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On June 5<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. **our Youth will lead worship** in the sanctuary. Communion will be shared and high school grads honored. Special music will be presented by the Youth Choir from Pine Forest UMC in Dublin, Georgia.

Following worship, around 11:00, is the annual **Baked Potato Meal**. A DUMC Youth tradition, it features lots of toppings for large potatoes, fruit and desserts plus very attentive “wait staff.” Donations go to the Youth Fund. Don’t miss it!

There will be only **ONE WORSHIP SERVICE at 10:00 a.m.**, in the sanctuary, during the summer months.

On June 12<sup>th</sup> **Sunday School for all ages begins at 11:00 a.m.**

**Adults & Older Youth:** “Mere Christianity” by C.S. Lewis will be the source for a book study/discussion time led by Graham Witt and Alda Gunn.

**Middle School Youth:** will be led by Jan Lambert & others

**Children:** will be led by Ginny Deeds and others.

Class locations to be determined based on participation.



## Local Mission Collection for June

Social Services clients include elderly men and women, as well as younger disabled adults. Some live in their homes, some live in group homes. Some are homeless. Some receive food stamps, which cannot be used to purchase any non-food items, such as cleaning supplies, personal hygiene items or laundry supplies.

The clientele is fluid, changing from week to week, but at any given time there are 250 -260 open cases in Rockingham County and Harrisonburg.

We will be collecting items for them during the month of June. Think about what you use during the day – that’s what these folks also need. Some suggestions are :

toilet paper	paper towels	laundry / dish detergent	tissues
bar soap	cleaning supplies	toothbrushes/toothpaste	shampoo
Any personal hygiene items			

Especially needed are adult disposable pull-ups underwear in size Large. At this time, they do not need other sizes. There will be a collection box in the narthex.

Monetary donations are also needed. *We have been asked not to include over the counter drugs.* All donations will be very much appreciated. Questions? Contact Lena Osborne (LenaRO@aol.com)



We have been honored and blessed to have **Steve and Patty** for thirteen years. Since Steve has decided to retire, June 26<sup>th</sup> will be his last Sunday as our Pastor.

Please plan to attend a reception for Steve & Patty on Sunday, June 26<sup>th</sup> in the Fellowship Hall following 10:00 a.m. worship.

Our new pastor, **Bruce Carper** and his wife Debby arrive in Dayton on June 29<sup>th</sup>. His first Sunday in the pulpit is July 3<sup>rd</sup>. The Staff/Parish Relations Committee is sponsoring a reception to welcome Bruce & Debby following worship on July 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Fellowship Hall.



## A Note from Pastor Steve

As I write my last newsletter article I want to thank you all for your friendship and support over these many years. It has been my honor and privilege to serve the congregation at Dayton UMC. You have been wonderful friends. There is no way I could thank everyone for the many acts of hospitality and kindness extended to Patty and me. You were very supportive of the big and small ministry projects we did over the years, and I thank all of you for that.

I know you will extend the same warm welcome to Bruce and Debby Carper. I am happy they are coming, and I believe you will find them to be a real blessing as you move ahead in sharing the Good News of the Gospel in a hurting world. Please keep Bruce and Debby in your prayers as they say goodbye to their current church in Emporia and come to the Valley.

Many people are wondering what I am going to do in retirement - that is the number one question people have asked me. In fact that is the number one question Patty has asked me. I am a little more concerned about what I am going to be than do. Retirement, like every season in life, will have both opportunities and pitfalls. I will wait for the Lord to lead, and I know He will help

me avoid the pitfalls. The good news of the Gospel is that the Lord still needs all of us to work in His Kingdom. His work gives us meaning and hope.

I have several personal projects I would like to work on: writing, reading and doing some traveling. During the summer Patty and I are planning to visit the churches we served over the years. We would like to touch base with some of our friends and see how their ministries have progressed.

I am happy that Patty has made the decision to continue accompanying the choir in the fall. She loves to play the piano, and we are happy the church has asked her to stay.

Once again, Patty and I want to thank you for your hospitality, support and kindness over the years.

We will keep you in our prayers.

Blessings,  
**Steve**



Three of our youth are about to graduate from high school. Between them, they have been on 15 DUMC mission trips!

**Cole Hamann** graduates from Turner Ashby High School on June 11<sup>th</sup>. He will be attending Blue Ridge Community College and continuing to work for McDonald's while in school. He is the son of Julie and Bernard Hamann.

**Joshua Weaver** graduates from East Rock High School on June 12<sup>th</sup>. He will be attending Eastern Mennonite University to study computer science. He also plans to play soccer there. Josh is the son of Jeff Weaver.

