



# THE SPIRES

April 25 - May 1, 2010

*Glorifying God through knowing Christ and making Him known*



## Celebrate the birthday of the Church "Pentecost in the Park"

**Sunday, May 23, 2010 at 10:30 a.m. at  
Dobyns-Bennett football stadium**

*"...and they were all together in one place" Acts 2:1*

At First Broad Street U.M.C., we have the opportunity to worship at different times every Sunday morning. **On Sunday, May 23, 2010**, we are all being called to worship "together in one place" as we celebrate Pentecost – the birthday of the church.\*

On Sunday, May 23, we will gather at 10:30 a.m. at Dobyns-Bennett football stadium for a powerful and Spirit-filled morning of worship, recognizing God's presence among us, and our call to be a blessing to Kingsport through the power of the Holy Spirit.

· Sunday school classes are encouraged to meet – at church, in the park, at the McDonald's; children and youth will have class at church from 9:30 to 10:15 – and then dismiss in time for worship at DB. (Classes may wish to begin earlier to accommodate worshipping together)

· There will be shuttle buses running from the church to DB, beginning at 10:00. Parking is available at the church, or at DB, with plenty of helpers and hosts to assist you to your seats.

· Everyone is encouraged to invite friends and family to worship and celebrate "together in one place."

Sunday morning is just the beginning. Plan to join your church family and Dr. Zan Holmes and Dr. Clark Jenkins as we worship together on Sunday – Wednesday evenings, May 23 – 26, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. The theme for worship is "A New Song...a New Hope - **Renewing the Church.**" Great sermons, inspiring music, and loving fellowship await us. May we come expecting God's Spirit to descend upon us, renewing our vision and dream for being God's people in this place at this time.

Make plans to attend "Pentecost in the Park" on Sunday morning, May 23, and "A New Song...A New Hope" renewal services in the evenings, May 23 – 26. Bring family and friends, and come to worship, to praise, to witness.

\* Pentecost means "50th day" and commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the disciples of Jesus, giving power to those gathered in the upper room, enabling them to witness to Christ's redeeming work in the world. Pentecost is considered to be the Birthday of the Church. (Acts 2). It falls fifty days after the resurrection of Jesus, and in Judaism, was the traditional day of the giving of the Ten Commandments to Moses.



## Celebrate Children!

On Sunday, April 25, we will hold our annual celebration of Children's Sabbath. This celebration is a part of a broader Children's Sabbaths movement that aims to unite religious congregations of all faiths across the nation in shared concern for children and a common commitment to improving their lives and working for justice on their behalf. In that respect, each action is bigger, more powerful and more inspiring than the efforts of any one celebration.

Also, we will be presenting Bibles to our 3<sup>rd</sup> grade children in the 10:45 worship services. Please congratulate these children when you see them!

*Rachel Bennett  
Charles Browder  
Drew Carter  
Julian Chastain  
Madi Codispoti  
Caroline Culligan  
Logan Greenway  
Molly Greene  
Thomas Harper  
Chad Heglar  
Lauren Killen  
Katie Larkins  
Jackson McDavid  
Parker McGhee  
Cameron McReynolds  
Jett McReynolds  
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## Administrative Professionals Week Celebrated April 18-24

*Remember your hard-working administrative professionals in the  
Church Office this week.*

# CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

## Recently Hospitalized . . .

**Blount Memorial, Maryville:** Roger Montgomery  
**Same Day:** Anne Sorrell  
**Discharged:** Eleanor Cox, Whitney Mullins Compton and baby



to **Pat Woodham** on the death of her brother, **Robert Dillon**, who died on April 13; **the family of Lynn Mosley** on the death of his mother, **Ruth Mosley**, who died April 13; and **Judy Edwards** on the death of her mother, **Opal K. Jarvis**, who died April 16.

## In Memory of

our church family members  
**James C. Stone—April 16**

Sympathy is expressed to his family.  
**Rebecca McBride Hutchins—April 11**  
 Sympathy is expressed to her daughters,  
 Blair, Mandi and Blake Hutchins.

## Membership and Financial Report March YTD—2010

Membership -- Jan. 1, 2010		2475
Membership -- March 31, 2010		2479
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Pledges (Actual)	\$384,747	\$437,500
Total Revenue	\$625, 798	\$719,109
Expenses	\$702,300	\$738,867
Surplus/(Deficit)	\$ (76,501)	\$ (19,758)
Balance Due on Capital Debt		\$775,661
Faith Promise Balance		\$ 28,091



**Ethan Reid Harris, Philip Alexander Horner and Jessica Emily Shupe** were baptized at the Bloomingdale Retreat Center on April 17.

