



# THE SPIRES

*Glorifying God through knowing Christ and making Him known*

## Confirmation is a beginning, not an end!

I am excited to announce the 2009-2010 Confirmation Class. They are a bright, engaging group of youth who are ready to further contribute to the life of the church. I hope as members of First Broad Street, you are ready to be a part of their lives for the next many years. When the individuals listed below are confirmed, they will need adults and role models to help them continue to grow as disciples of Jesus Christ. Each one has a uniqueness to offer First Broad Street.

They are only 6<sup>th</sup> graders, but these youth have been challenged to be mature Christians. To move beyond pew warming church groupies and embrace the Gospel in a passionate, sincere way. On April 18, at the 10:45 services, the church will celebrate these young people. I hope you will continue to keep them in your prayers and step up to volunteer in the youth program. If you want to see the church keep growing, then you will need to do some cultivating!

Below are the names of the youth of this year's class. Many wonderful teachers, mentors and volunteers have contributed to making 2009-2010 year a special one.

- Chandler Shoemaker*
- Brock Jennings*
- Ally Deason*
- Emma Rogers*
- Warren Ehrenfried*
- Jennifer Garland*
- Jessica Shupe*
- Cassi Wood*
- Luke Wood*
- Joseph Provenzano*
- Caleb Yarosh*
- Owen Click*
- Clark Hathaway*
- Ethan Harris*
- Alison Kilgore*
- Claire Kilgore*
- Cole Killen*
- Alex Horner*
- Marci Heidt*



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August 26-28, 2010**  
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**Mark the dates now:  
May 23, 24, 25, and 26th**  
**"A New Song . . . A New Hope"**

Be sure to put this on your calendars now! You don't want to miss the upcoming renewal services with Dr. Zan Holmes. It will be for the whole community. This will be a time to renew our spirits through special music, relevant messages, food, and fellowship.

# CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

## Recently Hospitalized . . .

**Holston Valley:** Rhoda Gray  
**Blount Memorial, Maryville:** Roger Montgomery  
**Indian Path:** Eleanor Cox  
**Discharged:** Rick Bowser

In Memory of  
 our church family member  
**Robert Miller Cross—April 8**



to the family of **Zane Scott** on the death of his father, **Ben Scott**, who died April 7; and **Ted Glynn IV and family and Colette George and family** on the death of their stepfather, **Gale Joh**, who died April 11.



Congratulations to **Jon Lee and Ashley Morris** on the birth of their son, **Jon Parker Morris**, who was born March 31.



**William Porter Torrence**, son of Chris and Anne-Marie Torrence, was baptized by his uncle, Rev. Adam Porter, at the 8:30 traditional service.

## Thursday Morning Bible Study Begins April 15

Beth Moore's newest release, "Here and Now--There and Then," focusing on the Book of Revelation, should be an interesting study. Class meets 9:30 a.m. to noon, Thursday in Room L44. Cost for class and workbook: \$14.00. Call Terry Tolson at 230-0441 to register.

## Lunch Bunch—April 16—General Morgan Inn Greeneville, TN.

Bus leaves Wanola parking lot at 11:00 a.m.

## Openings for Interim, Part-Time Positions

The Staff-Parish Relations Committee has created two part-time, interim positions. They are:

- ✓ Interim Web and Media Support Specialist
- ✓ Interim Sound and Media Operator—Contemporary Worship

These positions are available immediately and will probably run until September. Job Descriptions and Applications for Employment are available in the Church Office or by e-mailing Mike McIntire at [mmcintire@fbsumc.org](mailto:mmcintire@fbsumc.org).



## Our Stephen Ministers Are Ready to Care for You!

Stephen Ministers are members of FBSUMC who have been through extensive training to provide confidential, one-to-one, Christian care to people who are experiencing a difficult time. They will listen, care, encourage, pray with and for you, and provide weekly support for you as long as your need persists. If you or someone you know is hurting, find out more about Stephen Ministry by talking with one of our Stephen Leaders: Andrew Amodei (224-1504), Joy Eastridge (224-1512), Nick Grabar (288-2320), Jim Harless (578-8336), and Melanie Watson (288-9010). Our Stephen Ministers are ready to bring God's love and care into your life.

