

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

## Love God

### Rejoice in the Lord Always

In Paul's final exhortations of his letter to the Philippians (4:4-9), we read that we should rejoice in the Lord always and that we should, in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present our requests to God.

Paul's final comments in verse 9 read *Whatever you have learned or received or heard from me, or seen in me—put it into practice. And the God of peace will be with you.*

Are you finding it hard to rejoice? Are you finding it hard to give thanks to God? Do you need the peace of God in your life? Why not talk to a Stephen Minister and let us help you through the struggles of life because we ourselves have been there. Contact one of our Stephen Leaders for more information.

Susanne Young 552-7503

Polly Sheets 552-5035

Bob Sorrels 552-0505

Thearon Willis 552-7577

### PrimeTimers on 10/18

9-10:00: Flu Shots available in the Choir Room.

At 10:00: Kevin Johnson, our Youth Director, will be our guest speaker!

### Did you know...

God cares how we spend the money he gives us...

- Fair Trade ensures workers are paid a fair wage for their products.
- Fair Trade ensures that sustainable enterprises can compete in global trading.
- Fair Trade is a social principle of the UMC!

Shop this year's Fair Trade Store Oct. 28-29 in rooms 117-119 from 8 am – 8 pm!

Contact Lindsi Hines at [lindsihines@nc.rr.com](mailto:lindsihines@nc.rr.com)

### Operation Christmas Child

Shoebboxes will be collected November 14-21! Help demonstrate God's Love in a tangible way to needy children around the world. More info to come! Contact: Jayne Chambers at 345-3418 or [Jaynechambers@hotmail.com](mailto:Jaynechambers@hotmail.com)

## Learn God

### Journey through the Bible

Join the Pastor's Bible Study on Wednesdays!  
Morning Class at 10:30 am in Room 117/119  
Evening Class at 6:30pm in Room 117/119  
Don't forget your Bibles!

### 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.  
Facilitator: Craig Judd Room 117 at 9:30

### Awakening

A class for *college-aged and twenties* 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. We will be studying Romans starting in October, so come and join us!

## Transformed Living

### Pearl of Wisdom:

*When we pray consistently, we become like trees that are firmly planted, growing and producing much fruit.*

At this point, you should be finished reading the second week of *Treasures of the Transformed Life*, the chapters on prayer. Are you ready to discuss the key points in your Sunday school/small group meeting? How did you feel, for example, about the author's insights on the bonsai and the sequoia? How deep are your own roots of prayer?

This Sunday, the pastor's message will cover a related topic, so you'll have the chance to revisit, refresh, and renew what you've learned. But you've got to remember that prayer is an individual thing. You can't grow in your own prayer life just by relying on the prayers of someone else.

So how long has it been since you've had a two-way conversation with God? How long has it been since you've asked for his advice or help? How long since you've admitted that you really can't handle everything on your own? It's not just that God needs to be needed, you know. It's that he wants us to remember that he is always there for us, willing to open his hand in our direction. So go ahead. Crawl up in your heavenly father's lap, and tell him about your day. He's certain to be all ears.

*Coming up next week: We are family.*

To register or ask questions, contact Susan Smith at 567-1714 or [smooresmith@earthlink.net](mailto:smooresmith@earthlink.net).

## Book Club-October

*Twelve by Twelve: A One-Room Cabin Off the Grid and Beyond the American Dream*  
by [William Powers](#)

To join the dinner and discussion on Friday, October 21st, contact Suzanne Jones at [dsjones@nc.rr.com](mailto:dsjones@nc.rr.com) or Matilda Storm at [matildastorm@embarqmail.com](mailto:matildastorm@embarqmail.com).

## Pilgrimage: Nov 11-13

Registration has begun! Cost for the weekend is \$100 by October 16th. Forms are located in the church office or online:  
<http://www.fvumc.org/Youth.htm>

## Serve God

### Short Term Commitment!

Please consider serving at the 10:50 Sunday School hour. Leaders are needed for the rotational learning station model. This is a one hour commitment for only 3 weeks! If you would like more information, please contact Marisa Highsmith at [portcitybell@gmail.com](mailto:portcitybell@gmail.com) or 919-862-6710.

