



THE SPIRES

July 4- July 10, 2010

Glorifying God through knowing Christ and making Him known



**A Message
from the Senior Pastor**

Remember Your Baptism

My favorite part of Annual Conference each year is the Service of Ordination. How blessed First Broad Street is for Andrew Amodei to have met the requirements for Ordination as an Elder in The United Methodist Church, and for his ordination to have been witnessed by representatives of the FBSUMC family.

While I enjoy the air of celebration which surrounds the Service of Ordination, the preaching is almost always outstanding. This year's preacher was Bishop Ken Carder (retired), a native son of The Holston Conference, and presently a faculty member of the Duke Divinity School. Bishop Carder's sermon was based on selected verses from Luke chapters three and four -- familiar passages about Jesus' own baptism, temptation in the wilderness, and Jesus' first sermon at his hometown synagogue in Nazareth.

While Bishop Carder's message was directed toward the ordinands and others being credentialed, we were certainly all "over-hearers" of the Good News. Carder reminded us that our life as Christ-followers is a life-long journey of twists and turns: mountains of joy and valleys of disappointment, affording us the opportunities to bear witness to the grace of God with results that are God-sized, out of proportion to our own best human investment.

He reminded us that just as Jesus' public ministry and identity began with his baptism, baptism is where our identity is formed. What we do as disciples of Jesus Christ flows forth from our baptism. It is where we get our worth, our dignity, and our very essence. Baptism is a gift. It is where God declared that you and I are God's daughters and sons. God says you are mine; I have redeemed you.

I don't know about you, but sometimes, when the mountains of joy seem all too far apart and the valleys of disappointment seem to come all too often, I need to be reminded of my baptism. The great reformer Martin Luther would say to himself during such times, "I am baptized. I am baptized. I am baptized!"

So, as you continue your own journey -- experiencing the twists and turns, mountains and valleys -- may you have the grace to remember *who* you are, and *whose* you are!



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With my love and prayers,

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

Recently Hospitalized . . .

Holston Valley: Ray Stomer, Al Robbins

Discharged: Newton Shearer, Patsy Pilgrim, Joyce Russell

 to the family of **Dennis Golob** on the death of his mother, **Francis Golob**, who died June 21;
to the family of **David and Dannie Shupe** on the death of their mother, **Helen Shupe**, who died June 26;
to **Carolyn Baker** on the death of her brother, **Daryell Arnold**, who died June 26, 2010.



Congratulations to **Brook Johnson and Klis Zannis**, who were married on June 26 in Charleston, SC.
Congratulations to **Tiffany Taylor and William Owen**, who were married on June 26 at FBSUMC.
Congratulations to **Hunter Blake Mullins and Leslie Cassell**, who were married on June 17 in a private ceremony.

Single Vision

Join us on Monday, July 5, for a restaurant trip to Pizza Hut on John B. Dennis at 6:00 p.m. for a tasty buffet and an evening of good fellowship. For more information, call Jane Adams at 246-1727.

We will also enjoy Putt-Putt on Thursday, July 8, at 6:30 p.m. on East Stone Drive. Afterwards, stay for a hand or two of the card game, Hand and Foot.

Campbell Product Labels

Have you noticed the stock pot sitting on the table outside the chapel door? No, it doesn't contain some steamy soup, but it is there to collect the label cut-outs on Campbell products as well as the Box Tops for Education cut-outs. These are collected by the United Methodist Women and are sent to Jubilee Project and Red Bird Mission, who in turn redeem them for much-needed supplies. Please trim the designated area from the labels and place them in the "pot." Thank you!

Membership Updates

It is time for our semi-annual check of addresses, phone numbers, and e-mails. You may ask why I do this twice a year. We have had over 200 changes since January 1. Please let me know if you have any changes. If you are planning to move, please let the church know. The post office will not forward the newsletter. We are spending about \$10 a month on returned newsletters for this reason. Thank you.

—Darres Carter, 224-1506

Chancel Arrangements . . .

The chancel flowers are in memory of Dr. R. H Montgomery's birthday on July 1. Given by his family.

The credenza flowers are in memory of Caitlyn Duncan's 21st birthday, June 29. Given by the Builders Sunday School Class.

WORSHIP

Sixth Sunday after Pentecost July 4, 2010

Contemporary Worship Services

Fellowship Hall -- 8:30 and 10: 45 a.m.

