

Adult Bible Studies, Sunday School and Book Club

Framing Your Worldview Starts TODAY

What is your WORLDVIEW? A worldview is simply the way we think the world works and how we fit into it. Everyone has a worldview, though most people are not aware of it. Understanding your worldview is very important because it shapes our thoughts, attitudes and actions.

Join the CHRISTIANS UNDER CONSTRUCTION Sunday school class for a six-week study titled FRAMING YOUR WORLDVIEW. This is an awesome DVD and discussion based study created by Rick Warren and Chuck Colson.



The study begins July 19 at 10:50 in Room 122. All are welcome! For questions, contact Charlie Gray at ncgetcdl@bellsouth.net or 810-2217.

Efird Bible Study Starts Aug. 2

From the two creation stories to the Hebrews' move to Egypt, a master teacher helps us understand how master story tellers passed Hebrew history from generation to generation, while also painting clear pictures of Biblical characters, "warts and all".

Please join us for a DVD based bible study on the book of Genesis by Master Teacher Dr. Mickey Efird, a professor at Duke Divinity School. Our study on Genesis consists of 20 lessons and will begin on August 2 at 10:50am in room 119. If interested, please contact Barbara Patterson at jmpatterso@aol.com.

Join the Book Club

Be part of this wonderful group of readers who meet on the third Friday of each month for dinner and lively conversation, please contact Tammie Quick (tquick@gmail.com) or Suzanne Jones (dsjones@nc.rr.com). Detailed descriptions of each book are in the July edition of the Wellspring newsletter and on the church website at www.fvumc.org.

Selections coming this fall are:

Aug. 21 – *An Altar in the World: A Geography of Faith* by Barbara Brown Taylor (2009)

Sept. 18 – *Unbowed* by Wangari Maathai (2007)

Oct. 16 – *The Narcissism Epidemic: Living in the Age of Entitlement* by Jean M. Twenge and W. Keith Campbell (2009)

Nov. 20 – *Home* by Marilynne Robinson (2009)



What Is Disciple Bible Study?

In March 1986 a group of eighteen gathered in Flower Mound, TX, committed to a dream of developing a Bible study for training Christian Disciples. Together they shaped the dream into a vision of what became DISCIPLE: BECOMING DISCIPLES THROUGH BIBLE STUDY.



In July of 1989, three years after the Flower Mound gathering that gave birth to DISCIPLE, word had come across the church that lives were being changed and churches renewed. A group gathered once again and took on the challenge of providing another life-changing study. The result was DISCIPLE: INTO THE WORD INTO THE WORLD with the challenge of going deeper into the Word and out into the world.

Another three years later in December of 1992 another gathering took place and the new study took shape. Experience confirmed direction and congregations were ready to confront and be confronted by the hard words of the prophets. The result - DISCIPLE: REMEMBER WHO YOU ARE, the third study in what would become a four-phase program.

Finally, in 2001, the fourth and final study of the original DISCIPLE program was published. From Creation to the New Jerusalem – that was the promise and the vision. DISCIPLE: UNDER THE TREE OF LIFE was published and groups would study The Writings and Revelation. The journey was long and in-depth and would take congregations through the Bible twice.

BECOMING DISCIPLES THROUGH BIBLE STUDY provides an overview of the entire Bible. The next three studies deal with specific books in more detail. DISCIPLE BIBLE STUDIES have been influential in transforming the lives of 1.5 million people. These studies also have led to the development of JESUS IN THE GOSPELS and the short term studies INVITATION TO THE OLD TESTAMENT and INVITATION TO ROMANS that FVUMC will be offering this fall.

As lives are changed, DISCIPLE BIBLE STUDY continues to grow at FVUMC. Won't you be a part of this exciting spiritual experience? Check out the DISCIPLE table in the lobby for more information.

Food of the Month for July

The F-V Emergency Food Pantry requests that our church collect Peanut Butter and Jelly. Other types of food items are appreciated as well. A collection container is in the church lobby.

Promotion Sunday Is Aug. 23 for Children and Youth

All children and youth will move to their next Sunday School age level class on Sunday, August 23. If you have any questions, please contact Stephanie Weeks, Children's Ministries Director, at sweeks@fvumc.org or Kristy Hochhalter, Director of Youth Ministries, at youth@fvumc.org. Both can be reached by calling the church at 552-4331.



Ministry Opportunity for Many

With Promotion Sunday (Aug. 23) comes the beginning of a wonderful new year in Children's Ministries and the opportunity for many volunteers. We are in need of Sunday school teachers at both 9:30am and 10:50am on a rotating basis. Teachers alternate with another teacher every other week or by month depending on what fits their schedule. The curriculum is very user friendly and little preparation is required in advance. Our current Sunday school teachers will tell you that they enjoy spreading God's word and love with the children.



On July 26 and August 2, visit the table in the lobby full of information on Children's Ministries and ways you can serve within nursery, Sunday school or Children's Church. If you feel this is an area where you would like to serve, please stop by and ask questions or sign up to volunteer. Contact Stephanie Weeks at sweeks@fvumc.org if you already know you'd like to volunteer.

Volunteers Needed

We are in need of volunteers for Children's Church beginning in August. Your commitment is only once a month, and all the materials are provided. All you do is show up and teach!! If you are interested, please contact Keena Teague at 772-5368 or david-keena@bellsouth.net The children of the church thank you!!