### Trunk 'n Treat: Oct 29th

Game Hosts, Trunk Hosts, and Candy Donations are needed! Sign up in the lobby or contact Lynne Sorrels at 552-0505 or 557-1568.

## Serve & Learn & Share!

*Where:* Carillos, Costa Rica

*When:* March 30– April 7, 2012

*(Holy Week & Wake County Spring Break)*

*What:* We will focus with daily Devotions and Study of Adam Hamilton's *24 Hours*, as well as serve those less fortunate in the town of Carillos, Costa Rica building homes, feeding children, and witnessing to the people

### Informational Meeting:

**Sunday October 9th at noon! Room 117**

Contact Rob Pavone at [rpavone@nc.rr.com](mailto:rpavone@nc.rr.com)

## Pumpkins are Here!

To Volunteer: Shifts are 2 hours long beginning at 9:00am to closing at dusk. Start a new tradition, come serve as a family! This is a great fundraising opportunity for mission groups and church ministries! Notebook is located in the lobby on Sundays or in the Preschool office! Contact Lynne Sorrels at 552-0505 or 557-1568 or Bob Sheets at 552-0535

## NC State Fair Booth

F-V UMC will again run a food concession booth at the NC State Fair October 13 – 23. Proceeds this year will go towards helping to pay off our current building mortgage. Those who participate will have a lot of fun! You may sign up via the following web address:  
<http://www1.mysignup.com/fvumc>.  
Sign up sheets will be available in the lobby!  
Contact: Don Howell at [dhowell25@nc.rr.com](mailto:dhowell25@nc.rr.com)

## Share God

*Share God's Love by giving to the least ...*

### FV Food Pantry Needs:

#### *Pasta & Sauce*

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

### Clothing Closet Needs

The next *Give-A-Way* is set for November 5th. Just in time for winter! Please bring in your cold weather clothing to help meet the needs in our community. The sheds are open and ready for your donations! Remember to label your bags with size and gender to help with the sorting!

## Main Street Kitchen: 10/15

The menu: Chili with cornbread, baked apples, dessert, bread. Items needed: hamburger meat, kidney or pinto beans, large cans of apple slices, chunk pineapple, boxes of raisins, box cornbread mix, milk, butter, frozen vegetables.

This is an wonderful opportunity to give back to our local community, a chance to be the hands and feet of Christ, feeding the hungry.  
Contact Paula Cade at 919-557-4347.

## With Love From Jesus

The FVUMC team is scheduled to serve at *With Love From Jesus* on 10/4 from 9-12:30pm. 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.



# Announcements



## Membership Classes to Begin!

Interested in becoming a member of Fuquay-Varina UMC? Come join Connectings! Classes begin on **October 9th at 4:30.** *Childcare is available!* Share in fellowship with others as you discover the history of the United Methodist Church and FVUMC; learn about our Vision Statement; explore your Membership Vows, and more! Contact Debbi DeMaris at [ddemaris@fvumc.org](mailto:ddemaris@fvumc.org) or 552-4331 ext 106 to sign up

## Flu Shots to be offered!

On October 18th from 9:00 –10:00am, Kerr Drug will be offering Flu Shots at FVUMC. First come, first serve basis! Please arrive with insurance information or \$30.00 .

## Nursery/Childcare Staff Member Needed

We are looking for people who enjoy spending time with children to work in our nursery/childcare program (infant-10 years old). In addition to working one of the Sunday services, you will work one evening a week and during special activities, on an as needed basis. If you'd like to learn more, please contact Toni Drapkin at [Tdrapkin@fvumc.org](mailto:Tdrapkin@fvumc.org) or 376-7143 as soon as possible.

