



Cullowhee United Methodist Church

A Christ-Centered Community -- Growing together

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February/2010 Newsletter



The Needle Ministry will meet **Thursdays, Feb. 4 and 18, 7-8:30 p.m.** in the downstairs' room across from the elevator. The projects this spring are geared to support the United Methodist "BIG Project" scheduled for June 5.

The Needle Ministry will be working on prayer shawls, bookmarks, lap quilts, knitted socks and pillowcases for people in nursing homes in Jackson County. For pillowcases, does anyone have cotton fabric to donate, at least 44" wide by 1 yard? Interesting patterns would be cool.

The BIG Project

On June 5, 2010 United Methodists from Greensboro to Murphy will get an opportunity to share the story in a bunch of ways. Our bishop has asked us to take a day apart to be in mission for Jesus. On that day, our hope is that every United Methodist will spend part of the day in mission. "Mission" means something that helps and demonstrates God's love. Here is what we know we will do so far:

On that Saturday, we will:

- Build some things
- Fix some houses
- Deliver food, diapers and money to United Christian Ministry
- Deliver food and money to Community Table
- Visit a lot of people
- Hand out some flowers
- Plant a garden
- Have a big party at the end of the day
- A bunch of things we have not imagined yet.

What we need from you:

- Save the date so you can help
- Cool ideas
- Prayer support

We probably have not even thought of our best ideas for service. If you have a good one, please email the church or come to one of the planning meetings. We will meet most Sunday afternoons in February.

Our goal at the end of the day on June 5 is that over 100,000 people from Murphy to Canton will have had a good encounter with a Methodist. I hope you can help us get that done. - David

Read more about The BIG Project on page 3

The Administrative Board

We will meet Sunday, February 21 after the 11:00am worship service. All chairpersons should be prepared to present reports.



The United Methodist Men will not meet in February

The United Methodist Women's Nurturing Circle meets **Monday, February 8 @ 6:00pm** at the home of Lisa Bacon (1028 Old Cullowhee Rd, 586-8399). Please bring a salad ingredient to share in a light supper. All interested women are cordially invited to attend.

Lasagna Dinner: Cullowhee Kids will serve a lasagna lunch after the 11 am worship on Sunday, February 21. Lasagna, salad, bread, dessert and drinks will be provided for a donation to our preschool. Funds raised will go to our scholarship fund.



My family and I would like to express our thanks for your many acts of kindness and concern following the death of my mother, Lillian Willis. We appreciate our church family so very much!
Sincerely, Pam Pittman

The Jackson County Christmas Store The Jackson County Christmas Store just completed its 22nd year. We provided toys and clothing for 756 children from 341 families in this county. Thank you so much for all you did as a church to support this ministry. It takes each of you to make this happen every year – your contributions of time, money, love, toys, clothing, prayers and encouragement makes it possible.

- Elaine White

Vacation Bible School 2010

is set for **Sunday, July 11 through Wednesday, July 14** which will be a joint VBS with Cullowhee Baptist, El Centro del Señor and the Summit Church, held at CUMC. The VBS committee has been

busy planning and would like people to mark their calendars. Plan VBS 2010 in your summer schedule as it promises to be GREAT! More information will be coming soon.



- 1 Susan Bogart
- 2 Bob Morris
- Calvin Maye
- 8 Marilyn Chamberlin
- Katherine Scifers
- Rusty Mau
- 9 Sylvia Yates
- George Yates
- 11 Mike Kolenbrander
- Colbie Williamson
- Jessica Spaulding
- Carol Taylor
- 13 Pam Pittman
- 14 Alex Madill
- Chris Hensley
- 15 Danny Mellen
- Jim Weir
- 17 Jean Weekley Scott
- Ron Stephens
- 19 Lucy Hepp
- 20 Dan Powell
- 21 Valerie Henderson
- 24 Emily Starnes
- Rachel Wike
- 28 Eli Corwin
- Heather Rowell
- Charles Schrader
- Kari Hensley

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- 2 Brent & Heather Hyatt
 - 4 Ben & Carol Smoot
 - 16 Norman & Carol West
 - 18 Lamar & Linda Haney
 - 21 Chris & Kari Hensley
 - 26 Kenny & Laura Cook

" The past is prophetic in that it asserts loudly that wars are poor chisels for carving out peaceful tomorrows."

- Martin Luther King, Jr.

The BIG Project

The "Big Project" on Saturday, June 5, will take many of us working hard to complete. We are God's people, empowered by His Spirit, so I know we are up to the task. However, many of us have children who will need "looking after" while we work. That's where you come in.

