

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

## Love God

### Encourage One Another and Build Each Other Up

In 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 we read about *The Day of the Lord* and in the last verse of this powerful scripture message we read that we should encourage one another and build each other up. As members of the body of Christ, that's what we strive to. We want to encourage each other in the Word of God and in our faith and we want to build each other up by putting their needs above our own.

As Stephen Ministers, we want to reach out and help others who may be struggling in their faith or with other issues. We want to encourage others and build them up in the Body of Christ. Perhaps you are struggling with faith issues or you need to be built up to realize your importance in the Body of Christ.

Help us to fulfill the scriptures presented to all of us by allowing us to encourage you and to build you up in the Body of Christ. Contact one of our Stephen Leaders for more information.

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### See How They Love...

Come worship with area churches as led by our District Superintendent, Rev. Jon Strother on November 21st at 7:00pm for the annual Cluster Charge Conference!

Following worship, the churches will break-out for the business portion of the evening. **All church members are invited and to share their hospitality!**

### Christmas by Candlelight

Join us for the 6th annual Women's Ministry **Christmas by Candlelight** on Dec. 9th, 7-9pm. The Centrum will be filled with over 25 tables decked out in Christmas finery, each beautifully unique and different. Appealing appetizers, delicious desserts, and wonderful music by a Fuquay-Varina High School musical group will all be a part of this fun-filled evening. Sugar free and gluten free selections will be available. Guests are asked to bring a children's Christmas or Inspirational book or an unwrapped toy to donate to Operation Share. Make your reservation TODAY by signing up at the Women's Ministry table in the lobby.

**Sign up early as space is limited!**

To host a table, contact Susanne Young at [susanneyoung@msn.com](mailto:susanneyoung@msn.com).

### Church-Wide Pancake Supper

**December 3 at 5:00 pm**

As part of our Children's Ministries Christmas Celebration, the UMM will sponsor a Church-Wide Pancake Supper.

Purchase your tickets in advance in the church lobby: \$4 per person, \$7 per couple, \$10 per family of 3, \$12 per family of 4 or more.

Mark your calendar for this special event, including the Kidz NPraise Christmas Musical, "Arrest These Merry Gentlemen" at 4:00 pm, and Birthday Party for Jesus at 5:30 pm.

## 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.

### Awakening Sunday School

A class for *young adults* is meeting at 10:50 on Sunday mornings in Room 125.

Come and join our community as we delve into our faith and share in relationships with each other. Contact Kevin Johnson at [kjohnson@fvumc.org](mailto:kjohnson@fvumc.org) or 552-4331 ext 103.

### Wednesdays of Advent

Worship Service at 11:30am

We welcome Rev. Dr. Mark Wethington, President of the Wesley Heritage Foundation as this year's Advent Guest Speaker!

*November 30: Love Excelling*

Luncheon at 12:00 noon

A variety of soups, crackers/breads, & desserts will be offered. Vegetarian and Gluten-free also available.

Outreach to Peru

Donations received for the lunches will be given to support the Wesley Heritage Foundation who in collaboration with NC UM Churches are working to recreate the hopes of the future church of Peru in the Wesley Theological Seminary housed in the First UMC of Lima.

### Jesus Is Born... Coming Soon!

Join in the action and contact Marisa Highsmith at [portcitybell@gmail.com](mailto:portcitybell@gmail.com) or Jennifer Akins at [mamaAkins3@nc.rr.com](mailto:mamaAkins3@nc.rr.com) to become a special guest in the 11:00 SS. Special guests guide special units (Cookery, Science, Storytelling, Music, Games or Art) for 1-3 Sundays. We provide great resources...and, you may have some embellishments as we share the greatest story ever shared with our amazing children! *Come, be part of the action!*

## Serve God

### Peru 2012 and Beyond

Join us as we discover the plans God has for us as we build lasting relationships with our Peruvian brothers and sisters. A meeting will be held on **TODAY** immediately following the 10:50 service in room 117/119 to answer questions concerning a mission trip to Peru planned for 7/6-14. If you are interested in going with us or if you just want to learn more about the trip please come.

### Safe Sanctuary Training ~ December 4th

Anyone working with children or youth are required to complete our Safe Sanctuary certification process and have a background check completed. If you are in need of training or are due for renewal (every 5 years) please plan on attending our Safe Sanctuary Training following the 9:30 & 11:00 service in the conference room.

### Recyclers... Advent is Coming!

AND, we need your help! Please save & share with our children's Sunday School: cardboard tubes (toilet paper & paper towel); plastic lids; Christmas card fronts; aluminum pie pans; and seasonal colored ribbons. Materials may be left in the white cans labeled "Children's Resources" in the lobby area **BEFORE November 22nd**. THANK YOU for helping our children create symbols of faith with recycled treasures.

### Serving In The Nursery Are You Ready?

Love: Sharing a warm smile and comforting arms. Learn: Remember what it was like to live in the moment. Serve: Give of your time, and let the Lord do the rest. Share: We are each unique. share your talent & experiences with the children and our staff.

