



Tower Notes

April 2011

“For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”

Matthew 6:21

On Ash Wednesday, Dr. Mark Jordon of First Baptist Church started off the season of Lent with challenging us to write a new story of our lives. He told us to consider that God has a story for our lives, but we must write it with our choices and behavior. Best of all, it is never too late to start writing a new chapter more in line with God’s hope for how our stories could turn out.

God’s story for our lives is a love story about the power of love to overcome any obstacle. Lent and Holy Week and Easter are the climactic revelation that nothing will stop God’s love from reaching us. Love overcomes sin and doubt and betrayal and pain and death. Too often, our stories get bogged down in regret, desperation, ambition or hopelessness. The Easter message is that resurrection power is available to everyone who, like Jesus, can begin a new chapter, a new life, a new story.

Grace & Peace,

Gary



Sunday Services: 8:30 and 11:00 am.

Sunday School at 9:45 am

April Events

- 4/09 Deborahs Lenten Prayer
Breakfast 9 am FH
- 4/10 Senior Luncheon 12 noon 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 Confirmation Sunday-11 am Service
- 4/24 “Echoes of His Love” at 6 pm
Riverton UMC

Upcoming Events

- 5/13-15 Spiritual Life Retreat
at Blackstone
- 5/15,16,17,18 and 5/22
Old Fashioned Preaching Mission
With Dr. Barry Penn Hollar
- 5/29 Teacher Appreciation Sunday
- 5/31 Mother/Daughter Banquet



HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday—April 17th

- 8:30 am – Musical Pageant
- 11:00 am – Procession of the Palms
- 12:30 pm – Cross Walk
(beginning at First Baptist Church)

Maundy Thursday—April 21st

- 7:00 pm – Communion Service (FRUMC)

Good Friday—April 22nd

- 12:00 noon – Community Service at the Gazebo

Easter Sunday—April 24th

- 6:30 am – Sunrise Service at Riverton UMC
- 8:30 am – Resurrection Service (FRUMC)
- 11:00 am – Confirmation Sunday Service (FRUMC)
- 6:00 pm – Easter Drama at Riverton UMC



Please pray for our infirmed and shut-ins....

Helen Seekford, Elmer Foster, John Scott, John Smith, Carrie Baker, Myrna Mason, Pete Ricci, Nancy Peeler, Herbert McCall, Allison Green, Debbie Llewellyn, Tommy Howard, Sweeney Shiflett and Rachael Harrington.

Let us also remember the families of Lloyd Robinson, Smith Baldwin, John Pond and Mary Barton.

Special prayers go out to our missionaries, Clara Biswas in Cambodia, Ann Kolbe in VIM Cambodia, Jerald McKie, Consuelo Sandoval (Kansas) and Barbara Wheeler.

Special prayers for our service men and women: Aaron Tuten, Lindsey Tuten, Wesley Huff, Jeffrey Green, Tim McLaughlin, Nathaniel Ewing, Chris Lamb and Arnold Williams III.

The family of Mary Barton would like to thank the church family for their many kindnesses.



We appreciate so much the cards, visits, calls and donations in memory of Smith. We are blessed with so many friends.

Rosalie Baldwin

Thank you...

To Pastor Gary for his support; Peggy Thompson, Jean Brown, the Martha's Circle and countless other church members for our amazing family night feast; and to our church family for the incredible flood of cards, hugs and absolute love that has surrounded us, lifted us up and kept us going.

In our time of great sorrow, we were blessed. May God bless you all.

*With love,
The Lloyd Robinson Family*

The family of John D. Pond would like to express a deep appreciation for all the support at this difficult time. Thank all of you for the beautiful flowers, food, cards and donations made for our "Papa". Friends are wonderful.

Daphne

With our deep appreciation to Harry Robertson, Charlie Butler and all of the faithful volunteer drivers for the Sunday morning Bus Ministry.

Susan Hrbek is our Altar Chair for 2011. If you need assistance, please contact her at **635-7954**. The Flower Chart Calendar is located in the church office and you may sign up for any available Sunday for Altar Flowers by writing your name and phone number on the chart. If you would like an altar committee member to arrange the flowers please let Susan know. The committee can prepare a nice arrangement with minimal expense if you desire or you may contact a local florist to prepare and deliver your arrangement.



