

MarketPlace



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Greensboro, NC

Frederick Moyer to present "Music From the Heart"

On Sunday, September 21, at 4:00 p.m., Frederick Moyer will present a piano recital "Music From the Heart", piano works inspired by love and friendship. The recital will be played on the WMSUMC sanctuary piano, given in honor of Nell Abels and Bill Carroll by Becky Bell.

Frederick Moyer, a full-time concert pianist for more than 20 years, has established a vital and unique musical career that has taken him to 36 countries and to faraway venues such as Suntory Hall in Tokyo, Sydney Opera House, Windsor Castle, the Ambassador Auditorium in Pasadena, Tanglewood, and the Kennedy Center. He has appeared as piano soloist with world-renowned orchestras including the Cleveland, Philadelphia, and Minnesota Orchestras, the St. Louis, Houston, Boston, and London Symphony Orchestras, the National Symphony Orchestra of Brazil, and the major orchestras of Australia.

Moyer's enthusiasm, exacting artistry, and adventurous programming have made him a favorite among audiences of all ages. In recital, his delightful commentary from the stage brings the audience into the heart of the musical experience. He is well-known for his residencies of one day to three weeks combining major performances, master classes, workshops, school performances, and other activities promoting classical music within communities.

Moyer's recital will feature works by Liszt, Rachmaninoff, Beethoven, Ravel, Chopin, Schumann and others. Following the recital, a reception will be held in the Brides' Parlor.

This recital is sponsored by the Music and the Arts Team. There is no charge for this event and the public is invited. An offering will be received.



Wednesday Church Night Resumes September 10

We kick off a brand new season of Wednesday Church Night on September 10. *Treasures of the Transformed Life* will be the focus for the adults until October 15. There will be a group available for everyone beginning at 6:30.

Elementary-aged children will become agents for God in a new program. **Mission Possible Kids** is a brand new "hands-on" missions program for kids in grades K-5 that will meet in Room 304-E each Wednesday afternoon from 4:00 - 5:30.

How do MPKids Agents change the world? By going on missions, of course! Collecting goods for food banks, cooking meals for homeless shelters, making gifts for hospitalized children, raising money to end world hunger—the list goes on and on. Each MPKids agent can touch as many as 100 lives in one school year. Multiply that number times the kids in each participating church and in one year thousands of lives are touched. And it's fun! Imagine spy music plays in the background. Agent Handlers assign TOP SECRET missions. Mission success is recorded on a World Map and "Lives Touched" are counted on a Mission Tracker. And agents earn Mission Stars for their official MPKids T-shirts after each completed mission — every six missions earns a promotion in Special Agent status – all this while changing the world!

The first meeting of MPKids will be Wednesday, September 10. There will be a one-time registration fee of \$15 (this pays for the t-shirt). Please contact Nancy Hamilton (275-4587, vm 12 or nhamilton@wmsumc.org) to sign up.

Both children's choirs will practice from 5:30-6:00 (see article on page eight).

We have a few changes in dinner this year. Everyone enjoyed the salads last year, so Kelly and company will offer a salad bar every week. For those selecting the main menu, they may fix a side salad as one of the three vegetable options. For those preferring a dinner salad (with bread and dessert included), grilled chicken breast will also be available by reservation. Then they may build their own salad from the salad bar.

Each week, there will also be a hot "kid friendly" entree such as chicken nuggets, pizza or hot dogs available for the children along with applesauce or fruit for children who do not enjoy things like chicken casserole or pot roast.

The prices are the same as last year, so WCN is a real bargain - cheaper than McDonalds, and you can eat with all of your WMSUMC friends. Plus, everyone's kitchen stays clean for the evening! You may make reservations online or by calling the church office (275-4587).

Our Mission: *The mission of WMSUMC is to glorify God as we make, nurture and send forth disciples of Jesus Christ.*

A WORD FROM THE PASTOR . .



