

September Events!

September 4th

Thursday Music Rehearsal's Begin. See page 8.

September 7th

Sunday School and Youth Ministries Begin!

September 9th
Methodist Men Meeting

September 13th
VIM Yard Sale, Bake Sale, and Pancake Breakfast

September 16th
United Methodist Women's Meeting at Noon

September 19th
6-8 PM—Carnival
8:02-8:33 - Praise Band

8:33-10ish— Movie
September 21st
Fellowship Hour Between Church Services

September 28th
Women's Morning Out and Banner Workshop

October 3rd
Coffee House

The Messenger

Centreville United Methodist Church



September 2008

Newsletter

Pastor's Paragraphs by Pastor Mark Farnell



Customarily the first day in January is the beginning of a new year. While that stands to be true I am suggesting another beginning to a new year – the school year! When we hear those words, “back to school” it means our new summer memories are coming to a close and the beginning of a brand new season – a new beginning!! Fall is my favorite time of the year. I love putting on my flannel shirt and going outside to see the colors of the leaves, smell the fire places burning, participating in the church bazaars, and of course the football season has begun!!!!!!

Ecclesiastes 3:1 says, “*There is a time for everything and a season for every activity under heaven.*” What about the Christian? Do we have seasons? Yes we have spiritual seasons in our walk with God. We know that the earth has four seasons and I think we are much like the four seasons in our walk with God. There are seasons full of blessings, and we really don't want them to end. Then there are seasons we are praying will end real soon because we do not know if we can make it through. Regardless of the season, we will go through them. The truth is my spiritual life has been like this. I have gone through all four seasons in my own spiritual life, from high and optimistic to low and pessimistic. In the Bible there are many people who experienced their spiritual life as a series of ups and downs and not always up's. So I think there is validity to think of our spiritual lives as composed of different seasons.

In order to take advantage of the spiritual seasons in our lives we must seek the direction of God by praying for the Holy Spirit to give us discernment and show us the right things to do. This will safeguard us from going ahead of God. When we go ahead of God we run the risk of not being able to capture all the things that God meant for us to acquire during that season. Spiritual seasons also give us hope. Hope to know that whatever season we are going through there is another season waiting for us. A season full of opportunities, fresh perspectives, and God's direction for a new beginning!!!!

Evangelism by Ann Harlan

Evangelism is a noun that means "the preaching of the gospel"

WOMEN'S MORNING OUT AND BANNER WORKSHOP

September 28th 10-12am

Put September 28th on your calendar for a nice morning of fellowship, creativity, and lunch. We will meet in the fellowship hall at 10am and work on banners, have time for fellowship, and then enjoy lunch. Just bring scissors and perhaps a friend to enjoy our time together. Lunch will be provided. Please RSVP to Ann Harlan at 410-758-4349. I look forward to seeing everyone!!!

A Thank You for Our Booth at the Fair!

We want to thank everyone who helped with the church booth at the Queen Anne's County Fair! Thank you to the Praise Band for joining the booth Tuesday night in song! We reached lots of people and made everyone aware of the Church on the Hill. A special thanks to Katie and Ken Laing for setting up the booth, getting the tent, having the magnets made, and manning the booth for so many hours. We appreciate your devotion!

Thanks also to all the committee chairmen for all their work on their information folders. Jerry Thomas helped so much! And thanks to Pat for running them off for us. They make our Welcome Packets very informative and complete!!!!

Name Tags:

Please continue to wear your name tags during church as this greatly helps new and old members alike when trying to learn the names of our wonderful church family!

Newsletter Articles:

Send newsletter articles for October to kttodd1@yahoo.com or place in the newsletter box in the library! Articles are due by September 20th! Please email articles as a Word Document. Please make sure articles are newsworthy for the church or else they will have to be approved by the church council.

Volunteers in Mission by Larisa Thomas



Flea Market & Bake Sale

Sept. 13th from 7 AM to Noon

Free Tables!

