



### **Eight is Enough**

Eight is Enough is a great opportunity for our congregation to get to know each other in an “informal setting”. Once a month each group of adults goes to a local restaurant of their choice for dinner — the date and time is decided by members of each group. Below are the names that are participating for **November and December 2007, January and February 2008**. The \* indicates the person or couple to call the others on the list and coordinate the date/place for the first dinner.

#### **Snickers**

\*Gary and Glenda Greene  
Dave and June Munro  
Jim and Beth Cumming  
John and Ellen Guthrie

#### **Nutty Buddies**

\*Bill and Joan Brockett  
Bob and Lorna Lawrence  
Elton and Carol Bennett  
Eugene and Helen Wingo

#### **Sweet Cakes**

\*Henry and Joyce Bennett  
Cliff and Doris Swilley  
Ralph and Doris Comer  
John and Christine Griggs  
Carol Hollingsworth

#### **Sweet and Sours**

\*Blair and Nancy Gloss  
Norma MacLuskie  
Jeremy and Jennifer LeFever  
Ken and Tina Sherwood  
Kay Fries

#### **Honey Buns**

\*Tom and Mary Ellen Cochrane  
Anne Greene  
Josie Mitchell  
Joe and Kimberly Mungin  
Adam and Morgan Bosley

#### **Tutti Fruities**

\*Kay Krusie  
Lynne Enos  
Nolan and Clara Reid  
Ted and Betty Potter  
Jim and Marcia Lewis

#### **Cracker Jacks**

\*Jim Corliss  
Peggy Langille  
Ken and Sandy Marcuson  
Richard and Marie Wheeler  
Tim and Judy Claus

#### **Jaw Breakers**

\*Cathy Haskell  
Karen Haynes  
Norma Coleman  
Beth Murray  
Carol Hollingsworth  
Debbie DeGood  
Denise Workinger  
Jane Shaffer  
Jean Scott  
Josie Mitchell  
Judy Wilson  
Linda McLawhorn  
Lynne Enos  
Emily Williams  
Janet Cupp  
Cindy Skaggs  
Mary Ann Hoye  
Shirl MacKay

## Warwick Weekly—November 4, 2007

**The Lord is in the holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before him! Welcome to all who have come to praise Almighty God. May you be enriched by this worship service.**

**Please see an usher if you need large print bulletins or hearing devices to amplify the sound for use during the worship services.**

**Prayer Chain:** If you have a person in need of prayer, call the church office (877-2270) and your request will receive prompt addition to a prayer chain. If you would like to be a part of the **electronic prayer** chain and receive 5-10 prayer requests a week or place a prayer request on the chain, send your name and email address to Jim Rogers at **68eagle@cox.net**.

#### **Serving Today**

Ushers: (8:30)  
(11:00) Lamar Williams, Jim Hackett, Paul Ramsey, Chip Rodgers  
Greeters: (8:30) Clara Reid and Ann Woodward  
(11:00) Kay Fippinger and Kay Fries  
Junior Church Today (8:30)  
(11:00)  
Next Sunday (8:30)  
(11:00)

#### **Prayer Thoughts**

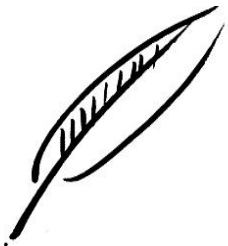
*With contrite hearts and humble spirits, we seek your presence, Lord.  
May all spiritual possibilities be ours today.*

#### **Flowers for Today**

The flowers on the altar are given by **Alan and Sylvia Custer** to the glory of God and in memory of their parents.

#### **In Sympathy**

We extend our sincere Christian sympathy to  
**Rod and Gerry Turner** on the death of Rod's father on October 25,  
**Linda Carrithers** on the death of her aunt in Pennsylvania,  
**Jimmy, Kristin and Carsyn Sgambelluri, Bob and Molly Warthan, Kerry and Shannon Warthan** and family on the death of newborn **Camryn Elise Sgambelluri**.



### Part 3: What About the Giver?

Today in church we celebrate Holy Communion and All Saints Sunday. Both of these activities point to the salvific activity of our God through Jesus Christ. God has taken the initiative to save me and the ones I love (and everybody else). We are reminded of Jesus' self-sacrifice as we partake of the Eucharist and read the words of the liturgy for this day. And we are assured of the gift of eternal life as we remember our loved ones who have passed on during the past year.

A personal note from Pastor Steve

The gift of eternal life is so important and the message of Jesus so vital that I thank the church for the opportunity to use my money to help pay the cost of spreading the Word. The opportunity to give is another gift the church gives me.

