

## Weekly Planner for May 4 - 10, 2008

4	8:30 a.m.	Worship (Sanctuary)
Sun	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School
	11:00 a.m.	Worship (Sanctuary)
	11:15 a.m.	<i>Celebrate</i> Worship (Celebration Center)
	1:30 p.m.	Puppet Practice
	2:00 p.m.	Communion Service at Warwick Forest
	5:45 p.m.	Children's Fellowship
	5:45 p.m.	UMYF
	8:00 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous
5	9:45 a.m.	ECMS: Family Music for Babies
Mon	10:45 a.m.	ECMS: Family Music for Toddlers
	7:00 p.m.	Mary Freeman Circle
	7:30 p.m.	Praise Choir
6	9:30 a.m.	ECMS: Music Makers: At Home in World
Tue	10:30 a.m.	Dana Tyson Circle
	1:30 p.m.	ECMS: Music Makers: At Home in World
	3:45 p.m.	ECMS: Music Makers: Keyboard Year 1
	5:00 p.m.	ECMS: Music Makers: Keyboard Year 1
	6:00 p.m.	Girl Scout Leaders Meeting
	6:30 p.m.	Young Adult Koinonia/Bible Study
	7:00 p.m.	Staff-Parish Relations Committee
7	9:00 a.m.	TOPS
Wed	9:30 a.m.	ECMS: Cycle of Seasons-Sun Catchers
	10:30 a.m.	Elizabeth Overby Circle
	10:45 a.m.	ECMS: Family Music for Toddlers
	6:15 p.m.	Way of the Child
	6:30 p.m.	Bible Study
	6:30 p.m.	Evangelism Study
	7:00-9:00 p.m.	High School Bible Study
	7:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir
	7:30 p.m.	Miriam Gruber Circle
8	9:30 a.m.	Sewing Group
Thu	9:30 a.m.	ECMS: Cycle of Seasons-Sun Catchers
	10:45 a.m.	ECMS: Family Music for Toddlers
	3:45 p.m.	ECMS: Music Makers: Around the World
	5:00 p.m.	ECMS: Music Makers: Keyboard Year 2
	6:45 p.m.	UMW Executive Board Meeting
	7:00 p.m.	Children & Family Ministries Council
	7:00 p.m.	Finance Committee
	8:00 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous
9	9:30 a.m.	ECMS: Family Music for Toddlers
Fri	10:30 a.m.	ECMS: Family Music for Toddlers
10	8:00 a.m.-12:00 noon	Trustees Work Day
Sat	8:30 p.m.	Alcoholics Anonymous

## Warwick Weekly—May 4, 2008

**As we open our hearts to God, may we extend our hands in friendship to one another. May all who have come to worship know that they're sincerely welcomed in this house of God. Be of good cheer!**

**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 the 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 **Sharon Ellis** at **cutygrgal@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) Bob and Trish Williams

Junior Church Today (8:30) Lori Robertson  
(11:00) Melissa Jones

Next Sunday (10:00) No Junior Church

### Prayer Thoughts

*Dear God, help us all be thoroughly bonded with you as we worship together. Amen.*

### Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar today are given by **Ruby Hambleton** to the glory of God and in honor of **Norma MacLuskie's birthday**.

### In Sympathy

We extend our sincere Christian sympathy to Mary Blades and Frank Mitchell on the death of their mother, **Elsie Mitchell**, on Tuesday, April 29. Addresses for Mary and Frank are on the bulletin board outside the church office.

**\*\*\*Please note: The May/June Upper Room devotional books are in the narthex. Donations may be placed in the green metal box. Thanks!\*\*\***

**Celebration  
Center  
Chatter**

On the 24<sup>th</sup> of April, we rented the CC to the Newport News Child Advocacy Alliance, a group of nonprofits, for their Celebrity Luncheon. Among the guest were Mayor Frank, Delegate Phil Hamilton, Colonel Bowes (the garrison Commander at Fort Eustis –think Mayor) and lots of others. Darley Storey was given an award for her years of dedicated work in behalf of children. Over \$7000 was raised! They plan on being back next year. What a great way to work with the community – just like we hoped when we planned this facility!

Stay tuned for news about PORT and the 2008-2009 season. Initial planning has already started in the Outreach Committee. The first meeting of the consortium of churches is next week. If you haven't worked with PORT before ask someone who has. Some of us get sweaty and others lose a little sleep but the rewards are tremendous.