It's hard to overestimate the importance in ministry of being on the same page with leaders and parishioners. In our church being on the same page means following God's direction as we seek to "glorify God as we make, nurture and send forth disciples of Jesus Christ."

I spend a lot of time trying to make sure our leaders, church staff and parishioners are "on the same page." Over the next six weeks we will have a chance to be on the same page together in a study that will help us lead transformed lives.

If you haven't already picked up your copy of *Treasures of the Transformed Life*, do so pronto. It's a forty-day study that our entire church will be going through together, and you simply don't want to miss it.

This is going to be a great opportunity to grow in faith and stretch your spirit. So what should you expect? For starters, plan now to set aside a few extra minutes each day to go over the readings and prayer-

fully consider the topics presented. They're certain to speak straight to your heart.

But count on something else, too: being a part of the big picture as our entire congregation moves through the study together. We'll talk about the concepts in our Sunday school/small group meetings, and my messages will offer further insight each week.

There's no telling how God can move among us when we're all "on the same page"—literally.

The study will finish with Commitment Sunday, a chance for you to dive into commitment and see what God will do in return. Now's the time to start fresh, to look ahead, and to be expectant that God will accomplish great things right here in our church body. What are you waiting for?

Dave Melton

News About An Incredible Experience: The 2010 Oberammergau Passion Play

Have you ever hoped to attend the Oberammergau Passion play? Reverend Dave Melton and family will lead a trip in July of 2010 to the Play presented once every decade. The Meltons attended the Play in 2000, and continue to feel that it is a "once in a lifetime experience." They are excited about returning for the Play in 2010, and would love for you to consider going with them

More details will be shared soon. If you and any member of your family are interested, a brochure can be picked up at the Church office. It's not too early to plan for an experience of a lifetime!

Book Study--Sisters in the Spirit

Sisters in the Spirit is a women's book study group that meets in the Gathering Space of the Church on Thursdays from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Participants may join at any time. The group began *Conversations with St. Francis* by James C. Howell on September 4. Contact Mary Craven (292-3417) for more information.

WORSHIP

Sundays,
September 7 & 14
8:30 and 10:55 a.m.
Sanctuary
9:40 a.m.

Fellowship Hall

Sermon: Dave Melton
The 11:00 A.M. Sunday Worship Service is broadcast over WPET 950 AM

Tuesday Music

12:30 p.m. Sanctuary
September 9
Susan Bates and Alice Ann Johnson, Organ and piano
Music for meditation begins at 12:25 p.m.
A light lunch will be served each Tuesday from 11:45 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 1:20 p.m. for \$5.00.

WCN Menu

September 10
Rotisserie chicken
Mac and Cheese
Steamed broccoli
Applesauce
Salad

You are invited to a Service of Welcome for Bishop Larry Goodpaster and his wife, Deborah October 5 St. Matthews UMC 3:00 p.m. (will last about an hour.)

Christian Education Happenings

Feeling a little thirsty?

This past Sunday, we began distributing copies of John Ed Mathison's *Treasures of the Transformed Life* along with its companion Participant's Guide. The book is a forty-day study that shows us what we're really thirsty for—and how to satisfy that thirst. It is hoped that by now you've started diving in.

You could go about this study one of several ways. First, you could ignore it. You could allow that book to gather dust on your nightstand table, and figure that you'll get the main points by hearing the pastor's sermons and listening to the discussions in Sunday school.

You could read the entire week's lessons in one sitting, maybe even on Saturday night or early Sunday morning. That way, you figure you can catch up and still know what everybody is talking about.

Or you could set aside a little bit of time each day, going over the daily readings and prayerfully considering the answers to the probing questions. You could allow God to speak to both your heart and mind. You could openly discuss what you're learning in your small group, and you could gain from the insights of others as you find yourself sharing in humility as well.

Really, the choice is yours. This isn't school, after all, with someone looking over your shoulder and grading you on your level of participation. No, this is between you and God.

