

Warwick Memorial United Methodist Church

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"First Green Church in the Virginia Conference of the United Methodist Church"

Ministers

All members of Warwick Memorial

WMUMC Staff

Page Williams-Director of Music Ministry; *Susan Brendle*-Music Assistant

Gerry Turner-Director of Children and Family Ministries; *John Ericson*-Minister of Pastoral Care

Megan Saucier-Director of Youth/Young Adult Ministries; *Dave Munro*-Coordinator of Ministries

Donna Jones-Administrative Assistant; *Henry Daggs*-Custodian

Partners in Pastoral Counseling: Peninsula Pastoral Counseling Center-873-2273

Rev. William G. Davidson, Pastor

Rev. Jessica D. Squires, Associate Pastor

Worship Schedule

Sunday 8:30 and 11:00 a.m. Worship in Sanctuary
9:45 a.m. Sunday School

RECORD OF FAITHFULNESS

ATTENDANCE LAST SUNDAY.....	8:30 a.m.-154; 11:00 a.m.-185
Total Worship Attendance	339
Sunday School Attendance	167
TOTAL 2009 OPERATING BUDGET	\$670,591.00
Less Funds in Hand	
2008 Carryover	\$67,000.00
2009 Checkbook	\$15,191.00
Required new income	\$588,000.00
Needed in Operating Budget Year to Date	\$542,880.00
Support to Operating Budget Year to Date	\$516,013.47
Support to Operating Budget Last Week.....	\$11,030.00
<u>Amount Needed Each Week for Operating Budget</u>	<u>\$11,310.00</u>
Available Balance in Building Fund	\$172,024.42
(Excludes \$30,653.55) representing loan balance)	
Support to Building Fund Year to Date	\$224,464.93
Support to Building Fund Last Week.....	\$8,390.00
Amount needed by December 9 for mortgage payment	\$18,837.07
Amount received Month to Date	\$28,980.50
Permanent Financing	\$2,147,763.63

Open hearts, open minds, open doors!

Warwick Weekly—December 6, 2009

Welcome in Christ's name, on this second Sunday of Advent. Scripture says if we walk in Christ's light, we can have fellowship with one another.

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: Lamar Williams, Jim Hackett, Paul Ramsey, Mel Taylor, Barry Barley

Greeters: Clara Reid and Ann Woodward

Junior Church Next Sunday: (8:30) John and Ellen Guthrie
(11:00) Rella Girvin

Acolytes Next Sunday: (8:30) Keith Mays
(11:00) Ellen Buckner

Prayer Thoughts

In your mercy, Lord, grant us tranquility and Christmas joy as we approach your throne of grace.

In Sympathy

We extend our sincere Christian sympathy to **Charlene Rountree and family** on the death of her husband Harry this past Wednesday morning.

Two Important Notes

- The decision was made at Church Council on November 19, that the Operating Budget books will be closed on 12-31-2009. All contributions and bills must be submitted by that date.**
- Beginning December 1, please turn in all information for the bulletin by 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday morning. This allows the staff to look at a rough draft of the bulletin at their 1:15 staff meeting on Wednesdays. Thanks!**

Prayer Concerns:

Care Facility: Butch DePremio, Kitty DeWees, Lois Eason, Paul Green, Ruby Lusby, Evelyn McKay, Darley Storey

Hospital: Zylphia Godwin—Riverside

Home: Elton Bennett, Larry Bevins, Randy Brennan, Bill and Joan Brockett, Kristi Buckman, Celeste DeVault, Hester Dymond, Beth Ellis, Zylphia Godwin, Bill Hanlon, Jim Hofler, Shaun and Sue Kelley, Beverly Mayeaux, Del Miller, Jerry Murray, Elaine Phillips, Jean Scott, Ruth Snipes

Other: Charlene Rountree and family on the death of Harry

Deployed Military: Tim Claus, Christopher Davidson, Joe Mungin, Terry Simonton

Relationship Missionary: Steve and Diantha Hodges - Kyles Ford, TN

Lectionary Readings: Malachi 3:1-4; Luke 1:68-79; Philippians 1:3-11; Luke 3:1-6



The Friday after Thanksgiving our Boy Scout Troop (Troop 6) celebrated their 85th anniversary. Over 60 people attended including about 20 Eagles from the late 80's to mid 90's. The big surprise was discovering that Elton Bennett had been the Scoutmaster when the Troop was located at Grace UMC in downtown Newport News. I didn't ask how long ago that was.

While I'm thinking about the Scouts, they are offering leaf raking again this year for whatever donation you care to give. You can contact Larry Mobley to schedule a time. The Scouts are also selling Christmas Trees at the Buy-Rite Furniture store on Denbigh near the overpass. The Scouts will even arrange delivery of the tree if needed. If you can help sell trees Monday through Friday anytime between 10 and 4 please contact Janice Mobley.

We still need a few folks to spend the night here at the church during PORT. I have a couple of openings on Monday night December 14th and one opening on Tuesday night December 15th as well as Sunday night December 13th.

Finally, remember that the 6 PM Christmas Eve Service will be in the Celebration Center this year. Pastor Jessie and Ms. Gerry are planning a special worship experience for all the young at heart.

Dave Munro, Coordinator of Ministries

Stewardship Update

As of last Sunday, **129 pledges had been received for a total of about \$450,000.** The 2009 campaign generated 148 pledges totaling \$540,000. Clearly, some of you have not returned your pledge card. We hope you will pray about your commitment and then return the card soon. Our 2010 asking budget is \$73,000 above what we planned for 2009. Part of the increase will be taken care of by carrying forward any unspent money at the

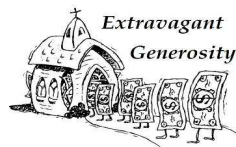
end of the year but we really need to know what your plans are. So I challenge you to consider, pray and then make a commitment to supporting God's work here at Warwick Memorial.