Scripture: Matthew 11: 25-30

Message: *Real Freedom*

Mickey Rainwater

Traditional Worship Services

Sanctuary -- 8:30 a.m.—9:40 a.m.—10:45 a.m.

Scripture: Acts 2: 14-40

Message: *It's 9 O'clock Somewhere*

Andrew Amodei

Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.

"Joy" TV Ministry: 9:30 a.m. *see below

Radio Broadcast: 10:00 a.m., WKPT (1400 AM)

To Watch JOY TV

COMCAST SYSTEMS: We are broadcasting on Sundays at 2:30 p.m.; Mondays at 7:00 p.m.; and Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m..on the following stations: Abingdon, VA Ch. 2; Bristol & Gray Ch. 14.

CHARTER SYSTEMS: We are broadcasting on Sundays at 9:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.; Mondays at 7:00 p.m.; and Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. on Ch. 13 for Johnson City, Kingsport and Rogersville.

Our Father's Place

4:00 p.m. in the Chapel

Message: *Doris Dexter*

Evening Worship

6:00 p.m. in the Chapel

Message: "Freedom Is Not Free" Jim Harless

June 27, 2010

Morning Worship	861
<i>Our Father's Place</i>	14
Evening Worship	28
Total Worship Attendance	903
Sunday School	550

After Hours "On Call" List for the Week

Sunday, July 4 Mickey Rainwater

Monday, July 5 Mickey Rainwater

Tuesday, July 6 Andrew Amodei

Wednesday, July 7 Mickey Rainwater

Thursday, July 8 Andrew Amodei

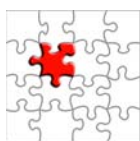
Friday, July 9 Jack Weikel

Saturday, July 10 Andrew Amodei

DISCIPLESHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Sunday School Breakout Session

Share Jesus Without Fear, facilitated by Buddy Bounds. Room L06, through July 25. This class explores the story of William Fay, once a money-driven businessman with Mafia ties who ran a house of prostitution until it was raided by police. Facing the threat of jail time, Fay turned to Jesus Christ for redemption and ever since has been turning others to Him as well. Share Jesus without Fear *relays Fay's passionate, effective instructions on how to share the love of Christ with anyone—without feeling intimidated on either side of the conversation.* **Breakout Sessions are for anyone – those who have a Sunday school class, and those who would like to “test drive” Sunday school.** Please call 224-1513 or email mdeans@fbsumc.org to register.



Many Petals, One Festival of Flowers Puzzle

Before the petals are arranged for the 2010 Flower Festival, you are invited to arrange the 1,000 petal pieces of the *Festivals of Flowers* Puzzle. The puzzle will bloom in the hallway near the Parlor beginning Wednesday, August 11, and must be in full flower by Sunday, August 22. Come plant a few pieces, fellowship, and be part of the finished *Festival of Flowers* jigsaw puzzle.

**Flower Festival Coming
August 26-28, 2010**
SAVE THE DATE!

Courtyard Shows Off Summer Colors

The Courtyard is bright with its summer colors. The Columbarium Committee, assisted by Tony Valk, has planted summer flowers in the eight urns that hold seasonal selections. The summer flowers are selected for their color, resistance to heat and ability to handle a dry spell. This summer, each urn contains a geranium, a small fuchsia and a trailing vinca. The geranium and fuchsia are salmon colored. The vinca is white with a red dot in the center.

Columbarium funds are used to replace the seasonal flowers as well as to purchase and maintain the more permanent shrubs and plants. Columbarium funds come primarily from the purchase of niches in the two cabinets, but Memorial gifts are also very welcome. If you would like to help the Columbarium Committee maintain the welcoming appearance of the Courtyard, please consider making a Memorial gift to the Courtyard Columbarium fund.

Most important, come see the summer flowers!



Reading the Bible Together . . .

July 4, 2010

2 Kings 5: 1-14

Psalms 66: 1-9

Galatians 6: 1-16

Luke 10: 1-11, 16-20

Read these passages of scripture during the week to prepare for worship on Sunday. When you get ready to read, ask the Holy Spirit to illuminate the text for you. Then, read the passage slowly, writing down questions or insights that come to you. Finally, offer thanksgiving to God for the witness of scripture, and pray for those whom God has placed on your heart. Try to read all the passages at least twice during the week.

Questions to ponder: We all recognize that following instructions can save us a lot of hardship and frustration. However, we have also had times when we ignored the instructions, thinking we knew better. Read the scripture this week and listen for God's instructions. Ask: How am I following God's instructions for being a disciple? How is our church following God's instructions?