You could look at this as simply one more thing to do in your already busy schedule, or you could see it as the chance of a lifetime to press in and know God as you've never known him before.

E. Stanley Jones said once that, "Life in our hands is life on our hands—a problem. Life in the hands of Jesus is no longer a problem; it is a possibility."

So what's the greatest of possibilities today? Are you ready to dive in—even if it feels like you're in over your head—and allow God to help you swim?

Monday Morning - 10:00 a.m.

(Mary Elizabeth Sandlin)

Monday Evening - 7:00 p.m.

(Amy Kreimer, Susan Hutchinson)

Tuesday Evening - 6:30 p.m.

(Lyn Rollins, Kay Harmon)

Wednesday Morning - 10:00 a.m.

(Patricia Troxler)

Wednesday Evening - 6:30 p.m.

(Multiple leaders)

Thursday Evening - 6:00 p.m.

(Mary Ann James)

Sunday Morning - 10:50 a.m. (following 9:40 service)

(Multiple Leaders)

Sunday Afternoon - 5:30 p.m.

(Elizabeth Montgomery)

Sunday School Classes - 9:45 a.m.

Young Adults (new), Friendship, Heritage, Koinonia, Leadership, Mary and Martha, New Beginnings, and New Covenant.

Godly Play

"Godly Play" is a method of Christian education and spiritual direction with the goal to teach children the art of using religious languages — parable, sacred story, silence, and liturgical action — to help them become more fully aware of the mystery of God's presence in their lives. This experience of children and worship is a way for the teacher and the child to grow in love for God and for one another. It uses sensorimotor-style storytelling as a primary means for encountering God, so God is experienced, not just learned about. It gives appropriate freedom, so young children can respond to stories of God through continued working with the story figures and art materials.

It enables young children to bring their lived experiences into dialogue with God in the biblical stories. And, remarkably, it provides a way for young children to tell the stories of God to others.

WMSUMC's new Godly Play Sunday School year begins September 7 for children four-years old through fifth grade. Each Sunday begins at 9:45 with all children coming together in Room 303 for a time of singing. Children then go to their classes for the stories and response time. Pickup will be at 10:45. Parents attending the 9:40 service may bring their children to 303 beginning at 9:30.

Our preschool class for older twos and threes is in 226-A.

Book Study of Beth Moore's *Daniel*

Beth Moore's study, *Daniel: Lives of Integrity, Words of Prophecy*, examines how individuals can live with integrity in today's self-absorbed society. Join Beth in a faith-building study of prophecy and learn how to shine for Christ in our modern culture. Just as the prophet Daniel faced unbelievable pressures—to compromise his faith, to live in a hostile culture, and to confront temptations and threats—today's believers face many of the same trials.

This 12-session study falls in two parts. The first section, from Daniel chapters 1-6, deals with Daniel's life as he faced the kind of pressures and temptations Christians encounter today. Daniel models how to develop enduring integrity in an enticing world. The second section, chapters 7-12, explores thrilling prophecies from the time of Daniel through the second coming of Christ. The study book is \$15.00.

There will be two classes available for this study. Each class will begin in October, take a break, and resume in January.

1. Thursdays, 9:30 - 11:30 a.m., in Room 302, October 2 - November 6 and January 15 - February 19. Child care is available upon request. Contact Beth Loseke, 854-7138. loseke@triad.rr.com
2. Sundays, 5:00 - 7:00 p.m., in the Gathering Space, October 12 - November 16 and January 18 ending February 22. For additional information, contact Kathryn Van Roekel 508-9546 or kvanroekel@baf.com

To register for either of these sessions on *Daniel*, contact Nancy Hamilton, nhamilton@wmsumc.org or 275-4587, vm 12.



Youth News

Youth LIFE Groups Begin September 7 at 9:40 and 10:55 a.m.

