



# FARMVILLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Going Forth Into the World, To Reach Out to Others

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## FROM OUR PASTOR.....

Greetings...and may God's grace and peace be with you!

As we turn from April showers...to a time of hopefully May flowers...we once again will celebrate what many believe to be the beginning of The Church—Pentecost Sunday!

However, for Farmville UMC, **Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup>, will be a very special Sunday**—for not only will we celebrate Pentecost Sunday but we will also recognize and celebrate our youth, who have completed their Confirmation Class---Hayden Carraway, Jamie Cleveland, Trey Fields, Dan Lauderdale, Emily Monroe and Virginia Tynch.

Each is at a different point along their path and journey with our Lord Jesus.

All have been previously baptized, yet are individually in the process of discerning choices and decisions regarding their spiritual life.

Teresa of Avila wrote in the 16<sup>th</sup> century, "Christ has...no hands but yours, no feet but yours. Yours are the eyes through which the compassion of Christ is to look out on a hurting world."

As our Confirmands discern about their decision and commitment to being the hands, feet, and eyes of the Lord throughout their life, and as we prepare for the celebration of Pentecost Sunday on **Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup>**, please pray for our Confirmands, for our congregation, and for the body of Christ around our world...that Pentecost Sunday will be a time of renewed love and commitment for the building up of Christ's Church by reaching out to others.

It will indeed be a day of rejoicing...a special day of remembrance...as angels rejoice with us, about hearts and lives being changed for the glory of God!

You know, this can also be a time of reflection for many of us as well...as we look back to the time in our lives when we also completed a confirmation or similar class! Reflective Blessings! How cool is that?

"I am the church...You are the Church...We are the Church together."  
Amen!

May God's grace and peace be with you! Take care....peace...

Pastor Bill



A Son Set Ministry

### **FUMC “Mission Day” at the Refuge – Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup>**

On Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, Farmville UMC will hold a “Mission Day” of work for **ALL** ages and abilities at The Sonset Refuge. Mission work may include things such as: working on trails, cleaning buildings, painting, construction, etc. Our congregation has been a strong supporter of the Refuge over the years and as we strive to expand our mission field within our community, there is a need for help at the Refuge. We will gather at The Refuge for a time of prayer at 8:30 AM and then proceed to doing our assigned mission work for the day. We will have lunch at the Refuge, along with devotion & sharing of information about various mission opportunities. Following lunch, if you are able to continue working, there is plenty to do...if not, we appreciate your willingness to be a part of the mornings “Mission Day”. If you are unable to come at 8:30, come when you can! Please call the Church Office if you plan to attend so we may have an approximate number of how many will be able to help in this very worthy missions project! For further information about the Refuge, go to: [www.thesonsetrefuge.org/](http://www.thesonsetrefuge.org/).



### **COMMUNITY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL MISSION PROJECT**

The Farmville Presbyterian Church is hosting the Community Vacation Bible School this year. They would like to incorporate a substantial mission project using “Stop Hunger Now” on one day of Bible School. The kids and supervising adults will be making 10,000 meals. The cost of this project is \$2500.00. They would like our help in two ways, first, consider making a contribution of \$500 to this mission project and secondly, have a few adults from our church to help on the day of the mission project. The day has not been set yet. Community Bible School will be June 17-21 from 9:00am-noon.

We are asking for contribution to help with the cost of this project. If you would like to contribute, please mark your envelope or check “Stop Hunger Now” and drop it in the offering plate.

“Stop Hunger Now” is an international hunger relief organization that coordinates the distribution of food and other life-saving aid around the world. The meal packaging program provides volunteers the opportunity to package dehydrated high protein and highly nutritious meals that are used primarily to support development programs and save lives in developing countries around the world. In its efforts to respond to emergency needs around the world, “Stop Hunger Now” receives and distributes significant donations of in-kind aid. These donations are large quantities of food; medicines, medical supplies and other such items as may be of use in fighting hunger and providing relief in a crisis. For more information on this program, check their webpage, [www.stophungernow.org/site/PageServer](http://www.stophungernow.org/site/PageServer).