Closet Cleaners, Crafters, and Vendors
welcome

Sponsored by Volunteers In Mission
For more info contact

Larisa Thomas 410-758-2144



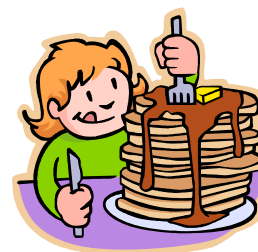
Pancake Breakfast

Sept. 13th from 8-10:30 AM

Come enjoy pancakes, sausages, and eggs.

\$5 Adults / \$4 Seniors & Kids

Benefits the Volunteers In Mission



CUMC Needs A Volunteer!



Tired of seeing this ad? Here is an easy way to serve the Lord! We are still looking for a Nursery Coordinator for the Traditional Service. This person creates a yearly schedule for the volunteers who assist the paid Nursery Attendant and makes reminder calls. If you are interested, please call Larisa Thomas at 410-758-2144, or email Larisa.Thomas@centreville-umc.com.

Methodist Men Update

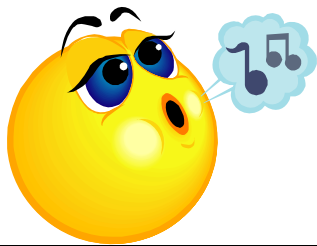
September meeting will be held on Tuesday the 9th at 6:15 PM. Dinner is \$5. During the meeting, the men will be preparing details for the October 22nd BBQ!! Tickets for the BBQ cost \$7 each and they are on sale. The menu includes 1/2 BBQ Chicken, salad with dressing, roll, and applesauce.

Back to Church Night

Mark Your Calendars for
September 19th!

Join your Church Family for an
evening of Fun, Fellowship, Music,
and a Movie With Spirit!

**FAMILY
CARNIVAL
6:00-8:02 PM
COME JOIN THE FUN
HOSTED BY
CENTREVILLE YOUTH
MINISTRIES**



Praise Band To Sing
8:02 - 8:33 PM
In Fellowship Hall

“Facing the Giants”
Showing Begins at 8:33 PM
Bring blankets and Comfy Chairs

Centreville United Methodist Church Proudly Presents:

“Facing the Giants”



NEVER GIVE UP – NEVER BACK DOWN – NEVER LOSE FAITH

Friday September 19, 2008 9pm in the Fellowship Hall

Popcorn-Drinks-Snacks

Bring a Friend! They will never be the same!!!

A Movie for all ages

“A great movie...every family in America should see it!”

Dan Reeves, NFL Coaching Great

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In affiliation with Sherwood Baptist Church Copyright 2006
This film has been rated PG by the Motion Picture Association



United Methodist Women by **Barbara Erickson**

Bring a dish and join us for lunch to start the “new year” on Tuesday September 16th at 12 o’clock followed by our monthly meeting. The program for that day is “What I Learned at School of Mission.”

***New Year to
begin on
September 16th
at 12 o’clock!
Hope to see
you there!***

We have recently finished a quilt for Camp Pecometh’s quilt auction!

Our Bazaar planning is in full swing, and we have many vendors replying for spaces. We are still in need of items for our Silent Auction. Please contact Betty Lee Jackson for Silent Auction items.

Our Bible Study is on hold until after the first of the year. We will update you all when we do begin.

We have also been busy planning our Children’s Shopping for December. Lisa Smith and Laura Phillips are collecting the items for the shopping, so if you have donations, please contact them.

Help! You are Needed!!! UMW Needs the following:

- *A chairperson for the United Methodist Men’s dinners**
- *Chairperson to organize dinners for our Seniors once a month**
- *Help the United Methodist Men with their barbeque on October 22nd**
- *Help with the Fall Bazaar on October 25th**
- *Help with Blankets, Bibs, and Totes -** We have had requests for bibs, especially from Corsica Hills. Easton Memorial Hospital has requested baby blankets. The Senior Center has requested bibs and totes, and Hospice has requested bibs totes, and lap quilts. Mrs. Cook needs 150 school totes for her mission trip in February.
- *Needed: Cotton fabric for our bibs**
- *Needed: Silent auction items**

Sunday School by Laura Phillips

Sunday School begins September 7th!! Teachers have been busy getting ready for Sunday School to begin. On the 7th, please join your child on Opening Day in the Sanctuary at 9:45. We will be introducing the teachers and going over some new exciting things that will be happening this year. At 10:30, please join us and your child in Fellowship Hall for a light breakfast. See you on the 7th!