## Director of Children's Ministry

FVUMC is seeking an enthusiastic Spirit-led faithful disciple of Jesus Christ with excellent interpersonal and communication skills eager to lead, oversee, and develop all aspects of children's ministry including staff, volunteers, programming, curriculum and special events as our FULL-TIME Director of Children's Ministries. Minimum qualifications include a Bachelor's degree (Master's preferred) in child-related development or previous successful leadership and networking; and at least three years of relevant experience. A complete "Ministry Description" is available on the church web site at [fvumc.org](http://fvumc.org). A cover letter and resume may be sent to [jobs@fvumc.org](mailto:jobs@fvumc.org) or Fuquay-Varina UMC, Attn: Children's Ministry Director Search Committee, 100 S. Judd Pkwy SE, Fuquay-Varina, NC 27526 **by October 31, 2011.**

## It's Your Choice!

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!

Would you like to receive them through the mail?  
Contact: Terri Pavone at 552-4331 ext 114 with your address.

Would you like to have them on Sunday?  
Stop by the Welcome Center to pick up a copy before you leave!



<p><b>Sunday, October 9</b>            9:30am Transforming Life Study            10:50am Transforming Life Study            12:00pm Costa Rica Info Meeting            12:30pm SPRC Meeting            2:00 pm Nominations Meeting            3:45pm Alleluia Ringers            4:30 pm Connectings Class            4:30 pm Confirmation            4:30pm FaithWeaver Friends            4:30pm KFC            4:30pm JuBELLation            4:30pm Bible Studies            4:45pm Transforming Life Study            5:15pm FANFARE            6:15pm Lifeline            6:30pm Transforming Life Study            7:00pm One Achord</p> <p><b>Monday, October 10</b>            9:00am Seeds of Faith Preschool            9:30am ESL Classes            9:30am Walk the Walk            9:30am Transforming Life Study (Pinc)            6:30pm Bible Study            6:30pm GED Classes            7:00pm Transforming Life Study</p>	<p>7:00pm BSA Troop 320            7:00pm DivorceCare</p> <p><b>Tuesday, October 11</b>            9:00am Seeds of Faith Preschool            9:30am ESL Classes            10:00pm Circle of Faith            6:00pm ReJoySing            7:00pm CS Meetings            7:00pm Stephen Ministry Meeting</p> <p><b>Wednesday, October 12</b>            9:00am Seeds of Faith Preschool            9:30am ESL Classes            9:30am Transforming Life Study            9:30am Walk the Walk            10:30am Pastor Al's Bible Study            4:30pm Kidz NPraise            5:45pm Youth Bells            6:30pm Youth Life Groups            6:30pm Pastor Al's Bible Study            6:30pm Bible Studies            7:00pm Worship Choir            8:30pm Cantata Orchestra</p> <p><b>Thursday, October 13</b>            6:00am Transforming Life Study (SOWers)            9:00am Seeds of Faith Preschool            9:30am ESL Classes</p>	<p>6:00pm Transforming Life Study            6:30pm GED Classes            7:00pm METS-Men Eager To Serve            7:00pm Praise Team</p> <p><b>Friday, October 14</b>            6:30am Transforming Life Study            9:00pm Seeds of Faith Preschool            5:00pm KFC Lock-In</p> <p><b>Saturday, October 15</b>            6:30am Men in the Morning            10:00am MSK-Main Street Kitchen</p> <p><b>Sunday, October 16</b>            9:30am Transforming Life Study            10:50am Transforming Life Study            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            4:45pm Transforming Life Study            5:15pm FANFARE            6:15pm Lifeline            6:30pm Transforming Life Study            7:00pm One Achord</p>
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## Stewardship

**Our Presence:** 10/2/11  
Worship Attendance: 622

**By Our Gifts:** 10/2/11  
Received last week \$26,430.30  
Budget needed weekly \$24,032.00  
Average Received/week \$21,583.13  
Received YTD \$863,325.14  
Budget needed YTD \$961,280.00  
Difference -\$97,954.86  
New Mortgage Refinanced \$500,000.00  
Applied to Principal \$3,507.33  
Received YTD \$5,555.00  
New Mortgage Balance (10/2/11) \$490,937.67

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