**VOLUTEER
NEEDED**

The church is in need of **Tellers** to count the collections on Monday mornings.

Please contact the church office if you can help. You can even be a substitute teller.

Our church bus continues to pick up passengers for the 11:00 am Worship Service on Sundays. If you would like to be picked up, you may call the church office or Harry Robertson at 636-6331 and we will welcome you on board.



Also, if you are a regular rider and do not plan on riding on a Sunday, please give Harry a call on Saturday, in order that he can notify the driver.

Opportunities and Outreach

What can I do?

My Brother's Table

Help cook, host, and/or clean up on the 3rd Thursday of each month at the Front Royal Presbyterian Church. Check in church office or with Jean Brown at 631-9185.

C-Cap Sundays

On the first Sunday of each month, collect and donate paper products for community pantry. The third Sunday of each month, collect and donate non perishable food items for community food pantry.

Mission Box

The **March** Mission Box Offering was sent to **EBS Childcare**
April Mission Offering will be donated to **Japan Emergency Relief**.

UMW Circle Meetings.....

- 4/5 Marthas at 1 pm in the Fellowship Hall.
- 4/5 Naomis at 7 pm with Betty Oden.
- 4/6 Sarahs at 10am in the Fellowship Hall
- 4/6 Deborahs at 7pm in the Library.

All circles welcome new friends.



Pastor's Bible Study

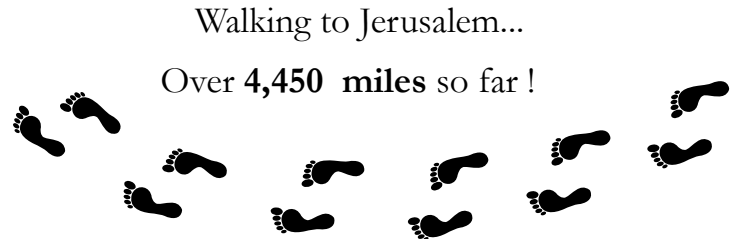
The Pastor's Bible Study continues to meet in the LFK Room on Sunday evenings at 6 pm. Everyone is welcome. Please bring your Bible.

The study text is announced in the Sunday Bulletin.

An Old Fashioned Preaching Mission this May!

Hosted by the Evangelism Committee

The Reverend Barry Penn Hollar, PhD., from Shenandoah University, is preaching at the 8:30 and 11:00 services on May 15th and May 22nd. He will also be speaking in the Sanctuary on the evenings of the 16th, 17th and 18th. Join us for a revival of spirit and mission as we are inspired by this evangelistic man of God!



You are cordially invited to attend a Lenten Prayer Breakfast April 9th at 9:00 am

The speaker for our breakfast will be Ralph Crabill from Linden-Markham Charge. Eric Nagi, a student at Shenandoah University, will be providing music.

Please call the church office to reserve by April 7th.



FREE BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENINGS!!

Come get your blood pressure checked on the 3rd Sunday each month after the 1st service in the Annex of the Church. This is a free service provided to all of our congregation members.



The UMCOR Coffee Project links congregations with small coffee producers through the Equal Exchange organization, which pays a fair price to the growers. The great thing about this project is that you can save money and do some good at the same time. This premium product is available in a variety of roasts and grinds, as well as whole beans. Typical prices run between \$6.00 and \$8.00 for a 12 oz. bag. Tea and wonderfully rich chocolate bars are also available!



HOT CROSS BUNS

Make this traditional Easter recipe to remember how Christ gave his life for you.

