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<p>ATTENTION: All requests, changes, and/or cancellations to the calendar and/or use of the church facilities must be communicated to Liz Needham. Thank you for your cooperation.</p>	<p><i>August Newsletter Deadline:</i> Friday, July 22nd, 2011 Please, leave your articles on the secretary's desk or you can email them to: office@francisasburyumc.org</p>	<p><i>Hard copies of the Newsletter are available in the Welcome Center.</i></p>			<p>1 8:30am Private Class (Kristi Emerson) 8:30am Mad Science of Hampton Roads Camp 6pm Friday Night Frank</p>	2
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ALL THE NEWS
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July 2011

As we enter the month of July, we celebrate together our independence as a nation and give thanks for the precious gifts of liberty and justice that we share together as a people. In the midst of the celebration, we will hold fast to our promise to never forget those who have gone before us - those who have sacrificed property and life in order to provide and secure our great nation and the freedoms that we share.

It becomes apparent on "Independence Day" that certain words have been written upon our hearts. We know them and they have become a part of our national consciousness:

"We hold these Truths to be self-evident, that all Men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty, & the Pursuit of Happiness:"

For the most part we do not strive to memorize these words; rather, they are simply remembered. They define us as a people. Before literacy was common and when many still could not read, they were passed orally from father to son, and from mother to daughter among people of many languages, races and creeds. God has indeed blessed us as a shining light among the nations and set us upon a hill that all may see.

These are not easy words nor are they easy to observe. They demand from us our best effort and devotion to be true to what is just and right. They echo words that are as old as the scriptures of Micah: *"What does the Lord require of you, but to do justice, love mercy and to walk humbly with your God."* Through these 235 years we have as a nation been living into our declaration. We have fought our wars in order that all among us may be free and we continue in dialogue regarding issues of justice and care.

As Christians we see the evident hand of the Lord upon our country. In so many ways we are blessed that we may also be a blessing. On this July 4th let us further dedicate ourselves to our God who has made us free and to our country that we love. In the words of Jesus: "From everyone who has been given much, much will be required; and from the one who has been entrusted with much, much more will be asked." (Luke 12:48) May God bless us all and may God continue to bless America.

Grace and Peace,
Pastor Ed

Happy Birthday to:

07/01 Phyllis Duncan
 07/01 John Payne
 07/01 Noah Martin
 07/03 Brooke Duncan
 07/03 Harry Joyce
 07/04 Lenny Lyon
 07/04 Gatlin Greenhalgh
 07/05 Tim Freihofer
 07/05 Jarod Wooten
 07/06 Mary Nolan
 07/07 Ron Jerasa
 07/07 Matthew Jerasa
 07/08 Christian Law
 07/09 Marie Nelson
 07/09 Bruce Doyle
 07/09 Marie Strunk
 07/09 Mike McCall
 07/09 Garlyn Greenhalgh
 07/10 Taylor Woolford
 07/10 Quentin Franklin
 07/10 Matthew Payne
 07/10 Courtney Noe
 07/10 Rhianna Lawson
 07/10 Will Mason
 07/11 Barbara Battenberg
 07/12 Mandy McCall
 07/12 Maeve Hickey
 07/12 Abigail Wilson
 07/14 Michael Noe
 07/14 Joe Watson
 07/14 Kevin Hickey
 07/15 Sue Rice
 07/15 Cheryl McEwen
 07/15 Paula Dexter

Happy Birthday cont:

07/15 Charlie Needham
 07/16 Shirley Drye
 07/16 Paula Olesen
 07/17 Bob Clark
 07/17 Deanna Harwell
 07/17 Gunter Greenhalgh
 07/18 Sue Edwards
 07/18 Hayden Quast
 07/19 Dan Fowler
 07/19 Brett Kassir
 07/19 Lori Wooten
 07/20 John Meekins
 07/21 Margaret Camp
 07/21 Stephen Boy
 07/22 Jim Sheeran
 07/22 Nancy Gronbach
 07/22 Jenn Strach
 07/23 Betsy Mason
 07/24 Ellie Myers
 07/24 Janet Talton
 07/24 Barbara Lawson
 07/24 Catherine Face
 07/25 Peyton Daniels
 07/26 David Sisco
 07/26 Richard Drehoff
 07/26 Phillip Multer
 07/27 Cathy Higginbotham
 07/27 Matt Lawson
 07/29 Dick Hermit
 07/29 Lynn Leonard
 07/31 Richard Edwards
 07/31 Mildred Joyce
 07/31 Denise Lawson