Trustees decided we needed a microwave in the 'new' kitchen. You can find it in the serving line. Instructions are in a plastic pouch on the left hand side. I was told that the microwaves in the 'old' kitchen are on their last legs. Do we need to replace them with a new one? The 2.2 cubic foot, 1250 watt, model I found for the 'new' kitchen was \$150. Let me know if you think I should replace the 'old' ones with one new model. Contributions wouldn't hurt either.

Speaking of the kitchens, I've put up white boards in both kitchens so you can leave me notes on ideas on new stuff to buy or that we're running out of something in the Common Store. I try and check both pantries every week but sometimes I get a brain burp so please let me know when stuff is running low.  
Dave Munro, Coordinator of Ministries

**Lost and Found**

The lost and found items have been placed on a table in the hallway outside the Choir Room. Please check to see if anything belongs to you. I also have a few jewelry pieces in my office. **All items that are not claimed will be discarded after services today.** Donna



**Engraved Donor Bricks**

Warwick Memorial United Methodist Church is providing an opportunity for current and past members and friends to create a unique personalized walkway entrance to our Celebration Center. It gives us a way to recognize special people, families or events. As an expression of our faith and gratitude, it adds a special touch to our Celebration Center.

For a **minimum donation of \$150**, donors will be given the opportunity to have one brick engraved. The engraved bricks will be set in the brick walkway entrance into our Celebration Center.

Engraving may be in honor or memory of family members, friends, someone especially admired as a Christian disciple. When we have enough engraved bricks to make it economically sound, we will ship them to the engraver. When they are completed, they will be returned to us and the engraved bricks will be set into the brick walkway replacing the bricks that are currently there. When we had the walkway installed, we set aside enough bricks to begin this **“Engraved Donor Brick” opportunity**. The bricks removed from the walkway will be the ones to be engraved as more are required.

About 1/3 of the minimum donation covers the cost of engraving and setting each brick. The remaining funds will be used to help pay the mortgage we carry on the Celebration Center.

**Youth Stuff**

**Today - Special UMYF: Trip to St. Mark's UMC in Hampton** for an afternoon of fun, food and music starting at 2:00 p.m. You can join in on a game of volleyball, basketball, Frisbee or flying hoops. Then enjoy a concert by the John Ivins Band. Bring picnic type food with you to share and we'll provide burgers and hotdogs for grilling. Will be back to church by 8:00 p.m.

**Wednesday - High School Bible Study** - 7- 9:00 p.m. (study begins at 7:30) at the At Lee's house.

**Next Sunday - No UMYF** - Enjoy Mother's Day with your family! Write a mushy thank-you note, give hugs, kisses, gifts, visit—be a great kid!

**Updates and Upcoming Stuff...**Check the Youth Bulletin Board for more info and signup sheets:

- Quarterly Planning Meeting (QPM) - Saturday, May 17th, 9:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.
- Potato Bar Missions Fundraiser—Sunday, May 18th
- Youth-Led UMYF—Sunday, May 25th (WooHoo!)

**Movie News:**

- Evolution? Intelligent design? Creation? Ever wonder why options that consider alternative to Darwinism aren't tolerated in schools, universities, and the scientific community? Check out the new movie, Ben Stein's **“Expelled: No Intelligence Allowed”**, a documentary about the suppression of Intelligent Design in today's culture. It's showing now at the Kiln Creek 20 on Royal Way, rated PG. Check out:www.expelledthemovie.com. For more resources trailers and review quotes by church leaders around the country go to www.getexpelled.com.

- **Prince Caspian** - The follow-up to “Narnia” (The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe) opens May 16th, rated PG. If you're a C.S. Lewis fan, you'll want to see this! Check out <http://disney.go.com/disneypictures/narnia/>.

**Potato Bar Help Needed**

**Three adults** are needed to help with the **potato bar on May 18th**. Please call Lisa Bradley or Melanie Evans.

**United Methodist Children's Fellowship**

United Methodist Children's Fellowship (UMCF) is for children in **grades 1-5** and meets **Sunday evenings from 5:45 to 7:30**. After a light supper the children participate in short-term Bible studies, hands-on projects, worship and fellowship. Through the end of May we will be using *Learning To Use My Bible* to help children become more familiar with their Bible. This resource uses a step-by-step approach and will open the Bible message to the children for their lifelong faith journey. The schedule is as follows:

- May 4 *Learning to Use My Bible* Session 6-The Gospels: The Teachings of Jesus
- May 11 No Meeting - Mother's Day
- May 18 *Learning to Use My Bible* Session 7-Acts and New Testament Letters: Tell The Good News
- May 25 *Learning to Use My Bible* Wrap-up; Review
- June 1 Game Night



### **“Bible Babes, Beauties and Femme Fatales”**

On Saturday evening, May 31, the United Methodist Women of Warwick Memorial will host a “Ladies Night Out” with a program and dessert from 6:30 – 8:30 in the Celebration Center.

