

## Help is Needed!

The Sunday Morning Hospitality Team is seeking a new team member for 4th Sunday Set Up. Contact Donna Gray at 557-5545 for details on how to join the Hospitality Ministry.

## Main Street Kitchen: May 21



The menu for the month of May:

*Baked chicken, mashed potatoes, vegetables, fruit, bread & dessert.*

**Items needed for this meal are frozen chicken legs and thighs, instant potatoes, milk, large cans of vegetables /fruits, large bags of frozen vegetables, butter.**

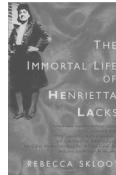
The MSK team would like to extend an opportunity to our church family, to step up and be of assistance. We need folks to make phone calls, delivery meals, cook deserts, help with clean up. Thanks to all who have and continue to be a part of this ministry, and if you would like to spend a couple hours once a month being blessed, please feel free to contact Paula Cade at 919-557-4347

## May Book Club

*The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks*  
by Rebecca Skloot, (Macmillan, 2009)

From a single, abbreviated life grew a seemingly immortal line of cells that made some of the most crucial innovations in modern science possible.

And from that same life, and those cells, Rebecca Skloot has fashioned in *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks* a fascinating and moving story of medicine and family, of how life is sustained in laboratories and in memory. The author with the help of her Henrietta's family tells a rich and haunting story that asks the questions, Who owns our bodies? And who carries our memories? To join the dinner and discussion on Friday, May 20, contact Judy Casper at [jacasper@earthlink.net](mailto:jacasper@earthlink.net) or Matilda Storm at [matildastorm@embarqmail.com](mailto:matildastorm@embarqmail.com).



## A Final Resting Place

Would you be interested in a final resting place on our church property? There has been some interest in developing a Memorial Garden with a Columbarium at Fuquay-Varina United Methodist Church. The construction and maintenance of this project should be fully funded by the sale of niches for inurnment of the cremated remains. If you have an interest, please contact David Jenkins at 552-9629 or Jim Dewey at 577-0197.



## 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!

## Troop 320 High Adventure Patrol Burger Cookout—May 21st

Hamburgers and Hot dogs, chips and soda will be sold at the Wal-Mart in Fuquay-Varina on May 21, from 10-7.

This is a fund-raiser to help support our Summer 2012 excursion to Philmont Scout Ranch in Cimarron, NM. This trip is a once-in-a-lifetime experience for the boys, In an effort to reduce the cost for the families of these boys, the Scouts are providing a meal at a very reasonable price, with all proceeds going to assist in paying for this expedition. We would love to see anyone who can make it out and help our cause!



## UM Conference Disaster Response

A special offering will be taken this week and next for NC tornado victims. One hundred percent of the offering will be used for relief and support. At least 22 people were killed and more than 130 injured within the bounds of the NC Conference on Saturday, 4/16. An operations/call center at the MERCI Center is set up for volunteers to contact @ 888-440-9167.

## News from SPRC

FVUMC recently received confirmation that we will have a Pastoral Intern from the Duke Divinity School joining us here this summer. She will be with us for 10 weeks beginning May 29th and is need of housing during that time. Should you be aware of the availability of appropriate accommodations for this short period, please contact Terri Pavone at the church office or email at [tpavone@fvumc.org](mailto:tpavone@fvumc.org)



## May's Food of the Month Canned & Dried Fruit

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

## Fuquay-Varina UMC

# Weekly Times

May 8, 2011

## Mother's Day Special Offering

Each year the United Methodist Retirement Homes Mother's Day offering raises funds to provide Benevolent Care to those residents within our retirement communities who can no longer pay their own way. In many cases, these residents have no other means of support and often no family. Residents who benefit from this fund are still living independently or in assisted living and are not yet eligible for any government subsidies. These residents are at Cypress Glen in Greenville, Wesley Pines in Lumberton and Crossdaile Village in Durham. The Mother's Day Offering provides an opportunity for each of us, in all 12 NC districts, to have a part in providing a 'more abundant life' for residents who need financial support. Visit the website at [www.umrh.org](http://www.umrh.org) for more information.

## Women's Breakfast - Happy Mother's Day

May 14th from 8:00 - 9:30 am held in room 117 / 119.

We will be reflecting on Mother's Day and the legacy we receive from our Mother's and Grandmothers and other important women of influence in our lives, and the legacy we pass on to our children and grandchildren. All are welcome to attend.

## 2011 RIDE FOR LIFE - Needs Volunteers



The Spiritual Spinners will be hosting the Ride for Life on **May 14th** to help those facing challenging medical conditions and life situations.

To make this year's ride another huge success, we need you! Please consider volunteering to help at the rest stops, bake goodies (muffins, cookies, brownies, etc.), offer vehicle support, set-up, clean up, or cheer us on!

If interested, please contact Kathy Wall at [kwall@nc.rr.com](mailto:kwall@nc.rr.com)

## Charge Conference \*\*\*New Date\*\*\*

A Charge Conference is being called for **Tuesday, May 31st at 7:00pm** in Rooms 117/119 to elect our New Building Committee. The Church Council, Vision Team Members, and Facilities Team Members should make plans to attend! Our church members are asked to be in prayer for discernment and guidance as we prepare to move forward.

## Women's Retreat—June 25th

### Mind, Body, Heart, Soul

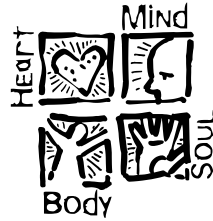
Stop by the table in the lobby today to find out more about the Women's Retreat held here at FVUMC on June 25th. Come and renew your spirit and spend time with your sisters in Christ. Invite friends, family and neighbors to join you for an inspiring worship filled day.