# WORSHIP

## 3rd Sunday of Easter—April 18, 2010

### Contemporary Worship Services

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

Scripture: Acts 8: 9-25

Message: *Simon the Sorcerer*

Andrew Amodei

### Traditional Worship Services

Sanctuary – 8:30 a.m. – 9:40 a.m. – and 10:45 a.m.

Scripture: John 21: 1-19

Message: *A Shot at Redemption*

Clark Jenkins

### 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 12:30 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.

## St. Mark's United Methodist Church

9:30 a.m.

Message: Lay Speaker

### Our Father's Place

4:00 p.m. in the Chapel

Message: Doris Dexter

### Evening Worship

6:00 p.m. in the Chapel

Message: John Bardsley and John Wilson

April 11, 2010

Morning Worship	771
Our Father's Place	13
Evening Worship	34
Total Worship Attendance	818
Sunday School	583

### After Hours "On Call" List for the Week

**Sunday, April 18** Margaret Deans (276-698-0812)

**Monday, April 19** Clark Jenkins (292-2795)

**Tuesday, April 20** Andrew Amodei (765-6197)

**Wednesday, April 21** Clark Jenkins (292-2795)

**Thursday, April 22** Andrew Amodei (765-6197)

**Friday, April 23** Jack Weikel (292-9000)

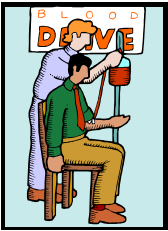
**Saturday, April 24** Jack Weikel (292-9000)

## Chancel Arrangements . . .

The chancel flowers are to the glory of God.

## FBS Welcomes Our New Member . . .

**Rick Bowser**, 505 Dale St., by profession of faith, sponsored by Jeff and Cee Gee McCord; **Joshua K. Wright and Trista M. Haupt**, 1540 Carolina Ave., 37664, as transfers from First Assembly of God in Lincolnton, Georgia and from Salem UMC, Frederick, Maryland respectively, sponsored by Elzear and Emily Lemieux; and **Brenda Rosenbaum**, 713 Boone St., Apt. 3, by profession of faith.



## Blood Drive

Once when John Brewster, a faithful blood donor, was here, he got a call from the blood bank saying they needed him to come over because he had a special type of blood that a particular little girl needed. Needless to say, he dropped everything and went.

Sometimes we lose that personal connection and forget that by a small act of kindness we really can contribute to save someone's life. In these days of modern surgery, cancer treatments, and transplants, blood and blood products are more necessary than ever.

Unfortunately, the number of donors has not kept pace. So if you are healthy and able to give, please come out to our next blood drive on Wednesday, April 28, from 3 to 7 p.m. here in our parking lot.

This time our Sunday School classes will compete to see which class can provide the greatest number of donors. When you sign up to give, be sure and tell us if you are part of a class and we'll let you know who wins!

You must be feeling well in general and have eaten a good meal within several hours of coming.

You will be amply rewarded with:

- a free t-shirt
- a snack and drink
- a free meal ticket for Wednesday night supper
- much gratitude and appreciation.

Sign up: 224-1512 or [jeastridge@fbsumc.org](mailto:jeastridge@fbsumc.org).

Questions? Ask Joy Eastridge, Parish Nurse.



## AARP Safe Driving Class

On Thursday and Friday, April 15 and 16, from 9 to 1 p.m. Rosalee Sites will be teaching our next Safe Driving Class. Please sign up today to refresh your knowledge and get encouragement about making adaptations to aging that will help you continue to be a safe driver.

The class costs \$14 (\$12 to members of AARP). Sign up today at [jeastridge@fbsumc.org](mailto:jeastridge@fbsumc.org).

## Help with Conference

The group that is sponsoring a local conference for those with Combined Hearing and Vision Loss is recruiting volunteers at churches to help with childcare during their conference at Meadowview July 15-18. Some of the children in childcare will be affected and others not.

If you or someone you know likes working with special kids, then please give of your time. If you are interested, please contact Susan Hiscutt at [shiscutt@chartertn.net](mailto:shiscutt@chartertn.net).

## Planning for the Best Time of Your Life by Jim Cornell

While it seems to be an unpleasant chore, making out Advanced Plans actually frees you to enjoy life, no matter what stage you are in. Advanced Plans consist of four legal documents - Power of Attorney for Health Care, Power of Attorney, Living Will and Will. Keep these documents up to date as your personal situation changes and continue to enjoy life.

