

Triumph Newsletter

SEPTEMBER 2019

Guest Speaker “Nabs” In Worship

Tuesday, September 10, 6:30 PM

Mohamed “Nabs” Nabieu (pictured in light blue checkered shirt), serves as the staff liaison from Helping Children Worldwide (HCW) and will be sharing his story with us in worship on Tuesday night, September 10. Over the years, HCW has been one of the mission partnership organizations that St. Thomas has supported.



Nabs was one of the first children recruited by the Child Rescue Centre (CRC), a ministry of HCW, after the Sierra Leone civil war. The CRC sponsored him through University. Upon

graduation, he served the CRC in Sierra Leone for five years, first as the Sponsor-A-Child Coordinator, and later as the Programs Director. Under his leadership, the Child Rescue Centre successfully transitioned from Orphanage care to Family-based care through meaningful collaboration with all stakeholders involved. Come, hear his story, and be inspired in your own faith journey.

BFF Sunday Sept 8

Bring Friends & Family with You!



Sept 8 is Bring a Friend or Family Day!

Invite someone to church who does not regularly attend then stay from 11am –

2pm for good food and fun for all ages! Enjoy a Moon Bounce, Lego's/Duplo's, corn hole and other games, plus music from our Praise Band. It's a wonderful time to catch up with everyone after the Summer! Take advantage of this family friendly event to invite someone to join us and get to know more about St Thomas. Have your guests check in at the Outreach table and you both will get a small thank you gift for stopping by!

Looking for a way to get connected in and around church? Then, the Ministry Fair on BFF Sunday is a great way to get some answers. Leaders from key ministry areas will be manning tables between services to explain what they do and help you get involved, make new friends and have a little fun!

Ponderings

There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens... He has made everything beautiful in its time. He has also set eternity in the human heart; yet no one can fathom what God has done from beginning to end. (Ecclesiastes 3:1, 11)

The writer from Ecclesiastes reminds us there is a time for everything to be accomplished; and we realize that how we spend our time matters. We might wonder, what effort will our work or ministry produce? Is our effort meaningless because we can't see what God sees? The answer of course is a resounding, No!

At the start of a new school year, we are exploring in worship six gifts every child needs over time from their family and from their church. These are gifts like time itself, but also what is powerfully received when we understand that our story is part of a much bigger story that God is telling through the Scriptures. As we read and enact the Word of God, we see our own lives reflected in it too and ultimately transformed by it. Because God has "set eternity" in our hearts, we understand that what we do today matters because it is part of God's beautiful and eternal plan for salvation of this world that he created and set in motion. My deep prayer is that we may be faithful stewards of the time we are given – not racing ahead or falling behind – but perfectly in sync with what God wishes for us to accomplish together in ministry.

One of the things that God wishes most is that we invite others into the fold! Who are you planning to invite to join you for worship,

by the Senior Pastor

fellowship and fun on BFF Sunday, September 8 (that's Bring Family and Friends Sunday!)? We have a great line up planned on our front lawn and a ministry fair between services in the Narthex.

Behind the scenes, the SPARK team is nearing the completion of their year-long efforts to bring to fruition a strategic plan that will drive our ministry together for the next few years. It may be tempting to think that nothing is happening or to be underwhelmed by the new mission statement and values that were presented on July 28 after worship (and that are on the next page in this Newsletter). However, the team is very hard at work and are hoping to share the first draft of the full strategic plan with the church leaders and staff on Saturday, September 28 at the Leadership Summit and then with the Church Council at their meeting on Tuesday, October 22, and then finally with the whole church on Sunday morning, November 3 at 10 AM.

Our intent is to have one worship service on November 3 so that everyone can hear the final strategic plan at the same time and then celebrate together through dynamic preaching, lay testimonies, inspiring music, holy communion, and earnest and heart-felt prayer as we continue to seek God's will in all things. I invite you to mark your calendar now so you and your family can plan to be present on that day. We want every child, teen, and adult to be a part of what God is doing at St. Thomas! And of course, we have to have food! So, that day's festivities will kick off with a celebratory breakfast in Fellowship before worship begins.



Grace upon grace,

Pastor Abi

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St. Thomas UMC Working Draft of Visioning Documents

Mission Statement

We exist to reach, nourish and serve the community so all may experience healing and new life through Jesus Christ.