What you need:

- 1 can (12 oz.) evaporated milk
- 1 stick (½ cup) butter, melted
- ½ cup sugar
- Pinch of salt
- 1½ Tablespoons yeast
- 1 egg, beaten
- ½ teaspoon cinnamon
- ½ teaspoon nutmeg
- 5 cups flour
- Icing
- An adult to help

What you do:

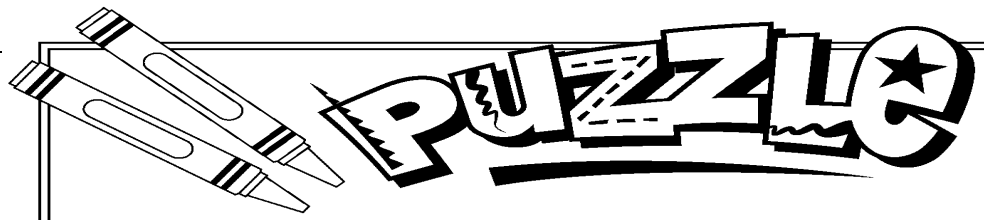
1. In large bowl, combine the first eight ingredients.
2. Stir in flour, one cup at a time, to form soft dough. Knead on a floured surface until smooth and elastic (about five minutes).
3. Place in a greased bowl, turning once to grease top. Cover and let rise until doubled (about one hour).
4. Knead out air bubbles. Form six two-inch balls.
5. Place two inches apart on a greased cookie sheet. Cover and let rise until doubled (about 30 minutes).
6. Bake at 375 degrees until golden (13 to 15 minutes). Cool on wire racks.
7. Add icing in a cross shape. Enjoy!

BIBLE QUIZ

Two places in the Bible, one in the Old Testament and one in the New, feature the following words: “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?”

The New Testament account is found in Matthew 27:46, when Jesus is hanging on the cross. Where are the words found in the Old Testament?

- A, 1Kings 19:4
- B. Jeremiah 38:9
- C. Psalm 22:1
- D. Lamentations 1:20



FIX YOUR EYES ON JESUS

Remembering Jesus’ life, death and resurrection helps us live with gratitude every day.

Use the picture and number code to fill in the blanks for Hebrews 12:2-3, NIV.

1. Jesus 2. weary 3. endured 4. opposition	5. cross 6. endured 7. scorning 8. shame	1. Jesus 2. lose 3. pioneer 4. sinners
5. perfecter 6. him 7. faith 8. hand	1. eyes 2. us 3. joy 4. heart	5. right 6. grow 7. God 8. throne

“... fixing our _____ on _____, the _____ and _____ of _____. For the _____ set before _____ he _____ the _____, _____ its _____, and sat down at the _____ of the _____ of _____.

Consider _____ who _____ such _____ from _____, so that you will not _____ and _____.” HEBREWS 12:2-3, NIV

Answer: “...fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. Consider him who endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.” Hebrews 12:2-3, NIV

Christian Symbols

COINS



The Bible often uses coins to symbolize human greed. During Holy Week, 30 silver coins — usually shown with a bag or purse — represent Jesus’ betrayal by his disciple Judas (Matthew 26:14-16). Many of Jesus’ teachings are about money, including the parable of the lost coin. Coins also symbolize giving as an act of worship, just as the widow offered her last “mite” (Mark 12:41-44).



Messages and Announcements...

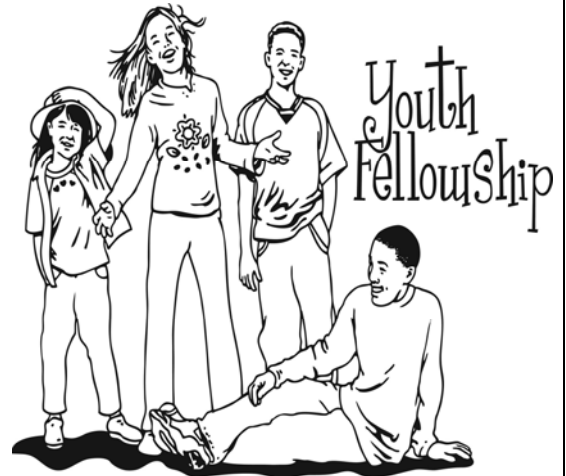
FROM THE YOUTH...

We just scheduled a "Dine to Donate" evening at **McAlister's Deli** in Front Royal, for **March 31 from 5-7 pm** to raise money for Relay for Life team, "FRUMYS", which is composed of members of our youth group.

May 7, A Youth Car Wash at Advance Auto will be held from **9-2** to raise money for the mission trip to Appalachia.