At our church that Saturday, we will offer Princess/Super Hero Day, which will be not only free child care, but a huge day of fun packed with outrageous games, fast paced activities and fantastic truths. We plan on that day to show kids they are unconditionally loved, empower them to pass along that love and have tons of fun in the process. When you are contacted to help in this effort, please consider saying yes. We'll need people to cook breakfast, lunch or dinner, lead children in games, tell Bible stories, lead drama time, play in the water, decorate a ball room and lion's den and clean up.

If you can serve part or all day, please call Sandy Railsback, 293-5624.



“Diá del Amor” (Day of love) Valentine’s Day Luncheon Fundraiser, Sunday, Feb. 14 for Mission Trip to Rabinal, Guatemala

Eight people from our congregation will work at a hospital for malnourished children. An authentic Latin American meal will be prepared for this fundraiser. A mariachi band will be available during the luncheon if you would like to buy a “Love-O-Gram” for a special someone. Small bouquets of red roses (3 roses in a vase) will also be available for \$10. Please call the church office to place a flower order.



Coffee House Fundraiser Friday, Feb. 26 for Guatemala Mission Trip

A Coffee House will be held, **Fri., Feb. 26, 7-9:00 pm** to support the Guatemala Mission Trip in March. Enjoy a night of music, skits and delicious desserts. People from our church will be going to Rabinal, Guatemala to help at a hospital for malnourished children.

(More Coffee House information on Page 5)

Cullowhee United Methodist Church Family Responsibilities for February/2010

The following is the list of nursery workers. If you cannot serve on the day assigned, please contact Bonnie Stephens at 293-1154 as soon as possible. Please review the procedures policy both for workers and for parents. We want to make every effort to keep our children as safe as possible. **Thank you for your willingness to serve CUMC in this way.** If you have any questions or concerns, contact Bonnie Stephens.

*** The Nursery needs volunteers to be in with the children during the 11 am service. We have 3 paid employees who are there every week (when Western is in session), but we need two adults per classroom to meet Safe Sanctuary guidelines. That means I need one volunteer to be in with the paid employees. If you are willing to give one Sunday every three months, please let Bonnie Stephens know at the church office. **We really need your help!** These children are our most precious commodity. Thanks for your help. ***

AGE CRITERIA: Infants & Crawlers – newborns through children who have not begun to walk.

The regular attendant is Wendy Howell

Toddlers - children who have begun to walk through young threes.

The regular attendant is Nina Webb

Preschoolers - Age 3 through children who have not begun kindergarten.

	Infants & Crawlers	Toddlers	Preschoolers
February 7	Libby McRae	Rose Bauguess	Greg Bauguess
February 14	Amanda Patterson	Bonnie Stephens	Pam Myers
February 21	Juanita Phillips	Lloyd Phillips	Sheri Turk
February 28	Leigh Ayling	Linda Haney	Lamar Haney

PAGERS for our NURSERY!! Restaurant-style pagers are available for our nursery. If you would like to use one, just stop into the infant room and the attendant there will help you. If we need to contact you to come back to the Nursery area, the pager vibrates. The nursery workers will not have to enter the Sanctuary during church to look for you.

Acolytes for February

2/7 Spencer Stone
2/14 Chloe Wood
2/21 Josh Wagner
2/28 Domanique Haney

Children's Message for February

2/7 Lisa Bacon
2/14 David Reeves
2/21 Kathy Wooten
2/28 Sheri Turk

Greeters for February

2/7 Boy Scouts
2/14 Lisa Bacon
2/21 Sue Heckert
2/28 Susan Cooper

Altar Flowers for February

2/7 OPEN
2/14 OPEN
2/21 OPEN
2/28 OPEN

Children's Church for February

2/7 Sandy Railsback
2/14 Sandy Railsback
2/21 Christy Rowe
2/28 Sandy Railsback

Head Usher for February – Roger Bacon



KIDS Night Out

The Wesley Foundation Campus Ministry (on the 2nd floor of the new section of this church) will provide a “**Kids Night Out**” for children ages 2 and up to help parents have some time to enjoy a few hours of uninterrupted time. This event will also help the college students raise money for their mission trip to Wyoming this May.