**Rachael Simmons** is also graduating from TAHS. She has been accepted to the Pamplin School of Business at Virginia Tech and will begin classes this fall, with a double major in accounting and finance. She is the daughter of Robin Simmons & Herschel Simmons

And we are pleased to share that **Jennifer Appleton** graduated from Liberty University with a Bachelor's Degree in Psychology. She plans to continue her education to earn a graduate degree. Presently she is a patient advocate volunteer at AVA Care.

## Our Cambodian Missionary is coming!

Come meet, greet and eat with **Esther Karimi Gitobu** on Thursday, July 7<sup>th</sup>. A dinner and program will be held in the Fellowship Hall beginning at 6:00 p.m. Sandwiches from Which Wich will be served. Please RSVP by July 5 to Stephanie Gardner, our Global Missions Coordinator at [stephaniegardnermsls@yahoo.com](mailto:stephaniegardnermsls@yahoo.com)

Esther is a missionary with the General Board of Global Ministries of the UMC. She writes, "My vision of Cambodia is to see hope in the midst of pain and despair... I want to be there as an agent of hope." She helped initiate an annual Youth Camp for youth across Cambodia. More later in June!



Pastor Steve will be a Conference June 19. A Guest Speaker for that Sunday is not yet determined

NOW meets  
Sunday, June 12<sup>th</sup>  
12:15 in the CS area

Church Council meets  
Sunday, June 12<sup>th</sup>  
at 7:00 p.m.

## Sunday Morning Volunteers

### Nursery Workers

5 Denise Lough  
12 Amy Simmons  
19 Mary Ryder  
26 Lori Bocock

### Pew Stewards

5 Ann Gerads  
12 Stacie Jackson  
19 Margaret Thornton  
26 Mary Nieswander

### Greeters

5 Youth  
12 Don & Betty Huffman  
19 Joe & Mary Glenn Hiner  
26 Russell & Donna Kenney

### Flowers

5 Communion  
12 Doris Bowman  
19 Father's Day  
26 Caplinger / Lineberry

### Coffee Social Providers

5 none—go get a baked potato!  
12 need volunteers  
19 need volunteers  
26 need volunteers

Opening & Closing: Doug Wine  
Usher of the Month: Sonny Smiley  
Mowing in June: Don Huffman, Jack Osborne



**Thanks to** On the Move SS Class, United Methodist Men, Mary Jane & Dave McCoy, Mary Glenn & Joe Hiner, Ann & Paige Will, Linda & Doug Wine and the Gail Mitchell Family for providing our Coffee Socials. We need hosts for June – Please sign up in the Coffee Social area

**We always appreciate donations of flowers** for our Sunday altar. Thank you to Dave & Mary Jane McCoy, Jack & Lena Osborne, the Chancel Choir and Wanda Wampler for their recent contributions. Also, a special thanks to the United Methodist Men for remembering all women of the church with the pink carnations given on Mother's Day.

**Worship Music this Summer:** Music Director Ben Bergey is coordinating special music throughout the summer. If you, or someone you know, is willing to share one Sunday, please contact him at [Benjamin.Bergey@gmail.com](mailto:Benjamin.Bergey@gmail.com)

Solo or group, voice or instrument, seasoned or student, we want to hear you!



### **Vacation Bible School Planning is NOW!**

Join us July 31<sup>st</sup> thru August 4<sup>th</sup> as we set our compasses for Africa and prepare for an epic expedition at Camp Kilimanjaro VBS! This promises to be an exciting and adventurous week where our youngest disciples will safari up Mount Kilimanjaro and learn that true wisdom comes only from the one true all-wise God, who wants us to be wise! Our "trekkers" will discover that He has filled the book of Proverbs with wise sayings for us!

We need YOU for this valuable Children's' Ministry to be successful. A **planning meeting will be held at 6:30 on Thursday, June 9<sup>th</sup>**. Dinner will be provided. RSVP, please, to: [Graham Witt – hoowitts@comcast.net](mailto:GrahamWitt@comcast.net), [Lori Bocock – loribocock@comcast.net](mailto:LoriBocock@comcast.net) or [Lena Osborne – LenaRO@aol.com](mailto:LenaOsborne@aol.com)

Stay tuned - more info coming soon, including many opportunities for volunteer and on-line registration for children.

**Women's Bible Study** will not meet during the months of June, July, and August. A new study will begin in September, the title of which will be announced at a later date. Please put the second Tuesday of the month on your fall calendar to join us for a learning and sharing experience and fellowship with other women. Any questions, please call Connie Gilmer (433-8071).

