THE WEEKLY TIMES September 11, 2011

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

Grace and Peace to You!

FVUMC is introducing a new format of the Weekly Times that encompasses our Vision Statement:

A Christ-centered community that Loves God, Learns God, Serves God & Shares God.

In doing so, the Weekly Times will now be available to you BEFORE Sunday so you can be better prepared with valuable information for the following week!

Communication is vital to our church family. Read it, make notes, and mark your calendars for upcoming events! Discover how as a Christ-Centered community you can become involved in loving, learning, serving, and sharing God.

Love God

Remembrance & Hope

Sunday, 9/11/11 at 4:00pm
at First UMC of Fuquay-Varina
(402 North Main Street)
A service of prayer, scripture and song. Land of the Free, a patriotic cantata will be presented. This is a community event!

Finding Forgiveness

In Matthew 18:21-35 we read about the *Parable of the Unmerciful Servant*: Here we find Jesus telling Peter that he should forgive his brother or sister who sins against him seventy-seven times. Forgiveness must come from the heart so that our heavenly Father may forgive us also.

Are you hanging on to some anger after being hurt by someone? Are you finding it hard to forgive? Do you need help reconciling a relationship with a brother or sister in Christ? A Stephen Minister can help you take a biblical approach to this and help you find forgiveness in your heart and restore a right relationship with your brother or sister in Christ and with God.

Contact one of our Stephen Leaders:
Susanne Young 552-7503
Polly Sheets 552-5035
Bob Sorrels 552-0505
Thearon Willis 552-7577

PrimeTimers

Tuesday September 27th

Join us for a trip to Larrys Bean's, a coffee roaster in Raleigh. We will have lunch before we return to Fuquay. Call Debbie Corr at 557-7437 to sign-up & if you need a ride.

Columbarium Meeting

If you be interested in the development of a Memorial Garden with a Columbarium on our church property please attend an information meeting on Sept 22 at 6:30 pm in Room 117/119. Questions? Contact David Jenkins at (919) 810-9975 or Jim Dewey at (919) 577-0197.

Annual Choir Retreat

Is the kick-off for Christmas Cantata Rehearsals! Space remains for this weekend event, Friday, September 23 – Sunday, September 25. Anyone wishing to participate in the cantata is welcome to attend this awesome weekend of singing, fellowship and fun! Contact Jennifer Harrenstein, jharrenstein@fvumc.org or 552 – 4331 today for more information.

Learn God

Journey through the Bible

The Pastor's Bible Study returns on Wednesdays!

Morning Class at 10:30 am in Room 117/119
Begins September 14th!

Evening Class at 6:30pm in Room 117/119
Begins September 28th!

Don't forget to bring your Bible!

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

Sunday School Study

Not A Fan by Eric Nelson is a six week DVD based study offered by the Christians Under Construction Sunday school class that explores what it means to deny one's self and truly follow Jesus. This study will begin September 11th at the 10:50 study hour in Room 118.
For more information contact Charlie Gray at cgray@nccumc.org.

September Book Club

The Art of Racing in the Rain by Garth Stein
A heart-wrenching but deeply funny and ultimately uplifting story of family, love, loyalty, and hope, The *Art of Racing in the Rain* is a beautifully crafted and captivating look at the wonders and absurdities of human life ...as only a dog could tell it. To join the dinner and discussion on Friday, September 16th, contact Suzanne Jones at dsjones@nc.rr.com or Matilda Storm at matildastorm@embarqmail.com.

An Invitation for All!

The United Methodist Men would like to invite all those in the congregation to our monthly Breakfast on Sept. 24th. This month we will have Sister Ali Zelmat, from the Islamic Center in Raleigh. Sister Zelmat provides an informative presentation of the history and background of Islam.

Serve God

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!

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 at the end of September! Contact Don Howell at dhowell25@nc.rr.com with any questions!

FV Food Pantry Needs:

Vegetables

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

The Pumpkins are Coming!

Come join the fun & fellowship on Sunday, 9/25 at 3:00pm as we unload the truck with over 3,000 pumpkins. Many hands are needed! Contact Lynne Sorrels at 552-0505 or 557-1568 or Bob Sheets at 552-0535

Main Street Kitchen: 9/17

The menu for September: Chicken pot pie, tossed salad, fruit, bread & dessert.