Happy Anniversary to:

07/05 Steve & Tomi Hindman
 07/05 William & Christine Holland Jr.
 07/08 Kipp & Jean Adolphi Jr.
 07/10 Kirk & Ashley Scifres
 07/11 Michael & Jennifer Corso
 07/11 Andrew & Georgia Kubic
 07/14 John & Maura Nankervis Jr.
 07/14 Jason & Stephanie McCrory
 07/15 Bob & Sue Rice
 07/15 Richard & Leslie Drehoff
 07/16 Ric & Michele Hackett
 07/16 Arthur & Anna Chevalier IV
 07/16 David & Joanne Cypert
 07/20 Adam & Jenn Strach
 07/22 Win & Barbara Lawson
 07/25 Dave & Robin Strohsahl
 07/26 Bill & Vickie Williams
 07/29 Dick & Leetsa Nottingham
 07/29 Kevin & Jamie Baird



Do you have information about an event or group activity that you would like the members and visitors of FAUMC to know about?

Make your announcement in the Newsletter. It's a great media format that is distributed monthly.

Check for deadline dates on the monthly newsletter calendar.



Remember In Prayer:

Dan David
 Howard Blackman
 Mary Blackburn
 Wendy Adams
 OUR MILITARY

HOME BOUND

Ellie Myers
 Ginger Anderson
 Herb Schriener
 Lou Bunch
 Maddie Meekings
 Margaret Camp
 Mary Diggs
 Mildred Joyce
 Thelma Face
 Win Lawson

Prayer Chain:

When prayers are needed, please call Eva Henley at 481-6991 or Mary Blackburn at 481-3755 to activate the prayer chain.

**RECEPTION COMMITTEE
 CALENDAR - July**

Co-Chairs:

Hazel White & Juanita Peek

Team Leader:

Beverly Johnson

Team Members:

Dana Gustafson
 Denise Lawson
 Ella Colehamer
 Debi Gray
 Dorothy Young
 Jean Adolphi

VOLUNTEERS

Sunday Volunteers	July 3	July 10	July 17	July 24	July 31
Acolytes	Becky Valodin	Graham & Patrick Hasty	Patrick Hasty & Riley Lawson	Becky Valodin & Leo Hickey	Graham & Patrick Hasty
Coffee & Snacks	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	5 th Sunday Luncheon
Head Usher	Bill Hodson	Bill Hodson	Bill Hodson	Bill Hodson	Bill Hodson
Flowers	OPEN	Stehlik Family "Glory of God"	OPEN	Mary Blackburn IMO William Blackburn	Lawson family IHO Denise's 50 th birthday
Greeters	Bob & Helen Clark	Jean Harrell & Sue Jones	Sue Jones & Carol Tiedemann	Sue Bailey & Sue Jones	Jean Harrell & Roberta Crisher
Lector	Pat Bailey	John Burton	Peggy Skinner	Marcia Perry	Jean Harrell
Nursery **To sign up to volunteer in the nursery, see Amy in the nursery or email her at amy@francisasburvumc.org	9 am Mrs. Amy Ms. Brown 9:45 am Mrs. Amy Ms. Brown 11 am Mrs. Amy Ms. Brown	9 am Mrs. Amy Ryan Balzer 9:45 am Mrs. Amy Ryan Balzer 11 am Mrs. Amy Ryan Balzer	9 am Mrs. Amy Paula Dexter 9:45 am Mrs. Amy Ryan Balzer 11 am Mrs. Amy Ryan Balzer	9 am Mrs. Amy Ms. Brown 9:45 am Mrs. Amy Ms. Brown 11 am Mrs. Amy Ms. Brown	9:30 am Mrs. Amy Ryan Balzer Ms. Brown 10:30 am Mrs. Amy Ryan Balzer Ms. Brown