Get involved in one of our new Bible-based, small group spiritual growth opportunities for youth! Youth LIFE Groups are an exciting new spiritual growth opportunity for our 6th – 12th grade youth on Sunday mornings. LIFE Groups are small groups of 8 – 10 youth who meet each Sunday morning to grow in relationship with God and with one another. God never intended for us to do life alone. Instead, God gave us the gift of community. Jesus modeled this in ministry as he sought to show us that our faith in God begins in relationship. Each group will be unique, but there are a few guiding tenets that hold them together. Care and fellowship, spiritual growth, service, worship and sharing faith are the basic elements that are present in all LIFE groups.

Our text will be the Bible and we will use Youth LIFE journals to write and share how God is speaking to each of us through the Scriptures. Please bring your Bibles each Sunday morning.

Our goal is to have a middle school LIFE group and a high school LIFE group at each hour. You can help us to make Youth LIFE Groups a huge success by participating in a group each Sunday morning at either 9:40 a.m. or 10:55 a.m. All groups will start and finish in the Youth Coffee House, Room 405.

All 6th – 12th Grade Youth Invited to our Fall Youth Retreat October 17 - 19

Sign-up has begun for WMSUMC's Fall Youth Retreat at Camp Caraway. Our youth retreats are a special opportunity to grow closer friendships with each other and to grow closer to God in the midst of God's Creation. This fall, Westwoods Lodge at Camp Caraway has been reserved for our retreat. This is the same lodge and retreat center that we used for our Spring Confirmation Retreat. It works perfectly for our group and we look forward to a God-filled weekend together.

Our retreat will focus on our Fall Church Series, *Treasures of the Transformed Life*. We are taking our entire youth group because we need a minimum of 40 people to secure the lodge. We will divide into separate middle and high school LIFE groups for discussion and Bible study together.

The retreat will include friends, laughter, discovery, campfire, ropes course, treasure hunt, delicious food, morning quiet time with God, good music, heartfelt worship and many God-moments together.

The cost is \$130.00 and includes two nights lodging, all meals, t-shirt and retreat supplies. Sign up online at www.wmsumc.org. Click on "youth ministry" on the left and when the page loads, you will see the online registration.

September Youth Schedule

Sunday, September 7

"Step Into Africa" Event for Youth and Parents 2:45 p.m. (Note time change!) Meet at Westover Church (505 Muirs Chapel Road) and experience this together... All youth and their parents are strongly encouraged to attend and discuss the experience together on the drive back to WMSUMC for our parent meeting at 4:30 p.m. During the parent meeting, our youth will meet with their new LIFE Group leaders to discuss "Step Into Africa."

Parent Meeting 4:30 – 5:30 p.m. in the Youth Coffee House, Room 405. All parents are encouraged to meet with Youth Pastor, Jeff Peck and our Youth Ministry Team to explore Youth Ministry for Fall 2008. Students will meet with their LIFE Groups leaders to discuss "Step Into Africa" during the parent meeting.

Sunday, September 14

Concert and Picnic at Greensboro College 3:00 – 7:00 pm. Bring your friends and experience "The Turning" in Concert at Greensboro College. Bring \$10.00 for your ticket and food. Sunday, September 21 – UMYF "Diving Deep" 5:30 – 7:30 p.m. The youth will divide into small groups to discuss the *Treasures of the Transformed Life* and how to dive deeper in our faith.

Sunday, September 28

UMYF "Shells" 5:30 - 7:30 p.m. The youth will watch the new Nooma called "Shells" and divide into small groups to discuss how it affects our lives.

New Young Adult Sunday School Class to Begin September 7

Are you in school or between 18-30 and looking for a group with similar interests and concerns on Sunday mornings? This fall, a group will be meeting between 9:40-10:40 in Room 319 to study, worship and fellowship together. For more information, contact Jane Brannock or just come on September 7.

Older Adult Fall Home Bible Study

Wednesdays, October 8 – November 12
2:00 – 3:30 p.m.

Study Book: *Healing Where It Hurts*
by James W. Moore

The study sessions will be held
at the home of Melva Fraley,
910 Avery Place.

