

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

Love God

The Women's Ensemble

A choral group for those on a tight schedule! The group will meet for three rehearsals on Sunday evenings, 7:00 – 8:00 pm, and then sing for worship. The ensemble offers an opportunity to sing with a choir WITHOUT the long term commitment! The group is open to ALL (adults and youth)—previous experience or the ability to read music is not required! If you've been considering joining the choir, or if you just think it might be fun to try something new, this is your chance...

Rehearsals on Sundays

Jan. 8, Jan. 22 and Jan. 29,
7:00 – 8:00 pm

Women's Ensemble will sing in worship on
Sunday, February 5
at the 11:00 service.

For more information or questions, contact Jennifer Harrenstein, Director of Music Ministries, at jharrenstein@fvumc.org or 552 – 4331 ext. 105.

Praise & Worship

The FVUMC Music Ministries needs you! As the New Year begins, this is the perfect time to consider how God might be calling you to use the gifts and talents He has blessed you with! Do you have a gift to share? Keep in mind that God can take the smallest offering and turn it into something HUGE! Check out the church website at <http://www.fvumc.org/Music.htm> to find out more descriptions and schedules. Most rehearsal begin the first week in January! *Get involved today!*

Women's Breakfast

January 14th

8:00am in Rooms 117/119
Come listen to Ann Ledford will update us on her recent Mission Trip to Costa Rica. All are welcome to attend!

Let Us Rejoice

This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. —Psalm 118:24 (ESV)

Are you having trouble waking up each day and being thankful for all God has blessed you with? Are you having trouble rejoicing? We've all been there at one time or another.

There is good news! Stephen Ministry is a ministry that provides one-on-one care giving and we can help you find hope and healing so that you can rejoice in the day that the Lord has made. 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

Learn God

Financial Peace

What would your life look like if you had NO DEBT and were really IN CONTROL of your money? Most people struggle to make ends meet. They just have too much month left at the end of the money. If you have made mistakes and feel like your money vanishes each month, you are not alone. In fact, 70% of Americans live paycheck to paycheck, regardless of income. Financial Peace University is designed to teach you and your family how to get out of debt, stay out of debt, and build wealth. You'll meet with your class each week to watch the video lesson and participate in discussion and accountability groups that will change your whole attitude about money!

We are offering TWO

Dave Ramsey Financial Peace University classes:

Monday Evenings

Preview date January 23, 2012
@ 6:30pm in the Centrum
Class begins February 6th!

Wednesday Evenings

Preview date January 25, 2012
@ 6:30 pm in room 117 (limited class size of 30)
Class begins February 8th!

Childcare is available by pre-registering on line @ <http://www.fvumc.org/ChildCareForm.aspx>
To sign up for the Preview go to the January Registration table or contact Church office at 552-4331.

Dr. Mickey Eford Event January 7, 2012 9:00am-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.

Childcare is available—please pre-register for childcare online or call Debbi DeMaris at

New Study Opportunities

From Sunday School Classes to Small Groups...there is something for all!

From the study of the Old Testament to the Passion Narratives....from *A Life Giving Thanks to Crazy Love to Prayer: Does it Make a Difference?* There is something for you!

Check out Class Descriptions and Study Opportunities on Sunday in the lobby at the Welcome Center.

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.

Children's Programs

Please note: Faith Weaver Friends and Kids For Christ (KFC), and Confirmation will begin on January 8th at 4:30pm.

Contact Elaine at elilliston@fvumc.org or 552-4331 ext 102 with any questions!

Youth Programs

Jan 4: Life Groups begin at 4:30pm

Jan. 8: Lifeline will meet at FVUMC at 3:30 for the District Mission Fair

Jan. 15th: Lifeline resumes at 6:15pm followed by a parent's meeting at 8:00pm
Contact Kevin at kjohnson@fvumc.org or at

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!

Safe Sanctuary Training

Training will be held on January 29th following the 9:30 and the 11:00 services!

ACTS 1:8 Celebration

April 20-22, 2012 will be a weekend that will both educate and energize our congregation, and encourage everyone to be on a mission with God! Teams are forming now to assist with the various events and tasks needed to make this event spectacular! Please contact Ann Ledford at 773-0334 or ledford1428@gmail.com to help!