Special Services Nursery	Parents Morning Out July 23th, 8:30 am – 1:00 pm Mrs. Amy, Ms. Brown, & Ms. Shirley
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Frank Youth Group Friday Dinner/Chaperone 6:00-9:00 pm	July 1 Tuckman Pool Party	July 8 Gleaning Retreat @ 5pm	July 15 No FNF	July 22	July 29 No FNF
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Meals on Wheels Team	Wednesday, July 6 - Stehlik	Friday, July 8 – Hermit	Friday, July 22 - Hermit
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

What is a steward?

Most people assume stewardship is all about money. Let's explore the origin of this word.

"Steward" is from the old English word referring to the keeper of the pig sty. He did not own the pigs, but was a responsible farm hand with oversight of the entire hog farming operation. The extended family (including all of the hired help) had enough to eat and a decent livelihood if the steward did his job well.

The Greek word for "steward" used in New Testament stories refers to the servant responsible for purchasing supplies, overseeing the other hired hands, keeping the books, and administering the operation of the household.

We in our church family are all stewards of God's household, which first is the whole creation, not just money. To accomplish this we draw upon the gifts of the people within our congregation, young and old. We are stewards of the gifts, talents and abilities that God has given us.

Take time to reflect on what you can do to be a good steward of your time, talents and money in God's Kingdom.

Adapted from stewardship – Yes, It's about Money, but a Whole Lot More – Using God's Resources Responsibly,
by David S. Bell, Cokesbury, 2008

SAVE THE DATE:

Celebrating
a new district,

Elizabeth River District

JULY 17, 2011 @ 3:00 P.M.

New Creation—Aldersgate UMC
4320 Bruce Road, Chesapeake

2011			
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CHURCH CALENDAR

The church calendar for the entire year is posted on the wall outside of the church office.

The calendar is coordinated by our Church Secretary –

Liz Needham. Please schedule all meetings, events or cancelations that you may plan, with Liz. This may be done by email, telephone, or by using the request forms on the wall beside the calendar. When doing so, please mention the date, time frame, & room(s) needed for the event. This will allow us to all be on the same sheet in our ministry together!

United Methodist Women

Thanks to the dedicated women from the FAUMC Circle groups, over 100 birthing and health kits were donated to Kits for Conference.

These kits will be distributed by UMCOR-United Methodist Committee on Relief.

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

The nursery is looking for enthusiastic, playful, loving volunteers for the month of July. Volunteers are needed Sunday mornings from 9am until noon. We will also need volunteers for the week of July 11th through the 15th for Vacation Bible School. Please contact Amy Balzer for more information. amy@francisburyumc.org or call at 757-286-1028 Thank you.



Francis Asbury United Methodist Church

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STAY IN THE LOOP!

JOIN the FAUMC E-MAIL NETWORK TODAY!

Are you a member of the "FAUMC E-MAIL NETWORK"?
Join the 265 church members with e-mail to receive the monthly FAUMC Newsletter and other important church announcements.

All members with e-mail capability are invited to join the FAUMC E-MAIL NETWORK

Simply send your name and e-mail address to
Dick Edwards at

exyardbird2@juno.com or dedwardssenior@gmail.com

Note: Please remove any blocks on above email addresses to receive FAUMC e-mails

Please advise if you change your e-mail address

Visit FAUMC Web Site:
www.francisburyumc.org
Click on: "Contact Us"
Select: "Email Network"
Add: Name and Email Address
Select: "New" or "Update"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORDS FROM YOUR WORSHIP COMMITTEE

The role of your Worship Committee is to provide the best possible environment for your worship at Francis Asbury United Methodist Church, whether in the Sanctuary, Social Hall or Outdoor Chapel. Eight specific areas of Worship Committee service are Communion, Altar Dressings, Flowers, Ushers, Greeters, Acolytes, Bulletin Distribution, and Décor related to special seasons or events within the United Methodist Church. Fourteen individuals as well as additional volunteer Communion Stewards dutifully and willingly labor to assure that each of these areas is fulfilled.

