

## Christmas Poinsettias

Are given by –

Jean Gierman  
In Loving Memory of  
George Gierman

The Kempin Family  
In Loving Memory of  
Pat and Bob Voorhees

Cynthia Johnson and  
Children  
In Loving Memory of  
Mark Johnson

Daniel and Lindsay  
Leeman  
In Loving Memory of  
Jason Trevarrow

Ginger Jones  
In Honor of  
Tom & Ann Myatt  
And in Loving Memory of  
H.C. Wade, Jr, H.C. Wade, Sr,  
Virginia Myers

Alicia and Bruce Worf  
In Loving Memory of  
Pat & Doug Worf  
And In Loving Memory of  
Lloyd, Doreen, and  
David Zumwalt

## January Food Collection!

The F-V Emergency Food Pantry food of the month is **Rice & Dried Beans**. A blue collection container is in the church lobby for your donations. *Please no glass containers.*

## Christmas Cantata Music Offer!

*God Coming Down*, a praise and worship Christmas Cantata featuring FVUMC's Worship Choir, Praise Choir, Instruments of Praise, Praise Team & Kidz NPraise Children's Choirs are available NOW on CD and available for \$10.

## JOIN 'Walk the Walk' Group!

Are you looking for a way to EXERCISE and have a support group to help you succeed? Then why not come out and join the WALK THE WALK group at 9:00am each Monday and Wednesday in the Centrum. We start out with fellowship and prayer. Then we go into a slow and easy stretching and upper and lower body strength exercises to each person's limits. We then close by walking as a group around the Centrum and the halls of the CHURCH. We also get some very much needed advice on NUTRITION from our own Greg Brown. Greg is a certified trainer and is graciously sharing his expertise with us.



## CrossWave: Celebration Arts

*Saturday Night Service: Jan 8, 2011 from 7-8 PM*



Come join us for a community-wide PRAISE and WORSHIP service lead by CrossWave - an emerging generation of youth eager to respond to the Great Commission and follow the Great Commandment!!

**MUSIC – DRAMA – TESTIMONIES – PRAYER - FELLOWSHIP - FOOD**

## There Is Good News!

When Job faced his giants, he was overcome, distraught, and in pain. His friends meant well in their advice, but they were not trained Stephen Ministers.

We all desire to be like Job, to stand firm when all is fallen in around you, to want to be still and hidden from all things, and in that quietness to listen for God's voice, that wonderful, comforting voice.

So much is *our* desire to be your Stephen Minister. If you are experiencing giants tormenting your life, we are here.....Just For You! Job pleaded with his friends to... just listen to him.

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Thearon Willis 820-1845

Mel Cade 557-4347

*For I know that my Redeemer lives, And He shall stand at last on the earth Job 19:25*

## Stewardship Report

It is with thankfulness and celebration that we report that our congregation responded in faith and trust to our stewardship campaign for 2011. Your pledges for 2011 showed an approximate 20% increase both in the numbers of persons pledging and in the overall total amount pledged. That increase results from persons who pledged in 2010 increasing their 2011 pledge by almost 12%, approximately 60 new pledges from persons who gave in 2010 but had not pledged and approximately 20 pledges from those who had not pledged or given in 2010. THANK YOU for your commitment to God's work at FVUMC.



Fuquay-Varina UMC

# Weekly Times

January 2, 2011

## FaithWeaver Friends and Kids for Christ

**start back next Sunday...Jan. 9th**

Calling all 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> graders for FWF and all 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders for KFC...come join us on Sunday afternoons from 4:30 – 6:00. Be involved with missions, fellowship, fun all while learning about God's love. Questions about FWF contact Marianne Carroll ([mdcarroll35@embarqmail.com](mailto:mdcarroll35@embarqmail.com)) or Stephanie Weeks ([sweeks@fvumc.org](mailto:sweeks@fvumc.org)). Questions about KFC contact Frank Lane ([flane@nc.rr.com](mailto:flane@nc.rr.com)).

## Safe Sanctuaries Training - Sunday Jan. 16<sup>th</sup>

**Who:** Anyone who is volunteering or would like to volunteer with children or youth, once you have been trained it is good for 5 years.

**When:** Sunday, Jan. 16<sup>th</sup> after the 9:30 or 10:50 service

**Where:** conference room

**What:** The purpose of this training is to make FVUMC a safe place for all children, staff and volunteers. Denise Frie will be going over our Safe Sanctuary policies and procedures, taking pictures for ID badges, and collecting paperwork to run a background check

## Spring Women's Day

Ideas and input needed to plan our next Women's Ministry event next Spring.

On Monday, January 10th from 7:00 - 8:00 pm in room 117, we will meet to begin to share ideas and plan for a Spring retreat for the women of FVUMC and friends.

If you are new to the congregation we invite you to attend. If you have not participated before we need you. If you are a seasoned event planner, then we need you as well. Many hands make the work light and fun for all. Please contact Penny Downey if you have any ideas or questions about the meeting [pgdowney@aol.com](mailto:pgdowney@aol.com) or 946-0639.

## Visit the Global Missions Wreath!



Be a part of supporting the different missions of our church this holiday season! Stop by the wreath in the lobby and grab a sponsorship card from any of the global outreach missions our church

GLOBAL MISSIONS WREATH supports, like:

- Buying tools for the Covenant Garden
- Buying a meal for someone
- Buying supplies for a mission work team
- Paying for someone's electric bill for the month
- Supporting a work team member for a day
- Supporting a child in need

Place your sponsorship card and donation in the offering plate or drop it by the church office. Be sure and write "missions" in the MEMO line of your check.