May 21 A Youth Car Wash at Southern States will be held from **9-2**, to raise money for Relay for Life team, FRUMYS

May 26 A Youth "Dine to Donate" event at **McAlister's Deli** in Front Royal will be held from **5-7 pm** to benefit the mission trip to Appalachia.



APRIL



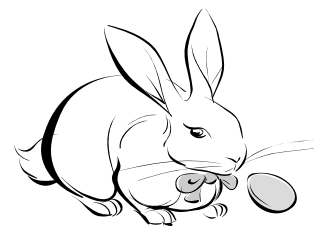
BIRTHDAYS



4/01 Cassidy Flouhouse
 4/02 Mary Burke
 Gene Hinson, Jr.
 Mike Holbert
 Karen Kenyon
 Marybeth Quist
 4/03 Shirley Jennings
 4/04 John Vance
 Lori Hazelette
 Blake Cockrell
 4/06 Mike Waters
 Larry Cooper
 Larry Scislowicz, Jr.
 Lauren Walker
 Kelsey Hemminger
 4/08 Mark Athey
 Eric Eifert
 Levi Simmons
 4/09 Matthew Campbell
 Karli Hemminger
 4/10 Kathy Conkey
 Patty Graham
 Dawn Gibbons

4/11 Louise Neff
 Bev Morrison
 Evan Bukva
 4/12 Lynn McConahy
 Abigail Pearson
 Avis Briggs
 4/13 Penni Jenkins
 Chris Lee
 Teketia Smith
 William Smith
 4/14 Carmen Pond
 4/15 Eric Nagi
 Halle Jantosciak
 4/16 Harry Bowser
 Mickey Moats
 Michael Haffer
 Sean Coffron
 4/17 Jeff Leser
 Jim Dooley
 4/18 Brady Manuel
 Michael Starr
 Nicholas Hipple

4/19 Craig Halsted
 Susan McSwain
 Brandon Twele
 Susan Maddox
 4/20 Cathie Johnson
 Maria Thompson
 4/21 Mike Chadwell
 Dylan Allison
 4/22 Piers Dublin
 4/23 Sylvia Seal
 Ursula Baltzer
 4/24 Melissa Cooper
 Kaleb Smith
 4/25 Sonia Robinson
 4/28 Erika Shannon
 Andrew Burke
 4/29 Heather Clawson



More...

The Salvation Army will honor its volunteers at their annual dinner on Friday, April 29th in the Front Royal United Methodist Fellowship Hall at 6 pm. Tickets are being sold by Advisory Board members for \$25 each or \$200 per table of 8. This is an opportunity to support the efforts of the Salvation Army for the GOOD they do in our community. Boy Scout Troop 52 will present the Colors and Lynn McConahy will sing the National Anthem to begin the evening. The Show Choir from Skyline High School, under the direction of Tom Bowen, is the featured entertainment. Tickets are available from Ann Crim, Bob Cullers or Don Bowman.

Deliberate Acts of Kindness Project Keep Christ as your focus during Lent this year. Instead of giving something up, take something on. Perform an act of service for someone, then give them one of the Deliberate Acts of Kindness cards. Log your deed on the church website, www.frumc.org, so others can get ideas and so we can see the impact we are having on our community as a church. Consider your acts prayerfully, and use them as a reminder of Christ's sacrifice for you. If you have any questions or need help posting to the web, please contact Marybeth Quist.

“Echoes of His Love”, character sketches, narration, song and sign language at Riverton UMC, April 24th, 6:00pm



UM Men Give Back to Community

Twenty five UM Men and guests learned at our March 14th Dinner meeting that some 7,000 mentally disabled persons in Virginia are living with parents aged over 60. A big problem is— what happens to these handicapped persons when their parents pass away?

One beginning step is our own “Saratoga Home” built in Kernstown by the UM Men Winchester District and currently housing five challenged men. Our Front Royal Chapter, led by Don Bowman and Jim Brown, was deeply involved in funding and building this specially designed home in 2002. Now there are 12 similar homes across the state housing 65 residents. All the latest houses have been constructed around our original Saratoga Home plans.