New Address

Keith Robinson

1801 Wells Branch Parkway #2228

Austin, TX 78728



Youth News

- **Today—UMYF—Junior High Only night** at the Bradley's house at 810 N. Lismore Court. Please drop off and pick up your youth at the Bradley's. Megan and the Senior High Youth are attending the Virginia Annual Conference High School Retreat in Lynchburg, VA. Please pray for their safe travel home.
- **Wednesday—Bible Study, 7:30-9pm**
- **Next Sunday, December 13—Potato Bar Fundraiser**
 - Please check the bulletin board for sign-up sheets to lead devotions at Upward Basketball. Youth help is needed, so please sign up as soon as possible.
 - Mark your calendars—January 16th—Youth Council planning meeting, 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

Young Adult Koinonia

- ◆ Young Adult Bible Study, Tuesday night, 7:00 pm at Panera by CNU. Bring a friend!
- ◆ Tacky Sweater Christmas Party, 7:30 p.m., December 11th at Pastor Jessie's apartment. Check with Megan for more details.

Facilities Manager Needed

With the retirement of Coordinator of Ministries Dave Munro, December 31, 2009, the Staff-Parish Relations Committee announces a staff opening for **Facilities Manager** to coordinate building use schedule, purchasing of required supplies, and financial management; perform minor maintenance, serve as PORT Site Coordinator; and oversee janitorial staff during a 20 hour work week. Job description is available in the church office. Candidates are invited to submit resume and three references with letter of intent and salary requirements to Warwick Memorial United Methodist Church, ATTN: Facilities Manager Search Committee, 38 Hoopes Road, Newport News, VA 23602. Position available December 1, 2009.

God's Promises Puppet Ministry

God's Promises Puppet Ministry will be practicing on **Sunday, December 6, 13 and 20 at 2:00 p.m.** Any interested folks are welcome to join us and be part of this ministry. We will be practicing to perform during the **Family Christmas Eve Service**. Any questions, please call Linda Carrithers.

Needs of Lay Leadership

The Lay Leadership Committee is in need of the following: **Church Council Secretary, Membership Care Coordinators, English Language Learning Center Chair, and Habitat for Humanity Chair.** If you feel lead to serve in any of these opportunities, please contact the Church Office or Ann Barley.

Cuddly Critters are Back

The Nurturing Committee will again be collecting **NEW** "little critters" for the sick and shut-ins of our church family. While out shopping, pick up a small stuffed animal and put it in the large box outside the Fellowship Hall. Many thanks!

Planning Meeting for Children's Christmas Workshop

Anyone interested in helping with the Children's Christmas Workshop on Saturday, December 19, from 10:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m. is invited to an **organizational/planning meeting** on **Wednesday, December 9 at 7:00 p.m. in the Aldersgate Room.**

Weekly Planner for December 6 - 12, 2009

6 (Sun)	9:00 am 10:00 am 2:00 pm 4:30 pm 5:00 pm 5:30 pm 5:45 pm 5:45 pm 8:00 pm	Coffee and Fellowship Hour Worship – Children’s Christmas Pageant God’s Promises Puppet Ministry Practice Laudamus Te Ringers Youth Choir Alcoholics Anonymous UMYF – at Hannah Bradley’s house Children’s Fellowship Alcoholics Anonymous
7 (Mon)	9:45 am 10:45 am 6:00 pm 6:00 pm 6:00 pm 6:30 pm 7:30 pm	ECMS: Family Music for Babies ECMS: Family Music for Toddlers Mary Freeman Circle Upward Basketball Scouts Pack 6 Scouts Troop 6 Praise Choir
8 (Tue)	1:30 pm 3:45 pm 5:00 pm 6:00 pm 6:30 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:30 pm 8:00 pm	ECMS: Music Makers: At Home in the World ECMS: Music Makers: At the Keyboard, Year 2 ECMS: Music Makers: At the Keyboard, Year 1 Upward Basketball United Methodist Men Young Adult Bible Study at Panera by CNU Staff-Parish Relations Committee Gloria Dei Ringers Alcoholics Anonymous (Spanish speaking)
9 (Wed)	9:00 am 9:30 am 10:30 am 10:45 am 4:15 pm 4:45 pm 5:25 pm 5:30 pm 7:00 pm 7:30 pm 7:30 pm	TOPS ECMS: Cycle of Seasons Mothers Nurturing Mothers ECMS: Family Music for Toddlers Cherub Choir Junior Choir Jubilate Ringers PORT Children’s Workshop Planning Meeting Youth Bible Study at Warthan’s Chancel Choir
10 (Thu)	9:30 am 9:30 am 10:45 am 3:45 pm 5:00 pm 5:30 pm 7:00 pm 8:00 pm	Sewing Group ECMS: Cycle of Seasons ECMS: Family Music for Toddlers ECMS: Music Makers: Around the World ECMS: Music Makers: At the Keyboard, Year 3 PORT Children’s Council Alcoholics Anonymous
11 (Fri)	5:30 pm 6:00 pm 7:30 pm	PORT Yoga Class Young Adult Christmas Party at Pastor Jessie’s apartment
12 (Sat)	9:00 am 11:00 am 5:30 pm 8:30 pm	Special Olympics Upward Basketball Games PORT Alcoholics Anonymous