If the unexpected happens, your Advanced Plans allow you to control how your children are cared for, how your spouse is protected and how health decisions are made on your behalf.

Discuss your final plans with your family, pastor and/or funeral home director and then relax and forget about it. Cremation is a rapidly growing option for many families as part of their final plans. It is lower in cost than most other options and environmentally friendly. Our church columbarium offers you an inexpensive alternative for perpetual care that is worth consideration. For a more detailed discussion of this subject, go to [fbsumc.org](http://fbsumc.org) and click on: [www.fbsumc.org/columbarium](http://www.fbsumc.org/columbarium)

## Fair is a Bad Word

"Don't I have the right to do what I want with my own money? Or are you envious because I am generous? So the last will be first and the first will be last." Matt. 20:15-16

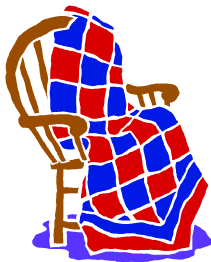
"It's no fair." Two kids, two cookies. One is a crumb smaller. Let Mom decide. We've all seen the after effects. Tears and unhappiness rather than joy over the cookie they did get. Why are we like this?

In the Parable of the Workers in the Vineyard, Jesus highlights the pitfalls of our sense

of fairness. Again, he tells us to focus on our relationship with him. We have the privilege of meaningful work for him; we have been his servants all our lives; we get to see the crop from beginning to end. Why then do we let our eyes stray to others who come late to God's work?

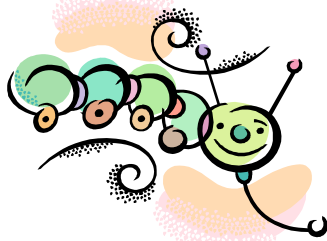
Why do we begin to ask questions about others' relationships with him? He tells us here not to worry so much about what he is doing or is going to do for others. He wants us to keep our eyes on him, rejoicing in the deep reward of our relationship with him.

We seek to find balance and health in our lives. Let us remember when we begin to feel the bitter rise of resentment in our hearts, the whining voice that cries out about the unfairness of life, to re-direct our thoughts to Him in worship and in service. He has a plan than is bigger and better than we can ask or imagine.



### Lap Robes for V.A.

Thanks to your generosity, we collected 30 lap blankets for veterans at the V.A. The Volunteer coordinator was most appreciative of the efforts of Stitch and Pray and other donors in our congregation saying, "Now, more than ever, we need to remember our veterans." If you would like to contribute in other ways, there are item needs and volunteer opportunities listed on the VA website.



### Camp Caterpillar for Kids in Grief

The death of a loved one is difficult at any age but sometimes especially hard for children.

Camp caterpillar is a **free** day camp offered through Wellmont Hospice where children learn to emerge from the cocoon of grief.

When: April 24, 9-5

Where: Camp Placid

224 Camp Placid Road, Blountville

Who: Pre K-12

Call: 723-6877

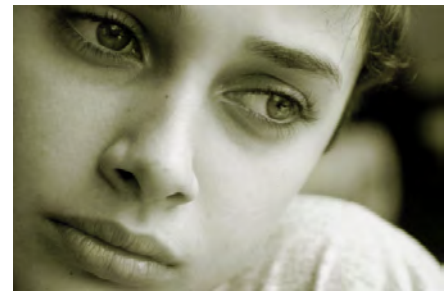


### LiveWires Sunday School Class

Did you know that we have a Sunday School class that meets on the phone each week? This is ideal if you have had surgery or had to be away or are out of town. You can connect to others once a week and receive spiritual nourishment from exciting teachers. This is for people from First Broad and anyone in the community who might be interested.

The teachers are: Jane Schulz, Linda Morton, Sharon Miller, Fred Richard, and Margarete Johnson.

Live Wire Ministry meets on Wednesdays at 10:30-11. Call 1-877-807-9873



### Foster Parenting for Teens

Are you good with young people? Do you know how to set limits with love? Do you know how to have fun and yet be a stable influence? Can you share your faith with your actions?

If you have answered "yes" to these questions, you might want to consider foster parenting for teens. While small children need foster parents, there is a growing need for those who are able to foster teens.