Values

At St. Thomas UMC, we hold these values. We are...

Biblically Grounded: We are rooted in scripture. Colossians 2:6-7 and 2Timothy 3:16-17

Relational: Our connection with God and one another guides everything. We pursue loving relationships with one another. We believe life change happens in community. We need each other to grow and become more like Christ. Hebrews 10:24-25

Mission-minded: We deeply care about one another and our community. Matthew 28:19-20

Faithful: We are committed to living Christ's example. Ephesians 5:1-2

Joyful: In all circumstances, we lean on the strength of the Lord. 1Thessalonians 5:16-18

Strategic Priorities

Christian Formation

Worship

Outreach & Mission

Buildings & Grounds

Administration & Infrastructure

SPARK TEAM

Pastors: Abi Foerster & Leslie Oakes; Laity: Will Ameen, Perry Bailey, Ron Campbell (Convener), Bill Coppa, Marian Ludlow, Cheryl Rosko, Zuzana Steen

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Ron Campbell at rcampbell46@yahoo.com or Abi Foerster at abi.foerster@stthomasumc.org

Save the Date: Sunday, November 3rd

Celebrating Past, Present & Future of St. Thomas
with Delicious Breakfast and Inspiring Worship

Have Something to Promote? We've Got You Covered!

By Roxanne Sutton,
Communications Committee Chair

They say communication is key to any relationship and as chair of St. Thomas' Communications Committee, I couldn't agree more. We are blessed that our mission-driven church is constantly hosting events, launching new bible studies and going out into our community to share the love of Christ.

With so many activities and events, though, it can be tricky to know how to share the great work you are doing. We've got several ways of communicating with the congregation, but unless you're a mind reader, you likely don't know who to contact for all of them (or know all of the opportunities available)!

To streamline the process for those of you wanting to communicate with the rest of the congregation, the Communications Committee has created a Communications Request Form that can be easily accessed and submitted through the website here: <https://stthomasumc.org/resources/communications-request.html>

The beauty of this form is that you can submit information about your event, including a photo, and have it sent to the people who manage St. Thomas' newsletter, bulletins, Facebook, service slides and much, much more. You can even choose where you would prefer your information to appear (keep in

mind, though, that due to space limitations, not all of your requests may be possible).

Having a central location for communication requests also helps those of us doing the communicating! We can share the same information across a multitude of platforms and easily alert each other to changes to any event or program information. By using the form, multiple people will see your request to communicate which can help prevent a request getting stuck because of vacations, illness, etc.

If you are accustomed to emailing one person for your requests, don't be surprised if they ask you to start using the new form. It isn't a slight – just an opportunity to ensure that your request is seen by everyone responsible for communications at St. Thomas.

The Communications Committee hopes this tool will be helpful and we welcome your feedback and participation. We're also looking for people to join our wonderful group, so if you have an interest in communicating, social media, video or more, please send me an email at roxannelsutton@gmail.com. We'd love to have you join us!

Room Use Forms!

Fall is in full swing and with all that's happening around St. Thomas, the church office would like to remind you that if you haven't filled out your room use form for any upcoming activities, please do so asap! When you submit your form we can insure that your activity is scheduled on the church calendar and other special requests (such as building access or kitchen needs) can be accommodated. Forms can be found on our website, stthomasumc.org/resources/downloads/forms.html. You can email your completed form to Samantha Bouquet at samantha.bouquet@stthomasumc.org.

Join Us for New Adult Sunday School Classes

Beginning September 8

We warmly invite ALL to explore and deepen your faith with caring leaders and friends as our Adult classes reconvene on Sunday, September 8.

9:40 AM

FIRST CORINTHIANS Teacher: Earl Amstutz, Room 302

We will take an in-depth look at Apostle Paul's first recorded letter to the church at Corinth. What was Paul saying and why? Does God still speak to us today through Paul's writings?

EPHESIANS Teacher: Pat Dodson, Room 306

In the Letter of Ephesians, throughout its worship, prayers and instructions for living, Paul cannot contain his joy and amazement at the larger story of God's plan to save us in Jesus the Messiah. This study will help us see the significance of our role in God's grand narrative, and encourage us to live more fully as people who are lavishly loved by God.