Meet Your Neighbors - Fill out the Attendance Pads

Please remember to fill out Attendance Pads and then pass them back down your row toward the center aisle. It's a great way to get to know your worship neighbors!

Men's Breakfast This Saturday

Men! Are you looking for a great time of fellowship with other men? Are you interested in what current and upcoming activities there are for men in our church? Or, are you simply interested in having a great breakfast with a great speaker? Join us, Saturday morning, July 25 from 7:30-9:00am in the Centrum for all of those things! Learn about upcoming events and opportunities to get connected with UMM.



School Supplies Needed

During the entire month of July please help fill our lobby shelves (many times over) with school supplies to be distributed by our friends at Southern Regional Center as well as to local English as a Second Language high school students. All school supplies are welcomed, especially new or gently used (good condition) book bags. Crayons, pencils, glue sticks, folders, notebook paper, rulers, scissors, and pencil pouches are all useful elementary items. For our high school students we need 3 ring binders, dividers, pens, expandable book covers (larger size), graphing papers, index cards, hi-lighters, small staplers, and colored pencils.



**If anyone has a graphing calculator they are no longer using it would be a HUGE help to the high school students.

Have fun filling our lobby shelves with these necessities to ensure a successful start to a new school year for children and youth in our community.

PrimeTimers Upcoming Events

This group is for those in the prime of life! Welcome all to participate in our activities each month. In July, we'll meet at FVUMC on Tuesday, July 21 at 10:30am to hear an inspiring talk on "Quilts, Shawls, and Prayer" from Ray Vitkus. He has been battling cancer for four years, and he'll discuss the significant impacts the prayers of others have had on his recovery. Afterwards, we'll head to a local eatery for lunch. In August, we'll hear from Terry Bass on financial investment instruments and dangers. We will also be going on a road trip to the NC Museum of Natural History for a special exhibit all about chocolate. Call Debbie Corr at 557-7437 or Ray and Kerry Vitkus at 740-3466 if you need a ride.



Last Day to Register for Middle School Trip

The trip, from August 1-2, is for middle school youth who have just finished the 6th & 7th grades. We will meet at the church at 8:30am on Saturday, Aug. 1 and will do a variety of service projects in our local community. Then we will eat lunch and make our way to Jordan Lake to set up our campsite and spend the afternoon swimming and hiking! In the evening we will have worship and make s'mores. We will return to the church at 12:00pm on Sunday. Parents are needed to chaperone!!! The cost is \$25. The deadline to register is Sunday, July 19. To register, contact Kristy Hochhalter.

Other Chances to Meet our District Superintendent - Rev. Jon Strother

If you were unable to attend the Fuquay gathering to meet Rev. Jon Strother, the new Raleigh District Superintendent, other introductory gatherings are scheduled. Fellowship and refreshments will be offered before and after each gathering:

- Sunday, July 26 - Hollands' UMC on Ten-Ten Road 3:00-4:15pm
- Sunday, August 9 - Raleigh: Edenton Street UMC 3:00 to 4:15 pm
- Wednesday, August 12 Raleigh: Millbrook UMC 6:30 to 7:45 pm

Each gathering is identical and offers opportunities for celebration, renewed focus and a deepened sense of what it means to follow Jesus Christ.

Coupons for the Troops

71 pounds of coupons mailed and counting! We want to thank all of you again and again for your generosity, time and effort to supply the CUT-OUT, SORTED and fliers of coupons for our adopted base in Germany.



In these difficult times, every penny counts and our troops and their families appreciate our efforts. It is a small way that we can continue to say WE CARE and THANK YOU for all you do for all of us here in the United States. Please continue to provide the coupons, and we will continue to get them ready and to mail them. (A reminder: NO local store/restaurant coupons and they will only accept two months PAST the expiration date.) Thanks and Blessings to all of you from the Ladies of the QUIET CARE MINISTRY.

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Weekly Times

July 19, 2009

TODAY at 4:00 pm—Steel Drum Concert

A program of great music from the group Tagé on Steel from the Washington, DC area. They are joining us for worship this morning and presenting a concert today at 4pm in the centrum. **Admission is free, and childcare is provided!**

This adult steel pan ensemble is sponsored by First UMC of Hyattsville and affiliated with the Cultural Academy for Excellence (CAFÉ), a non-profit dedicated to encouraging academic excellence of children and youth through the use of music. The ensemble is made up of members from several different countries and cultures. The members are brought together by their love of the steel pan, their quest to strive for musical excellence, and their dedication to the young people of CAFÉ. All donations to the group are given to a college scholarship fund to benefit students at CAFÉ.

WIHN Week Begins Today

Families in transition will be arriving TODAY make FVUMC their home for the week. You can help make them feel welcome by providing meals, setting up, cleaning up, visiting in the evenings, driving the families from Raleigh to FVUMC or spending the night. Please see the sign up board in the lobby for ways you, your family or your small group can help. For questions call Sandra Bass (552-9647) or Susanne Young (552-7503).



Tomato Sandwich Party!

All are invited to enjoy fresh tomato sandwiches with all the fix-ins', compliments of Covenant Community Garden, immediately after the 10:50 service on Sunday, July 26. We will gather under tents next to the garden. If you would like to bring a side dish item, please feel free to leave it in the kitchen labeled for the Tomato Sandwich Party. Join us for fun, food, and fellowship as we celebrate the third year of our garden! For questions, contact Joy Brown, Garden Coordinator at 557-5954.

