Joys and Concerns for May 19-25, 2013

The flowers are given to the glory of God by Fred Townsend in honor of Fred and Dean’s 61st wedding anniversary.

We pray for those in the hospital or care facility:
- Fran Shafer at Mennowood
- John Comer at Mennowood
- Winnie Nelson, Gardens of Warwick Forest
- Ruby Lushy, Patriot’s Colony, Williamsburg
- Wade Jones, grandfather of Kristi Parker
- Jane Guthrie, mother of John Guthrie, St. Francis Nursing Center
- Ginny Masters, Colonial Manor, Williamsburg
- Kitty DeWees, Warwick Forest Assisted Living
- Tom Bradshaw, Commonwealth Assisted Living, Hampton
- The Skaggs family as they prepare for Crystal’s liver donation to her sister Katie Tanner-Barker (May 30)
- Bob Warthan, undergoing cancer treatment
- Rupert Scott
- Jewell Stalnaker
- Elsie Bevins
- Ted Potter
- Edie Moore
- Vicki Evans, recovering from neck surgery
- Keith Hansen
- Sonny Wood
- Beverly Mayeaux
- Beverly Krespach

We pray for those who are at home:
- Page Williams, back surgery (May 24)
- Darrell Wood
- Belle Wood’s Aunt (FLA)
- Kent Palmer
- Paul Lowe
- Judy Morton
- Jim Pimblett
- Elton Bennett
- Mora Parker
- Chris Ployd
- Christina Tanner, chronic illness
- Jeff Cox, treatment for COPD

Other: Those dealing with unemployment

Relationship Missionary: Elmira Sellu, Relationship Missionary with women, children, and youth in Kampala, Uganda, Africa

Those Who Are Deployed: Cpl Christopher Davidson, (Afghanistan) HHC 501st BSB 1-1A FOB WALTON APO AE 09367

Please hold our Director of Music Ministry Page Williams in your prayers. She will be having back surgery on May 24 and will return upon her recovery.

WMUMC Prayer Chain
If you have a prayer request or would like to be added to the prayer chain email list, send an email to prayerchain@wmumc.org. Jim Rogers is serving as monitor.

May 19—May 25, 2013

19 (Sun) 8:30 am Worship
9:30 am Coffee and Fellowship
11:15 am Worship
3:00 pm Youth Rally
5:45 pm Children’s Fellowship
5:30 pm Alcoholics Anonymous
8:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous

20 (Mon) 9:45 am ECMS: Family Music for Babies
10:45 am ECMS: Music for Toddlers
6:00 pm Wesley Sermons Bible Study
6:30 pm Scouts

21 (Tues) 9:30 pm Craft Workshop
1:30 pm ECMS: Music Makers: At Home in the World
4:00 pm ECMS: Music Makers: At Keyboard Year 1
5:15 pm ECMS: Music Makers: At Keyboard Year 3
8:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous

22 (Wed) 9:00 am TOPS
9:30 am ECMS: The Cycle of Seasons
10:45 am ECMS: Family Music for Toddlers
12:00 pm Prayer Partners
1:15 pm Staff Meeting
7:00 pm Praise Choir

7:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal
8:00 pm Chancel Choir
8:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous (Spanish)

23 (Thu) 9:30 am Sewing Group
10:45 am ECMS: Family Music for Toddlers
4:00 pm ECMS: Music Makers: At the Keyboard Year 1
5:15 pm ECMS: Music Makers: At the Keyboard Year 2
7:00 pm Brothers of Christ
7:00 pm Trustees Meeting

24 (Fri) 7:00 am Spanish Bible Study
25 (Sat) 5:30 pm Alcoholics Anonymous
8:30 pm Alcoholics Anonymous

Calendar Changes? Please E-mail Jim King!
Whenever you need to make changes, additions, or deletions to the church activities calendar, please notify Jim King by e-mail at peperu1@verizon.net, or call the church office and leave him a message: (757) 877-2270.
As we say good-bye to Pastors Bill and Jessie on June 2 as they enter new paths in their lives, we greet our new Co-Pastors Bert Cloud and Gina Anderson-Cloud. They are parents of three children: Trae, age 13; Danielle, age 9; and Kayana, age 8. Their first Sunday in the pulpit will be June 30, 2013. Bert comes to us from Sycamore United Methodist Church and Gina comes to us from The Stand United Methodist Church; both of these churches are in Prince George, Virginia. We welcome Bert and Gina as our spiritual leaders and into our church family.