Fred Rathel and Darwin McAfee from the Reliance UM Men told us about their experiences with creating the shelter and with the residents. Jim Greene, President of the Virginia Conference of UM Men, pointed out that it costs over \$300,000 a year to keep Saratoga Home going. He urged us to sign up for a work day at the home. This work day will start at 8 am on Saturday, April 9th. The FRUMC UM Men are all invited to the Open House scheduled for Sunday, April 17th from 12:30 until 3:00 pm.

Last year our chapter donated \$1,200 to the shelter, and we are responsible for yard work there during the month of June. In addition, we are also maintaining the grounds of the Warren County Heritage Society, with mowing scheduled for Tuesday mornings. Also, the United Way’s “Day of Caring” takes place Friday, April 15th. UM Men volunteers are needed for all these civic activities.

Upcoming programs for the 2nd Monday Dinner Meetings include: a program by Dave Hardy on April 11th—“What Is Rotary International?”. Mike Waters will present a program, “What is Kiwanis International?” on May 9th. On June 13th, Arnold Williams will be speaking on “What is Lions Club International?” And of course, July brings around the UM Men Picnic at Jim and Jean Brown’s.

Don’t forget the Mother/Daughter Banquet on May 31st. UM Men will be preparing and serving for this event.

All UM Men are invited to join in these activities for great food, fun and fellowship—and to get involved in their community.

The Deborah’s Circle Annual Lenten Prayer Breakfast will be held in the Fellowship Hall of FRUMC on April 9th at 9:00 am.

We will be serving our famous sausage casserole with fresh fruit and an assortment of homemade muffins, coffee and tea for a price of \$5.00 per adult and \$3.00 per child under 12.

Please call the church office no later than Thursday, April 7th to reserve your seat for this wonderful event featuring guest speaker, Ralph Crabill and musician, Eric Nagi.

More...

Free Spirits Rule

Musician John Kovak and his magical harp provided the program for our festive St. Patrick's Day luncheon on March 23. A plethora of green food and green garb was present—and the participants were all Irish for the day!

Wednesday, April 27th marks the date of our long anticipated trek to Monticello in Charlottesville. First, we'll stop for lunch at Michie Tavern. Located in this rustic tavern setting, we will dine on a mouth-watering buffet of southern delicacies offered by servers in period attire. This will be followed by a brief tour.

Then it is off to Monticello, home of Thomas Jefferson, author of The Declaration of Independence and our nation's 3rd President. After an introductory film and viewing some of the exhibits at the Visitor Center, we'll have a guided tour inside the historic home. We'll be able to explore the grounds, gardens and shops at our leisure.

At this point **the cost—all inclusive—is \$49.00** and reservations must be completed by **April 20th**. The bus leaves the church parking lot at 9:15 am Wednesday morning. Climb aboard—but make sure you've reserved your spot on the sign-up form in the church office.

Hope you haven't put away your uniquely wrapped presents! Even though the snow cancelled our January "Christmas Re-Gift Auction and Luncheon", we will be celebrating Christmas on **May the 25th**.

The first half of the year ends with our annual picnic at Andy Guest State Park on June 22nd. Annie and Mac will be there to entertain us with their unusual blend of folk music.

Please mark these dates on your calendar, and join your fellow seniors, 50 and over, for good food, fine fellowship and fantastic fun!

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February proved to be another good month for FRUMC. While we were not quite up to budget for giving, we were able to meet all of our expenses and pay the bills on time. The \$5895.00 Apportionment payment was sent to the Conference and the \$780.00 District Apportionment payment went out on time too. February's property expenses were \$6,268. *Just the Utilities Budget for the church is \$41,000 for a year.* \$1283.00 was spent by the committees and the office expenses were \$450.00. Salaries and payroll taxes were also paid. Again, thanks for your continued financial support of FRUMC. Next month we'll be able to provide an update for the first quarter of the financial year.

Appalachian Service Project News

The ASP mission team has been formed and is now meeting monthly to get prepared for their trip in July. The team certainly appreciates the monetary donations that have been made. They will be having several fundraisers and would love to have your support. A car wash will be held at Advance Auto Parts (on Commerce Avenue) on May 7th, a dining for dollars event at McAlister's Deli will be held on May 26th (5 to 7 pm). A pancake breakfast is also in the works, and of course the "gas can" may resurface in June! The Appalachian Service Project team includes 8 Senior High Youth and 13 Adults.