## FBS Welcomes Our New Members . . .

**Ally Elizabeth Deason, Warren Albert Ehrenfreid, Jennifer Kee-Youn Garland, Ethan Reid Harris, Marci Mikaelyn Heidt, Brock Trivett Jennings, Alison Catherine Kilgore, Claire Jackson Kilgore, Joseph Dominic Provenzano, Emma Eloise Rogers, Kelsey "Chandler" Shoemaker, Cassidy Parker "Cassi" Wood, Luke Thomas Wood, Caleb Brian Yarosh, Clark Ward Hathaway** all as profession of faith; **Phil and Melissa Horner and Alex Horner**, 705 Stuffle St., 37660, as transfers from another local church and profession of faith respectively (**Sarah Elizabeth Horner** will be a constituent member.)

## Singles April 26

Join the Single Vision on Monday, April 26 for dinner (salad plate) at 6:30 p.m. followed by a talk by local garden expert, Roy Odum. Meal is \$6 and dinner reservations must be made by noon on Friday, April 23, by calling 224-1502.

## Altar Flowers

Please contact Nancy Tate @ 224-1507 or ntate@fbsumc.org to place flowers on the altar in memory/honor of a loved one. The cost is \$75.00.

# WORSHIP

## Children's Sabbath Sunday

April 25, 2010

**Contemporary Worship Services**  
 Fellowship Hall – 8:30 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

**Scripture:** Revelation 7: 9-17

**Message:** *Hubble*

Andrew Amodei

## Traditional Worship Services

Sanctuary – 8:30 a.m. and 9:40 a.m.

**Scripture:** John 10: 22-30

**Message:** *I Told You So . . .*

Marilyn Jones

Sanctuary -- 10:45 a.m.

**Scripture:** Revelation 7: 9-17

**Message:** *The Age to Come*

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:** Clark Jenkins

## Evening Worship

6:00 p.m. in the Chapel

**Message:** Clark Jenkins

April 18, 2010

Morning Worship	956
Our Father's Place	15
Evening Worship	36
Total Worship Attendance	1007
Sunday School	626

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

**Sunday, April 25** Jack Weikel (292-9000)

**Monday, April 26** Clark Jenkins (292-2795)

**Tuesday, April 27** Andrew Amodei (765-6197)

**Wednesday, April 28** Clark Jenkins (292-2795)

**Thursday, April 29** Andrew Amodei (765-6197)

**Friday, April 30** Jack Weikel (292-9000)

**Saturday, May 1** Janet Batts (341-9233)

## Chancel Arrangements . . .

The chancel flowers are to the glory of God.

## Change for Children

Change for Children offering will be collected on Sunday, April 25. Thank you for your generosity.



Congratulations to **Whitney and Scott Compton** on the birth of their son, **Jackson Fletcher Compton**, who was born April 14.

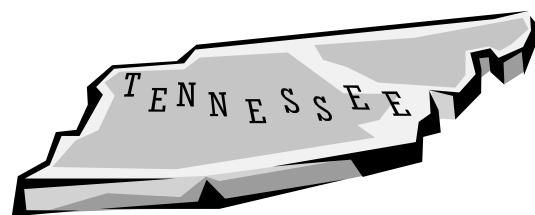
# Spotlight on Missions



## Through FBSUMC at Home and Around the World

### Three Staff from Yei, Sudan to Arrive This Week

Three staff from the government of Yei County in southern Sudan are scheduled to arrive late this week to begin a month-long partnership with staff members from the City of Kingsport in creating a land-use plan for the town of Yei. Having this plan in place will make available, to the town of Yei, grants for infrastructure construction through non-governmental organizations and humanitarian aid groups, such as USAID and others. On a deeper level, this partnership connects the hearts of two communities well aware of the value in relationships built on faith, trust, and compassion for fellow humanity. Kingsport has much to gain as we live and work side by side with these three leaders from a land that has seen so many years of war and oppression, yet anticipates the day of lasting freedom and peace by becoming a nation rebuilt on faith in God and the love for each other. In the days ahead, we will have the opportunity to be about peace building--through what we as a church and a community do well, putting our arms around the broken world and sharing ourselves, our hearts, and even our minds.



You are invited to enjoy this rare opportunity, this historic moment in our world, as we are privileged to host our brothers and sisters from Yei, Sudan. If you would like to find out how you may participate in this experience by assisting with the needs of our friends from Yei, please call the mission office at 423-224-1531. Most of all, keep this opportunity in your daily prayers as we share together, Yei and Kingsport, in our most valuable resource -- each other.