**What: Next JOY Group Adventure**  
**When: Wed., June 15; 11:15 a.m.**  
**Where: Heritage Museum**

Learn about the *Burning of the Breadbasket – Harvest of Flames for 13 Days* and follow Stonewall Jackson's Valley Campaign. Join the JOY group on Wednesday, June 15<sup>th</sup> to tour the Historical Society's Heritage Museum on High Street in Dayton (admission to the museum is \$7 per person) followed by lunch at a location to be determined. If you have a favorite place to suggest, contact Jack Osborne (433-2094) or Mel May ([flush1m@hotmail.com](mailto:flush1m@hotmail.com)). Our bus will leave the church at 11:15



## CONGREGATIONAL CARE

### Birthdays

- 1 Allison Reeves
- 1 Jill Wright
- 3 Aaron Lough
- 3 Wendy Miller
- 4 Nancy Byrd
- 4 Shaun Stover
- 5 Steve Bird
- 6 Ramona Evans
- 6 Irene Rebholz
- 7 Jim Cooper
- 10 Ellianna Appleton
- 10 Donna Kenney
- 13 Emily Estes
- 14 Payton Jackson
- 15 Grace D. Labergerie
- 16 Shannon Ruminski
- 21 Christine Bagwell
- 22 Vince Gilmer
- 22 Cole Hamann
- 23 Carl Rasnack
- 24 Kim Guyer
- 24 June Heatwole
- 26 Dan Tatro

### Anniversaries

- 6 Bernard & Julie Hamann ('92)
- 7 Donald & Ginny Deeds ('83)
- 13 Don & Polly Fravel ('81)
- 13 Phil & Ramona Evans ('65)
- 16 Dennis & Lolly Miller ('84)
- 16 Michael & Holly Harold ('01)
- 16 Phil & Betsy Gentry ('84)
- 17 Don & Stacey Bowers ('95)
- 17 Travis & Mary Ryder ('06)
- 19 Todd & Kim Nieder ('99)
- 21 Larry & Nancy Hedrick ('69)
- 24 Jamie & Katrina Eberly ('95)
- 25 Don & Betty Lou Huffman ('60)
- 27 Mark & Tracey Simmers ('98)



We express our sympathy to the family and friends of **Olin Ritchie**. Mr. Ritchie died on May 14, 2016

A Sacrament of Baptism was celebrated May 29<sup>th</sup> for **Cael Samuel Wright**, the son of Kendra & Adam Wright, born on April 7<sup>th</sup>.



### Notes of Appreciation

**Donnie Callison and his sister, Beverly Smith** would like to thank you for making Donnie's birthday so much fun!. He enjoyed the dinner, flowers, cards and prayers, and wants everyone to know how much he appreciated your kindness.

We like to express our thanks and appreciation to the youth for helping us with some outside/yard work. You really did work hard and did a fantastic job! And thanks to Graham and the fathers that came along to help too. Blessings,

**Connie & Vince Gilmer**

Many thanks to Ben, Patty and the Choir for the beautiful music we all enjoy. The quality of the selections you present is amazing. Appreciation also to organist Jeff Weaver, the Handbell Choir & director Ramona Evans; and the Children's Choir, directed by Martha Alger. We are so blessed to have such an **awesome music program**.

## U.M.

## WOMEN

The UMW will meet on Saturday, June 4<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 in the Coffee Social Area to assemble the School and Health Kits for Conference. Thank you to all who donated items!

Here are upcoming events for ladies sponsored by the Virginia Conference of UMW:

- 1) Mission Encounter, July 29-31 at Randolph-Macon College;
  - 2) Young Women's Retreat, September 16-17 at Bridgewater UMC, for ladies 18-40. The topic is "Finding Balance: Living in God's Creation in a World of Chaos".
- Scholarships are available from Dayton UMW unit (and possibly from other sources).