JESUS: The Final Journey Teacher Doug White, Room 309

We will take an up-close and personal look at Jesus during His last year on earth. We begin with the feeding of the 5,000 and conclude with His Resurrection. We will gain insight into His mid-set, and discover the reasons for Jesus' actions during that turbulent year.....a "whydunit."

Our Best PARENTING Teacher: Holly Banner, Room 304

September start date To Be Announced

11:00 AM

A Life of PRAYER Teacher: Paula Renfro, Room 306

Does God hear us? Does God speak? How can we connect with God when all seems to be lost? What is our role in listening? Exploring both biblical personalities and teaching, our study will help us understand how to seek an ever deeper dialogue with God.

You are invited to have dinner with our pastors!

If you are new to St. Thomas, this is a great way to learn more about who we are and what we are about. Our mission is to reach, nourish, and serve the community so that all may experience healing and new life. We would love to tell you more about what that means and how you can play a part in it.

Our New Member Gathering is an informal get-together where you can learn more about the United Methodist Church and specifically St. Thomas, meet Pastor Abi, Pastor Leslie and the Lay Leaders, ask questions, get to know other new folks in the community, and most of all have dinner on us. There is no homework, no high-pressure time-share presentation, and no hidden agenda other than to get you excited about what God is doing in Manassas at St. Thomas.

We want to get to know you a little better and share with you what's on our hearts for the future of St. Thomas. The next New Member Gathering will be held on Sunday, September 22 at 4 PM on the 3rd floor in Room 300/302. Children are encouraged to attend with their parents. The New Member Gatherings are offered once a quarter. A notice will be in the church bulletin for the next gathering, and you can reserve your spot by signing up on your Connect Card in worship or by emailing the assistant pastor, leslie.oakes@stthomasumc.org.

Interested in Using Your Gifts in Ministry?

Currently, the Nominations and Leadership Development Committee is meeting to identify, develop, and deploy those in our congregation who would like to take on a leadership position in 2020 so that the congregation is able to effectively carry out its mission and ministry within the community.

This committee will present a nomination list to the charge conference on Sunday, November 17 for a church council chair, a committee on staff/pastor parish relations and its chair, a board of trustees, a committee on finance (to include chair, financial secretary, and treasurer), a lay member to annual conference, and a lay leader. The committee also works with the church council throughout the year to name other leaders for the ministry that fulfills the mission of the congregation in areas of worship, hospitality, mission, outreach and evangelism, congregational care, and Christian formation with children, youth and adults.

If you would like to serve in some way through the ministry of St. Thomas in 2020, please email Pastor Abi, abi.foerster@stthomasumc.org, or assistant pastor, leslie.oakes@stthomasumc.org by close of business on Wednesday, October 2 and we'll help you find the best place for you to use your spiritual gifts to be a blessing to Christ and the community.

Drive - Thru Nativity



Save the date!
Dec 14, 4-8pm.
This is a great way to serve as a family. More information to come soon!

Opportunity to Invest in the Next Generation at St. Thomas

What was Sunday School like for you growing up? What did you like about it? For me a life growing up in church means I remember most the adults who took the time to teach me. Mr. Pitcher was a patient older gentleman who was fun and made Bible stories engaging from a life full of wisdom. Mr. Bronson was an excellent communicator and organized hands-on activities that helped the lesson stick with me. Mr. Ryan was a young 20-year-old guy with a sleek red car. My brother and I thought he was the coolest thing ever and he made a huge impression on us as kids. As a young boy, I looked up to these men who took time to love on me and teach me about faith.

Have you had the chance to have this impact on a child? Whatever your answer is to this question, there are still kids now that need this kind of investment made in them. Will you prayerfully consider your involvement in our ministries for children and teens at St. Thomas this upcoming school year? We are looking for people who are willing to take the time to build relationships with our kids so that they know they are loved by God and brought up in the faith. Take a moment to visit the bulletin board in the Narthex to see our current needs and where God might lead you to help us accomplish our mission. Please contact me with questions or next steps on how to get involved.



Caleb Mathews

Director of Children and Youth Ministries

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News from the Kitchen: Tuesday Night Dinners return!!