Reservations taken today for \$10.00 (includes lunch).

Our Mission focus: Love packages to encourage area women.

*Encouraging, comforting and urging you to live lives worthy of God, who calls you into his kingdom and glory.* -1 Thessalonians 2:12

*For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.* -Ephesians 2:10



## Times Are Tough...

Are times getting tough? Is darkness and confusion suffocating you from your joy? Have you taken your eyes from Jesus? There is Good News!! If you turn your eyes upon Jesus and look full into His wonderful face, the things of this world will grow perfectly dim in the light of His Glory and Grace! Stephen Ministers are available to be with you during your time of need. Just For You!

Susanne Young 552-7503

Polly Sheets 552-5035

Bob Sorrels 552-0505

Thearon Willis 820-1845

Mel Cade 557-4347



## Safe Sanctuaries Training- Sun. May 15<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, May 15th 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.



## PrimeTimers' Upcoming Events

**May 24th: 8:45 am** Bentonville Battleground! We'll have On the way home.

**June 21st:** for a cook-out and memory sharing of our Fathers' or other important men in our lives.

Call Debbie Corr 557-7437 or Fran Sykes 552-9220 to sign up for these these trips and if you need a ride to & from the Church.



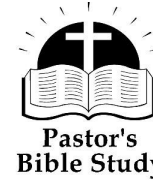
## A Journey Through the Bible

### Two Sessions Beginning May 4th!

Wednesday Mornings at 10:30-11:30am

And Wednesday Evenings at 7:00-8:00pm

All are welcome! Come join the lecture and discussions in Room 117/119! *Don't forget to bring your Bible!*



## New Sunday School Studies!

*Outlive Your Life* by Max Lucado

Facilitator: Eric Coates, C.L.A.Y. Sunday School Class at 9:30

Room 124 begins May 1st (6 weeks)

*How To Get The Greatest Benefit from Bible Study* by Mickey Efrid

Facilitator: Barbara Patterson, Day By Day Sunday School Class at 10:50

Room 122 begins May 15th (4 weeks)

*Change the World, Recovering the Message and Mission of Jesus*

by Mike Slaughter

Facilitator: Rob Pavone, Pura Vida Sunday School Class at 10:50

Room 123 begins May 15th (6 weeks) cost \$5.00

## VBS 2011 - Volunteers Still Needed

Vacation Bible School is the last week of June this year and we still need many volunteers to help share God's love with the children.

*Evening session runs from Sun. 6/26 – Thurs. 6/30 (6:00-8:30) and the*

*Daytime session runs from Mon. 6/27– Fri. 7/1 (9:00-12:00).*

Please contact Heather Layman at 567-9383 or [hlayman75@yahoo.com](mailto:hlayman75@yahoo.com)

to volunteer with evening VBS. Please contact Marianne Carroll at

552-7695 or [mcarroll35@gmail.com](mailto:mcarroll35@gmail.com) to volunteer with daytime VBS.



## Partners in Prayer Volunteers are Needed

The Partners in Prayer ministry lifts up before God, our Church members and their families, our Church staff, and our Church ministries every day. Members who answer God's call to serve as a Partner in Prayer will pray for up to 12 individuals or ministries by name.

*Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.* —James 5:16

New Partners in Prayer volunteers are needed for this ministry. During May worship services, church members are invited to volunteer for this prayer ministry. This ministry currently has 130 volunteers. An additional 80 are needed to covenant with God to pray for our Church family about 2 minutes each day for one year. Come by and pick up one or more prayer cards in our Church lobby today! For more information contact Keith Strandtman at 621-1509 or [robinkstr@gmail.com](mailto:robinkstr@gmail.com).

## Senior Recognition

Kevin needs to know if you have a senior in high school to be recognized in the senior recognition Service on Sunday June 5. Please let him know by calling the church office or emailing him at [kjohnson@fvumc.org](mailto:kjohnson@fvumc.org). Also, be looking for information and opportunities for seniors during this time leading up to their graduation!



## With Love From Jesus on May 13

The FVUMC volunteer team is scheduled to serve at With Love From Jesus on May 13 from 9 am to 12:30 pm. This ministry affords volunteers the opportunity to witness for Jesus, being His hands and feet by giving away food, clothing and other items. Most of all we give away the love God has poured into our hearts. Please contact Keith Strandtman at 621-1509 if you have any questions.

## Let the Little Children Come to Me!

Just as Jesus said "let the little children come to me" we too love the opportunity to spend time with God's littlest blessings. On Sunday mornings we have nursery available at all three services.



8:15 – one nursery for ages 3 and under

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

10:50 – two nurseries (infant and toddler)

For more information on our nurseries please contact Toni Drapkin, Nursery Coordinator, at [tdrapkin@fvumc.org](mailto:tdrapkin@fvumc.org) or visit our website at [www.WeMakeDisciples.org](http://www.WeMakeDisciples.org). Stop by any Sunday to chat with our nursery staff or to find out more!

## Join the Covenant Garden



You are invited to become a member of Covenant Community Garden. Everyone is welcome to participate in the garden, regardless of your "green thumb" (or lack of) or your level of experience. There are 2 options for participating in the garden; an active member or a supporting member. Contact the Garden Coordinator, Joy Brown at 557-5954 for more information.

## Recycle Shoes For Those In Need



[www.ShareOurShoes.org](http://www.ShareOurShoes.org)

Donate your shoes to someone in desperate need! Any type, any style, and any size.

*Share Our Shoes* donates old shoes to those that have none! A collection box is located in the

lobby. Use rubber bands to secure pairs together! For more information contact Shari Judd at 567-0524.