & 3rd 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

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 at teacherramsey@yahoo.com. If you have a child that would like to join our class, please contact Diane Gabry (ggabry@nc.rr.com) for registration.

A Service of Remembrance & Hope

Sunday, 9/11/11 at 4:00pm

at First UMC of Fuquay-Varina (402 North Main Street)

A service of prayer, scripture and song.

Land of the Free, a patriotic cantata will be presented.

This is a community event. Please join us!



The Church Directories Are Here!

If you had your portrait taken for the Church Directory you may pick up your free directory in the lobby this morning! Each Directory has a name label on the back, and are in boxes in alphabetical order - with the names printed on a bright green sheet of paper taped to the box. Just mark off your name on the sheet and take yours home. There will be volunteers in the lobby to help locate your new FV UMC Church Directory.

Kidz NPraise—Fall 2011



Register Today in the Lobby! Kidz NPraise is a children's choir program for ages 3 through 5th 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.

Safe Sanctuary Training

Have you been safe sanctuary trained? Where you one of the first people to be trained? If you need to be trained or were one of the first people to have training, we will have training on Sunday September 11th following both the 9:30 and 10:50 services. Training will be held in the conference room on Adult wing. Please contact Denise Frie at (919)285-6192 or niesee73@aol if you have any questions.



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 22nd. For more information or to pre-register please contact Thearon Willis @ thearonwillis@nc.rr.com and visit the FVUMC website for details.

