



THE SPIRES

June 27 - July 3, 2010

Glorifying God through knowing Christ and making Him known



A Message
from the Senior Pastor

To our new FBSUMC family, we are excited to join you in “making disciples for the transformation of the world.” The FBS reputation is one that is well-known in The United Methodist connection, not only in The Holston Annual Conference, but throughout the denomination. We are pleased to be able to come and partner with you in ministry. We look forward to this new journey in our lives, and in particular to this Sunday. My message will be: *“Everyone’s Got A Story To Tell.”* It is based on those passages of scripture, “life verses” that inform, and have come to define my understanding of whom I am in ministry.

I am a native of Dandridge, Tennessee (Jefferson County); my mother (Thelma) still lives in Dandridge. I am a graduate of Hiwassee College, Tennessee Wesleyan College, Candler School of Theology – Emory University; with additional study in the Emory University Graduate School of Business. This July marks my 30th year in the pulpit, having served my first church when I was 19.

Joy, my wife, is a native of LaFayette, Georgia (Walker County); where her parents: Jerry & Myra Abney-Wilhelm still live. Joy’s educational background includes: Berry College (Rome, GA), and the University of Tennessee-Chattanooga. Joy has taught elementary and middle school both in the public sector and in a private Christian setting. We met through the Chattanooga-LaFayette Emmaus Community in 1990 and will be celebrating our 18th wedding anniversary our first Sunday here (6/27).

Elizabeth is the child God provided after several years of prayer and waiting (it’s a real *Guidepost* kind of story; get Joy to share it with you sometime). Elizabeth is 5 and will be starting first-grade this year. She loves animals (some days she says she wants to be a veterinarian). She loves to swim, play outside, and feed the ducks and geese (whenever we are at Lake Junaluska).

That’s the quick background on your new parsonage family; we look forward to making your house, our home as the boxes are unpacked and we get settled. You will learn much more about us, as we will about you, in the season ahead and as we share the stories of our lives with one another. What we believe you will come to affirm about us is that our lives are committed to this ministry to which God has called us ... and to the Kingdom of God.

With our love and prayers,
Mickey, Joy, & Elizabeth Rainwater

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CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

Recently Hospitalized . . .

Holston Valley: Newton Shearer, Joyce Russell

Same Day: Dean Odiome

Unknown: Patsy Pilgrim

Discharged: Brynn Welch, Betty Price, John Sandidge, Ettna Foulk



Congratulations to **Christian and Meredith Humbert** on the birth of their daughter, **Evelyn Rose Humbert**, who was born June 16.

Red, White, and Boom 4-Miler & Bottle Rocket 1 Mile Fun Run-July 3

First Broad Street UMC is hosting this event on July 3, and we are in need of volunteers to be servers, packet pick-up personnel, water stops, and road closing individuals. Please call the Church Office at 224-1500 if you would like to help or you may email phil@fleetfeetkingsport.com. Proceeds from this race will go toward Kingsport Community Ministry Center.

Single Vision

Join us on Monday, June 28, for a picnic at Eastman Recreation Area at Bays Mountain Shelter No. 38. Please bring a beverage and a food item enough for your group and to share. Paper products and ice will be provided. Feel free to bring children or grandchildren to play in the creek or to enjoy the playground. Horseshoes and volleyball will be available. Come enjoy good food and fellowship! You may wish to bring a lawn chair.

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 Robert Fanslow's birthday on June 26, given by his family. The credenza flowers are from the wedding of Tiffany Taylor and William E. Owen, Jr., who will be married in the sanctuary on June 26.

WORSHIP

Fifth Sunday after Pentecost June 27, 2010

Contemporary Worship Services

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

Scripture: Ephesians 4: 1-16

Message: *Unity in the Body of Christ* Andrew Amodei

Traditional Worship Services

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

Scripture: Jeremiah 1: 5-9, 29: 11-13a; Ezra 7: 10
II Chronicles 15: 3, 17:9; Ezekiel 44: 23

Message: *Everyone's Got a Story to Tell* Mickey Rainwater

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: Margaret Deans

Evening Worship

6:00 p.m. in the Chapel

Message: Margaret Deans

June 20, 2010

Morning Worship	762
Our Father's Place	8
Evening Worship	28
Total Worship Attendance	798
Sunday School	542



Congratulations to **Don Beasley and Hettie Lyons**, who were married on June 12 in Elizabethton.