### Celebration Center Chatter

The carpet didn't get cleaned last Friday – obviously! The janitorial company had man power problems. We are now scheduled for the evening of November 9<sup>th</sup>. Same rules, please. Try and stay out of the halls until Saturday morning. Thanks.

We are transitioning from the Building Committee to a Long Range Planning Committee to look at uses of the campus in the short term like where to put a memorial garden, where to put a playground if we decide we need one, etc. Jim Corliss is chair and members are Gwen Hansen, Pastor Steve, Josie Mitchell, John Evans, Henry Bennett, Frank Blake, Bob Warthan and Kathy Young. Dick At Lee and I represent the staff. Please let us know your thoughts and dreams.

Don't forget that our new service in the Celebration Center starts November 18<sup>th</sup>. It will be different! Communion will be served every Sunday so if you miss a first Sunday in the Sanctuary you can still come to the Table. Watch for more information from Pastor Sonja.

Dave Munro, [dmunro79@verizon.net](mailto:dmunro79@verizon.net)

### New Study on Forgiveness

Beginning **Tuesday, November 13, 7:00-8:30 p.m.**, we will begin a new study from the Companions in Christ Series on **forgiveness**. The study will run about 10 weeks and is limited to 12 participants. If you would like to be a part of this group, please see Linda McLawhorn.

### Children's Christmas Pageant

Cast, crew and chaperone are needed for the Children's Christmas Pageant that will be held on Sunday, December 2 at the combined 10:00 a.m. worship service. If you can help with this annual production, please contact Carol Hollingsworth.

Rehearsal times	November 17 (Saturday)	4:30—6:00 p.m.
	November 18 (Sunday)	4:30—6:00 p.m.
	November 24 (Saturday)	4:30—6:00 p.m.
	November 25 (Sunday)	4:30—6:00 p.m.
	November 28 (Wednesday)	Tech rehearsal
	December 1 (Saturday)	Dress Rehearsal 4:30—6:00 p.m.
	December 2 (Sunday)	Pageant at 10:00 a.m.

**\*\*Please note: The November/December copies of *Upper Room* are available in the narthex. They really are there today! Please leave your donations in the green metal box. Thanks!**

### Youth Stuff

**Today - Regular UMYF** (Snack Supper starts at 5:45 p.m., program ends at 7:30 p.m.)

**Wednesday—High School Bible Study** —7-9 p.m. - at the At Lee's house.

**Friday-Sunday—Middle School Retreat at Eagle Eyrie**

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

**Updates & Upcoming Stuff...**Check the Youth Bulletin Board for more info and Signup Sheets:

#### - Mark Your Calendars:

- November 17: 9 a.m.-2:00 p.m.: Youth Quarterly Planning Meeting

- November 18:

> First "Celebrate" Worship Service in Celebration Center. 11:00-11:45 a.m. Fellowship Meal, 12:00 p.m. service begins

> District Youth Thanksgiving Feast and Worship Service at Bethany UMC in Hampton (\$3 for dinner) - Meet at our church at 4:00 p.m. See flier on the youth board

- November 25: **Turkey Hunt!!** 1:30-4:00 p.m... van drivers needed...bring your sleuthing skills—and don't be the Turkeys!!

- December 7 - 9: Conference High School Retreat at Eagle Eyrie in Lynchburg

Cost for Youth Group Members: \$50. Check out this link for details:

<http://www.vaumc.org/repository/Youth/Events2007/Fallretreatswebfly.pdf>

### Youth Parents

We need volunteer help for a whole bunch of different things!! If you can help, even a little — please contact Dick At Lee. There is something you can do to help your Youth Ministries program!

### Interested in a Ski Trip?

If you are interested in a ski trip in February—probably on the President's Day Weekend—contact Dick At Lee by email at [ratlee@cox.net](mailto:ratlee@cox.net). Several options available at costs ranging from \$150-\$250. Can be a small group. Due to last minute withdrawals and cancellations in previous years, only those willing to make a \$50 deposit up front will be considered for signup purposes.

### Young Adult Koinonia (Ages 18-30)

- Dinner and devos is held each **Tuesday**, 6:30 p.m. In November we meet at the Minge's.
  - Sunday School hour (9:45)—we're looking at Old Testament stories with new eyes!
- We would love to have you join us for any or all events. If you have questions, please contact either Gerry or Gloria Minge or Marisol or Carlos Liceaga
- **First Things First...Wednesday, November 21...** young adult fellowship gathering at **10:00 p.m.** in the Celebration Center. Thanksgiving worship at midnight with music, message and sharing. The idea is to give thanks to God first as we start our Thanksgiving Day. Please bring a canned food item. Questions - contact Gerry or Gloria Minge by email [mingee@cox.net](mailto:mingee@cox.net).