During the coming months **WORDS FROM YOUR WORSHIP COMMITTEE** will seek to better acquaint you with worship activities. This month the focus will be on Holy Communion.

Our Communion Stewards purchase and prepare the bread and juice, as well as maintain the silver or ceramic serving chalices and patens, and linens used during the Eucharist. They follow the general guidelines and practices of **The United Methodist Book of Worship** and may use the pamphlet "**Communion and United Methodists**" to respond to questions about Communion. Your Communion Stewards for 2011 are:

Polly Edwards	Linda & Art Halstead	Marilyn Spence
Jean Adolphi	Alan & Linda Nelson	FAUMC Youth
Joy Grushkin		Sue Rice

Typically Holy Communion is offered the first Sunday of each month, Maundy Thursday, Christmas Eve or occasionally at the discretion of the pastor. If you would like to know more about Communion, visit <http://www.gbod.org/worship> and click on Other Resources - Sacraments; or chat with one of your Communion Stewards. If you would enjoy serving as a Communion Steward contact Sue Rice at ricehome7@verizon.net.

And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread and in prayers. Acts 2:42

Project Crossroads Mission Trip

When? Sunday, July 24 – Friday, July 29

Where? Marion, VA. Approximately 380 miles west of Virginia Beach in the beautiful Blue Ridge Mountains.

What does it cost? No money required. Just your willing body and spirit to serve others who are in need of help to make their homes more habitable.

What will we do? Painting, roofing, decking, repairing/replacing interior walls and ceilings, interior clean-up, yard/debris clean-up, log splitting and various other jobs as assigned.

Where will we stay? Our host church, East End Baptist Church allows us to sleep in their Sunday School classrooms. You will need to bring a sleeping bag/bedding. Cots or air mattresses highly recommended. If you prefer not to stay at the church, alternative lodging, at your expense, can be reserved at local motels or at Hungry Mother State Park.

Where do we eat? All of our meals are provided by our renowned cooks in our host church social hall.

How do we get there? Transportation provided by team members. All drivers are reimbursed for their fuel costs.

Is there an age requirement? Rising 6th graders and up.

Is there recreation? YES! Swimming at local pool or state park; putt-putt, batting cages.

To sign-up, go to our website: www.francisasburyumc.org/outreach/projectcrossroads
"You can go directly to the link by holding down the Ctrl key and clicking on the above link."

If you would like more information contact Brian Cox at brian@francisasburyumc.org or call 481-1265.



Youth at Chick's Beach for our summer kickoff!

Frank Meetings

The Frank Youth Group meets three times each week for Sunday School, Sunday Night Youth, and Small Groups.

Sunday School meets in the youth room every Sunday morning 9:45 – 10:45 a.m. in between services. If you are in 6th – 12th grade you are welcome to join us for an interactive bible study and fellowship!

Sunday Night Frank meets in the youth room every Sunday night from 6 – 8 p.m. Anyone between 6th – 12th grade is welcome to come out for dinner, fellowship, games, and devotional!

Small Groups is every Tuesday (except for the last Tuesday of the month when Church Council meets) 7 p.m. at the Mason's house. Come and enjoy a themed pot luck dinner, games, and a bible study in which the guys and the girls separate to discuss more gender related topics!

*For more information on meetings and events, please contact Youth Director, Vickie Greatwood Vickie@francisaburyumc.org.

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS MONTH?

I want to start by thanking all of the youth and parents who volunteered for the car wash fundraiser! We raised over \$500 for our summer retreat!

Also, thank you to all those that stopped by Yotini's for the Cashola! We raised over \$50 from that to also go towards our summer trip! The fundraisers were a success and we couldn't have done it without you all!

Upcoming Events

Don't forget our gleaning retreat at the Tidewater Wesley Foundation on July 8 ending on the 9th! It will be a great experience for all ages. Please let me know if you are attending.