More information on these and other events can be found on the UMW bulletin board in the Coffee Social Area or on the VA Conference United Methodist Women's website: [www.vaumw.com](http://www.vaumw.com)

*If you could only sense how important you are to the lives of those you meet; how important you can be to the people you may never even dream of. There is something of yourself that you leave at every meeting with another person.*

*—Fred Rogers*



## U.M. YOUTH

Pray for us

June 2, Thursday, 7-8PM - Youth Sunday Practice  
 June 4, Saturday, 9-Noon - Youth Sunday Practice and Potato Bar Setup  
**June 5, Sunday - YOUTH SUNDAY & Potato Bar Meal**  
 June 19, Sunday, 6-8PM - Bridgewater Retirement  
     Village Vespers Service Escort (need about 8 people)  
 July 2, Saturday - Prepare Lunches for Homeless  
 July 24-30 - YOUTH MISSION TRIP-Copperhill, TN  
 July 31-Aug 4 - Vacation Bible School  
 Aug. 14, Sunday, 6-8PM - Bridgewater Retirement Village Vespers Service Escort  
     (need about 8 people)  
 September 3, Saturday - Prepare Lunches for Homeless



Virginia Annual Conference, June 17 -19 , in Roanoke. Susie Dinsmore our delegate. Keep all the delegates, ministers, coordinators and their deliberations in prayer.

### “Dayton Days” Autumn Celebration

As we enjoy the wonderful days of summer, October seems far away – but it will be here before we know it! Dayton UMC will have two booths for “Dayton Days” Autumn Celebration – one for the youth’s soup sales and one for the church. Remember DUMC as you prepare jams, jelly and pickles, crafts and sewing items. Why not make items for the Rockingham County Fair (August 14-20), win a ribbon and then donate your winning project to the DUMC booth?



If you have pint or quart jars you no longer need, place them in a box in the Fellowship Hall pantry for others to use for canning or for the soup sales.

Want to reserve your time slot to work in the booth on October 1? Call Chris Simmons @ 828-2948 .



Stewardship- We all want to be good stewards of our resources and our church facilities are no exception. We have great programs in our church and many activities occur daily. It is easy to be so absorbed in our projects that we overlook turning off the lights/heat etc. Please take an extra minute to turn off anything you've turned on and if you come across an area someone else forgot to take care of- take the responsibility to make it right! Together we'll be good stewards! Thanks.

January—April 2016 Budget	
Contributions/Income	\$ 118,569.16
Expenditures	\$ 125,912.28
2016 Budget	\$ 363,631.00
Designated Contributions/Income	\$ 14,460.19
Mortgage Report as of June 1, 2016	
Loan Amount (2/1/2010)	\$1,500,000.00
Principal payments	\$ 289,313.84
Loan Balance	\$ 1,210,686.16
Extra payments on principal	\$ 27,913.21
	7 Months Paid Off Early



Genealogy research turns up some intriguing relations; for example, Barack Obama and Sarah Palin are 10th cousins, and Britney Spears and Prince Albert of Monaco are 17th half-cousins. In the Bible, Jesus is linked to Rahab and Ruth, members of nations that were ene-

mies of Israel.

Searches for family connections quickly reveal not only roots but also a web. Only a few generations up in the branches of each family tree are so many people that trees intersect. Scientists speculate that most people living today are related through a recent common ancestor. So there's a "web-like tapestry" rather than a "tree that fans out exponentially," according to writer Carl Zimmer.

Realizing we're all connected should affect how we treat others. After all, we're related to people with diverse backgrounds and opinions. In terms of genealogy, as well as living as Jesus' disciples, we belong to one another.

Direct questions and submissions

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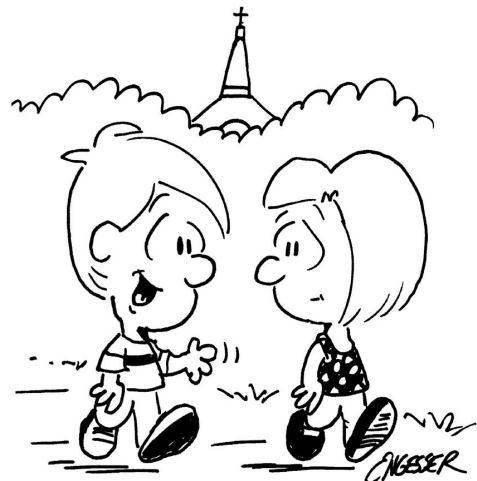
I have a box in the Coffee Social Room, too!

Next Deadline: Sunday, June 26

During Jesus' earthly ministry, he "healed many [people], so that all who had diseases pressed around him to touch him" (Mark 3:10, ESV). Touching Jesus was enough to make people whole.



J.R. Miller (1840-1912) reminded Christians that it's necessary to keep reaching for Jesus: "It is not enough to be in the crowd that gathers about [Jesus]. ... It is not enough to be in the congregation that worships. One sitting or bowing next to us may receive a great blessing while we receive none at all. It is because he reaches out his hand of faith and touches Christ, while we, as close to Christ as he is, do not put out our hand to touch him, and therefore receive no blessing."



"If we're all God's children, just think of all the cards he gets on Father's Day."

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