Items needed for this meal,: cans of chunk chicken, bags of tossed salad/lettuce, bacon bits, croutons, Italian dressing, bags of frozen vegetables, large cans of fruit, boxes of bisquik, milk.

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 with any questions.

Hurricane Relief

Bishop Al Gwinn is asking each congregation to take an offering as soon as possible for Hurricane Irene disaster relief. 100% of all money received for this offering will be used to provide supplies and other assistance to areas in eastern NC deeply affected by the August 27th hurricane.

Funds should be sent to the
NC Conference, PO Box 60053,
Charlotte, NC 28260,
clearly designate for Advance #S-00176.

Visit our website, www.fvumc.org for updated information on other ways to respond!

Safe Sanctuary Training

Have you been safe sanctuary trained?
Were you one of the first people to be trained?
Training expires every 5 years. If you need to be trained or re-certified, we will have a training session on 9/11 following both the 9:30 & 10:50 services. Training will be held in the conference room on Adult wing. Contact Denise Frie at (919)285-6192 or niesee73@aol.com.

Share God

What have you done to share the Word of God with others?

Announcements

SWFCA Fundraiser

Hungry for pancakes? Enjoy mouth-watering food and help the local community at the same time! Tickets are on sale now for an Applebee's Restaurant Flapjack Fundraiser held on Saturday, Sept. 17th from 7:00-10am. Tickets will be available through Monday, Sept. 12th.
To purchase individual tickets, or to help this non-profit sell tickets, please call FVUMC member Yvonne Daugherty at 557-0784 (home) or 337-2090 (cell), or through email at: daughertyjky@aol.com.

The Church Directories Are Here!

If you had your portrait taken for the Church Directory you may pick up your free directory in the church lobby! If you did not have your portrait taken, but would like to purchase one for $10.00, we'll have them available in the lobby and church office.

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 or 376-7143 as soon as possible.

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

Calendar of Events

Sunday, September 11

12:30am SPRC Meeting
3:45pm Alleluia Ringers
4:30pm FaithWeaver Friends
4:30pm KFC
4:30pm JuBELLation
4:30pm Women's Bible Study
4:30pm Confirmation
5:15pm FANFARE
6:15pm NO LIFELINE

Monday, September 12

9:00am Seeds of Faith Preschool
9:30am ESL Classes
9:30am Walk the Walk
9:30pm Women's Bible Study - PinC
6:30pm Worship Design Team
6:30pm Bible Study
6:30pm GED Classes
7:00pm BSA 320
7:00pm DivorceCare

Tuesday, September 13

9:00am Seeds of Faith Preschool
9:30am ESL Classes
6:00pm reJoySing
7:00pm Stephen Ministry Meeting
7:00pm Stewardship Committee
7:00pm CS Meetings

Wednesday,September 14

9:00am Seeds of Faith Preschool
9:30am ESL Classes
9:00am Walk the Walk
10:30am Pastor Al's Bible Study
4:30pm Kidz NPraise
5:00pm Youth Bells
5:45pm Youth Choir
6:30pm Lifeline Small Groups
6:30pm Disciple Classes
6:30pm Bible Study
7:00pm Worship Choir
8:30pm Instruments of Praise & Souly Brass

Thursday, September 15

9:00am Seeds of Faith Preschool
9:30am ESL Classes
4:30pm Acolyte Traning
6:30pm GED Classes
7:00pm Praise Team

Friday, September 16

9:00am Seeds of Faith Preschool

Saturday, September 17

10:00am Main Street Kitchen

Sunday, September 18

3:45pm Alleluia Ringers
4:30pm FaithWeaver Friends
4:30pm KFC
4:30pm JuBELLation
4:30pm Women's Bible Study
4:30pm Confirmation
5:15pm FANFARE
6:15pm Lifeline: cook-out at Pastor Al's
7:00pm One Achord

Stewardship

Our Presence:	***9/4/11***
Worship Attendance:	527

By Our Gifts:	***9/4/11***
Received last week	$21,632.66
Budget needed weekly	$24,032.00
Average Received/week	$21,643.58
Received YTD	$779,158.05
Budget needed YTD	$865,152.00
Difference	-$85,993.95
Mortgage Balance (5/8/2011)	$786,390.19
Mortgage Payments	$26,953.45
Received YTD	$252,905.50
Mortgage Balance (8/28/2011)	$506,531.24

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