Contact Jeanne Shepherd at WMSUMC, 275-4587
to register and purchase a book for \$11.

Registration is required and
the study group is limited to 20 participants.

Outreach Opportunities

You Can Register TODAY for Missioner School Opportunities this Fall

Take the Next Step in Preparation to Serve

Beginning Spanish: Thinking of going on a mission trip to a Spanish-speaking country, but you are not confident in your knowledge of very basic Spanish language skills? Then this course is for you! Expand your mind, have fun, and learn some basic Spanish to help you talk to and greet others in Spanish-speaking countries, understand basic construction and VBS terminology in Spanish, as well as some basic faith terms.

Dates & Times: Mondays, beginning September 15 at 7:00 p.m.

Disaster Response Training: Have you always wanted to go and help those who have suffered unspeakable loss in the wake of a natural disaster such as Hurricane Katrina, but have felt helpless to do so? Have you served on Disaster Response Teams, but have not yet received the new training under the new Department of Homeland Security Guidelines? Then plan to attend the new Disaster Response Training Certification Course. This is required for all who would desire to serve on a Disaster Response Team. *Date & Time:* Saturday, October 18 from 9:00 – 3:00 p.m.

Transform Lives

HOPE Team Information Meeting and Training: Have you heard about Greensboro's Ten-Year Plan to End Chronic Homelessness, but you are unsure about how this might be possible and want to learn more? Do you desire to "do something" about the problem of chronic homelessness but are unsure of how to respond? Join us for an evening of information and inspiration as we learn how the Christian community can respond effectively to the problem of chronic homelessness in Greensboro. HOPE Teams are integral to the success of the Ten-Year Plan to End Chronic Homelessness. Learn how you can serve on a HOPE Team and make a lasting difference in the life of someone who is transitioning from homelessness. *Date & Time:* Monday, September 8 at 7:00 p.m. *Note: HOPE Team training will take place Wednesday evenings at Westminster Presbyterian.*

GUM Fall Food Drive September 19 & 20 Sign Up TODAY!

Volunteers are needed to help solicit donations to the Greensboro Urban Ministry Fall food Drive at the Lowes Food Store on Old Oak Ridge Road. Please visit the Outreach table in the Gathering Space or in the Fellowship Hall to sign up for a time. The hours are flexible and may be served in two-hour shifts.

This will be fun for the whole family!

Become a Servant Leader

Mission Team Leader Training: Do you feel called to utilize your mission experience and leadership skills by serving as a leader of a mission team? Then make plans to take this valuable course. You will learn everything you need to know to prepare your team to serve anywhere in the world. You will also gain insight and helpful tips on actually leading the team in-country as well as following up with the team after the trip in Christ-centered and kingdom-building ways. This course is available to anyone in the Greensboro District. Each participant will receive a complete Team Leader Manual and CD with forms and templates. *Course Fee:* \$20.00 will cover the cost of materials and lunch. *Date & Time:* Saturday, September 27 from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Volunteer Leadership Training: Are you feeling called to coordinate and lead volunteers in ministry? Have you been involved in volunteer leadership but feel you have not been as effective as you would like to be? This training course is designed to empower volunteer leaders with valuable ideas for creating heart transforming volunteer experiences, successful volunteer recruitment and retention, and handling the inevitable challenges that arise when working with faith-based volunteers. *Dates & Times:* Sunday, September 28 and 12 from 2:00 – 5:00 p.m.

To register for any of these Missioner School Opportunities, call the Outreach Office at 275-4587, vm 16 or register on-line at wmsumc.org.

For addition information go to wmusuc.org/Outreach Opportunities/Missioners School Catalog.

Connect with a Child!