FBS Welcomes Our New Member . . .



Cole Killen, 420 Hidden Acres Rd., by profession of faith, sponsored by Paul Codispoti.

After Hours "On Call" List for the Week

Sunday, June 27 Jack Weikel (292-9000)

Monday, June 28 Mickey Rainwater (307-3776)

Tuesday, June 29 Andrew Amodei (765-6197)

Wednesday, June 30 Mickey Rainwater (307-3776)

Thursday, July 1 Andrew Amodei (765-6197)

Friday, July 2 Jack Weikel (292-9000)

Saturday, July 3 Mickey Rainwater (307-3776)

DISCIPLESHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Volunteers Needed for IHN Hosting

Sign Up Today for hosting week of June 27-July 3

Can you spare a few hours to offer hope, comfort, and security to a homeless family? This is the mission of Interfaith Hospitality Network. During the week of June 27, the ground floor of the Wesley Wing will be transformed into bedrooms, and activity rooms for our IHN families. We provide meals, comfort and support for families who need a safe haven in their time of crisis. To sign up to host during the evening and/or overnight or to receive additional information about how you can participate, please contact Dianne Scott at 423-782-6495 or by email at wdsco@charter.net. Your time will be rewarded by the many blessings you will receive.

Sunday School Breakout Session

Share Jesus Without Fear, facilitated by Buddy Bounds. Room L06, June 20 – July 25 (6 weeks). 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.

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!

Additional Graduates

Justin Murphy--Dr. of Jurisprudence, Stetson Law School
Stephanie LaGuardia--Bachelor's, Clemson

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Reading the Bible Together . . .

June 27, 2010

2 Kings 1:-2, 6-14

Psalms 77: 1-2, 11-20

Galatians 5: 1, 13-25

Luke 9: 51-62

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: Luke 9-19 portrays Jesus' final journey to Jerusalem, with the shadow of the cross looming over Him. On this journey, he teaches his disciples the cost of following Him, and challenges their desire to use power to defend or control. What stands in your way of full and whole-hearted commitment to Christian discipleship?



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 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.


The Strictly for Hunger Table Now Open

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.

New “Weight Watchers” session to begin.

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.

A MESSAGE
FROM OUR ASSOCIATE PASTOR

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I wanted to take a moment to thank all of you for your generous presence, both of body and spirit while I celebrated with many others the blessing of our service of ordination at annual conference. It is overwhelming to me that amount of outpouring which I, and many others for that matter, have experienced due to your hospitality and care.

Some may be curious what it means that I have been ordained. After all, if I have just now been ordained, with what authority have I been conducting ministry thus far? I have just been ordained as an elder in The United Methodist Church. This means that for my part, after three years of candidacy, four years of seminary, and two years of probationary membership in the annual conference, the Board of Ordained Ministry has discerned there is clearly a calling on my life for ministry, best fulfilled through the the ministries of service, order, teaching, preaching, and sacrament. This essentially comes to equal around 20,000 pages of reading, countless hours of lecturing, preaching practice, about 500 written pages on theology and practical ministry, and nine years of pulpit/church experience.

All that being said, I cannot help but remember the words said to me by Dean Greg Jones at Duke Divinity School. He told me, "Andrew, there are three things you need to remember to succeed at Duke. First, you had better be able to read, or you will flunk out the first month. Second, you must also be able to write, because if you cannot articulate on paper that which you have learned, how do you expect to be able to preach it. Third, and perhaps most importantly, you had better have a call to preach, because you will not be given one just because you attended Duke Divinity School. I think he had it right.

Will anything change now that I am ordained? When I am in traditional worship I will now wear a stole. Traditionally, only ordained elders and deacons are allowed to wear stoles. So, from this point forward I will be allowed to do so.

Beyond that, my calling has neither changed, nor has my ability to choose to follow it. As Bishop Ken Carder reminded us on Sunday, our primary calling for ministry is in our baptism. This has always been and shall remain my greatest source of inspiration and justification in this life. With that, I invite you to remember your own baptism, and if it be God's will, follow after that identity in Jesus Christ where ever it might lead.



----- Place mailing label below -----

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).