MINISTERS: all members of Warwick Memorial

Resident Bishop: Young Jin Cho
District Superintendent: Joseph D. Carson
Senior Pastor: William G. Davidson
Associate Pastor: Jessica D. Squires
Administrative Assistant: Zena Myall
Dir. of Music Ministry: Page Williams
Music Assistant: Susan Brendle
Facilities Manager: Jim King
Custodian: Henry Daggs
Nursery Coordinator: Edie Moore

RECORD OF FAITHFULNESS
Attendance Last Sunday 8:30 am-103; 9:00 am-94; 11:15 am-126
Total Worship Attendance 323
Sunday School Attendance 143
Needed in Operating Budget Year to Date $247,914.22
Needed each week $13,048.00
Support to Operating Budget Year to Date $239,063.91
Support to Operating Budget Last Week $11,800.66
Available Balance in Building Fund $182,606.53
(excludes $25,658.55 representing loan balance)
Support to Destination Freedom since 6/1/10 $878,022.18
Support to Building Fund Last Week $5,215.00
Amount needed by June 9 for mortgage payment $13,570.45
Amount received Month to Date $29,305.00
Celebration Center Loan Balance $1,607,776.13

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New Administrative Assistant

We invite you to join with us in a welcoming prayer for our new Administrative Assistant, Zena Myall, who began her service with us on May 14th. Please also offer a prayer of thanksgiving for all the volunteers who have served so well during this transition, this includes Kay Fries, Dorothy Scott-Wrenn, Kathy Young, June Buckman, Judy Claus, Pam Agnor, Betty Potter, Sharon Blake, Joyce Bennett, Marsha Six, Em Murphy and Norma MacLuski. We are also grateful to our Search Committee for their diligent work: Dick At Lee, Frank Blake, Debbie Beamer, John Evans and your new Pastors.
Kits for Conference
The 2013 Virginia Conference kit collection is being conducted to replenish the United Methodist Committee On Relief (UMCOR) supply. Local churches are encouraged to collect items for the most requested UMCOR kits. See insert in the Warwick Weekly for lists of items and instructions for packing each kit.

Puppet Ministry
The Puppet Ministry is coming back to Warwick Memorial. Everyone interested in being a puppeteer is invited to join us. We are organizing now and especially would like the children and youth, 5th grade and up, to be part of this ministry. We will meet regularly with the plan of presenting our first show this Fall. Contact Bonnie Turner (877-0551) or Belle Wood (880-2459) to begin making friends with our puppets.

Photos Needed for Pictorial Directory
We will soon be putting together the activity pages for the church pictorial directory, so I need your help. Please e-mail me digital photos of church activities that have occurred in the past year. Please send no more than two of the same activity. Thanks, Kathy Young, jwkyoung@cox.net.

Warwick Memorial UMC Older Adult Ministries
The church has set up an Older Adult Council led by Annette Pomeroy, a retired Diocesan Minister, who is certified in older adult ministries. The council wishes to expand ministry opportunities with and for older adults in our church and in the surrounding community. Please see the enclosed insert for (1) a survey concerning future ministry possibilities and (2) information on the Lake Junaluska trip to attend the Festival of Wisdom and Grace Conference, July 29th—August 1st, being sponsored by the Older Adult Council.

Lost and Found
On May 19th and 26th there will be a table containing lost and found items in the hall outside the choir room. After May 26th unclaimed items will be given to Goodwill.

Save the Dates!
Warwick Memorial Church Family,
You are invited to two very important events in my life. First, I would like to invite all of you to my wedding, which will be on June 8, 2013 at 5pm at Bon Air United Methodist Church in Richmond, Virginia. We will be having a closed reception, but I wanted all of you to be able to attend the wedding ceremony. For more information you can visit www.nelsonandjessie.com
Second, I would like to invite you to be present at my ordination, which will be June 22, 2013 at 7:30pm at the Hampton Convention Center in Hampton, Virginia. Megan Saucier and her husband Jason Stanley will also be ordained this same night. Thank you for supporting me in life and in ministry the past four years!
Pastor Jessie

THANK YOU
Many thanks for your recent gift to the Lackey Free Clinic. On behalf of the board of directors, staff, and volunteers, I appreciate your gift of $1,565.48. Your contribution is essential in helping us fulfill our medical mission to meet the health care needs of the uninsured, whose ranks are swelling every year. We’re grateful to you for enabling our medical volunteers to help our neighbors who are struggling. Please accept our warmest thanks for your support of Lackey Free Clinic.
Carol L. Sale, RN, MSN, Executive Director.
The Lackey Free Clinic was one of the recipients of our 2013 Lent and Easter Offerings