Teacher Appreciation “Thank You Tea”

Sunday, July 11 – 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall
All teachers and facilitators of **Bible studies, Sunday school, Terrific Tuesdays, and Discipleship small groups** are invited to enjoy refreshments, be honored, and hear our new pastor, Rev. Mickey Rainwater, speak to us about his vision for Christian Education and Formation at First Broad Street. There will also be an opportunity to dream with each other, and each attendee will receive a Thank You gift from GROW Ministries. Please RSVP to Margaret Deans at 224-1513 or mdeans@fbsumc.org.



Upcoming UMM Programs

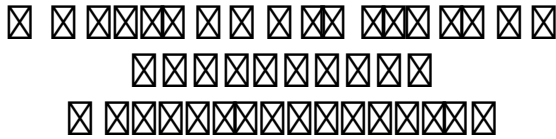
Please mark your calendars for Monday evening, July 26. Steve and Diantha Hodges will join us to share about their departure on August 16th to live in southern Sudan and be in mission. Steve will be working with agriculture and micro-enterprising, and Diantha will be working with rural health and midwifery.

The August UMM event will be joining the Boy Scouts at Bloomingdale Retreat Center. They will prepare our evening meal and share with us about their scouting experiences. Please contact the reservation line at 423-224-1502 for both of these events.

New “Weight Watchers” Sessions

Sign up at the first two meetings--July 6 and July 13. Meetings are Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m. in room 141 at First Broad Street UMC. For more information, please call Joy Eastridge at 224-1512.

MISSIONS CORNER



You Are Not Alone! Help is Available

Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. Hebrews 12: 1

Speakers to include Bishop James Swanson, Sr., Bishop Thomas Bickerton, and Rev. Dr. Tyrone Gordon

August 13-14, 2010 Cokesbury Center in Knoxville, TN

www.CallingAllMen.net



UMM Assisting Hope Haven Mission with Fundraiser

The United Methodist Men are partnering with Hope Haven in a yard sale to raise funds for the overnight shelter here in Kingsport. The yard sale is scheduled for Saturday, July 31st from 7:00 am until 3:00 pm and will be held in the FBSUMC parking lot. Volunteers will be needed to assist in setting up, assisting with the sale, take down after it is finished and securing and pricing items for the sale. If you are interested in being a part of this event, please contact Steve Ankabrandt at 245-3026.

Check Out the Strictly for Hunger Table

We welcome your garden vegetables, fruit, or homemade baked goods such as : bread, muffins, cookies, pies and granola. The table will be set up Sunday mornings from 8:15 to 11:45 near the Chapel. Put food on your table and someone else's by making a donation. The money collected goes to our Food Ministry to help feed the hungry in our community. Sunday school classes are encouraged to participate again this year and can contact Melinda King at 288-5193 or melindaking@charter.net to choose a date to sponsor the Strictly for Hunger table this summer.

“Bring One” Items

The Bring One items for the week of Sunday, July 4, will be cash or checks for the communion offering baskets. The items for the week of Sunday, July 11, will be canned meats such as SPAM, ham, or tuna. Thank you.

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Holston Conference School of Christian Mission July 22-24 at Colonial Heights UMC

The 2010 Holston Conference School of Christian Mission, sponsored by Holston Conference United Methodist Women, will be held July 22-24 at Colonial Heights UMC (631 Lebanon Rd, Kingsport). The theme will be “Faith, Hope, & Love in Action” and is open to all men, women, laity and clergy (not just UMW members). Please plan to attend. Program studies include: “For the Love of God: John’s Letters led by Clark Jenkins and Joel Campbell; “The Beauty and Courage of Sudan” led by Mike and Lori Sluder; and “Mission and Evangelism” led by Nancy Hobbs and Randy Frye. “Hugging the World: Faith, Hope, Love in Action” 2010 Children’s Mission study will be led by Marcheine McClurg.

If your registration is postmarked on or before July 8, the fee is \$45 for each adult and \$25 for each child (ages five to nine) attending the children’s study of for whom you need childcare. **After July 8**, the registration fee will be \$50 per adult. Childcare is provided if your child is registered in advance. Make checks payable to Holston Conference United Methodist Women. Mail completed form with payment to Pat Marshall, Registrar, PO Box 1083, Bristol, VA.

Registration forms are available either from the UMW bulletin board or website (www.holstonconferenceumw.com).