Volunteer opportunities abound at
Washington Montessori School

- Work with children (classroom volunteer)
- Eat lunch with a child (lunch buddy)
- Assist in the office
- Prepare monthly birthday goodie bags
- Provide snacks for monthly staff meetings
- Serve as a prayer partner



Information Session September 14, at 12:00 noon

- Are you wanting to go on a Mission Trip, but worried about leaving your job and family for ten or more days?
- Would you like the experience of providing safe shelter for a family living in a cardboard shack in a Mexican border town?
- Would you like to have a mission experience to share with your teenager?

If so, you are invited to attend an information session and luncheon for the Proyecto Abrigo Mission Trip to Juarez, Mexico, Sunday, September 14, at 12:00 in room F2

Learn more about this exciting intergenerational global mission opportunity! The mission trip is planned for the Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday weekend (January 15 – 19, 2009). If you would like more information, please call the Outreach Ministry Information Line at 275-4587, vm 16.

As lunch will be served for \$5.00, please RSVP to the church office no later than Wednesday, September 10.

Friendship Club to Hear Storyteller Extraordinaire

Charlotte “Webspinner” Hamlin, Storyteller Extraordinaire, will present our Friendship Club program on Monday, September 22, at 11:00 a.m. A recent newspaper article about Charlotte Hamlin reveals some of her accomplishments: public speaker, teacher and college administrator at Guilford College, human relations trainer and educational researcher. She spins dramatic and entertaining tales, is an inspiring storyteller, actor, singer, humorist and performer who has provided programs for children, community and corporate groups and family gatherings.



Friendship Club which is open to all adults meets once a month, September through May, for a program and lunch at church or a short day trip and lunch. It is an excellent opportunity to become informed about pertinent topics, have moments of inspiration, make new friends, enjoy great fellowship and fun, and have a good lunch. Lunch is \$5.00. Reservations are necessary. Call Jeannie Shepherd at 275-4587 to make your reservation.

Greeters Needed

If you are looking for a good place to get involved at church, we have the place for you. The Worship Ministry Team is looking for greeters especially for the 8:30 service, but if the 10:55 service suits you better, give us a call. It is a fun way to meet people and start your day with a smile! Call Betty Betts at 274-9046.



Billy Graham Library Tour, October 2

Tour the Billy Graham Library, Thursday, October 2. Highlights of the tour will include *A Journey of Faith*, featuring theater presentations; *Ruth's Attic*, a bookstore featuring unique gifts; *The Prayer Garden*, burial site of Ruth Graham, and *The Graham Family Homeplace*, moved and restored. The tour will begin at 1:00 p.m. and will last approximately 2 ½ hours. The tour is **free**, but a donation would be appreciated. You should wear comfortable shoes.

We will leave the church at 9:00 a.m., arriving at the Library at 11:30 a.m. in time for lunch at the Graham Brothers Dairy Bar. Fresh sandwiches, salads, soup, warm cookies, ice cream, and beverages are available for a cost range of \$6.00 to \$8.00.

The cost of \$10.00 *does not include lunch*. Reservations must be made by September 24 by calling Jeanne Shepherd at 275-4587. Payment is also due by that same date. This trip, sponsored by the S.E.N.I.O.R.S. Education Committee, is limited to 25.



Circles for September

Monday, September 8

Circle #1, 10:15 a.m., Church Library

Circle #2, 10:30 a.m., River Landing at

Sandy Ridge, Rachel Dunn, host

Circle #5, 6:00 p.m., Gathering Space

Thursday, September 11

Circle #8, 6:30 p.m., 1008 Rollingwood Drive, Kimberly Kramer and Dawn Hill, hosts

Memorials

We gratefully acknowledge the following Memorial Gifts:

Children's Ministry

Bobbie Herring Dean by Sallie Ward

Courtyard Renovation Fund

John V. and Mary Elizabeth Townsend by Vincent Townsend

Early Childhood Center

Paul Bradley by Jim & Barbara North

Heritage Fund

Dr. Laurence Sidney Alsbaugh by Fred T. Hamlet

Library Fund

Dr. James Hull by Aubrey & Kitty Strange; Edgar & Elizabeth Fisher, Jr.; Jim & Martha Weikel, Jr.; Nancy & David Hamby; Louis C. Allen, Jr.; Barbara & Dan Caffrey; Charles & Mary Belle Gilbert; Mr. & Mrs. H. L. Welch, Jr.; Marjorie Goforth; Jack & Jackie Upton
John Panchikal by Pamela Panchikal