IT'S DELICIOUS! FRUMC Recipes

Steve Burke's Carrot Cake

4 eggs
2 cups sugar
1 1/2 cups vegetable oil
2 cups flour
2-3 tsp. ground cinnamon
1 tsp baking powder
1 tsp. baking soda
1/4 tsp. salt
1/4 tsp. ground nutmeg
2 cups grated carrots

Combine eggs, sugar and oil and beat well. Combine dry ingredients and add into egg mixture, beating well.

Stir in carrots.

Pour into 2 greased and floured 9" round baking pans.

Bake at 350 for 35 to 45 minutes.

Cool 10 minutes and remove from pans onto wire racks.

FROSTING:

1/2 cup butter
1 3 oz. package cream cheese
3 3/4 cups Confectioner's Sugar
1 tsp. vanilla extract
3 tsp. milk

Mix well with electric mixer then stir in 1 cup chopped walnuts and frost cake.

News and Happenings...

UMW News...



Circle Meetings

Marthas—Tuesday, April 5th at 1:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall (Call Jean Brown for information-631-9185)

Naomis—Tuesday, April 5th at 7:00 PM with Betty Oden, 1320 Happy Creek Rd. (635-6237)
(Call Jacque Bowman for information-635-4948)

Sarahs—Wednesday, April 6th at 10:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall. (Call Ginger Marlowe -635-7560 for information)

Deborahs—Wednesday, April 6th at 7:00 PM in the Library (Call Eleanor Chadwell for information 635-5782).

On March 5th the Winchester District Lenten Breakfast was held at the Winchester Lee-Jackson Banquet room, Winchester at 9:00 AM. Twelve ladies plus Pastor Gary attended. There was a good attendance, good speaker, good program and good food.

March 8th was the Naomis Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper in the Fellowship Hall. The room was beautifully decorated for Mardi Gras with lots of pancakes and sausage, sausage gravy to eat and FUN. Ann Crim told us some Mardi Gras stories and each attendee received a pretzel we are to put on our kitchen counter. The pretzel, in the shape of “praying arms”, is to remind us to pray each day during lent. The children enjoyed competing in a pancake toss and adults (and children, too) “worked off” some of the calories doing the “Chicken Dance”.

March 9th the Ash Wednesday program consisted of a supper held at the Baptist Church and a combined service with their pastor, **The Reverend Dr. Mark Jordan**, as the guest speaker in our Sanctuary. An invitation for imposition of ashes was extended to the congregation. It was an informative and interesting program.

Coming Events:

April 9th —Deborah’s Prayer Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall at 9:00 AM. They will be serving their “World Famous” sausage casserole. The Rev. Ralph Crabill of the Linden/Markham Charge will be the guest speaker and Eric Nagi of our church will provide the special music. All are invited to come. See further information elsewhere in this Tower Notes.

April 10th – Senior Recognition Luncheon at 12 Noon in the Fellowship Hall. Hostesses will be the UMW Executive Committee. All people of our church 80 years and older will be guests of the UMW. If you don’t receive an invitation please call the church office (635-2935). Menu and program will be announced later. Non- 80 year olds are invited at \$6.00 per person, please sign up on Sundays in the red attendance book or call the church office by April 6th.

April 27th – UMW Executive Meeting on April 27th in the LFK at 7:00 PM. All officers and Circle leaders are to attend, if you can’t attend, please get a substitute and advise Jacque Bowman (UMW President) at 635-4948.

June 3rd and 4th—Annual UMW Yard Sale. Ladies and gentlemen, it is time to start your spring house cleaning. The FRUMW will be very happy to take your unneeded and unwanted items “off your hands”. If you haven’t used an item for 3 or more years, “clean it up” and give it the UMW for the yard sale. Proceeds are used to contribute to “local and beyond community” missions. Items may be dropped off in the Fellowship Hall Wednesday, June 1st and the morning of Thursday, June 2nd. Set-up day will be June 2nd 9 AM to 8 PM. Help will be needed each day, please let your circle leader know when you can help, then come and BUY someone’s “junk” that may become your “treasure”. If you have a large item you can’t handle call Jacque Bowman, 635-4948, for “pick-up”. Children’s clothing will be accepted for sale, but NO adult clothing.