**THE UNITED METHODIST  
RETIREMENT HOMES  
MOTHER'S DAY  
OFFERING**

The United Methodist Retirement Homes, Inc. is a not-for-profit organization related by faith to the North Carolina Annual Conference of The United Methodist Church. Although affiliated with The United Methodist Church our communities welcome persons of all faiths and spiritual beliefs. Our entrance age is fifty-five. Mother's Day has become important to the United Methodist family of North Carolina Annual Conference as caring persons in all districts combine effort to assist retirement community residents whose financial resources have been depleted. The Mother's Day offering provides an opportunity for each of us to have a part in providing a "more abundant life" for residents whose need financial support. On Sunday, May 13, Mother's Day, we will be taking an offering for the United Methodist Retirement Homes. There are three retirement homes, Croasdaile Village, located in Durham, Cypress Glen, located in Greenville, and Wesley Pines/Wesley Ridge located in Lumberton. Please make your check out to N. C. Conference, The United Methodist Church. On the Memo line: Mother's Day Offering.



The UMMen will have a

**Fellowship Pancake and Sausage Breakfast on Sunday May 5 from 9:30am-10:00am. Cost is \$5.00.**



**PRAYER TIME**

There's no single act, that we can participate in, that is more important than coming together prayer. Please join us as we share and pray for our families, our church family, our nation and our world. Prayer is a special part of our relationship with the Lord. Join us in the Prayer Room on Sunday, May 19th at 5:00pm. If you have special prayer requests that you would like to share, please contact the church office, Mrs. Minnie Lee Winborn 753-4236 or Suzanne Edwards 753-7844.



**18TH ANNUAL GOLF  
TOURNAMENT**

**Farmville Benevolent Ministries** will be holding their **18<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Tournament on Friday, May 17** at the **Farmville Golf and Country Club**. This is a four-person superball tournament. The shotgun starts at 8:30am and 1:30pm. **The entry fee is \$60 per person or \$240 per team.** The entry includes green fee, cart, lunch, goody bag and Mulligan, door prizes and raffle. An entry form is enclosed and there are entry forms at the church on the credenza in the hallways. For more information contact Rev. Rick Bailey at the First Baptist Church. (see flyer).



**ROLAND LANG  
SCHOLARSHIP**

Roland Lang Scholarship is available for seniors graduating from a high school located in Pitt County, a member of the Farmville United Methodist Church and plans to attend a school located in Pitt County. See Nan in the church office for an application. All application must be returned by May 25.



**~~HANDICAPPED PARKING**

**AREAS~~**Please do not park in the "handicapped parking" areas as they are designated for those in need. Also, please do not use the loading areas for long term parking because it prevents those who need to make deliveries, from having a place to unload. Thank you. Board of Trustees



**ATTENTION!  
ADULT SENIORS**

Seniors are often targets of scams because we generally are more trusting and easier to persuade. The most common scams are charity scams, financial scams and lottery scams. For this reason we have invited a guest speaker from the Better Business Bureau to speak to our adult seniors on Wednesday, May 15 at 1:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Light refreshments will be served. Feel free to bring a friend or family member to this free event to learn how to spot and avoid scams.



Spring is here and I personally cannot believe how quickly time has flown! The month of April was full of some amazing Easter festivities and activities, and most importantly the celebration of the Resurrection. The youth had several discussions this month on the resurrection and what that sacrifice truly means in our lives each and every day. As we look ahead at May we are very excited about the church wide work day out at The Refuge. The Youth will be there in full support and participation. We are still working to raise funds for the upcoming Lake "J" trip, we have a little over \$1,000 left to raise in order to cover costs. Thank you all for your support by coming out and helping us raise over \$550 dollars during the soup and sandwich supper last month. Please stay tuned for more fundraisers and events from the Youth over the next several weeks. If you would like to help out or support the Youth in any way please do not hesitate to contact me. As always I ask that you keep this wonderful ministry in your prayers. God bless!