Music Fund

Bobbie Herring Dean by Charles & Mary Belle Gilbert

Margrette Ivey by Betty Gale & Edgar Sikes; A.C. & Peg Jones; Anne & John Davis; Clay & Doris Hall

Bill Payne by Betty Gale & Edgar Sikes

Older Adult Fund

Margrette Ivey by Aubrey & Kitty Strange
William M. Payne, Jr. by Aubrey & Kitty Strange

Lucy R. Stout by Ellen S. Dorsett

Outreach Fund (Salvation Army)

Margrette Ivey by William F. Black

Radio Ministry

Margrette Ivey by Jim and Martha Weikel, Jr.; Rossetta W. Hailey

Regular Fund

Paul Meredith Bradley by Susan Carmichael; Ellen S. Johnson; Charles & Grace Lowdermilk

Nancy Clapp by Charles & Grace Lowdermilk

Roderick Norwood Harris by June & Bill Johnson

Dr. Jim Hull by Charles & Grace Lowdermilk

Margrette Ivey by Cheryl Lowell; Margaret Watson; Bob & Libby Haynes; Charles & Grace Lowdermilk; Ann Wendt; First Couples Class

Ed McDowell by Charles & Grace Lowdermilk

Stephen Perry Millikin by Charles F. Lambeth, Jr.; Charles & Grace Lowdermilk

Bill Payne by David & Valerie Cozart; Howard Richardson; Clay & Doris Hall; Bryan, Bill & Lib Smith; Bob & Libby Haynes; Mrs. Moody Stroud; Mickey & Don Hoagland; Margaret Watson; Mrs. Elsa Payne; Edwin and Margaret White & Family; Rosetta W. Hailey; Donna H. Turner; Charles & Grace Lowdermilk; Ed & Mabel Greer; Ann Wendt; Barbara Payne; Mrs. Charles M. Ivey, Jr.

Reverend Ernest Stephens by Gretchen V. Winter

Our Church Family

As of August 31, 2008

In Memoriam

Jane Bowman Metz

Sympathy is extended to her family and friends.

In Memoriam

Claire Hartsook Boyce

August 25, 2008

Sympathy is extended to her family and friends.

Sympathy

Sympathy is extended to **Linda Baker** on the death of her brother, Paul Reilly, on August 14, 2008.

Baptism

Riley Benjamin Hall, son of Stuart and **Lisa Coston Hall**, was baptized Sunday, August 31, 2008. Maternal grandparents are **Sue and Ben Coston**.



October 19

Celebrate Constitution Week

September 17-23 let us remember our country's founding fathers and the year 1789 when the plan for governing our nation was ratified.

In school did you memorize the Preamble? *We the people of the United States, in order to form a more perfect union, establish justice, insure domestic tranquility, provide for common defense, promote the general welfare, and secure the blessing of liberty to ourselves and our posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America.*

WMSUMC will ring our church bells at 4:00 p.m., on September 17 to commemorate the event.



Opportunities for September 7 - 20

Leak Chapel open daily 11a.m.-2 p.m.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

- 8:00 am Laity in Prayer, 319
- 8:30 am Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 9:40 am Worship Service, FH
- 9:45 am Sunday School for all ages
- 10:55 am Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 4:00 pm WMS Instrumentalists, 317
- 4:30 pm Spanish Language Class, 302D
- 5:30 pm UMYF, Coffee House

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

- 10:30 am Intergenerational Committee, CR
- 6:30 pm CR Step Program, 302A
- 7:00 pm HOPE Team Information Meeting, CR