We have begun our new season of Tuesday Night Dinners! We hope you will make plans to join us each Tuesday for dinner. We serve from 5:30pm-6:15pm. If you are unable to stay for dinner or want to grab some on your way home, we offer to go meals which can be picked up from 5:30pm-6:30pm. When you sign up for a to go meal you are committing to pay for that meal as we will have it packed and ready by 5:30pm. Our prices remain the same: \$6.00 per person, \$20.00 for a family of 4 with each additional member of the family paying \$2.00. We are starting a "pilot program" for kid's dine-in meals. Kids 5 years and younger who eat the kid's dine-in entrée will eat for free with a paying adult. Kids ages 6-8 years will pay \$3.00 for the kid's dine-in entrée with a paying adult. The kid's dine-in entrée will be posted weekly. Along with the kid's entrée the kid meals include one of the sides being offered on the main menu and the dessert.

You can help us know how many to prepare for each week by signing up on the connect card, signing up online, or calling the church office.

Please remember to wear a name tag each week. It helps us learn your names as well as the others who are dining. If you see someone you don't know, extend the hand of friendship to gain a new friend.

If you know of someone who is in need of a meal, please call the church office at 703-368-5161 or Janel Weed at 703-507-9075. We would be delighted to fix a meal or two to help out.

We are continuing our partnership with The Joyful Noise Singers to help fund their Ministry Tour. We will donate half of the profit for the Tuesday Night Dinners to assist them. They in turn will help us with set up, serving, and clean up.

Our carts have new wheels! Please help us keep them in superb working condition by not taking them off the sidewalk to load or unload your vehicle. Please do not take them to the little house or the food pantry.

Our menus for September are:

September 3

Cold Sandwich Bar
(Egg Salad, Ham Salad, Tuna Salad, PB&J)
French Fries
Pasta Salad
Dessert
Kid's Menu Entrée: PB&J

September 10

Smothered Beef
Buttered Noodles
Vegetable Fresh Bread
Dessert
Kid's Menu Entrée: Grilled Cheese

September 17

Chicken Fried Steak w/ Country Gravy
Hash Brown Potatoes
Scrambled Eggs
Biscuits
Dessert
Kid's Menu Entrée: Hot Dog

September 24

Stuffed Peppers
Corn Fritter
Vegetable
Dessert
Kid's Menu Entrée: Chicken Nuggets

Thank you! The Kitchen Ministry Team

Older, Wiser, Livelier Seniors - OWLS

Whomever said “old” people are set in their ways never met the St Thomas OWLS. In April, because of forecasted heavy rains, the trip to Ginter Gardens in Richmond was changed to a delightful lunch, followed by ice cream, in Warrenton. In May, we had to delay our trip to Tangier Island by one week because the boat was sold out. Boring June meant lunch went off without a hitch. But, again in July, our outing to Bull Run Winery was changed because of extreme heat and 100° + heat indexes. So instead, we dined at the elegant food court at Manassas Mall. Yes, you read that right, the food court at the Mall!

Eight OWLS met at the air-conditioned food court where everyone enjoyed their personal choice of cuisine while participating in lively conversation. This just proved that it isn't the venue that is important but the gathering together of friends for fellowship and food. As we dispersed, some chose to do a little shopping, some decided to get their steps in by walking inside the cool mall, while others departed to other parts of Manassas.

Our August outing was at the beach house of Bill and Nancy Buchanan in King George, Va. This is always a popular trip. More on the fun, with pictures, in next month's Triumph Newsletter.

On September 20, we will be traveling to Front Royal to the home of former St. Thomas members, Kay and Pete Polen. It will be fun to see “old” friends again. We will meet at the church at 9:45 AM, leaving promptly at 10 AM, traveling by church van. We will enjoy a potluck lunch, with everyone providing a dish to share, while enjoying the beautiful wooded landscape surrounding Kay and Pete's home. We will be returning to Manassas between 3 and 4:00 PM. Please RSVP to Marian Ludlow (703-361-4390) or Lynn Furlong (703-499-0243) by September 16. Let us know if you will be riding in the church van or able to take others, if needed, and how many.



