

## July Steel Drum Workshop-Limited Space!



Tagé on Steel will be offering a Steel Drum Workshop on Sat., July 23. The workshop is open to adults and youth ages 10 & up and participants will have the opportunity to learn a piece of music on the steel drums as well as the option to

participate on drums in Sunday worship the following day.

A workshop opportunity will be held 1:00-3:00pm at a cost of \$25.00 per participant. Space is limited to 12 participants and will be filled on a first come, first serve basis. For more information or to sign-up to participate, please contact Jennifer Harrenstein, Director of Music Ministries, at 552-4331 ext. 105 or [jharrenstein@fvumc.org](mailto:jharrenstein@fvumc.org).

## Stephen Ministers



*We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. If your gift is prophesying, then prophesy in accordance with your faith; if it is serving, then serve; if it is teaching, then teach; if it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully.* Romans 12:6-8

Stephen Ministers have been blessed with a variety of spiritual gifts from God. Let us use those gifts to encourage and serve you. We can help you through the tough times you are facing.

Susanne Young 552-7503 Polly Sheets 552-5035  
Bob Sorrels 552-0505 Thearon Willis 820-1845

## Senior Celebration: A Luau!

**Save the date for August 27th!**

Invitations will be sent soon to our Senior Adults 60+! Interested in hosting a table, contact Debbi DeMaris at [ddemaris@fvumc.org](mailto:ddemaris@fvumc.org) or 552-4331 ext 106. More details to come!



## WIHN Arrives on July 24th

Wake Interfaith Hospitality Network guests will be arriving July 24th to make their home here at FVUMC through July 31st. Please prayerfully consider how you, your family or your small group can help to extend radical hospitality to these families in transition.



## A Ministry Celebration & Our Tomato Sandwich Social!

Stephanie Weeks, Director of Children's Ministry at FVUMC for the past 3 years has resigned effective July 10, 2011 to return to a full time teaching position at Willow Springs Elementary. To thank her and celebrate her ministry with us, a church-wide covered dish luncheon will be held on Sunday, July 31st following the 10:50 service. The entire congregation is invited to come, bring a favorite dish, and join others in thanking Stephanie and wishing her well in her new position, especially if you have had children who have benefited from her ministry here. In addition, we will be able to contribute towards a Love Gift for Stephanie from now until July 31st as a show of our appreciation of her Spirit-filled gifts to us of time, talents, and love for the children of FVUMC! Contributions will be received in the office, in the Offering plates, or at the Luncheon. For questions or willingness to help with this special time contact Linda Bridgers at 567-8908.



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Covenant Community Garden will be celebrating its ministry at our annual Tomato Sandwich Social with the congregation at the same date and time.



Share in the bounty of our community garden and learn more about what goes on weekly in growing organic produce that is shared with the Fuquay-Varina Emergency Food Pantry! You don't want to miss some delicious tomatoes!

**Mark you calendars for this combined celebration meal on July 31st at noon!**



## Food of the Month for July: Peanut Butter & Jelly

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

## Summer Church Office Hours

Beginning Friday, July 8th through August 19th, the Church Office will close at 12 noon on Fridays!



## Fuquay-Varina UMC

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

# Weekly Times

July 17, 2011

## Leap of Faith

We are pleased to give thanks to God from whom all blessings flow. **As of last Sunday, we received \$77,003.76 toward our Mortgage debt which leaves a balance owed of \$709,386.43.** 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.



**Next Training Date: TODAY Following the 9:30 & 10:50 worship services.**

## PrimeTimers: A Surprise!

Tuesday, July 19, 2011 at 10:00am  
We will meet at the Church. It is a surprise. Call Debbie Corr (557-7437) for more information. Meet with us and see what the surprise is. Call and we will arrange to pick you up.



