

**Weekly Planner, January 23-29, 2005**

<b>Sun</b> <b>23</b>	Blood pressure screening in the library between services 8:30 a.m. Worship 9:45 a.m. Sunday School 10:00 a.m. New Members Class 11:00 a.m. Worship 12:00 noon Youth Potato Bar for Missions 12:00 noon Reception for Larry Bevins 4:00 p.m. Drama Meeting 4:45 p.m. Laudamus Te Ringers 5:15 p.m. Youth Choir 5:30 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting 5:45 p.m. UMYF 8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting
<b>Mon</b> <b>24</b>	6:00-8:00 p.m. Sanctuary Worship Team Practice 6:30 p.m. Jesus in the Gospels Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts 6:30 p.m. Girl Scouts 6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts 7:00 p.m. Drama Meeting 7:30 p.m. Praise Choir
<b>Tue</b> <b>25</b>	Church office closes at noon 7:00-8:30 p.m. Middle School Bible Study at Mingeess 7:30-9:00 p.m. High School Bible Study at At Lees
<b>Wed</b> <b>26</b>	9:00 a.m. TOPS 10:30 a.m.-12:00 noon Mothers Nurturing Mothers 4:15 p.m. Cherub Choir 4:45 p.m. Junior Choir 5:15 p.m. Church Dinner 5:25 p.m. Jubilate Ringers 6:30 p.m. Sanctuary 7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir
<b>Thu</b> <b>27</b>	9:00 a.m. Newsletter assembly in Fellowship Hall 9:30 a.m. Sewing Group 6:30 p.m. Singles Group 6:30 p.m. Girl Scouts 7:30 p.m. Trustees Meeting
<b>Fri</b> <b>28</b>	8:00 a.m. Prayer Partners 1:00 p.m. Youth leave for Acquire the Fire Rally in Richmond 4:30 p.m. Youth Service Project—P.O.R.T.
<b>Sat</b> <b>29</b>	8:30 a.m.—1:00 p.m. Pine Box Derby 9:30 a.m. ECMS Parent Workshop 1:30 p.m. ECMS Parent Workshop 8:30 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting

**Warwick Weekly—January 23, 2005**

**A wise old man once said, “We can major in our fears or major in our dreams.” As we gather to worship and encounter the Word of God, let us choose to major in our dreams. We wish to welcome you with sincerity and invite you to be a regular worshiper in this sanctuary.**

**LARGE PRINT BULLETINS AND HYMNALS** are available for use during the worship service. Please see an usher to obtain one.

**Prayer Chain:** If you have a person in need of prayer, call ***Elsie Mitchell*** or the church office (877-2270) and your request will receive prompt addition to a prayer chain. You may also contact ***Jim Rogers*** at 68eagle@cox.net to be placed on the electronic prayer chain.

**Serving Today**

**Greeters:** 8:30 - Joe and June Buckman  
11:00 - Jean and Paul Lowe

**Ushers:** 8:30 -  
11:00 - Beverly Mayeaux, Jean Scott, Beth Murray, Kathy Crossett

**Junior Church Workers Today:** 8:30 - Judy Wilson  
11:00 - Maura & Neil Marcella

**Next Sunday:** 8:30 - Julie Dorner  
11:00 - Michele Guyer

**Prayer Thoughts**

*“The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.” (Luke 10:2*

*Pray for laborers for the harvest and also be willing to be an answer to your prayer if God so chooses.*

**Church Calendar for 2005**

All groups/committees that meet at the church should put their events on the calendar in the church office. Information needed: **1. Name of group, 2. Time of meeting, 3. Place of meeting.** We request that all information be written neatly in pencil.

Thanks!!

**Altar Flowers**

The flowers on the altar today are given by the **Stratmeyer family** to the glory of God and to thank everyone for the happy years spent as part of the Warwick Memorial family.



January 26 Sanctuary



*“I’ve Got the Joy, Joy, Joy, Joy ...”*

Some of us may be familiar with the words of this children’s song – it’s a song that talks about having the joy of the Lord “down in our hearts.” When we’re thinking about living as a “real Christian,” we must ask ourselves: Do we have that joy in our hearts? Are we able to truly rejoice in all things? Come to Sanctuary and rediscover the joy of the Lord! Come and bring a friend! Dinner starts at 5:15 p.m. Worship begins at 6:30 p.m. Childcare is provided.

**Southeast Asia Emergency Relief**

The recent Tsunami in Southeast Asia uprooted thousands of people’s lives, destroyed homes and livelihood, leaving death and destruction beyond comprehension. Rebuilding this area will require extremely large amounts of money, time, and love from all of God’s people. Please consider sharing your love by giving a monetary gift in support of these unfortunate people. The wonderful thing for United Methodists is that when we give to our Advance Special, *100 percent of our giving goes toward the relief efforts.* **Contributions may be placed in the offering plate or sent directly to: Treasurer, Virginia Conference UMC, P. O. Box 1688, Glen Allen, VA 23060. Please indicate that the gift is for Advance #274305, Southeast Asia Emergency Relief.**

***You may also get involved by providing emergency supplies as follows:***

**Health Kits:** 1 hand towel, 1 bath size bar soap in wrapper, 1 washcloth, 1 toothbrush in original wrapper, 1 comb (large and sturdy), 1 large tube of toothpaste (no sample sizes), 1 metal nail file (no emery boards), 6 adhesive bandages. Wrap the items in the hand towel, tie with string or yarn, and place inside a gallon size zip lock bag. Prepare the kit according to specifications or donate \$12 per kit.