Apple Pies

It's apple pie season! The United Methodist Women (and friends) will be making pies from Sept 18th thru Oct 16th. Order your pies for the holidays and help support missions for women & children. Cost is \$12 per pie. We will be taking orders and collecting fees each Sunday beginning September 15. You MUST pick up your pie(s) the following Sunday after it is made. Don't wait to sign-up, we only make 50 each week and they go fast!

Join us on Wednesdays for our Apple Pie Assembly Line! If you can't make it on Wednesdays, you can donate supplies (flour, sugar, margarine) or make our fool-proof pie dough at home. Look for us in the Fellowship Hall for details.



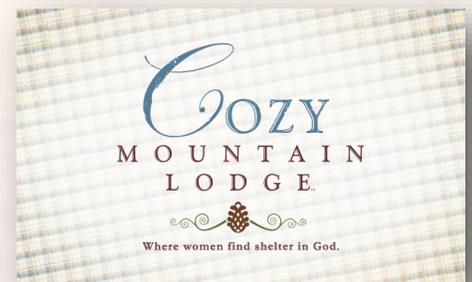
United Methodist Women: Holiday Bazaar

The United Methodist Women will hold their 46th Annual Holiday Bazaar on Saturday, October 19. All proceeds from this event support mission projects benefiting women and children both locally and internationally. We are beginning to accept donations for the following areas:

- The Jewelry Booth would love to help recycle your jewelry donations for the bazaar. Please place items in the workroom labeled Jewelry.
- The Silent Auction is looking for items for the upcoming Bazaar. If you own a business, can you provide an item or service? Are you an Artist or Craftsman and willing to donate a piece of art or craft? Have a favorite store? Please consider purchasing a gift card or asking for a donation. We have a letter that you can provide to vendor with your request. Place item in workroom labeled Bazaar.
- The Good As New Shop is accepting your donations of NEW or Gently Used items. Please place your donations in the workroom labeled 'Good As New'. If the item is large, please place it behind the screens in the Fellowship Hall. No Electronics, Clothes, or Books please!

Also, at the Bazaar don't miss the Bethlehem Craft Shop upstairs. The ladies have been working all year on seasonal décor and gifts. Check out the curio cabinet in the corner of the Narthex for a sneak peek at some of their wonderful crafts. Would you like to help? We are always looking for some new people to join in the fun and help serve at this event. We are sure to have a place that fits your abilities and personality! You don't have to lead, just come and work with other like-minded ladies to raise money for missions! For more information contact Sarah Hammack & Donna Williams at chair.stumc@gmail.com

Come and enjoy our one day Cozy Mountain Retreat. Make new friends, have good conversations, and learn about Ruth and yourself. For women ages high school and up. September 14, 2019, 9 am – 4 pm., Lunch included. Cost: \$40.



SAVE THE DATE: April 25, 2020: Trip to Sight and Sound to see "Queen Esther". This bus trip is open to everyone. Tickets will go on sale in December and will include the bus, show ticket, and lunch.

WHITE HOUSE ORNAMENTS are available to purchase for \$22 each. This ornament symbolizes President Eisenhower's commitment to innovation. He was the first president to fly in a helicopter while in office in July 1957. Since 1957, Sikorsky, a Lockheed Martin Company, has built the Presidential helicopter.



MEDIA CIRCLE: Do you like to read? The Media Circle would love for you to join our book discussions on the first Friday of each month at 7 PM in the church library.

For more info, please contact Teresa Hayes by email, teryann.hayes@verizon.net.

If you have any questions about the UMW, please contact us at Chair.STUMW@gmail.com



Student Ministry



THE PACK AM: SUNDAYS at 9:40 AM in Room 305 Students 6th-12th grade are invited to join us as we journey together through "The Gospel Project," God's redemptive story for mankind.

UPCOMING PACK MEETINGS

September 3: Kick-Off Ice Cream Social and Parent Meeting

September 17: Pack Meeting



Kidz Rock Choir Resumes Tuesday, Sept. 10, 6:00 PM

Calling all elementary children, in 1st through 5th grades, to join the Kidz Rock Choir this fall. Children will learn the fundamentals of singing in a choir in a safe and fun environment. The Kidz Rock Choir sings monthly, alternating between the 9:40 and 11:00 AM worship services in addition to taking a significant



role in the Children's Christmas Drama, which will be performed this year on Sunday, December 22 at 9:40 AM.