**May 12th** immediately following 11:00 service we will host a "Mother's Day Lunch". The Youth will serve Mother's and their families at the table in a "nicer" lunch atmosphere. We will be serving Lasagna, salad and dessert. **I will send out signups for this event very soon.** We still need to raise some funds for Lake "J" costs, as well as funds toward other upcoming summer activities for the youth. Thanks in advance for all your help.

**May 22nd @ 7:00pm(tentative)** - Dessert & Coffee House night with Live Music. (this is tentatively scheduled...will re-evaluate after May 12th fundraiser).

**Youth Meeting Schedule**

- \*May 5: 5:00-6:00 Jr High, 6:00-6:30 Combined Dinner, 6:30-7:30 Senior High (Mary-dinner)
- \*May 12 No youth due to Fundraiser
- \*May 19 6:00-7:30 Combined Youth Meeting & Dinner. (Trena-Dinner)
- \*May 26 No Youth due to Memorial Day Holiday.

Jonathan Lemmon

**NOTE:**

**~~~~~MEN'S STUDY GROUP ON TUESDAYS  
AT 7PM IN PARLOR~~~~~**

I cannot believe it is May already. Everyone's getting busy with end of school and vacation coming up. I am pleased to report that the United Methodist Women have donated \$1010 to "Back Pack Pals" and \$1010 to Farmville Benevolent Ministries. These donations were the proceeds from the recent Fashion Show/Luncheon event sponsored by the UMW. I want to thank everyone again for making it such a success.

The UMW are making UMCOR Birthing Kits for the N.C. Conference Mission Team. Birthing Kits provide the essentials needed for a woman to have a chance of surviving childbirth. We are working on the kits and will have them blessed on the altar on Mother's Day, May 12. Birthing Kits will be collected during Annual Conference, June 12-15. If anyone would like to donate \$8.00 for a kit, we will be glad to fix them and add to the other kits.

**DATES TO REMEMBER:**

Meals on Wheels –

- May 20 thru 24 – Circle IV
- July 15 thru 19 – Circle III
- Sept. 9 thru 13 – Circle IV

Mother/Child Retreat – Camp Don Lee at Arapahoe the weekend of Sept. 13-15. I hope you will have a good and safe summer. Thank you ladies for all you do for the church and remember it takes everyone.

In Christian Love, Darlene Gaynor

**WOUNDED WARRIOR PROJECT CRUISE**

On May 18<sup>th</sup> several of us will assemble at Parker's BBQ in Greenville on Memorial Dr. at 8:00am and depart at 9:00am for Fayetteville, NC where the Wounded Warrior Project Office is located.

Upon arrival, a monetary donation will be presented to the WWP. Provided there are no conflicts in schedules, Ad Emeritus Terry Holland and The Honorable Walter Jones, US Congressman will participate in this project also.

If you would like to participate in this project by making a donation and/or joining us on the cruise, please contact Dan Rogers (252-227-3534 or e-mail - [dan.d.rogers@gmail.com](mailto:dan.d.rogers@gmail.com)). Make checks payable to the Wounded Warrior Project. Let's give back to those who have given so much of themselves for us; they deserve no less than our very best.



**KIDS KINGDOM STRAWBERRY  
PATCH FIELD TRIP – MAY 4**

Kids Kingdom Strawberry Patch Field Trip (Ages 2 – 5<sup>th</sup> grade) – We have planned a trip to Deans Strawberry Patch in Wilson May 4<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 – 1:00. The cost will be \$3 per child to pick a pint of strawberries. We will plan to eat a picnic lunch and play while there as well. Please plan to pack your own picnic lunch. Please contact Melissa Walters or Teresa Parent if you plan to join us. We can meet at the church and drive over together if this would work best for everyone.



