

**Fuquay-Varina UMC is a Christ-centered community that
Loves God, Learns God, Serves God, & Shares God.**

Christmas Poinsettias Are given by -

Bob & Bev Anderson
in Loving Memory
of Stella Anderson and Leona Young

Joseph Gray
in Honor of Bernard & Virginia McLeod and
Emery & Betty Smith

Jane Gue
in Loving Memory of Florence Class,
Donald Gue and Barron Gue

Rob & Krista Hurlbut
in Loving Memory of E. Alberta Torrey

Cynthia, Jacob Tricia & Scott
in Loving Memory of Mark Johnson

Chris & Sara Kempin
in Loving Memory of Pat & Bob Voorhees

Bernard and Virginia McLeod
in Honor of our Church Staff

Shirley Miller and family
in Loving Memory of Keith R. Miller Sr.

The Morse Family
in Loving Memory of Joyce Krapf

Bob Roach
in Honor of Peggy Roach

Jim & Debbie Semple
in Loving Memory
of Ed Schmelzer and Jim Semple Sr.

Bob & Polly Sheets
in Loving Memory of our parents

Philip & Ethan Teague
in Loving Memory of our Papa

Betty Tilley
in Loving Memory
of deceased loved ones

Edythe Taylor
in Loving Memory
Of Don Taylor and their parents

Poinsettias

You are invited to purchase a poinsettia "In Honor" or "In Memory" of a loved one. The poinsettias will decorate the Centrum platform through Advent and the Christmas Eve worship services. Poinsettias may be picked up following the 11 pm service. The cost for each is \$12. If you would like to purchase a poinsettia, make checks payable to F-V UMC, note "Poinsettias" on the memo line, and print the name(s) on the form below.

Name _____

Phone _____

Donation Amount _____

They are given:

In Honor of _____

In Memory of _____

Love God

Inspired By God

In 2 Timothy 3:16-17 we read that all scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness. David was God's chosen one for Israel and he too was inspired by God to write many psalms. We can see how David was inspired by God to write about Jesus as written in Psalm 22:16-18, Psalm 91:11-13, and Psalm 110.

We too can be inspired by God to fulfill his will for us by being in close relationship with him. Perhaps you are not feeling close to God or perhaps you are not feeling inspired. Could it be that the cares and worries of this world have you down?

Why not talk to a Stephen Minister? We are there just for you to provide one-to-one, confidential, Christ-Centered caring. Contact one of our Stephen Leaders for more information.

Susanne Young 552-7503
Polly Sheets 552-5035
Bob Sorrels 552-0505
Thearon Willis 552-7577
(www.fvumc.org/StephenMinistry.htm)

Celebrate the Reason for the Season...

The Annual Moravian Love Feast

TONIGHT

featuring music from JuBELLation and
FANFARE Handbell Choirs
7:00 pm

Christmas Eve Worship

Saturday, December 24
3:30 pm—Children's Service with Communion

5:30 pm—Lessons and Carols
Candlelight Worship with Communion

6:30-7:30pm—Enjoy Souly Brass
by the Fountain

7:30 pm—Traditional Candlelight Worship
with Communion

11:00 pm—Traditional Candlelight Worship
with Communion

Christmas Morning Worship

Sunday, December 25
at 11:00 am only!

Advent Daily Discipleship Journal

Prepare and celebrate Advent. You will find your week long Daily Discipleship Journal in the bulletin. Let us join together with Bible Study and common prayer focus throughout this season of Advent. Also available on www.FVUMC.org to print and share with others.

Book Club

Picking Cotton by Jennifer Thompson-Cannino, Ronald Cotton, and Erin Torneo

To join the dinner and discussion on Friday, January 20th, contact Suzanne Jones at dsjones@nc.rr.com or Matilda Storm at matildastorm@embarqmail.com.

Learn God

Study Opportunities

'Call Him God's Son' with Pastor Al
Wed morning at 10:30am in Room 117/119
Wed evening at 6:30pm in Room 117/119

Upper Room Sunday School

Great for the beginning novice Bible study student as well as the more experienced students of God's Word.
Sundays @9:30am in Room 109 (new room#)
Beginning 1/8 the class will meet in Room 119

Awakening Sunday School

A class for *young adults!* Come and join our community as we delve into our faith!
Sundays at 11:00 in Room 125
kjohnson@fvumc.org or 552-4331 ext 103.

Dr. Mickey Efirid Event January 7, 2012 9:30am-11:30am

*How to Get the Greatest Benefit
from Bible Study*

Pre-register for this event at FVUMC.org, pick up forms in the church office or lobby.

The cost is free, however a donation of \$3.00 would go towards the purchase of additional participant books to add to the Media Library available studies for small groups.

Attn: Small Group Leaders

Please register your small group in order to best receive additional resources & support for you and your group members!

The Education Committee has been busy cataloging available studies located in the Media Closet.

Contact Debbi DeMaris at 552.4331,ext. 106 or ddemaris@fvumc.org with group information and/or a list of available resources!