Call Julie Burdge (534-3411) if you are interested in finding out more.

### Parish Nurse Office Hours

Joy Eastridge

Monday through Thursday

10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Off on Friday

# DISCIPLESHIP OPPORTUNITIES



## Holston Conference UMW

### 36th Annual Spiritual Enrichment Experience

May 14-15, or 15-16, 2010, will be a wonderful time to get away from the stress of life and renew your mind, body, and soul. Lake Junaluska is a place where one may experience not only personal blessing, but spiritual revitalization and challenge as well.

Please mark your calendar today and complete the registration forms which are available on the website ([www.holstonconferenceumw.com](http://www.holstonconferenceumw.com)) or on the UMW bulletin board. You get to choose which session you attend--either Friday/Saturday or Saturday/Sunday. We have several women already registered from FBS, so carpooling to this event will be possible.

Rev. Catherine Nance will be the spiritual leader and communion celebrant. Music leader will be Nancy Love Owens, and Jean Osborne will serve as pianist. See [www.holstonconferenceumw.com](http://www.holstonconferenceumw.com) for complete biographical information on these ladies!

If you register prior to April 28 the registration fee is only \$15 (\$20 late registration fee). Room rates vary depending upon occupancy and choice of lodging, but highest rate is \$78 for double at either the Terrace or Lambuth Inn. Rate includes one night's lodging, lunch and dinner on the first day and breakfast on the second day. Please call Doris Dexter (288-2973) for more information.

## UMW General Meeting, May 13

All women are invited to attend our general meeting (dinner meeting) on May 13 at 6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Our program will be presented by Kay Ann Smith from Circle 3, who will share her personal experience of "Finding the Fifth Day in My Backyard." She uses lovely photographs to illustrate. Offering for our annual "Blanket Drive" will be taken (checks may be made to FBSUMW). Betty Mathieson, Mission Education & Interpretation Chair, will have one of the blankets on display at the meeting. These blankets cost only \$5. Last year we collected \$593.13, so we hope to do that well or better this year! Please plan to attend.

## Young Women's Retreat --May 15-16, 2010

Who needs a break more than our young women? The 2010 Young Women's Retreat will be a great time to get away (childcare is available) for some time of renewal and fellowship. Rev. Leann "Lou" Crandall, who was born and raised a United Methodist in Kingsport will be the leader. She is currently serving in her first appointment at First UMC, Cleveland, as the associate pastor. Music will be led by Amanda Powell, who is currently music director of a unique worship experience called Alive360 at Federated Church in Chagrin Falls, OH. Amanda sings with Quire Cleveland and Apollo's Fire, two of Cleveland's professional early music ensembles and teaches private piano and voice lessons.

There are six different workshops from which participants can choose only 1 to attend! That may be the most difficult part of registration. All activities will take place at Lambuth Inn. Room fees vary but a double rate is \$78. Children do not pay a room charge--only \$14.50 for meals.) Early registration (prior to April 28) is \$15 with \$20 after that date. You must register prior to April 28 if you want childcare, which is available at \$10 per child.

For complete details on the retreat and registration forms visit [www.holstonconferenceumw.com](http://www.holstonconferenceumw.com) or find a copy on the UMW bulletin board. Contact Doris Dexter (288-2973) for questions.



## UMW Cookbooks

The United Methodist Women offers a wonderful cookbook full of yummy recipes. These cookbooks make wonderful gifts and are only \$12.00. When making out your checks, please write the amount to First Broad Street United Methodist Church and notate "UMW Cookbook" on the memo line. If you wish to pay with cash, please have the correct change when coming to purchase your cookbook. Thanks and happy cooking!

## Wednesday Nights 5:30 p.m.--April 21

**Program:** Keep Kingsport Beautiful with Jack Greene

**Menu:** meatloaf, mashed potatoes, peas, slaw, dirt cake

**Make your dinner reservations by calling 224-1502**

**by noon on Tuesday. You must call 224-1502 to set up standing reservations.**

Adults: \$6; Children 5-11 years: \$3;

Under 5: Free; Family Maximum: \$25

*Feel free to attend the program even if you are unable to come for the meal.*

## Breakfast with the Birds

Make plans to join us at the Bloomingdale Retreat Center on April 17, at 8:30 a.m. when Bill Grigsby will be our guide in bird watching. A light breakfast will be served at 8:30 a.m.