ACTS 1:8: "... you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

## Youth Music Opportunities for 2011

Hey Youth! Are you wanting to find a way to share your musical gifts with the family here at FVUMC? Start off the new year with becoming involved with one or two Youth music ensembles. The Youth Choir is re-forming, and will be rehearsing on Sunday afternoons, 3:30-4:30. Come join us and then stay for Lifeline! We will be offering a Youth Handbell Choir this year, and will be rehearsing on Wednesday evenings, 6:00-7:00. No experience is necessary to become part of either of these ensembles. We have some great events planned for both of these groups! Rehearsals begin the week of January 16th. If interested, please contact Felicia Wermke, Associate Director of Music Ministries at [FWermke@fvumc.org](mailto:FWermke@fvumc.org)



## The Men's Ensemble

This Ensemble is a choral group for those on a tight schedule! The group will meet for three rehearsals on Wednesday evenings, 8:15 – 9:00 pm, and then sing for worship. This ensemble offers an opportunity to sing with a choir WITHOUT the long term commitment! The group is open to ALL MEN (adults & youth)—previous experience is not required!

## New Studies Adult Sunday School

### 9:30 am Class

*Acts Bible Study* by Mickey Efird

The Acts of the Apostles, is a valuable tool for understanding the growth of the Church following the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Dr. Efird's lectures on this book of the New Testament help us to understand and apply the Biblical story to our own lives and the life of our churches. No cost for the participant workbook. (19 sessions)

Facilitator: Shared weekly by Koinonia Class

Room 117/119 @ 9:30 am *Begins Jan. 9th*

### 10:50 am Classes

*Who is God: Experience the Basic Elements of Faith* by Francis Chan.

In this seven-part series study, Chan explores the weighty topic of the Trinity, distilling the reality of the nature of God into foundational truths. Hosted by Christians Under Construction for this video based study.

Facilitator: Charlie Gray

Room 118 @ 10:50 am *Begins Jan. 9th*

*Romans Study* by Mickey Efird

Discover the Magna Carta of the Christian faith. This study details why this book lit the fire in Martin Luther's heart that started the Protestant Reformation. It was also the text that caused John Wesley's heart to be "strangely warmed" and Luther calls it "the very purest Gospel", "daily bread for the soul...the more it is dealt with the more precious it becomes and the better it tastes."

No cost for the participant workbook. (12 sessions)

Facilitator: Barbara Patterson

Room 122 @ 10:50 am *Begins Jan. 9th*

*Start Becoming a Good Samaritan* by Michael R. Seaton

"What does it take to "love your neighbor" in a global community? This study is will help Christians live out Christ's love in world-changing ways right where they live. Explore the most pressing issues of our time-then start actually doing something about them. Time to get out of the pews and into the streets where, as the hands and feet of Christ, you will live out the gospel, positively impacting those suffering from poverty, social injustice, pandemic diseases, and more.

Hosted by the Pura Vida Sunday School Class (6 sessions)

Facilitator: Rob Pavone

Room 123 @ 10:50 am *Begins Jan. 16th*



## New Women's Studies

### Sunday Afternoon

*Becoming the Woman God Wants Me to Be:*

*A 90-Day Guide to Living the Proverbs 31 Life* by Donna Partow  
Welcome to the next 90 days of your life! Those days will unfold whether or not you live them with purpose and passion. You can just mark time, muddle through each day and stumble closer to the end of your time on earth. Or, you can choose to "run with perseverance the race marked out for you"

(Heb 12:1). This book is your invitation to run with perseverance.

Facilitator: Andee Thompson ([abthompson@nc.rr.com](mailto:abthompson@nc.rr.com))

Room 124 @ 4:30-6:00pm *Begins Jan. 9th*

### Monday Morning PinC

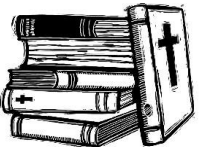
*(Partners in Christ)*

*The Gospel of John* by Mickey Efird.

The Jesus we find in John is different from the one depicted in the synoptic Gospels. Learn how Jesus is presented on two levels as you gain new insights and marvel at how Jesus was in control even as he was nailed to the cross.

Facilitator: MaryKay Davis

Room 117 at 9:30 am *Begins Jan. 10th*



### Thursday Morning SOWers

*(Sister of the Word)*

*A Mile in Her Shoes* by Sharon Patterson

We will start with an introductory week and then spend 6 weeks examining the lives of six remarkable women found in the Old Testament. They were smart, brave, shrewd and wise, each of the women that we will study is a role model for holding on to our faith. Join us Thursday mornings from 6-7AM in room (on the adult wing). If you are interested please contact one of the facilitators below on or before Mon. Jan. 10th!

Facilitators: Jennifer Harrenstein ([jharrenstein@fvumc.org](mailto:jharrenstein@fvumc.org))

552-5269, Stephanie Weeks ([sweeks@fvumc.org](mailto:sweeks@fvumc.org)) 552-7458,

or Tanya Dillard ([tanyad@nc.rr.com](mailto:tanyad@nc.rr.com)) 557-1343.



## Altar Flowers

Please use the sign-up board in the lobby to honor someone you love by sponsoring Altar Flowers for the morning worship services.

Contact the church office for more information.