## Tagé on Steel in Concert

**Sunday, July 24 @4:00 pm**

Back for a third year in a row, FVUMC will host Tagé on Steel from the Washington DC area! This group of steel drum musicians will wow and impress you as they offer selections of both sacred and secular tunes on a wide range of steel drum instruments. *Admission is free and open to the public, and childcare will be provided.*



## Church-Wide Wednesdays: Aug. 3, 10, 17

A Multi-Generational Event that you are invited to come and share a meal and participate in exciting evenings of fellowship, mission and prayer! Together we will seek to love, learn, serve, and share God across the generational spectrum! Details to come!  
*The Meal: 5:45-6:30pm & The Experience: 6:30-8:00pm.*

## 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.



## UMMen's Retreat

What: 2011 Men's Summit - "C'mon and Be a Man About It"

When: Friday August 12th - Sunday August 14th

Where: Rockfish Camp and Retreat Center

Who: Any Man willing to explore what it means to be a Man

How much: \$100 (2 nights lodging and 4 meals, dinner Friday and lunch Sunday not included)

**Reply to this email to reserve a spot TODAY!**

**A \$50 deposit by July 17th** and the balance of \$50 the weekend of the Summit.

## Habitat for Humanity Dates

If you are looking to get involved in local mission work, volunteers are needed for Habitat for Humanity

Here are the July dates that our church

has reserved at the Mullins Drive Site in Cary:

Saturday July 23rd: 4 spots open

Saturday July 30th: 5 spots open

If you would like to volunteer please email Jamey Koenig at [jwk3991@yahoo.com](mailto:jwk3991@yahoo.com).



## 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).

### Disciple Testimony-

"If you are looking for a way to grow in your faith as well as build Christian friendships, consider participating in one of the Disciple Bible Studies this fall. I found these studies to be a great way to learn and grow as a Christian. Disciple includes reading and studying the Word and lots of informative discussions which often help you to look at things in a way you never have before. Disciple is a very rewarding experience that allows you to become closer to our Lord and to one another." Debra Wilson

## 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. We will focus on the Upper Room Scripture selection and commentary for each Sunday. For those of you that have recently been through our Connectings classes this is an easy way to meet new people and get a feel for a short term Bible Study for the future.

Facilitator: Craig Judd Room 117 at 9:30

## Summer College-Age & Twenties

This Sunday continues the College-Age and Twenties class in Room 125 at 10:50 am.

All are welcome to join us, including newly graduated seniors!

Contact Kevin at [kjohnson@fvumc.org](mailto:kjohnson@fvumc.org) or 285-8029 with any questions.



8:15 – one nursery for ages 3 and under

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

10:50 – two nurseries (infant and toddler)

## Prayer Requests: 2 Options to Share!

Prayer Requests are important to our church family. We now have a link on our web site( [www.fvumc.org](http://www.fvumc.org)) to receive prayer requests or you may call the church office (919-552-4331) and leave a message. The prayer requests (concerns), as well as, answered prayers shared (celebrations) will be forwarded to our prayer team as we join with one another in prayer.

## Beginner Handbell & Music Theory Class

Ever thought you might like to try ringing handbells? Here's your chance! Come for a 5-week Beginner Handbell Class on **SUNDAYS, 7:00 – 8:30 pm, beginning July 31 through August 28**. The class is open to adults and youth interested in learning the basics of handbell ringing and music theory. No performances will be associated with this class... this is simply an opportunity to come and learn! To sign up and reserve your spot, contact Jennifer Harrenstein, Director of Music Ministries, at 552-4331 ext. 105 or [jharrenstein@fvumc.org](mailto:jharrenstein@fvumc.org).

## Looking for Handy People!

Do you have carpentry, electrical, plumbing or painting skills? Or you are willing to use your hands and time to help with short term projects? Please consider being a good steward using your gifts and talents to assist on a variety of projects here at FVUMC! If this is something you are interested in, please contact Bob Anderson at [banderson@fvumc.org](mailto:banderson@fvumc.org)



## Opportunity for Women

**Beth Moore Living Proof Women's**

Conference in Charlotte, NC July 22-23

(7pm Fri. thru 12pm Sat.)

Life Changing Bible Study! Inspiring Worship!

\$65/person, Group of rooms- reserved through the FVUMC

Women's Ministry. To reserve your spot contact Cathy Vogt at

[jakenmorgan@embarqmail.com](mailto:jakenmorgan@embarqmail.com) or 919-607-2150



## 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@NCSSU.edu](mailto:David_Jenkins@NCSSU.edu)) or Jim Dewey at (919) 577-0197 (e-mail [jdeweysr@aol.com](mailto:jdeweysr@aol.com)).