VIDEO ON DVD AVAILABLE
The Last Words
A Tenebrae Drama based on the seven last words from the cross by the Living Word Drama Ministry
Good Friday 2013
by AVL Ministry
$5 at the display in Gathering Area

Graduates 2013
June 2 is Graduate Sunday
We want to honor those attending Warwick Memorial who are graduating from high school, college, or graduate school this year. We will recognize them in all three services on June 2nd. The church office needs:
1) graduate’s name 2) graduate’s school 3) degree & major by May 26.
Memorial Day Celebration Sunday May 26, 2013

You are invited to attend a Memorial Day Celebration on Sunday, May 26th at 9:45 A.M. We will show a brief slide show created by Tim Claus honoring all of those who have served in the armed forces. After this presentation we invite all people to walk around the Celebration Center to look at memorabilia and historical artifacts in honor of those who have served at our church. If you or a loved one has served our country and you would like to bring something to share, please bring it to the Celebration Center the morning of May 26, 2013 between 8 A.M. and 8:50 A.M., and place it on one of the tables lining the wall. Contact Nate Jones at 757-719-3049 if you have any questions.

THANK YOU!

We give thanks for the generosity of God’s people in our goal of this final campaign for the retirement of the debt on our Celebration Center. If you have not yet offered your Faith Commitment Card please place it in the offering today or send it to the church marked Capital Campaign this week.

Our Children Invite You to “Creative Saving”

You have received and heard a lot of information about how you can participate in Completing the Journey, Rooted in Faith, our capital campaign to retire the debt on the Celebration Center. The children at Warwick Memorial have decorated recycled containers for your “creative saving” during the next 3½ years, an idea suggested in the brochure and described by Rev. Jeff Knauer at the Kick-off Event. They are enthusiastic about serving their church and taking part in the campaign! Please feel free to pick up a container in the hallway outside the Sanctuary or in the Celebration Center Gathering Area.

Book Talk and Covered Dish Dinner

Have you gotten a copy of How Coffee Saved My Life and Other Stories of Stumbling to Grace by Ellie Roscher? Hope so because you will need it for the book talk and dinner in the Fellowship Hall on June 11th at 6:30! Read this book to find out why, on May 5, 2006, Ellie wrote, “I’m depressed. I slept for eleven hours yesterday. Lascano is winning. I cried in bed this morning. . .”

CRAFT WORKSHOP

The crafters group of the United Methodist Women will meet this Tuesday, May 21, from 9:30am to 2:30pm in the Fellowship Hall. We invite anyone who may have an interest in arts and crafts to join us as we create items for our annual Cookie Walk/Bazaar to be held on December 7th this year. If you are interested in staying for lunch, bring a light luncheon item to share. Please remember to save your plastic honey bear bottles with lids, yarn remnants, 8 ounce jelly jars (for canning), wide mouth quart size jars (for canning), and any new or used craft-type supplies. We are also looking for interesting shaped glass bottles (any size). Thank you for your help and don’t forget to join us on Tuesday. Questions: call Billie Quigley (874-9091) or Marsha Six (874-3071).

Pastor Bill and Pastor Cheryl Announce Their Retirement

Following 69 years of service (Bill 39, Cheryl 30), we will retire at this annual conference in June. We are among the first clergy couples of the Virginia Conference and Cheryl was the thirteenth clergywoman ordained. Bill has enjoyed serving ministry settings from the country to the suburbs with seven congregations and one regional urban campus ministry (ODU/NSU/TCC). Cheryl served seven congregations, a medical school, Virginia Wesleyan College (Chaplain), and Campus Minister at CNU and shared her calling through family leave for childcare as well as care of Bill’s father who lived with us for four years. We enter this new phase of our ministry together open to God’s calling to us and looking forward to living near three grandchildren! The Retirement Ceremony is Saturday, June 22, at 2:00 pm at the Hampton Convention Center. You are all invited!

Youth Announcements

York River District Youth Rally

Today the youth will be going to the York River District Youth Rally at Mekos Skate Park. Please arrive at the church at 2:15pm we will leave at 2:30pm. Snacks will be provided. This event is free so come out to experience fun games, great speakers, good worship, and meet some new friends from around the district!

Youth End of the Year Celebration: June 2, 2013

On June 2 from 2-4:30pm the youth, parents, and volunteers will celebrate how much they have grown together this year in fun, faith, and fellowship. This event will be at Shelter #15 in Picnic Area 3 in Newport News Park. Please bring some food to share and some games. There will be sand volleyball right next to our shelter!