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A Note From the Pastor

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"All the church wants is my money!!" How many times have we heard this complaint from both inside and outside the church? When I hear this my response is to smile and say something like, "Well, it may seem that way, but money is not the point." As a part of the universal Christian church, our mission is to be the means by which lives are transformed so that more followers of Jesus Christ are created. Our church has made that broad mission more specific to our community. We have committed ourselves to partnering with God to Connect - Grow - and Serve. We seek to make more and better followers of Jesus by making strong connections with Jesus; by helping all followers grow spiritually; and by serving our community's physical needs. That's our point!

But the reality is, if we're to accomplish this mission it takes time, energy, and money. So on Sunday, November 18th, Stanardsville United Methodist Church will celebrate "Commitment Sunday". This is a special holy time in which we'll lift up to God our personal commitments to worship, daily devotion, spiritual growth,

involvement in church ministries, and our giving for the coming year of 2019. Hopefully, you have received a letter from me asking you to be in prayer for how you will respond to our requests for these commitments. Your consideration of how you will spend your time, energy, and money in 2019 is strictly between you, your family, and God. But I hope and pray that you will take your consideration seriously, allowing God to lead you in faith to completing your Connect - Grow - Serve commitment card and bringing it to worship on 11/28.

As I'm sure you noticed, in my letter I laid out in as much detail as possible what the financial needs of God's church will be in the coming year. While we were able to reduce some expense items from our general budget, the overall budget went up slightly because we included an expense projection for our new building. But the real point is, if Stanardsville UMC is to be the church God has called us to be in the ongoing work of transforming lives, we need to be in ministry to our own congregation, as well as the larger community. And the practical reality is, such ministry will take time, energy, and money.

As you pray for God's guidance in establishing your commitments for 2019, I hope you will fully open your heart to the needs of God's church. Between now and November 18th, I will be praying that all of us will allow the Holy Spirit to challenge us in exciting ways to fulfill God's call on our lives to the ongoing work of transformation.

In Christ, Pastor Chuck

Birthdays This Month

- 6 Samantha Lawson
- 6 Mary Kate Mullins
- 8 Lisa Davis
- 9 Leigh Feathers
- 10 Carter King
- 11 Mary Anne Berger
- 15 Anthony Houchens
- 17 Robert Taylor
- 18 John Ganoe
- 18 Payton Wilson
- 19 Dawn Lawson
- 21 Corey Bass
- 21 Candace Davis
- 24 Erva Shifflett
- 25 Pat Glassmyer
- 25 Zee Lawson
- 29 Virginia Snow`
- 29 Kevin Freid

December Birthdays

- 5 Kelly Baker
- 5 Jeff North
- 6 Sara Haney
- 9 Gary Lam
- 10 Jessica Garth
- 12 Jon Rocha
- 17 John Williamson
- 18 Amie Richardson
- 20 Joel Warren
- 20 Julian Woodward
- 23 Gail Grant
- 24 Nancy Haney
- 25 Chris Jeziorski
- 25 Gaitlyn Perkins
- 25 Doris Sims
- 27 Marjorie Howell
- 28 Isaiah Hensley
- 30 Cierra Hensley
- 31 Junior Eppard



Cornbread with Green Chilies and Pepper Jack Cheese

This recipe comes to us from Kim Eppard's mom. At the All Things Fall Festival this was a huge hit! Kim, thank your mom for sharing this with us. This recipe serves 10 to 12 people.

5 T unsalted butter, melted, plus 2 T for greasing the pan.

1 1/2 cups whole buttermilk

1 1/2 cups milk

4 large eggs

2/3 cup vegetable oil

3 cups all-purpose flour

1 cup stone-ground yellow cornmeal

2/3 cup sugar, plus 2 T for dusting

2 T baking powder

1 tsp kosher salt

1/4 tsp coarsely ground black pepper

1 4-oz can diced green chilies, drained (this can be omitted)

1 cup (about 4 oz.) shredded pepper jack cheese

Preheat oven to 350° . Generously grease a 13×9 inch baking pan with the 2T butter.

Combine the buttermilk, milk, eggs, oil, and melted butter in a large bowl. Combine the flour, cornmeal, 2/3 cup of the sugar, baking powder, salt, and pepper in a large bowl.

Add the buttermilk mixture to the flour mixture, stirring until just combined. Stir in the green chilies and the pepper jack cheese. Pour the batter into the prepared pan. Sprinkle the remaining 2 T of sugar over the batter.