The actresses will perform their first-person portrayals of selected Women of the Bible in authentic costumes. The local author, Sheila Williams, is joined by eight other women to piece together the stories of just a few of the women mentioned in the Bible who truly made a difference, bringing the Bible to life from a 21<sup>st</sup> century point of view. Following the presentation, guests may choose from several special dessert selections and coffee or punch.

Tickets may be purchased from UMW members for \$8.00 until May 25. Proceeds will provide a gift to the performers and benefit UMW missions. Call Beth Murray or Marsha Six for further information or tickets.

### **Circle News**

The **Mary Freeman Circle** will meet on **Monday, May 5th at 7:00 p.m.** at the home of Josie Mitchell. We will be taking up a special offering to order a brick in memory of Mary Freeman.

The **Dana Tyson Circle** will meet on **Tuesday, May 6th, at 10:30 a.m.** in the Aldersgate classroom.

### **United Methodist Men**

All men are invited to attend the **United Methodist Men dinner on May 13 at 6:30 p.m.** Our guest speaker will be Rick Jacobson, President, Peninsula District UMM. If you have questions, please contact Mike Oliver.

### **Do You Have a Bicycle You Aren't Using?**

P.O.R.T. is looking for adult bicycles for their clients to use to get them to and from work. If you or someone you know can donate a bicycle/bicycles, please call Lynne Finding, 595-1953, ext. 202. Thanks!

### **Relay for Life**

A coordinator is needed for our church's participation in Relay for Life. Kay Fries can tell you about the work load. If interested, contact Pastor Steve.

### **Indoor Yard Sale - July 26**

**Children & Family Ministries Council** is hosting an indoor yard sale on Saturday, **July 26, 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.** If you have items appropriate for a yard sale, that you would like to donate, please set them aside. We will begin collecting them the week of July 13. (**Please, no adult clothing**—children's clothing will be accepted.) Proceeds made by the Children's Council will be given as follows: 25 percent to the Celebration Center Kitchen, 25 percent to the Celebration Center Audio Visual Team and 50 percent to the Children and Family Ministries Council. Other local non-profit organizations that work with children and families have been invited to participate with us.

### **Confirmation Reception**

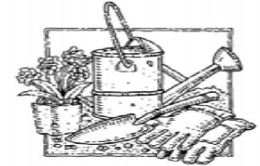
Next Sunday, following the combined 10:00 a.m. service, there will be a **reception in the Fellowship Hall** for the **confirmands**, their families, their mentors and others who would like to greet and congratulate the confirmands.

### **Suggestions from the “Green Church Committee”**

Spring is a great time to celebrate God's creation with living decorations and gifts of potted plants, bedding plants, shrubs, and trees. Plants give us oxygen, remove carbon dioxide, require little, and surround us with a healthy environment and beauty designed by God!

Instead of cut flowers or “stuff”, consider beautiful living gifts for:

- \* Mother's Day (potted plants or rose bushes)
- \* Father's Day (shrubs or patio vegetable gardens)
- \* Memorial Day (plant a tree in memory)
- \* Birth of a child (plant a tree)
- \* Wedding (house plants)



Other reminders:

- \* Turn off lights when leaving an unoccupied room
- \* Turn off the tap when brushing teeth
- \* Take shorter showers
- \* Run full loads in dishwasher and clothes washer
- \* Air-dry clothes when possible
- \* Take fabric grocery bags to use when grocery shopping
- \* Recycle everything possible
- \* Reuse everything possible...be creative and share ideas
- \* Read labels and avoid “inert” ingredients in cleaning products
- \* Purchase “green” items as much as possible
- \* Buy in bulk to reduce packaging materials



We are indeed stewards of God's magnificent creation. Stewardship is not limited to an “Earth Day” event but is a year round issue. It is our responsibility to learn how to care for it and to make every effort to do our best. “When you do what is right, God remembers!”