Share God

FV Food Pantry Needs:

Dried Beans and Rice

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

Happy New Year!

**Christian Seasons Calendars
are available in the church office. (\$12)
Keep a Christian perspective of 2012
from the beginning of the Christian year,
Advent, thru the Season after Pentecost.**



Announcements



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 service

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!

GED Classes

GED classes for our community are being offered at Abiding Presence Lutheran Church at 1300 Sunset Lake Road in Fuquay-Varina on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:30-9:00pm beginning January 10th.

Director of Children's Ministry

Full-Time Position

FVUMC is seeking an enthusiastic Spirit-led faithful disciple of Jesus Christ with excellent interpersonal and communication skills eager to lead, oversee, and develop all aspects of children's ministry including staff, volunteers, programming, curriculum and special events as our Director of Children's Ministries. We are an active vibrant 1900 + membership congregation witnessing through local service and outreach into the world. A genuine passion and ability to engage and recruit adults who can reach and disciple children toward spiritual maturity is essential. Fuquay-Varina UMC is a Christ-centered community that Loves God, Learns God, Serves God and Shares God.

Minimum qualifications include a Bachelor's degree (Master's preferred) in child-related development or previous successful leadership and networking; and at least three years of relevant experience. A complete "Ministry Description" is available on the church web site at fvumc.org. A cover letter and resume may be sent to : jobs@fvumc.org or Fuquay-Varina UMC, Attn: Children's Ministry Director Search Committee, 100 S. Judd Pkwy SE, Fuquay-Varina, NC 27526 by **JANUARY 1, 2012**

Sunday, January 1, 2012

8:00am Contemplative Worship
9:30am Sunday School
9:30am Contemporary Worship
11:00am Sunday School
11:00am Traditional Worship

Monday, January 2

Church Office Closed
9:00am Seeds of Faith Preschool
9:30am Walk the Walk
7:00pm BSA Troop 320

Tuesday, January 3

6:30am Men's Early Group
9:00am Seeds of Faith Preschool
9:30am Quilting Group
10:00 Circle of Faith (UMW)
7:00pm Church Council Meeting
7:00pm Cub Scouts Meetings

Wednesday, January 4

9:00am Seeds of Faith Preschool
9:30am Walk the Walk
5:30pm Youth Handbell Choir
6:30pm Youth Life Groups
6:30 pm Bible Studies
7:15 pm Worship Choir
6:30 pm Instruments of Praise & Souly Brass

Thursday, January 5

6:00 SOWers
9:00am Seeds of Faith Preschool
7:00pm Praise Team
7:00pm METS-Men Eager to Serve

Friday, January 6

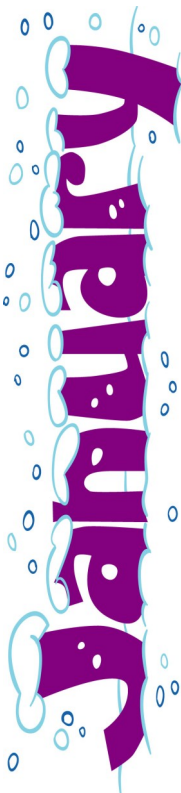
9:00am Seeds of Faith Preschool

Saturday, January 7

6:30am MITM Meeting
9:00am Dr. Mickey Efrid class

Sunday, January 8

8:00am Contemplative Worship
9:30am Sunday School
9:30am Contemporary Worship
11:00am Sunday School
11:00am Traditional Worship
12:00pm SPRC Meeting
3:30pm Alleluia Ringers
3:30pm Youth District Mission Fair
4:30pm FaithWeaver Friends
4:30pm KFC
4:30pm Confirmation
4:30pm JuBELLation
5:15pm FANFARE
7:00pm Women's Ensemble



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Stewardship

Our Presence: 12/25/11
Worship Attendance: 227

By Our Gifts: 12/25/11
Received last week \$36,831.30
Budget needed weekly \$24,731.65
Average Received/week \$23,036.05
Received YTD \$1,197,874.60
Budget needed YTD \$1,286,045.80
Difference -\$88,171.20
New Mortgage Refinanced \$500,000.00
Applied to Principal \$20,671.60
Received YTD \$23,185.00
New Mortgage Balance (12/25/11) \$456,143.40

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