### Adopted College Student Reminder

The months of November and December are busy and challenging for our college students with the holidays and final exams. Please remember to support them. They would love to hear from you. Thank you.

Ken and Tina Sherwood, Higher Education Coordinators

**From the Sunday School Superintendent**

The trial period for the Rotation Model (WoRM) program will end November 25, 2007 for the time being. The Christian Education Executive Committee has decided to begin a graded classroom structure effective Sunday, December 9. There will be no Sunday School on Sunday, December 2 due to the one combined worship service in the Celebration Center.

**Just for Kids!**

Join us for a hay ride on Sunday, November 11 at Eastover Retreat Center in Surry County. We will leave the church parking lot at 3:00 p.m. and return between 7:00 and 7:30 p.m. We will roast hot dogs and marshmallows over a camp fire. This is for children in grades one - five. You *must* have a signed permission slip to go. See Ms. Gerry for a form.

**Puppet Practice**

There will be puppet practice for *Countdown to Christmas* today at 3:00 p.m. If you have not indicated your interest in being part of this ministry, feel free to join us today. We will also practice on November 18 at 3:00 p.m.

**Circle News**

The Mary Freeman Circle will meet on Monday, November 5 at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Peggy Langille.

**Senior Breakfast Club**

The Senior Breakfast Club will meet on Monday, November 12 at 9:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Come for a big breakfast and lots of fellowship.

“Gaslights & Gingerbread”, our Christmas Trip, from December 3-5, will be a Victorian type Christmas to Cape May, New Jersey. It includes tours of Victorian mansions decorated for Christmas, trolley rides to see the lights, a dinner theater and much more for \$350.00.

We have scheduled a cruise to the Scandinavian countries and St. Petersburg, Russia with departure on May 28, 2008. For information, call Norma McCartney.

**Cookie Walk and Craft Sale**

The United Methodist Women will have their annual Cookie Walk/Craft Sale on Saturday, December 1, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the new Celebration Center.

**Choose from a huge variety of cookies for just \$4.00 per pound!** As in past years, the UMW will call on ladies in the church to help bake homemade Christmas cookies. As the news of this event spreads, more cookies are needed. When someone from the UMW calls you to ask for your help, just say “yes”! If you cannot bake, Kim Mungin will bake for you. She will be baking in the new kitchen on Saturdays in November and she is asking for a \$10.00 donation to cover supplies. Call Kim.

**Shop for wonderful gifts and decorations!** Many people have been busy making hand-crafted items at home and at church. This year will be the biggest and best selection ever! Weekly workshops are held on Tuesdays in the Fellowship Hall from 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. **We are in need of canning jars** (jelly and quart sizes). Come join us for creativity and fellowship.

All proceeds from this event will support various missions and projects of the UMW. Questions: Call Marsha Six or Billie Quigley.

**Attention: Parents!**

Because of safety issues and insurance demands, there should never be children or youth in the building without **direct supervision of a parent or other adult**. Thank you for your help in this matter.

**Texts for Anthems**

***We Are Surrounded***

We are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses, looking on, encouraging us to do the will of the Lord!  
We are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses.  
Let us stand worthy and be faithful to God's call.  
We must not grow weary doing what is right;  
As we run with joy the race, we must run with all our might.  
We must lay all earthly things aside that would hold us down.  
We must claim the victory if we would win the crown.  
We are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses, looking on, encouraging us to do the will of the Lord.  
We are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses.  
Let us stand worthy and be faithful to God's call. Amen.

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**Sunday  
November 18, 2007**

***Contemporary  
Worship & Praise Service  
in the Celebration Center***

**Community Fellowship Meal 11:00-11:45 a.m.  
Worship 12:00 noon  
Communion 12:45 p.m.**

Music by **Koncrete**, a Christian hip hop band  
Message by **Heavenly Spoken**, Christian lyrical poets

**“Kingdom Building—Hallelujah!”  
A Service of Praise and Worship  
53rd Annual District Conference  
Sunday, November 18, 2007 - 4:00 p.m.  
Noland Memorial UMC  
5501 Huntington Avenue**

Due to limited parking at Noland, parking will also be provided at First UMC, 10246 Warwick Boulevard, with shuttle bus service. A bus will leave First Church at 3:15 and 3:30 for the event at Noland and then return after the reception.



We have one week left for Operation Christmas Child, a unique opportunity for us to help others. Shoe box gifts have been transported by whatever means necessary — truck, boat, dog sled, helicopter, plane, donkey, and even camel.

Please remember to continue praying for this mission.

Our **Dedication Service** is next Sunday, **November 11**. Bring your shoeboxes to the narthex before church.

There are brochures and shopping lists in the narthex. If you have any questions, please call Norma MacLuskie.



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