DATES to SAVE:

May 13-15th Spiritual Life Retreat (Blackstone)

May 31st Mother/Daughter Banquet (UMM to prepare and serve)

June 3rd & 4th Indoor Yard Sale

June 4th UMW Day at Ferrum College.

**KITCHEN CHAT-
TER...**

The next delicious **Fellowship Dinner** will be held on **Thursday, April 7th at 6pm** in the Fellowship Hall. The menu will be set that week, but you can be assured that the meal will be delicious! Come and join us for dinner out and great conversation and fellowship! Sign up in the church office.

\$7.00 per adult

\$3.50 children 12 and under



April 2011 Events

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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					Wesley's General Rules 6 pm (FH)	Emmaus Gathering Dinner 3 pm (FH)
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Pastors Bible Study 6 pm (LFK) Financial Peace 3:30 pm		Marthas 1 pm (FH) Naomis 7pm w/ Betty Oden	Sarahs 10 am (FH) Deborahs 7 pm (L)		Wesley's General Rules 6 pm (FH)	Deborahs Lenten Breakfast 8 am (FH)
10 YOUTH SUNDAY UMW Senior Luncheon 12pm	11	12	13	14	15	16
Pastors Bible Study 6 pm (LFK) Financial Peace 3:30 pm	Prayer Shawl 10 am (LFK) UMM 6 pm (FH)	Crafts 9:30 am (LFK) P.O.P.S. 1—8 pm (FH) Evangelism 6:30 pm (LFK) Connectional Missions 7 pm (Lib)		Fellowship Dinner 6 pm (FH)	Wesley's General Rules 6 pm (FH)	
17 Palm Sunday Cross Walk 12:30 Education 12:15 (L)	18	19	20	21	22	23
Pastors Bible Study 6 pm (LFK) Financial Peace 3:30 pm			Free Spirits 10 am (L)	Maundy Thursday Service 7 pm FRUMC	Good Friday Service 12 pm Gazebo Wesley's General Rules 6 pm (FH)	
24 Easter Sunday	25	26	27	28	29	30
Pastors Bible Study 6 pm (LFK) Financial Peace 3:30 pm	Worship 7 pm (LFK)	Crafts 9:30 am (LFK) UMW Executive Board 7 pm (LFK)	Free Spirits 9 am (Parking Lot)	Congregational Care 10 am (FH)	Salvation Army Dinner 6 pm (FH)	Movie Night/ Dinner 5 pm (FH)

The Gardener's Story...

A gardener planted two peony bulbs side by side. In a few weeks, as expected, the first one poked a single stem through the ground. The other would soon follow, the gardener thought. But it didn't. Many more weeks went by with no sign of life.

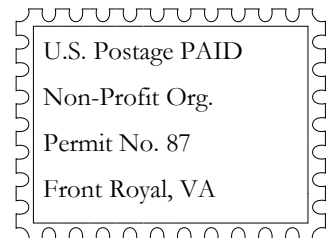
Then one day, to his surprise, not one but five leaf points poked through the soil at once. When the peony bloomed, its flowers were more beautiful and numerous than those of the first bulb.

John Piper said, "In every situation God is doing a thousand things that we cannot see and do not know." When God seems to have forgotten you and hope fails, don't despair. God is at work, and someday you will see.

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Return Service Requested

Staff:

Gary Heaton, Pastor
Rhonda Thompsen, Administrative Assistant
Betsy Blauvelt, Director of Music
Tom Bowen, 11:00 am Organist
Delyn Celec, 8:30 am Pianist, Creative Worship
Donna Quarton, Bookkeeper
Barbara Robinson, Church Sexton
Marty Shannon, Groundskeeper
Cary Burke, Director of Education
Jeanne Haley, Director, EBS Childcare/ Preschool

Office Hours 9:00 -4:00 pm

Sunday Schedule:

Early Service 8:30 am
Sunday School 9:45 am
Second Service 11:00 am