**Layettes:** 6 cloth diapers, 2 diaper pins, 2 shirts or 2 one piece body suits, 1 sweater with open front, 2 baby washcloths, 2 receiving blankets, 2 gowns or sleepers. Bundle items in one of the blankets and secure with the pins. Prepare the kit according to specifications or donate \$10 per layette.

**Medicine Boxes** (see <http://gbgm-umc.org/health/medbox/>)

**Family Shelters:** to be purchased in the stricken regions, these shelters cost \$108 each. Each shelter contains a tent, tarp, and ground cloth.

**Sunday School Teacher Needed**

The Christian Education Ministries needs a Sunday School Teacher for the 5 year old kindergarten class. You would need to teach the 2nd Sunday of each month. Please call Shannon Warthan or the Church Office (877-2270).

**Singles News**

**Thursday Night Together (TNT)** - every Thursday night at 6:30 p.m. Bring a dish to share in the pot luck and \$1 to cover paper goods and drinks. Varied programs.

**1/27 Discussion Group–Favorite Sayings.** Bring sayings or quotes that give encouragement.

**Youth Stuff**

- ☺ **Today - Potato Bar for Missions** - after the 11:00 service in Fellowship Hall **Orders for Valentine Roses** begin-benefits Youth Service Fund. **Regular UMYF** beginning at 5:45 pm, program ends at 7:30 pm. **\*\*Bring your money for ATF tonight!\*\* We still have spaces available... bring your friends!!**
- ☺ **Tuesday - Middle School Bible Study** 7:00-8:30 p.m. at the Mingeess - “Pictures of God II”  
**High School Bible Study** 7:30-9:00 p.m. at the At Lee’s “Acts” (***New Location*** + Combined guys and girls)
- ☺ **Friday - Meet at church at 1:00 p.m.** to leave for **Acquire the Fire** in Richmond (returning very late Saturday night - 12:30 a.m.) Bring your overnight stuff, money for meals, and overnight permission slip.  
**P.O.R.T. Homeless Shelter Dinner Help**-(Jim Rogers already has signups for group).

**Next Sunday - Regular UMYF** (snack supper starts at 5:45 p.m., program ends at 7:30 p.m.)

**Upcoming Stuff...**Watch Youth Bulletin Board for more info and signup sheets:

- **Rose Making Party** @ Mingeess-Fri 2/4, 7-10 pm
- **District Dance at St. Marks UMC**-Fri 2/18, 7-10 pm
- **Sign up NOW for summer mission opportunities!**

Middle School: Westview Mission Week (Dates TBD-probably July)

High School: Harvest of Hope-Gleaning Mission Week in Ashland, VA-July 17-23.

Washington DC Urban Mission Week-at Southeast White House in DC, August 7-13.



## Youth Potato Bar Fundraiser

**today in the Fellowship Hall  
following the 11:00 service**

Donations go toward youth missions.  
**Come join us!**



**UMM Sweetheart Banquet**

The annual banquet will be held on **February 11** in the Fellowship Hall. We will gather at 6:00 p.m.—the dinner will be at 6:30. The catered menu is a gourmet’s delight and will be followed by an entertaining program. Tickets are \$16.00 per person and can be obtained from the Methodist Men.

**\*\*Today is the deadline for information for the February newsletter. We will assemble the newsletter on Thursday morning at 9:00 a.m. Come help us if you’re free.\*\***

### From Pastor Amanda

- ☆ **Attention Confirmands, Families, and Mentors!** Remember—next Sunday, January 30th, we'll introduce and pray for our confirmands at the 11:00 a.m. service. Also, confirmands, their families, and mentors are invited to attend the "Welcome to the Journey" luncheon in the fellowship hall immediately following the 11:00 a.m. service. Confirmation classes begin next Sunday at 2:00 p.m.
- ☆ **New Member's Class** meets today in the library at 10:00 a.m.
- ☆ **Pastor Amanda is out of town.** She will be back in the office on January 26th.

### United Methodist General Assembly Day

Every year, thousands of bills are submitted to the General Assembly. Since no lawmaker can possibly know about all of the proposed laws, citizens like you and I must inform elected officials about bills we consider of particular importance. HB 2046, initiated by Darley Storey, calls for a national criminal background check for anyone applying in Virginia for a paid position in a job involving direct work with children. Every year there are cases where children in Virginia are molested by pedophiles who would have been detected had there been a national criminal background check.

Darley Storey, our Church and Society officer, will inform anyone interested of information regarding this and other bills before the General Assembly. Darley will not call you more than once each week. If you want to be on her call list, please contact Darley.