### **Cuddly Critters**

We're going to “retire” the Cuddly Critters for a while. It's been a wonderful ministry but interest seems to be lessening and no “new” ones have been donated for quite some time. They will be available (just call me) and perhaps they will be back in the future. Let me know how you feel.

Kay Fries



**A Special Offering for the  
2008 Virginia Annual Conference  
will be received today.**

### Text for Anthem

#### **(8:30) In Holy Reverence, Lord, We Come**

In holy reverence, Lord, we come before your throne this hour, to kneel and worship at your feet, to drink the cup of joy so sweet,  
In holy reverence, Lord, we come before your throne this hour, to kneel and worship at your feet, to drink the cup of joy so sweet.  
Great God of love and power, we have come this day to bring our praise and honor, meet with us, we pray.  
Our lives and all are in your hands, our hearts are known by you. Your grace has led us through the past, your loving arms have held us fast.  
Great God of love and power, we have come this day to bring our praise and honor, meet with us, we pray.  
In holy reverence, Lord, we come before your throne this hour, to kneel and worship at your feet, to drink the cup of joy so sweet.  
Meet this hour, O Lord, with us, we pray.

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#### **(11:00) As We Break the Bread**

As we break the bread, as we drink the wine, all our strength will be supplied, Lord Jesus will provide. And may it ever be.  
As we break the bread, as we drink the wine, in this blessed, holy place we will know the tender grace of Jesus Christ, who said, "Remember me."  
This is the body broken; this, our daily bread. This is the blood of the covenant; with it we are fed.  
As we break the bread, as we drink the wine, we remember Jesus said, "I will rise up from the dead."  
In His death we shall be free from all sin eternally, for our Lord and Savior said, "Remember me." As we break the bread, as we drink the wine, we remember Him.

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### From the Nursery Coordinator

**Parents of Nursery Children:** In order to ensure the health and safety of all children, we are asking parents to label all bags, drinking cups, bottles, etc. Many children suffer from food allergies and we do not want to give a child the wrong food or formula. For those hectic mornings, peel and stick labels are placed next to the sign-in sheets for your convenience. Thank you for your help in this matter.

**To All Event Coordinators:** Upon scheduling an event that requires child care, please notify the Nursery Coordinator immediately. I can be reached by email: moore\_edie@msn.com. Thank you. **Edie Moore**

### We've Got Bus Problems!

Our bus, known to the youth as "Twinkie" and to the seniors as the "Golden Chariot" has an exhaust leak and is unsafe to operate. The bus will go in for an estimate. The bus is getting expensive to maintain (\$1,300 so far this year). We're not sure what the solution is — another used bus, rented vans when needed to move people, rely on parents — but we need to do something. If you have any ideas or concerns, please attend the **next Trustee meeting on May 22nd, 7:00 p.m. in the Library.** Dave Munro, representing the Trustees

### Kits for Conference

The United Methodist Women are putting together kits to be taken to Annual Conference. The **deadline** for turning in kits is **June 8th**. Place your completed kits in the containers in the main hallway by the narthex. Listed below are items for Layette Kits, School Kits and Health Kits. *Donations of \$1.00 per kit for shipping are appreciated.*

#### Layette Kit Items

Value: \$35 per kit  
6 cloth diapers  
2 shirts or 2 one-piece body suits  
2 baby washcloths  
2 gowns or sleepers  
2 diaper pins  
1 sweater open in the front  
2 receiving blankets

**Bundle items inside one of the receiving blankets and secure with diaper pins.**

#### School Kit Items

Value: \$11 per kit  
1 pair blunt scissors (rounded tip)  
3 pads (or loose leaf) of 8 1/2" x 11" ruled paper  
1 30-centimeter ruler  
1 hand held pencil sharpener  
6 unsharpened pencils with erasers  
1 eraser, 2 1/2"  
1 box of 24 crayons (only 24)

**Prepare a 14" x 16" (finished size) cloth bag with handles and an optional closure (Velcro®, snap or button) and place items in the bag.**

#### Health Kit Items

Value: \$12 per kit  
1 hand towel (15" x 25" up to 17" x 27", no kitchen towels)  
1 washcloth  
1 comb (large and sturdy, not pocket-sized)  
1 nail file or fingernail clippers (no emery boards or toenail clippers)  
1 bath-size bar of soap (3 oz. and up)  
1 toothbrush (single brushes only in original wrapper, no child-size brushes)  
6 adhesive plastic strip sterile bandages  
Add \$1.00 to purchase toothpaste.

**Place these items inside a sealed one-gallon Ziploc bag.**