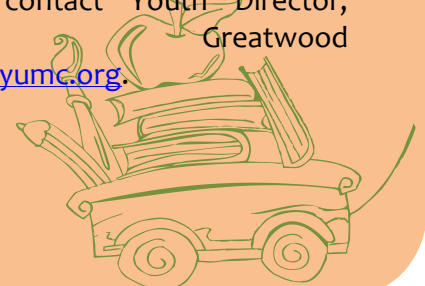
Vacation Bible School is going to be July 11 – 15! The youth group is volunteering to assist with this event. If you are interested in helping and have not yet signed up, please go to the church website and fill out the form.

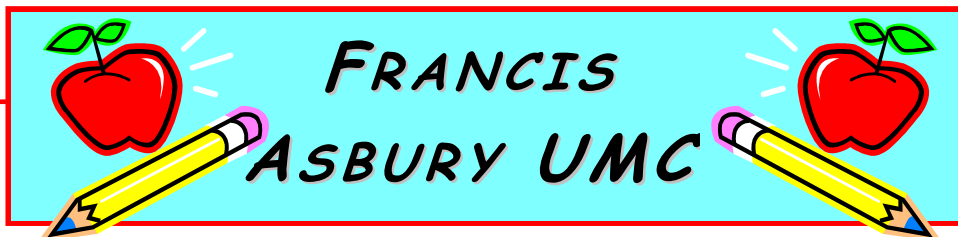
Marion will be the last week of July and there will be no youth meetings that week. If you would like to go to Marion, please sign up on the website under the "Outreach" section. It's an awesome and life changing trip that you don't want to miss!

HOW TO KEEP UP WITH UPCOMING EVENTS!

There is a youth calendar posted on the church's website on the youth page. To view this calendar go to www.francisaburyumc.org, click on ministries, then click on youth. There you will find a link to the 2011 calendar complete with dates and times of upcoming events as well as the food theme for Tuesday's Small Groups. If you have youth group related questions, please contact Youth Director, Vickie Greatwood Vickie@francisaburyumc.org.

God Bless!
Vickie Greatwood
Youth Director





Kristen H. Gregory
Director of Family Ministry
kristen@francisasburyumc.org
www.francisasburyumc.org
July 2011

Family Ministry News



Vacation Bible School Shake It Up Café!

Where Kids Live Out God's Recipe
July 11-15, 2011
9:00am – 12:00pm

We are so excited for this year's Vacation Bible School, Shake It Up Café! Volunteers are busy preparing for the children to have a fantastic week. Through biblical festivals, the children will explore the Bible as an exciting cookbook filled with recipes for living out God's word.

Heifer International (Ending Hunger, Caring for the Earth) will be the mission focus for this year's VBS. Heifer International is a nonprofit humanitarian organization dedicated to ending world hunger and poverty while also caring for the earth. Financial gifts translate into providing trees, livestock, poultry, bees, training and other resources to struggling families so that they may build sustainable futures. In turn they must also pass on the gift. Using this common sense approach since 1944, Heifer has partnered with 8.5 million families in 125 countries to improve quality of life.

VBS participants will be bringing their monetary gifts each day to move various representative animals into the ARK located in the Welcome Center. The goal this year will be \$150.00. Reaching their goal will allow the children to purchase a llama, or goat, or sheep, or pig, or trios of rabbits as well as numerous flocks of poultry, honeybees, and/or tree seedlings. Be sure to watch for their display and literature describing their mission.

You may also participate by dropping coins in their Heifer Bank, reading more about Heifer International in the literature provided to you in your Sunday bulletin, or making a special contribution to help reach their goal. For more information about this special mission opportunity, contact Kristen or Sue Rice.

Craft-In

Friday, June 17, 2011
5:00pm-Midnight
FAUMC Social Hall

Thanks to everyone who came out for the Craft-In on June 17th! Everyone made lots of progress on their projects. Keep an eye out for our next event.

Parent's Morning Out

July 23, 2011 8:30am-1pm

Patriotic Day! Get your red, white and blue ready and join us for crafts, games and fun! There will be a special patriotic themed treat and outside play on the playground. Snack and lunch are provided. \$20 per child, \$10 per sibling. Please see Amy in the nursery or register online under Events at www.francisasburyumc.org If you have questions, email Amy at amy@francisasburyumc.org.