Please tell your family, friends and co-workers about HB 2046.

### Easter Drama

For those interested in participating in an Easter drama in either an off-stage or on-stage capacity, there will be a brief meeting to express interest and organize **today at 4:00 p.m.** The title of the drama is "Will You Wait With Me?" and is a moving message of both modern day and biblical women who keep vigil with the mother Mary. For those interested but unable to attend the Sunday meeting, there will also be a brief meeting at 7:00 tomorrow evening. For further information, please contact Jerry Lafferty.

### Support Warwick Memorial Building Fund

#### **Salvaged material from the "white building":**

1. 20 outlet, 150 amp. Main, circuit breaker panel complete with all breakers. Like new condition. \$50.00 or best offer.
2. 18,000 btu window air conditioner, 240 vac with 240 vac plug and wall box. Control knobs missing but otherwise works well. \$25.00 or best offer.
3. Upright, free-standing, refrigerated water cooler. Case rough but repaintable. Unit compressor works fine. \$30.00 or best offer.

**Contact Jim Corliss at 877-4668.**

### Thank You

We would like to thank everyone at Warwick Memorial for being our family -- for the love, care, and strong presence of the Spirit. We love you all and will miss you very much. **The Stratmeyer family**

I am writing this long overdue note of thanks for all of the prayers, visits, calls and cards during Willie's sickness and also for me after my fall. Thanks for the lovely poinsettia. It was a wonderful surprise to us. **Willie and Eleanor Lucento**

We want to thank the members of Warwick Memorial for all the help they have given us during the past year. Our lives have really been blessed by the shepherding program, the United Methodist "Men at Work", Respite Care and Communion Ministries. Thank you for the Christmas cards and letters, Christmas caroling by the UMYF and the beautiful poinsettia. We deeply appreciate all of your concern and prayers. Thank you for being a loving and caring congregation that reaches out to its members, the community and beyond. **Bob and Kitty DeWees**

Thank you very much for the wonderful school supplies you sent us. We are very fortunate to have a group of wonderful people like yourselves to help us to be successful in school by getting us the tools we need. We also appreciate your well wishes to us for our school year. **The Staff and Students of Epes Elementary**

### Thank You from Local Missions

We would like to express our gratitude to all of you who contributed so generously with donations of school supplies for the Christmas tree project. Through your caring spirit, we collected **106** items which were divided evenly and delivered to students at Carver Elementary and Epes Elementary Schools. Thanks for your help in this worthy cause.

### Text for Anthem

#### **Borning Cry**

I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old.  
I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold.  
I was there when you were but a child, with a faith to suit you well;  
In a blaze of light you wandered off to find where demons dwell.  
When you heard the wonder of the Word I was there to cheer you on;  
You were raised to praise the living Lord, to whom you now belong.  
If you find someone to share your time and you join your hearts as one,  
I'll be there to make your verses rhyme from dusk till rising sun.  
In the middle ages of your life, not too old, no longer young,  
I'll be there to guide you through the night, complete what I've begun.  
When the evening gently closes in and you shut your weary eyes,  
I'll be there as I have always been with just one more surprise.  
I was there to hear your borning cry, I'll be there when you are old.  
I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold.  
I was there to hear your cry, to see your life unfold.

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**Children's Council Ministry**

The Children's Council Ministry needs volunteers to help with planning and supervising the various activities for our children. This doesn't require a lot of time. If you feel you can help or have any questions, please contact Kate Bella at momekate@aol.com, leave a note in the children's ministry mail box located in the church office, or stop by the infant nursery on the 1st or 3rd Sundays. Thank you and God Bless. Kate

**Lay Witness Mission**

In October, Warwick Memorial will be hosting a Lay Witness Mission. We need ten people to step in and take the leadership roles listed below. Details of each position are in the February newsletter and in the church office. We will have an organizational meeting in February. There is a signup sheet in the church office. If you have questions, contact Jim Rogers at 68eagle@cox.net.

<b>Housing</b>	<b>Prayer</b>
<b>Attendance</b>	<b>Publicity</b>
<b>Saturday Morning Coffees</b>	<b>Literature</b>
<b>Food</b>	<b>Correspondence</b>
<b>Welcome and Transportation</b>	<b>Continuation</b>

**Lay Speaking Ministries Training**

**February 25-27, 2005 in Blackstone, VA**

If you feel that God is calling you to a ministry of caring, communicating and leading in your church, contact the Peninsula District office at 596-3476 or district director of Lay Speaking, Bill Walker. You will receive a registration form for the Basic (beginners) course or for the Advanced Certified courses. There are 15 advanced courses from which to choose.

**Christian Education Convention**

**Richmond Virginia—April 23, 2005**

**9:00 a.m.—4:30 p.m.** (Registration 8:00-8:45 a.m.)

Innovative ideas for your ministry

Wide choice of topics for all teachers and church leaders

Convention site—Southside Church of the Nazarene, 6851 Courthouse Road,  
Chesterfield, Virginia

Detailed information and registration forms are available in the church office.