Bake for 40 to 45 minutes, or until a wooden toothpick inserted into the center comes out clean.



Hands and Feet of Christ

- Joel Warren for persevering in the sidewalk issue
- Tracy Arrington for being available when the electrician replaced lights downstairs
- Joel Warren, David Mack, Dwight Webster, Tracy Arrington, and Dann Moore for cleaning up the trees and shrubs on the new property

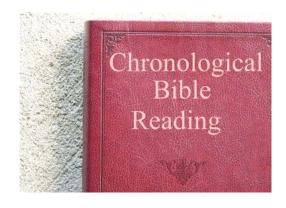
JOY GROUP

The JOY GROUP'S November 7 outing will be a trip to Elkton to enjoy the fall foliage and to have lunch at Ciro's Italian Eatery at noon. The last time we went there the food and service were both excellent and the restaurant's reviews from customers are 4 plus stars. Let's have a great turnout. Connie has contacted Ciro's and they are looking forward to serving us. Please RSVP to Gail Grant at davesbetterhalf@aol.com or davesbetterhalf@hotmail.com or call me at 336-953-0540. JOY is open to all members of SUMC, friends, relatives and anyone who would like to join us. We do need to have a definite number for reservations so they can be prepared to serve us. We will meet at the church at 11:30 a.m. to carpool.

Total Operating Budget for 2018	\$183,474
Needed as of October 28	151,727
Received as of October 28	<u>153,579</u>
Over	\$ + 1,852



Through the Bible - 3



TTB-3 will be held at the home of Bob and Pat Holtzman on Thursday, November 8, from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m.

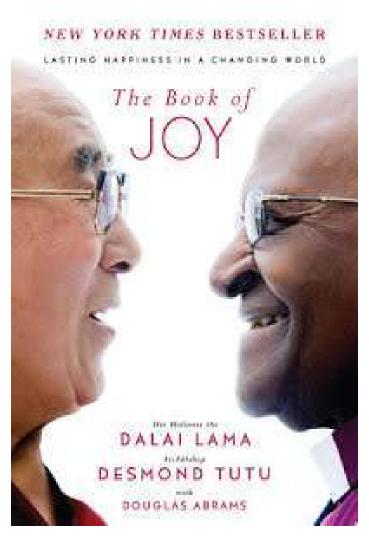
UMW READING GROUP

UMW Reading Books will be available for check out on Thursday, November 8, at the Church through Sue Endres during her working hours: 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Books will also be available each Thursday before or after TTB-3 at the home of Jane Winner throughout the balance of the year. If you need a book and those times do not work for you, please call or email Jane Winner. (She will be happy to make sure you get a book!)

Thank you for keeping up with your daily reading throughout the summer months!

UMW Book Review

The Book of Joy: Lasting Happiness in a Changing World by Dalai Lama and Desmond Tutu Category: Nurturing for Community



An unlikely friendship: the Archbishop of the Anglican Church in Africa, Desmond Tutu, and a Buddhist monk. His Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama, the leader of the Tibetan people, spend a week together in India discussing the challenges of living a joyful life. Friends for years, Archbishop Tutu traveled to India to celebrate the Dalai Lama's 80th birthday. This book is a diary of the conversations and laughter these two Nobel Prize winners had discussing how they and we can live a life of joy. Each man faced oppression and exile in their native countries. They experienced unbelievable violence and sacrifice but somehow succeeded in developing an attitude of compassion, love, forgiveness and joy.

Believing that all feelings happen both internally as well as externally, the two clerics developed eight pillars of joy. Based on their personal experience, these pillars are the framework in which everyone can build a joyful life. Each pillar is discussed and activities to incorporate them in daily life are provided. The pillars are:

perspective, humility, humor, acceptance, forgiveness, gratitude, compassion and generosity. It was a delightful and insightful read. I would highly recommend it.

Reviewed by Neddy Mack

Don't forget to change your clocks this weekend





ADVENT BIBLE STUDY

In our upcoming Advent study, written by Rev. Matt Rawle, a United Methodist pastor in Louisiana, we will explore how the teachings of Jesus can be found in the famous Russian ballet story of "The Nutcracker".

The study will be held for four weeks on Thursday mornings at 10:00 a.m., beginning November 29 and continuing on December 6, 13, and 20; and on Tuesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. beginning November 27 and continuing on December 4, 11, and 18.

The cost of the study book is \$10.00. You may pay for your book at the first session, but the deadline for ordering a book is Tuesday, November 13.