# Spotlight on Missions



## United Methodist Men

Please make your calendar for the April gathering of United Methodist Men on Monday evening, April 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM. The evening begins with a meal, after which our speaker, Rev. David Graves, will be our guest speaker. David is the District Superintendent of the Kingsport District of the United Methodist Church. David, and his wife Nancy, moved to the Kingsport District in June of 2009 after serving as Senior Minister at Ooltewah United Methodist Church in the Chattanooga District. David brings great leadership to the churches of the district and has a passion for the sharing of the gospel and the formation of disciples of Jesus Christ. We look forward to having him with us for this event. You may make reservations for the meal by calling the reservation line at 423-224-1502.



## Furniture Ministry

Please remember the Furniture Ministry as we approach a season of the year when many of us are traveling and away. We continue to receive a high number of requests for furniture and household items and predict this will continue through the summer. In addition to the standard household furnishings we supply each week, we are currently looking for small portable microwave ovens, queen sheets and bedding, pots and pans, silverware, and dishes. If you have items you wish to donate to the furniture ministry, please call the mission office at 423-224-1531.

## Johns Island Mission Trip

The Johns Island Mission trip is just around the corner and we are making preparations for this annual High School Youth opportunity. The dates for the trip are May 29<sup>th</sup> – June 5<sup>th</sup>. Please begin praying with us as we prepare for this trip and for the communities that we will be serving. We also thank the congregation for helping to make this experience possible for our youth through sponsorships and donations. Your investments in them as youth allow them to develop a lifestyle of missions. God bless you!

The Parent Meeting for the Johns Island Trip is May 16<sup>th</sup> at 5:15 PM and the Leaders Meeting at 6:30 PM. Both of these meetings are in the High School room on the third floor of the Wesley Wing.

## Faith Promise Update

We celebrate with you that the current pledges to missions from our Mission Celebration is now up to over \$85,000.00. Your generosity will make an eternal difference to thousands in our community and around the world. If you were unable to make your pledge and would like to do so, you may contact the finance office or pick up a pledge card at the front office.

## Great Day for Golf!

Last Tuesday was a great day for golf! 20 FBS golfers enjoyed it very much at Crockett Ridge. The winners for the outing were:

- Dan Gmyrek -Closest to Pin #2
- Eart Newman - Closest to Pin #11
- David Quesenberry - Honestly Score Winner
- Chester Myers - Est. Putts Winner

Congratulations to the winners and thanks to all of you who participated. The next outing will be Tuesday, May 18m at Cattails with 5 tee times beginning at 9:30 a.m. Mark your calendar and let Jim Hutchins (288-7553) know if you can play.

## Senior Adult Gathering Thursday, April 29

The Johnson City District Older Adult Council will have a Gathering on April 29 at Piney Flats UMC

## Shepherd Center Dinner

FBS is a big supporter of the Shepherd Center which provides programs and services for older adults in Kingsport. These services enable them to live safely and independently in their homes as long as is appropriate. The fund raiser will be at Chick-Fil-A, 1205 E. Stone Drive, on Thursday, April 29, from 4:00-9:00 p.m. Chic-Fil-A will make a donation to the Center based on receipts. Please go have some chicken! All the cows will appreciate it.

## Tai Chi Classes Begins

Tai Chi classes with Ms. Hang Lei began this week with 8 FBS members present. There is still time for you to join. The class meets in Room 239 each Tuesday and Thursday at 9:45 a.m.

## Jubilation 2010

from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. The keynote speaker will be the Rev. Charles Lippse and our own Sounds of Joy will provide special music at 10:45 a.m. The Master of Ceremonies will be Dan Wolfe. For more details, see the Forever Young bulletin board on the ground level of the Wesley Wing or call John Wilson at 224-1546.

### **Travelers Trip to Charlotte**

The FBS Travelers are headed for Charlotte, N.C., this Friday and Saturday on April 16 & 17, to see the play *Jersey Boys*. They are traveling by church bus and are staying at the Ritz Carlton. Peggy Davis, trip co-coordinator, reports that they have a "sold out" group from the church. We pray for safe travel and lots of fun for the group leaving on Friday.

### **Tips on "How to Stay Young"**

1. Throw out nonessential numbers including age, weight, and height.
2. Keep only your cheerful friends because grouches pull you down.
3. Keep on learning,
4. Enjoy the simple things.
5. Laugh often, long, and loudly.
6. Tears happen. Let them flow.

Fourteen FBS members were among the over 300 people from around Holston Conference for the 2010 Jubilation at Meadowview, Kingsport. This year was the celebration of each 10th anniversary. Members from all 10 design teams since 2000 were honored on Sunday evening with a tribute and an ice cream social following. Three bishops were in attendance: Bishops Swanson, Richard Looney, and Mary Virginia Taylor. The music and worship was Spirit-filled; the workshops were informative and helpful; and the food was plentiful and delicious. The best part of the event, however, was the fellowship. It was like Annual Conference with friends re-uniting with friends as well as making new friends.