Serve God

Visual Media Team aka Power Point Operators

An immediate need for **support during the 9:30 worship services**...one who can commit to doing the **3rd Sundays** every month, and the other to commit to doing **5th Sundays** throughout the year. The 9:30 services are somewhat unique from a visual media perspective, therefore, the operators have to attend the Praise Team practices on Thursday evenings at 7:30 pm prior to their scheduled Sunday service. If you would like to volunteer, this is a fantastic way to serve God at FVUMC! Contact Ken Tate at 919-656-4480 if you are interested. We'll give you all the training you need to be successful!

Share God

FV Food Pantry Needs:

Canned Soup

A blue collection container is in the church lobby for your donations. No glass containers.



Announcements



New Worship Schedule!

As voted by our Church Council...our Worship Schedule will be

- ◆ 8:00 Worship
- ◆ 9:30 Worship
- ◆ 11:00 Worship

A Reminder:

Please turn in your Advent Studies Payment Envelopes! You can place your envelope in the offering plate, give it to your study facilitator, or drop it off at the Church office.

Save the Date: New Members Class

Our Connectings Winter Session begins in January!
 Dates: January 22, 29, February 12, 19, 26, March 4 (6 sessions)
 Sunday afternoons 4:30-6:00 pm
 *Join March 11 at 9:30 and 11:00 services

The Weekly Times

The *Weekly Times* will now be e-mailed to you!
Contact: Terri Pavone at tpavone@fvumc.org to be added to our list!

Fair Trade Coffee & Chocolate Make Great Christmas Gifts!

Need a gift idea for someone special? Consider making a gift bag or basket filled with Equal Exchange products. We have Fair Trade Coffees, Teas, Cocoa, Chocolate Bars, Olive Oil and Coffee mugs available in the church office at excellent prices. Many thanks to everyone for supporting this great cause with your purchase

A Concert Benefit

A concert to benefit John Silveira will be held Friday, January 6, 2012 from 6:30p-8:30p at STARS Theater and Arts Center in downtown Fuquay-Varina. John has been courageously battling Leukemia and Lymphoma for several years. Long Time Gone - a Crosby, Stills, Nash and Young cover band consisting of several FVUMC praise team members - will perform. Donations will be accepted at the door by Banded Brothers. 100% of donations will go toward the Silveira family. Banded Brothers will match all donations up to \$500.00. Please make checks out to Banded Brothers with General Donation on the memo line. Come on out for food, fellowship, and great music!



Sunday, December 18

Fourth Sunday of Advent

- 8:00am Contemplative Worship
- 9:30am Sunday School
- 9:30am Contemporary Worship
- 11:00am Sunday School
- 11:00am Traditional Worship
- 12:30pm SPRC Meeting
- 4:30pm Bible Studies
- 5:00 pm FANFARE
- 7:00 pm Moravian Love Feast

Monday, December 19

- 9:00am Seeds of Faith Preschool
- 9:30am Walk the Walk
- 9:30am Bible Studies
- 11:00am Preschool Christmas Program
- 6:30pm Bible Studies
- 7:00pm BSA Troop #320
- 7:00pm UM Men Meeting

Tuesday, December 20

- 6:30am Men's Early Group
- 9:00am Seeds of Faith Preschool
- 11:00am Preschool Christmas Program
- 7:00pm Trustees Meeting
- 7:00pm Cub Scouts Meetings

Wednesday, December 21

- 9:30am Walk the Walk
- 6:30pm Lifeline Small Groups
- 6:30 pm Bible Studies
- 7:00 pm Worship Choir
- 8:30 pm Instruments of Praise & Souly Brass

Thursday, December 22

- 7:00pm Praise Team
- 7:00pm METS-Men Eager to Serve

Friday, December 23

Church office to close at Noon

Saturday, December 24

Christmas Eve

- 3:30pm Children's Service with Communion
- 5:30pm Lessons and Carols Candlelight Worship w/Communion
- 6:30pm Enjoy Souly Brass by the Fountain
- 7:30pm Traditional Candlelight Worship with Communion
- 11:00pm Traditional Candlelight Worship with Communion

Sunday, December 25

Christmas Day

11:00am Family Worship
(No Sunday School or Childcare)

Monday, December 26

Church Office Closed

Tuesday, December 27

Church Office Closed

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Stewardship

Our Presence: 12/11/11
 Worship Attendance: 1177

By Our Gifts: 12/11/11
 Received last week \$29,638.80
 Budget needed weekly \$24,731.65
 Average Received/week \$22,487.72
 Received YTD \$1,124,385.80
 Budget needed YTD \$1,187,119.20
 Difference -\$62,733.40
 New Mortgage Refinanced \$500,000.00
 Applied to Principal \$20,671.60
 Received YTD \$16,610.00
 New Mortgage Balance (12/04/11) \$462,718.40

Office Hours
 8:30am-5:00pm
 Monday-Friday