Please contact the pastor or call the office if you plan to attend one of these studies so that a book can be ordered for you.



A community Thanksgiving worship service will be held on Tuesday evening, November 20, at 7:00 p.m. here at SUMC. Please plan to attend and plan to invite your friends and family.

November Liturgists

November 4 Jeanne Van Dyke

November 11 Gail Grant

November 18 Amie Richardson

November 25 Please consider signing up

November Sip 'n' Chat

November 4 Fundraiser for Capital Campaign

November 11 Connie Flora, Sharon Morris,

Jane Winner, Rhonda Houchens,

Kim Eppard

November 18 Val Shifflett, Doris Roach,

Gayle Collier, Gail Grant

November 25 UMW: Ellen Deane, Doris Swenson,

Mary Greenwood, Barbara Ringle, Erva Shifflett, Marjorie Howell,

Marian Durrer

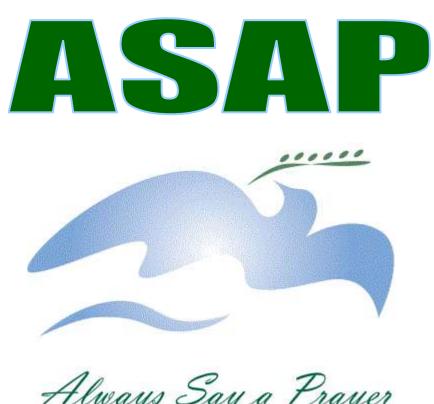
A Smile for the Day

Patient: "I have a ringing in my ears.

Doctor: "Don't Answer!"

Mission Need for November

For our mission need for November we solicit your help in providing laundry detergent for those in our community that do not have adequate funds to provide this needed item. Thanks for your generous support.



Always Say a Prayer

PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE IN PRAYER

John Ganoe, Scott Haas, Phyllis and Danny Michau, Patricia Guerra, Crystal Richardson, Russ Porter, Mike and Jennifer Rice, Carl Schmitt, Sam Grimsby, Cindy Shifflett, Claudia Manning Miller, Melinda Ingle, Edna Shifflett, Steve Grant, Pete Pritchett, Gary Sims, Faye Cason, Robert Martin, Mary Walker, Wayne Sims, Wanda Cox, Anne Lundgren, Mary and Joe Greenwood, Joyce Sims, Matt Armstrong, Nory Sanabria, Judy King, Eric Lamb.

THOSE IN LONG-TERM CARE

Charlottesville Point Mick Carrier

At Home Bobbie Eddins, Eva Morris,

Virginia Snow, Tom and Louise Hayes

November 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wed nes day	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
8:30 AM Praise Service 10:00 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Traditional Worship 12:15 PM Sip 'n' Chat Fundraiser 6:00 PM Youth	Oct 2018 T W T F S 2 3 4 5 6 9 10 11 12 13	Dec 2018 S M T W T 2 3 4 5 6	F S 1 7 8 14 15 21 22	3:00 PM Through the Bible - 3 7:00 PM Greene Cty. Singers 8 3:00 PM Through the Bible - 3 6:00 PM Finance Committee 6:00 PM Trustees 7:00 PM Church Council 7:00 PM Greene Cty. Singers Pastor on Mission Trip	2 9 Pastor on Mission Trip	3 10:00 AM His Bounty/Church Pastor on Mission Trip 10 10:00 AM His Bounty/Church Pastor on Mission Trip
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18 8:30 AM Praise Service 10:00 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Traditional Worship 12:15 PM Sip 'n' Chat 6:00 PM GCMA Concert 6:00 PM Youth Gathering All Saints Sunday Commitment Sunday	19 7:00 PM Greene Cty. Singers	20 4:00 PM Tuesday's Table 5:00 PM Praise Team Practice 7:00 PM Thanksgiving Service	21 7:00 PM Choir Practice	22 Thanksgiving	23	24 10:00 AM His Bounty/Church
25 8:30 AM Praise Service 10:00 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Traditional Worship 12:15 PM Sip 'n' Chat	26 10:00 AM Life Group - Pat 6:30 PM Life Group - Carroll 7:00 PM Greene Cty. Singers	27 4:00 PM Tuesday's Table 5:00 PM Praise Team Practice 6:30 PM Advent Bible Study	28 10:30 AM Life Group - Lucy 7:00 PM Choir Practice	29 10:00 AM Advent Bible Study 3:00 PM Through the Bible - 3 7:00 PM Greene Cty. Singers	30	

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