## "Bring One" Items

The Bring One items for the week of Sunday, April 18, will be spaghetti sauce and noodles. The items for the week of Sunday, April 25, will be canned corn, green beans, peas and fruit. Thank you.

A MESSAGE  
FROM THE BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR

## Land Use Plan--Yei, Sudan

I know you are already wondering, "What on earth is Mike writing about this week?" Let me take you back to our Mission Team that went to Yei, Sudan last spring. You may remember that our own Ben Mallicote, Vice Mayor of Kingsport, was on the team. Ben met with government officials and asked what Kingsport might do to help the citizens of Yei. He learned that the government needed to develop a land use plan for this rapidly growing city because it would allow the government to apply for grants from agencies such as the United Nations to support infrastructure development.


When Ben returned, he talked with Alan Webb, Planning Manager for the City of Kingsport, about how we might help do this. It turned out that Alan's dad had served in Sudan as a member of the British Royal Air Force in the 50's and Alan was very interested in helping. Isn't it amazing how God works in our world! After several meeting, a plan of how we might best help the government in Yei began to take shape.

Our team of Ben Mallicote, Danny Howe, Alan Webb, Chris Campbell, Morris Baker, Dr. Mike Marchioni and myself concluded that it would be most efficient to bring two or three Yei officials to Kingsport so that we could provide a variety of expertise and support in this endeavor. Chris is MPO Coordinator for the Metropolitan Planning Organization which deals with transportation issues in an area that extends well beyond Kingsport. Chris is also a member of First Broad Street. Morris Baker is a Grant Specialist for the City. Dr. Marchioni is Professor of Public Administration, Planning Specialist at East Tennessee State University. And I have had a hand in preparing Kingsport's 2010 – 2030 Land Use Plan and Sullivan County's 2005 – 2025 Land Use & Transportation Plan.

After considering several places to house these visitors, we concluded that the second floor of the Cox Building would work nicely because it has a bathroom and kitchen and is in easy walking distance to City Hall. Furniture was needed and Joe Stras of our Furniture Ministry is in the process of temporarily furnishing this apartment. We also needed some computing capability and Danny has just received three laptops from Fred Dearing, District Superintendent of the Chattanooga District, for use in Sudan. God continues to provide for our needs!

As of this writing, we are anticipating the arrival of three Sudanese government officials on April 20<sup>th</sup>. They will be here for a month. During this time, we are hoping that we can help them develop at least a draft of a long-range plan for Yei. When you have no paved roads, little electricity, no water or sewer infrastructure, no land-fills or garbage services, and no zoning or land use plans; developing a long-range plan is going to be a different process than what we do in 21<sup>st</sup> century America. But I am confident that with God's help, we can work with our Sudanese visitors and help them develop a long-range plan for improving the quality of life in Yei.

I am sure you will probably see our visitors at Church. Please make them welcome. Also, please prayer for their safe travel and for the success of this important endeavor that they

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are undertaking. Every small step can help make life a little better in the impoverished region filled with many good folks.

*Mike Mallicote*



## FBS Golfers

Three scheduled outings for FBS Golfers (all on Tuesdays) are as follows: May 18, Cattails at MeadowView; June 17, Warrior's Path Golf Club; July 13, Twin Creeks Golf Club in Chuckey. Please let Jim know if you will attend, either by phone (288-7553 and 747-6144) or by e-mail (JHutchins251@aol.com).



## The Read 'Em and Reap Book Club

You are invited to join The Read 'Em and Reap Book Club on the third Thursday of each month at FBS. Mingle and munch begins at 6:15 in Rm 141 followed by a lively discussion from 6:30 to 7:30 of the following books: **Julie and Julia** by Julie Powell (May 20). For more info, you may contact either Beth Geno at [legeno@emabarqmail.com](mailto:legeno@emabarqmail.com) or Kay Ann Smith at 288-2468.



## Shuttle Drivers Needed

At present we have seven shuttle drivers for Sunday mornings, who pick up folks at Preston Place, Steadman Hills, and Baysmont. If we had five more drivers this would be once a quarter commitments. If you feel led to serve in this way, please contact Janet Batts at 224-1514 or [jbatts@fbsumc.org](mailto:jbatts@fbsumc.org). Training will be provided.