### **Forever Young Fellowship Tuesday , April 27th**

The program for this month's Fellowship Meeting on Tuesday, April 27, is the piano duo "**176**". Susie Buckner and Suzanne Cox, both from Abingdon, will present a program entitled "Music of the Dance". Knowing these two, we will have a toe-tapping, soul-stirring, fun-loving good

7. Surround yourself with the things you love.
8. Cherish your health and
9. Don't take guilt trips.
10. Tell the people you love that you love them as often as possible.

time. Make your reservations with Tammy at 224-1500 in the office.

# DISCIPLESHIP OPPORTUNITIES



## It's Okay to Be Human . . .

We're brought up to be strong, self-sufficient, independent people. We tend to think that if we ask for help, it is a sign of weakness. So we try to keep our struggles hidden, stuffed deep inside. However, that's not God's plan. Galatians 6: 2 says "Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ." God wants us to care for others--and allow others to care for us in our time of need. 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.

## 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).

## 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.

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.

## Wednesday Nights 5:30 p.m.--April 28

Program: Children's Musical Program

Menu: Chef's Pizza, tossed salad, cookies

**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.*

## "Bring One" Items

The Bring One items for the week of Sunday, April 25, will be canned corn, green beans, peas, and fruit. The items for the week of Sunday, May 2, will be cash or checks for the communion offering baskets. Thank you.

## Graduates?

If you or someone in your family will be graduating from college or graduate school in May, please call Darres Carter at 224-1506 by May 1.



## Reserve the Dates Now: May 23-26 "A New Song . . . A New Hope"

There will be 4 nights of Renewal at FBSUMC with Dr. Zan Holmes. These services will be for the whole Kingsport community with special uplifting music provided each night. This will be a time to encourage, equip, and build up the saints through the power of the Holy Spirit! We offer this as a gift to all the churches. Enjoy a time of fellowship and cookies after the services. Let us be renewed and revived!

## 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 will be the leader. She is serving in her first appointment at First UMC, Cleveland, as the associate pastor. Music will be led by Amanda Powell, who is 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.

While Mike has been away for a few days, I have taken the opportunity to “hijack” this column and talk about a subject that is near and dear to my heart . . . worship. Worship is the backbone of what we do as a community of faith. All of the activities of our wonderful and diverse congregation must have, at their foundations, the praise and adoration of our Creator.

Please allow me to quote from our own Book of Worship to help explain some of my ideas about worship. The Basic Pattern of Worship is rooted in Scripture and in our United Methodist heritage and experience . . . Our worship in both its diversity and its unity is an encounter with the living God through the risen Christ in the power of the Holy Spirit.

When the people of God gather, the Spirit is free to move them to worship in diverse ways, according to their needs. The teachings of Scripture give our worship a basic pattern that has proven itself over the centuries, that gives The United Methodist Church its sense of identity and links us to the universal Church. This pattern goes back to worship as Jesus and his earliest disciples knew it—services in the synagogue and Jewish family worship around the meal table.

While there are many ways to plan and organize worship, I do not believe that there is ONE right way. I also believe that when we get rigidly set in a familiar order of worship and don't allow for new ideas, we begin to act by rote, mechanically moving from one element to the next without realizing why we do what we do. While I plan worship based on this basic pattern, I am always looking for chances to add variety and originality to the worship of God. God created us with imaginations and creative minds, and I believe that our attempts at creativity please God to no end.

#### THE BASIC PATTERN OF WORSHIP

##### ENTRANCE

The people come together in the Lord's name. There may be greetings, music and song, prayer and praise.

##### PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

The Scriptures are opened to the people through the reading of lessons, preaching, witnessing, music, or other arts and media. Interspersed may be psalms, anthems, and hymns. Responses to God's Word include acts of commitment and faith with offerings of concerns, prayers, gifts, and service for the world and for one another.

##### THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION

In services with Communion, the actions of Jesus in the Upper Room are reenacted.

In services without Communion, thanks are given for God's mighty acts in Jesus Christ.

##### SENDING FORTH

The people are sent into ministry with the Lord's blessing.

I am sure that some of these changes in style have been noticed and discussed. I think that part of the reason God placed me at First Broad Street was to introduce some new ways of thinking about our basic worship and to open this discussion. I do not believe that change for the sake of change is good, but I also ask that we open our eyes to the possibilities that we might see our worship in new ways as we grow together in God's love. May we praise God in all we do and look for miracles in even the smallest things.

God's peace, Bob Garver



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## 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 [iegeno@emabarqmail.com](mailto:iegeno@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.