Food for the Soul by Bonnie English

We are beginning a weekly prayer meeting to not only pray, but to be fed by the Word of God and learn more about prayer from “seasoned” authors.

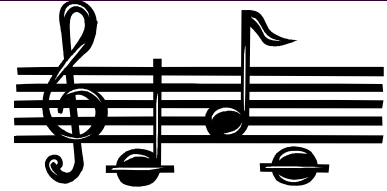
We plan to start in mid September and would love to invite anyone interested to join us. Please pick a day and time that would suit your schedule, and call the Church office: 410-758-0868. (A weekly commitment isn’t necessary—just come when you can). Decisions on when and what time will be made based upon your responses.

DO YOU KNOW that our churches are called “Houses of Prayer,” Isaiah 56:7, and that in heaven there are golden bowls of incense which contain the prayers of the saints? See Revelations 5:8. Please join us as we are spiritually fed and add our prayers to heaven’s golden bowls. We know you will be blessed as we praise and worship the Lord through prayer!

20/30 Bible Study by Katie Laing

Are you in your 20’s and 30’s and looking to get to know other Christians like you? Looking to learn more about the Bible? Than join us for our 20/30 Bible Study! The schedule is up to those who join, and our evenings together are fun! Want to know more? Contact Katie by email at kttodd1@yahoo.com or by phone at 410-758-6939.

Music Notes by Nancy Cook



As summer winds “Down,” the music ministry of the church is gearing “Up” for a wonderful year of music making! Won’t you join us in the musical opportunities that are offered?

The Choir and Bell Schedule is as follows and will continue to meet on the same day each week.

Thursday, September 4

5:30 - Handbell Choir - Grades 3-12 No Musical Experience

6:00 - Handbell Choir - Grades 3-12 with music reading experience

6:45 - Adult Handbell Choir

7:50 - Chancel Choir - High School Juniors through age 90

- Director: Nancy Cook



Make a Joyful Noise!

children's Choir

Grades 2 through 8
Rehearsals begin Wednesday,
September 10th
6:30-7:15 pm
Church Sanctuary
Directed by Robin Twilley



The Praise Band will need help with the Coffee House. We need people to organize decorations and desserts. We need a volunteer to man the door. If you can help, please contact Katie Laing—410-758-6939.

Coffee House
Our 3rd Coffee
House will be
Held on Fri.,
October 3rd at
7:00 PM in
Fellowship Hall

Coffee and Dessert
\$5 Adults, \$3 Kids

Benefits Praise Band
Technology Updating



A Year To Get Hooked! By Ken Laing

A new year starts— a new logo! Centreville Youth Ministries is starting its' 2008-2009 year on September 7th 2008. If you have or know of any youth in 6th-12th grades, please plan to attend or let them know to attend.

When: Sunday September 7th

Time: 5:30 pm

What: 2008-2009 Fall Kick Off Dinner

Who: Any youth grades 6-12 and THEIR FAMILIES!

Please plan to bring the whole family and a dish that matches the following.

Your Last name starts with:

A-E- Desert

F-M- Appetizer or Side

N-Z— Main Course

We have an exciting year ahead with new additions already planned! Hope to see you there!

Wanted

**RECYCLE YOUR ALUMINUM
CANS WITH CYM!
YOUR TRASH = CASH!!**

Drop aluminum cans off behind church by the youth door!
All proceeds benefit the youth's trip to Youth Rally 2009!



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Sunday Church Schedule Beginning September 7th

8:45 AM - Praise Service with Nursery Available

9:45 - Sunday School for Ages Pre-School through Adult

11:00 AM - Traditional Service with Nursery Available

5:30-7:30: Middle School MYF (Grades 6-8)

6:30-8:30: High School MYF (Grades 9-12)

Calendar available online at www.centreville-umc.com.

Fellowship Hour will be held the 3rd Sunday of each month between both services in Fellowship Hall.
Mark your calendars for September 21st!