**CAROWINDS REDUCES UM FAMILY  
FUND DAY TO \$29.99**

Carowinds has now joined Kings Dominion in reducing the admission rate for UM Family Fun Days to \$29.99. May 4, 11, 18, 25, 26 & 27 are designated as NC Conference United Methodist Family Fun Days at Kings Dominion and Carowinds. Tickets are available for United Methodists at the significantly discounted cost of \$29.99 per person ages 3 and up for those dates. To order tickets for Kings Dominion, go to [www.kingsdominion.com/affiliates](http://www.kingsdominion.com/affiliates) and type in KDMETHODIST as the username and password. To order Carowinds tickets, go to [www.carowinds.com](http://www.carowinds.com) and enter promo code CAMETHODIST at the top right corner of the page. For each ticket redeemed, a \$1 contribution is made to Youth Service Fund. For up-to-date Park information, go to [www.kingsdominion.com](http://www.kingsdominion.com) and [www.carowinds.com](http://www.carowinds.com).

**Sunday School**

Teachers  Needed

Sunday School teachers for the month of May are needed for the preschool thru 5th grade class. If you are available to teach one or more of the Sunday's in the month of May please let me know. Instructional literature is provided. Thank you! Melissa Walters (717-1442)



- May 4: Ian Warren
- May 5: Joy Fields
- May 14: Duke Edwards
- May 15: Kirkie Williams

- May 16: Logan Sutton
- May 19: Maggie Williams
- May 20: Evangeline Cochran
- May 22: Jean Cuthrell, Casey Johnston
- May 23: Staci Garner
- May 24: Horace Allen
- May 26: Randy Pollard
- May 28: Eloise Carraway
- May 29: Michael Tugwell



**CHILDREN'S MINISTRY  
MEETING &  
SAFE SANCTUARY  
TRAINING - Sunday, MAY 5**

Children's Ministry will meet Sunday, May 5th at 10:00 in the Chapel. Parents of children age preschool through 5th grade are encouraged to attend. Also, Safe Sanctuary training will be offered during this meeting for parents of youth, nursery workers, Sunday School teachers or anyone else that has not had training in 2013. Please remember, this is required annually so even if you attended the initial training session, you need to do it again. Thank you to everyone for abiding by this and assisting in keeping our children and youth safe. Melissa Walters, Children's Ministries Coordinator  
Beverley Wainwright, Safe Sanctuaries Co-Coordinator



....our church, Andrew , Jacob Parks and family, Rufus & Evangeline Cochran (health), Tracey Smith (health), Edna Erwin (healing), Minnie Lee Winborn (health), Kirsten Baker (healing), Alex Alvraez, Jr. (healing), Vickie Herring (health), Billy Baker (healing), Paul Grimes (healing), Kailey Eaton (healing), Jeff Albritton (healing), Michele Wells & family (in Algeria, cousin of Ann Rodgers), Frank Hemingway (healing) Jo Ann Lang (recovery), Dorothy Wilson (healing) Edgar Cardana (healing) Alec and Mission Team (Jonathan's nephew), Scuttie, Coley and Graceleigh Harper Hood (daughter, Graceleigh , newborn with major complications) Lynnette Williams (healing), family of Wesley Craft, (grief), Terrance Rogers (healing, Vickie Herring's 4 year old nephew),Else (recovery – Stepmother of Heide Wilson), unspoken request.



**CARNATIONS FOR MOTHER'S DAY**

You may purchase one or more carnations to be placed in the Mother's Day Floral Arrangement on May 12 by completing this form and placing it in the offering plate, mail it to or bring it by the church office. **The last day to purchase carnations is Sunday, May 5.** The cost is \$2.50 for one or 3 for \$6.00. The proceeds will go toward our Children's Ministry.

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