**One hour a month - Are you Ready?**

If you are serving, Thank You for the gift of your time. If you aren't and you want to learn more about how you can get engaged, contact Toni Drapkin, at [ttdrapkin@fvumc.org](mailto:ttdrapkin@fvumc.org)

### Rejoice!

We have an emerging "First Aid Kit Team" with four early responders! Our first meeting will be on **TODAY @ 3:30 pm**, room 117/119. Please feel welcome to join others interested in maintaining the first aid kits throughout the

## Share God

### FV Food Pantry Needs:

*Stuffing & Cranberry Sauce*

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

### WIHN Arrives!

Our Wake Interfaith Hospitality Network (WIHN) guests will arrive **TODAY** and make our adult wing their home for the week. Please see the sign up board in the lobby for ways you, your family or your small group can help extend radical hospitality to our guests. *Remember Thanksgiving day we will need hosts (in shifts) throughout the day!*

### Thanksgiving Dinners

Each year our church reaches out to the community to provide Thanksgiving meals for those who would otherwise not have a hot meal on Thanksgiving. Contact Tres and Denise Prince at 387-4512 or [denise@the-princes.com](mailto:denise@the-princes.com).

If you can help in any way, please use the sign up form below. Tear off this form, and place it in the OFFERING PLATE or bring to the CHURCH OFFICE.

**Thanksgiving Dinner Sign-Up:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_

#### Helpers

- Set-up
- Cook/Prepare
- Serve/Load
- Deliver Meals
- Tear Down/Clean up

#### Donations

- Cash
- Green Beans-large cans
- Sweet Potatoes-large cans
- Cooked Turkeys
- Desserts

# Announcements

## New Worship Schedule!

As voted by our Church Council...

Beginning **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 27th** our Worship Schedule will be

- ◆ 8:15 Worship will begin at 8:00
- ◆ 9:30 Worship will remain the same.
- ◆ 10:50 Worship will begin at 11:00

## The Church Office Will Be Closed

on November 24th & 25th  
in thanksgiving of God's blessings and abundance!

## The Weekly Times

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

## Community Thanksgiving Service Choir

Would you like to participate in the Community Choir for this year's Community Thanksgiving Service? Please join in the rehearsals, if you cannot get to both rehearsals, that is fine!

MONDAY, November 21st

Location: Fuquay-Varina Baptist Church/301 North Woodrow Street, FV  
Time: 7:00pm

## Community Thanksgiving Service

**On Tuesday, November 22nd at 7:00pm**

This long-standing tradition of community praise and worship continues at Fuquay-Varina Baptist Church at 301 N. Woodrow Street. Proceeds from this event go to Southern Wake Faith Community in Action to help the non-profit deliver emergency financial assistance to families in our community. For information of for directions to the church, call: 919-55204644. Learn more about SWFCA online at [www.helpsouthwake.org](http://www.helpsouthwake.org).

## FVUMC Family Retreat Weekend at TVR

Bring the whole family and see why FVUMC kids and parents love TVR! Fri. March 16- Sun. March 18, 2012. **Deposits are due Dec. 1, 2011.** Contact Mark and Vicki Bethea for more information.

## Mission Accomplished

With the help of Dan Houck, Don Reeves and those of you who helped unload the pumpkins and/or helped us to sell them, we had a very good year. We raised several thousand dollars for many missions. It could not have been done without your help. Words cannot express our gratitude for all of you. All we can say is "Thank you, thank you, thank you!"



### Sunday, November 20

WIHN arrives!

- 8:15am Contemplative Worship
- 9:30am Contemporary Worship
- 9:30am Sunday School
- 10:50am Traditional Worship
- 10:50am Sunday School
- 12:00pm Peru Mission Informational Mtg
- 12:15pm Costa Rica Mission Team Mtg
- 3:45pm Alleluia Ringers
- 4:30pm Connectings Class
- 4:30pm Confirmation
- 4:30pm FaithWeaver Friends
- 4:30pm KFC
- 4:30pm JuBELLation
- 4:30pm Bible Studies
- 5:15 pm FANFARE
- 6:15pm Lifeline
- 6:30pm Bible Study
- 6:30pm Discovery Planning Mtg

### Monday, November 21

- WIHN
- 9:00am Seeds of Faith Preschool
- 9:30am Walk the Walk
- 9:30am Pinc Bible Study
- 6:30pm Bible Study
- 6:30pm GED Classes
- 7:00pm Cluster Charge Conference
- 8:30pm Prayer Warriors

### Tuesday, November 22

- WIHN
- 6:30am Men's Early Group
- 9:00am Seeds of Faith Preschool
- 6:00pm reJoySing
- 7:00pm Worship Choir
- 7:00pm Praise Team

### Wednesday, November 23

- WIHN
- 9:00am Seeds of Faith Preschool
- 9:30am Walk the Walk

### Thursday, November 24

- Church Office Closed
- WIHN
- 8:00am Thanksgiving Meals

### Friday, November 25

- Church Office Closed
- WIHN

### Saturday, November 26

- WIHN
- 6:30am Men in the Morning (MITM)

### Sunday, November 27

*New Worship Schedule!*

- 8:00am Contemplative Worship
- 9:30am Contemporary Worship
- 9:30am Sunday School
- 11:00am Traditional Worship
- 11:00am Sunday School
- 4:30pm Bible Studies

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## Stewardship

**Our Presence:** 11/13/11  
Worship Attendance: 632

**By Our Gifts:** 11/13/11  
Received last week \$24,289.13  
Budget needed weekly \$24,731.65  
Average Received/week \$22,143.40  
Received YTD \$1,018,596.57  
Budget needed YTD \$1,137,655.90  
Difference -\$119,059.33  
New Mortgage Refinanced

\$500,000.00  
Applied to Principal \$17,506.55  
Received YTD \$14,745.00  
New Mortgage Balance (10/30/11) \$467,748.45

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