New this year directing the choir is **Tristan Troyer (pictured left)**, who is currently attending George Mason University,

studying History Education and Music as a minor. He is a Virginia native and an Alumni of Osbourn Park High School. While at Osbourn Park High School, Tristan traveled around the country attending and performing in National Honor Choirs and learning different choir techniques from respected conductors. Tristan has trained vocally at prestigious Performing Arts institutions including the Boston Conservatory and the Washington National Opera. Tristan currently resides in Arlington, Virginia with his Dog and two Parrots. He has been one of four St. Thomas Choir interns and will be expanding his responsibilities this semester with the KidzRock Choir! Welcome!

Back Pack Attack: Sunday September 15 at 9:40 and 11:00 Children, teens, and adults are invited to help us pack bags of food as part of our partnership with the Back Pack Attack program. The food we pack that day will go home with kids in local schools to help feed them over the weekends. St. Thomas donated funds to support this project and now we get to pack the bags. Join us in the Children's Worship Center as we serve together!



3rd Grade Bible Class: Beginning Sunday September 29th at 9:40, 3rd Graders are invited to join us for a 3 week class to learn all about the Bible and how to use it. The class will end in worship on Sunday October 13 with the kids receiving their Bibles. Please RSVP to Caleb Mathews if your child would like to participate in the class or if they cannot participate and still would like to receive a Bible from the church.

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Bottom Line:
God made everything.

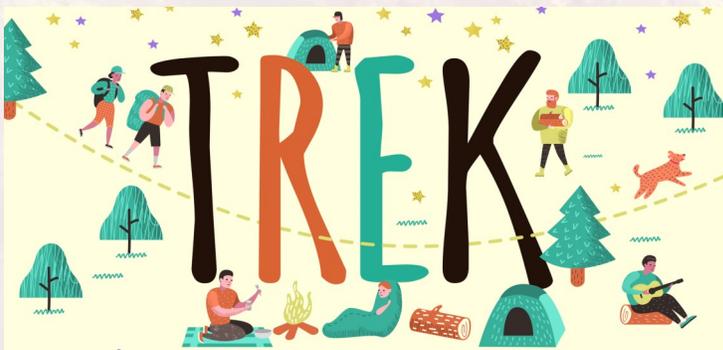


Memory Verse:
"God saw everything he had made. And it was very good."
GENESIS 1:31, NIRV

first look

PRESCHOOL-Count With Me: When is the last time you took the time to really look at everything God made? Taking a moment to take a walk outside or look up the wonders of the world online will totally change the way you share this month's Bible stories with preschoolers. We need that WONDER dial turned way up! ALL the way up! And the best way to do that is to experience some of that wonder!

It's that feeling of wonder we want our preschoolers to have as they learn about God's creation. We are going to do a lot of counting together this month—one, two, three, four, five, six, seven—pausing to learn what God made on each day of creation. Through our fun and exciting activities and stories we want our preschoolers to learn God made everything, and IT IS GOOD!



An adventure in trust

ELEMENTARY-Trek: An Adventure in Trust : Throughout history God has proven His faithfulness to us, especially in keeping His promise to send Jesus to save us. God will continue to be dependable. The Bible is filled with examples of people who knew first-hand what it means to trust God. This month, we focus on two of them: Jacob and Joseph. Through their stories, we'll discover how we can trust Him no matter what we face.

Bottom Line: Trust-Putting your confidence in someone you can depend on. **MEMORY VERSE:** "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight." Proverbs 3:5-6, NIV

King's Kids

Our ministry with children seeks to share the faith with the next generation of children from birth through 5th grade. The primary ministry occurs on Sunday mornings. Check it out...

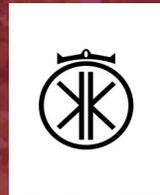
SUNDAY MORNINGS AT STUMC:



Nursery, 0-2 years old:

Provided during all three worship services from 8:00 am—12:15 pm.

SUNDAY SCHOOL @ 9:40 am



**Preschool Kids,
Room 107**



**Elementary Kids,
Worship Center**

KIDS CHURCH @ 11:00 am

3 years old-2nd Grade

We've been on break for the Summer but will be back September 8! During the School following the Children's Message in the Sanctuary, kids are escorted to the Nursery for age appropriate worship through music, a Bible story, and play.



