

Tower Notes for 3/11

Corrected with Additional Information



Sunday Services:
8:30 and 11:00 am. Sunday School
at 9:45 am

February Events

March is Camp Overlook Month

- 3/08 Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper 6 pm FH
- 3/11 Beginning of New Study on Meeting Spiritual and Physical Needs
- 3/31 EBS Spring Program 4pm FH

Upcoming Events

- 4/09 Deborahs Lenten Prayer Breakfast 9 am FH
- 4/17 Cross Walk
- 4/22 Good Friday Service at Front Royal Gazebo
- 4/24 Special Worship Arts Presentation at 8:30 Service
- 4/24 "Echoes of His Love" at 6 pm Riverton UMC

"Why should it be said among the people, where is their God?" Joel 2:17

The great tradition of Lent has provided God's people with an opportunity to develop their faithful living. The idea that our faith can grow and develop is the great promise of a lifelong Christian. This Lent Front Royal United Methodist Church will be holding Confirmation Classes for the young people of our congregation. Many of them were baptized as children and have been raised in the faith. Confirmation is an opportunity to develop the faith they have been given into a faith they proclaim and begin to nurture for themselves.

Proclaiming and nurturing your faith is not just for confirmands, Christian faith is a lifeline learning. I encourage everyone in our congregation to observe the Lenten season by intentional participation in a small group, Bible Study, mission group or short term class. You can even plan to meet one on one with a Christian friend to share and encourage one another.

Lent is our season to stretch and strengthen our walk with Jesus.

Have a nice walk.

Gary

Meeting Peoples Needs—Spiritual and Physical

CLASS MEETING John Wesley calls us to "Spiritual Holiness"

Reverend Wade, guest Professor and United Methodist Minister, will lead us during Lent to this call.

Friday Nights 6:00—7:30 pm March 11th—April 15th

**Youth Confirmation classes on Sunday Mornings
Beginning March 6th at 9:45 in the Library
Youth Confirmation Day Trip
to D.C. March 17th (all day trip)
Youth Confirmation Retreat Palm Sunday Weekend**



Ash Wednesday Service – Front Royal United Methodist Church

March 9th at 7:00 p.m.
Dr. Mark Jordon will be preaching.



Announcements...

A Search Committee has been formed to bring a Full-time Minister of Music and Worship Arts. Hugh Ballou, a music ministry planner, has been retained to lead us in the process of filling a full-time position by September. Betsy Blauvelt will be retiring after 40 years of faithful service and a full-time Minister of Music will lead our music ministry into the future. Search Committee members are: Pete Davis, Gail Guy, Lynn McConahy, Brenda Wells, Allyson Shaner, Dwight Lowther, David McDaniel, Christina Crawford and Amanda Thompson.

Stewardship News\$

THANKS to the congregation for the generous end of year giving. We were able to pay all our expenses for 2010 including 100% of our Apportionments (FRUMC's tithe to the United Methodist Conference).

We thought this year we would post updates in the Tower Notes to keep you apprised of the churches finances. January had five Sundays so the average for the month was slightly above budget for giving. We also dodged any Sundays missed by bad weather. Let's hope February is as forgiving.

Some of our expenses last month included the conference apportionment payment of \$5895.00 and the district apportionment of \$780.00. Property expenses cost \$7818.00 and were you aware that the churches insurance alone costs over \$20,000 for a year. Last month committees spent \$1700.00 and office expenses were \$1163.00. Plus we have to pay the salaries of all the folks who keep these programs and building operating.

Again, thank you for the continued financial support of FRUMC.

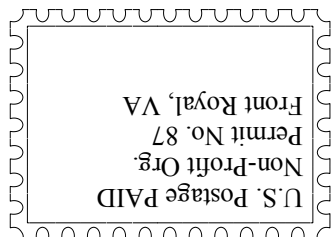
Donna Quarton's Birthday March 21st

A **"Dine to Donate"** evening at McAllister's Deli in Front Royal, has been scheduled for March 31 from 5-7 to raise money for Relay for Life team—"FRUMYS" (members of our youth group).



Keep an eye out for Youth Fund Raising Activities

From Brianna Lauffer... This spring I am fundraising for a non-profit organization called Students Helping Honduras, a group dedicated to breaking the cycle of poverty and empowering the youth of Honduras by making education available. If you would like to learn more about this fundraiser, or make a donation please visit: <http://giving.studentshelpinghonduras.org/SHH/participantpage.asp?uid=3649&fundid=1958>



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