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

- 11:45 am Tuesday Lunch, FH
- 12:30 pm Tuesday Music, Sanctuary
- 1:30 pm Older Adult Team, CR
- 5:30 pm Finance Committee, CR
- 7:00 pm Spiritual Formation Team, CR

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

- 9:00 am Sewing Group, 109
- 10:00 am Staff Meeting, CR
- 4:00 pm Mission Possible Kids, 304D
- 5:15 pm WCN Dinner, FH
- 5:30 pm Cherub Choir, 303
- 5:30 pm Joyful Noise Choir, 317
- 6:30 pm WCN Programs
- 6:45 pm Chancel Choir, 317

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

- 9:30 am Sisters in the Spirit, GS
- 12:00 noon Evangelism Team, CR
- 6:30 pm 9:40 Worship Rehearsal, FH
- 7:00 pm Celebrate Recovery, FH

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

- 8:00 am Laity in Prayer, 319
- 8:30 am Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 9:40 am Worship Service, FH
- 9:45 am Sunday School for all ages
- 10:55 am Worship Service, Sanctuary
- 12:00 noon Proyecto Abrigo Mission Information Meeting, FH2
- 1:00 pm Golf Tournament, Bryan Park
- 3:00 pm "Time Out for a Play", Greensboro Historical Museum
- 4:30 pm Spanish Language Class, 302D
- 5:30 pm UMYF, Coffee House

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

- 5:30 pm Support Staff, CR
- 5:30 pm Visitation Team, 302B
- 6:30 pm CR Step Program, 302A
- 7:00 pm Partners In Prayer, Library

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

- 9:30 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry, 302D
- 11:45 am Tuesday Lunch, FH
- 12:30 pm Tuesday Music, Sanctuary
- 5:30 pm Administrative Board, FH

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

- 9:00 am Sewing Group, 109
- 10:00 am Staff Meeting, CR
- 4:00 pm Mission Possible Kids, 304D
- 4:30 pm Trustees, CR
- 5:00 pm Turkey & Fixin's Meeting, Library
- 5:15 pm WCN Dinner, FH
- 5:30 pm Cherub Choir, 303
- 5:30 pm Joyful Noise Choir, 317
- 6:30 pm WCN Programs
- 6:45 pm Chancel Choir, 317

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

- 9:30 am Sisters in the Spirit, GS
- 6:00 PM Outreach Team, GS
- 6:30 pm 9:40 Worship Rehearsal, FH
- 7:00 pm Celebrate Recovery, FH

New Sunday School Year Begins September 7

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Opportunities for making music are available for all ages at WMSUMC. Rehearsals for Chancel Choir have begun and other groups will resume in early September. If singing, ringing, and sharing your talents with others are part of your stewardship goals, please consider becoming a part of our music ministry.

Chancel Choir meets on Wednesday evenings from 6:45 to 8:15 in Room 317. Plans are underway for choir members to go to the Pine Bridge Inn in Spruce Pine, NC, for a retreat October 17-19. The retreat will be a time of fun, fellowship, and rehearsal for Christmas. **New members are welcome** to join the choir and the fun.

MarketBell Ringers, our five-octave handbell choir, will gather in mid-September. Rehearsals are held each Tuesday from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.

Children's Choir: Children at WCN are given an opportunity to become involved in the music ministry. They will rehearse on Wednesday, from 5:30 to 6:00 p.m., beginning September 10.

Cherub Choir (ages 3-5) will meet in Room 303 with Susan Bates and Lee Willard, and *Joyful Noise Choir* (first through fifth grades) will meet in the Choir Room (317) with Caroline Miller and Hannah Lloyd.

Mid High and Senior High Youth who are interested in ringing handbells should contact Alice Ann Johnson (275-4587, vm 18 or ajohnson@wmsumc.org). A rehearsal time will be set at a later date.

These choirs are a wonderful way to become involved in the life of WMSUMC. Call Alice Ann Johnson (275-4587, vm 18 or ajohnson@wmsumc.org) for additional information. **Come join the music.**