KIDS CARE 2: Next Tween Meeting is Friday

September 13, 6pm-8pm. All 3rd-5th Graders are invited to this month's gathering in the Children's Worship Center.

Dinner is provided. All tweens are encouraged to bring a book to donate to the Little Free Library and we'll discuss community safety with a cop!



Every month we gather for food, fun, faith, and a hands on service project. Plan to join us this month and bring a friend!

Helping Hands Mission: August 1-2

Our tweens had the awesome opportunity to participate in a two day mission experience with several other Methodist Churches down at Woodlake UMC in Midlothian, VA. On day one our group of 6 had a great time serving together at the Chesterfield County Library where we dusted, prepared crafts, and cleaned toys. Later that evening we bounced the night away at a trampoline park! On day two we visited the Reinhart House which serves as a home away from home for caregivers of patients at St. Mary's Hospital. We were able to prepare meals for the guests and even got a tour of the beautiful home. It was a great trip and we look forward to returning next summer with another group!



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Newsletter Deadline:

15th of the month

Please email all articles to both:

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September Events

- Sep 1 DC Homeless Mission
- Sep 2 Labor Day - OFFICE CLOSED
- Sep 3 The PACK - Ice Cream Social
- Sep 8 BFF Sunday & Ministry Fair
- Sep 14 UMW Women's Retreat
- Sep 15 START Trip to NC
- Sep 18 Apple Pie Making (first of 5 weeks)
- Sep 20 OWLS Trip to the Polen's
- Sep 22 New Member Gathering
- Sep 28 Leadership Summit

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
September Event Calendar						
1 5pm DC Homeless Mission	2 Labor Day Office Closed	3 5:30pm The PACK 7:15pm Trustees, Stewardship, Congregational Care	4 6:00pm Alzheimer's Networking Group	5 6:30pm SPARK Mtg.	6 9:30am Care Giver's Support Group 7:00pm Media Circle	7 11:00am DAR Meeting
8 BFF Sunday Ministry Fair BBQ 11-2	9 Noon PW Retired Teachers Assoc 7:30pm Life After Miscarriage	10 1pm Dorcas Circle 7:15pm Evangelism, Communications, Finance, Children & Youth, START Mtg.	11	12 6:30pm SPARK Mtg.	13 6:00pm KidsCare2	14 8:15am Therapy Dogs 9:00am UMW Women's Retreat
15 12:30pm Nominations START Trip to NC	16	17 5:30pm The PACK Missions, SPRC 7:15pm	18 6:30pm Apple Pie Making	19 9:00am Worship Design Team	20 9:45am OWLS Trip to the Polen's	21 8:00am USDA Food Distribution 11:00am Memory Cafe
22 4:00pm New Members Gathering	23	24 7:15pm Church Council	25 6:30pm Apple Pie Making	26	27	28 12:30pm Leadership Summit
29	30					
Weekly Schedule (subject to change due to holidays or other events – check with your coordinator)						
12:15pm JNS Rehearsal (starts 9/15)	7:30pm St Thom Cats	5:30pm Dinner 6:00pm Kidz Rock Choir(starts 9/10) 6:30pm Worship 7:15pm Praise Band 8:00pm AA Meeting	10:00am Quilts for Kids 6:45pm Chancel Choir	9:00am Classical Conversations 9:30am UMW Bazaar Crafters 7:30pm Handbell Choir 8:00pm AA Meeting		8:00am Ladies Emmaus Group 8:00am Men's Breakfast Group 9:00am Food Pantry

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
September Birthdays						
1	2 J.D. Sayle	3	4	5 Carolyn Close Teddy Palian	6 David Norman	7
8	9	10 Karyn Kraft Olivia Santee	11 Rev. Abi Foerster Scott Yost	12	13	14 Jon Weed
15	16	17	18 Paula Harper	19 Brad Seagle Vertie Williams Christina Tacik	20 Faith Michalek	21 Bob Stanley Leslie Oakes
22 Judy Fake	23	24 Wayne Avery Nicci Seagle Julie Palian	25 Gail Stevens Bea Flynn	26 John White	27 Julie Doell	28 Katie Haines
29	30					