

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

New Worship Schedule!

As voted by our Church Council...

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

- ◆8:00 Worship
- ◆9:30 Worship
- ◆11:00 Worship

Love God

Love in Action

The Apostle Paul writes to us in Romans 12:9-21 about love in action. Love must be sincere he tells us and that we should honor one another above ourselves. Paul goes on to tell us to be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, and faithful in prayer. We are to share with the Lord's people who are in need.

As Stephen Ministers, that's just what we strive to do. We want to share the love that we have for God and Jesus in our hearts and in our lives with others, to help those in their time of need. If you are struggling with illness, the loss of a loved one, divorce or separation, job loss, or any other issue, why not give us a call. We want to help you, our brothers and sisters in Christ.

Contact one of our Stephen Leaders for more information.

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www.fvumc.org/StephenMinistry.htm

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.

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 or office **by Nov 30th!**

\$4 per person, \$7 per couple,

\$10 per family of 3, \$12 per family of 4+

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.

Celebrate the Reason for the Season...

Kidz NPraise Christmas Musical

Saturday, December 3

"Arrest These Merry Gentlemen"

Kidz NPraise Christmas Musical at 4:00 pm

Church-Wide Pancake Supper* at 5:00 pm

Birthday Party for Jesus at 5:30 pm

Fuquay-Varina Christmas Parade

Sunday, December 4

Come support the FANFARE Handbell Choir!

Christmas Cantata

Sunday, December 11

"We Have Our Savior"

Annual presented by the FVUMC Choirs,

Orchestra & Praise Team

9:30 & 11:00am services

The Annual Moravian Love Feast

Sunday, December 18

featuring music from JuBELLation and

FANFARE Handbell Choirs

7:00 pm

Christmas Eve Worship

Saturday, December 24

3:30 pm—Children's Service with Communion

5:30 pm—Lessons and Carols

Candlelight Worship with Communion

6:30-7:30pm—Enjoy Souly Brass

by the Fountain

7:30 pm—Traditional Candlelight Worship

with Communion

11:00 pm—Traditional Candlelight Worship

with Communion

Christmas Morning Worship

Sunday, December 25

at 11:00 am only!

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.

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.

Awakening Sunday School

A class for *young adults* is meeting at 11:00 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 or 552-4331 ext 103.

Serve God

Love Feast Servers Needed!

This year's Love Feast will be held on Sunday, December 19th. We are in need of servers to help with this wonderful service. If you, as a solo or with a partner are interested, please contact Randy or Susan Smith @ 567-1714 or smooresmith@earthlink.net

Jesus Is Born... Coming Soon!

Join in the action and contact Marisa Highsmith at portcitybell@gmail.com or Jennifer Akins at 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!

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

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.

Share God

FV Food Pantry Needs:

Stuffing & Cranberry Sauce

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

Operation Share

Through this awesome program, we adopt over 100 elementary-aged children and their younger siblings via local area school counselors. There are so many children that few items remain! Your support is crucial to meeting these needs in our community. For questions, contact Kevin Johnson at 552-4331, ext. 103 or kjohnson@fvumc.org

Please donate any NEW toy and bring it to the lobby by Wednesday, December 7th.

Announcements

New Worship Schedule!

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Begins SUNDAY,

November 27th

our Worship Schedule will be

- 8:00 Worship
- 9:30 Worship
- 11:00 Worship

The Weekly Times

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

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.

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!

November

Sunday, November 27

New Worship Schedule!
First Sunday of Advent

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

Monday, November 28

9:00am Seeds of Faith Preschool
9:00am ESL Classes
9:30am Walk the Walk
9:30am Bible Studies
6:30pm Bible Studies
6:30pm GED Classes
7:00pm Banded Brothers
7:00pm BSA Troop #320

Tuesday, November 29

6:30am Men's Early Group
9:00am Seeds of Faith Preschool
9:00am ESL Classes
6:00pm reJoySing
7:00pm Finance Meeting
7:00pm Cub Scouts

Wednesday, November 30

9:00am Seeds of Faith Preschool
9:00am ESL Classes
9:30am Walk the Walk
10:30am Pastor's Advent Study-Morning
11:30am Advent Worship Service
12:00pm Advent Luncheon
4:30 pm Kidz NPraise
5:00 pm Youth Bells
6:30 pm Pastor's Advent Study-Evening
6:30pm Lifeline Groups
6:30 pm Bible Studies
7:00 pm Combined Cantata Choir & Orchestra Rehearsal

Thursday, December 1

9:00am Seeds of Faith Preschool
9:00am ESL Classes
6:30 pm GED classes
7:00 pm Praise Team
7:00 pm METS—Men Eager To Serve

Friday, December 2

9:00am Seeds of Faith Preschool
4:30 pm Kidz NPraise Dress Rehearsal

Saturday, December 3

6:30am Men in the Morning (MITM)
4:00pm Kidz NPraise Performance
5:00pm Pancake Supper
5:30pm Birthday Party for Jesus

Sunday, December 4

New Worship Schedule!
Second Sunday of Advent

8:00am Contemplative Worship
9:30am Contemporary Worship
9:30am Sunday School
10:30am Safe Sanctuary Training
11:00am Traditional Worship
11:00am Sunday School
12:00pm Safe Sanctuary Training
3:00 pm Fuquay-Varina Parade
4:30pm Bible Studies
4:30pm FaithWeaver Friends
4:30 pm Women's Bible Study
6:15 pm Lifeline
6:30 pm Bible Study
7:00 pm One Achord

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Stewardship

Our Presence: 11/20/11
Worship Attendance: 758

By Our Gifts: 11/20/11
Received last week \$18,076.79
Budget needed weekly \$24,731.65
Average Received/week \$22,056.88
Received YTD \$1,036,673.36
Budget needed YTD \$1,162,387.55
Difference -\$125,714.19
New Mortgage Refinanced

\$500,000.00
Applied to Principal \$17,506.55
Received YTD \$15,055.00
New Mortgage Balance (11/20/11) \$467,438.45

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