What: Kids Night Out (Macaroni and Cheese, Apple slices, Juice or Milk, and a parent approved snack will be provided. You can drop your child off with supper if you don't want them to have the provided dinner)

When: Saturday, February 13th, 5:30pm – 10:00pm

Where: The Wesley Foundation (Upstairs from Cullowhee Kids in Cullowhee UMC)

Who: Children ages 2 and up will be entertained and kept safe by college students who are members of the Wesley Foundation Campus Ministry

How Much: Generous Donations

R.S.V.P. REQUIRED – Please R.S.V.P. or ask questions to Jay Hinton - jay@wcuwesley.com or 293-9214 no later February 11th. It's ok to leave your R.S.V.P. on the voicemail! ☺

Space is limited so reserve your spot today!

Coming up in April, the Youth Coffee House Event and Fundraiser



If you would like to exhibit your talent or can recommend a friend who could entertain us, please get in touch with Paul Heckert, Norman West, Manning Wimberly or Susan Bogart. We are planning this event for **April 10** and need 12 to 15 acts.



STARSHIP Rehearsals Start Back on February 3

STARSHIP rehearsals will begin again for the winter/spring on February 3 at 6:00 pm in the sanctuary for children five years through fifth grade. Returning participants as well as newcomers are encouraged to come be a part of the music, drama, character building program right here at CUMC! The rehearsal schedule is as follows:

February 3, 10, 17, 24

March 10, 17, 24

(no rehearsals during breaks on the 3rd and 31st)

April 7, 14, 21, 28

Dates for worship service performances will be set up as we progress with rehearsals.

Ms Marietta and Ms Penny are looking forward to seeing everyone soon! For more information, please contact Ms Penny.

Cullowhee Kids receive new playground equipment.

Three new pieces of playground equipment are installed and in use by the Cullowhee Kids Preschool. The slide, spinning tub and drive n' learn were donated in memory Dennis Fulk by his family.

The preschool children will have many years of enjoyment, and they graciously thank Addison and Caroline's grandmother and family for this donation.



The calendar for youth activities for February includes these events:

February 7- 5:30-7:00 - Both groups meet at church. Seniors invited to watch Super Bowl with Wesley Foundation students beginning at 6:30.

February 14 – 5:30-7:00 - Both groups meet at church. Interns in charge of activities.

February 21 – 5:30-7:00 - Both groups meet at church. Interns in charge of activities.

February 26 – 30 hour famine and lock-in. Youth from Franklin United Methodist Church will join our youth for this event. The youth will fast from noon Friday February 26 until 6:00 p.m. Saturday February 27. No food will be available, but plenty of liquids such as fruit juices and Gatorade. Youth will spend Friday night at the church, locked in, participating in activities, watching films, and sleeping. Saturday will be a day spent in community service. Saturday evening meal will be a feast!

Youth Update



In January 2010, our youth group discussions transitioned from empathy to charity. That will be our focus for February, March, and April. With the recent catastrophe in Haiti, our youth had a timely opportunity to assist aiding that country by packaging health kits at the Youth Celebrate event held at First United Methodist Church in Sylva. Below are some photos from that event. Fourteen of our youth attended.

We all enjoyed participating in celebrating David Reeves birthday and the outstanding fellowship luncheon. Outstanding also was the kitchen clean-up job several of our youth did after the meal.

Rusty Mau and Paul Heckert were professionals at dishwashing with the church's new equipment.





Can You Help Us?

The church kitchen is in need of nice glass serving plates/platters and water pitchers. Donations may be left in the church kitchen with a note on them indicating that they are a donation.

Thank you in advance.

SPECIAL "WESLEY" SCREENING SATURDAY FEB 27 @ 7:00 PM WESTERN CAROLINA UNIVERSITY FINE AND PERFORMANCE ARTS THEATER

This historical feature film "Wesley" is about the co-founder of the Methodist church and will premiere at Western Carolina University in high definition in the Fine and Performing Arts Center at 7 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 27. ***Please contact the church for tickets.***

The WCU premiere will honor the faculty and students who worked on the independent movie as actors and crew, with proceeds from ticket sales benefitting a fund established to help students in WCU's Motion Picture and Television Production Program with the cost of producing their senior thesis films. The screening will be introduced by director John Jackman from Foundry Pictures and followed by a panel discussion. Keith Harris who plays Charles Wesley and he is WCU alumni will be joining the panel discussion.

"This film may just raise the standards of low-budget faith-based movies."

- The Purist Critic

"Beautifully filmed." - IMDB Review

"Best film of its type I have seen" - Peter McGuire

"Inspiring!" - Rev Martha Ballard

WCU Press Release

<http://news-prod.wcu.edu/2009/12/tickets-go-on-sale-jan-5-for-wcu-premiere-of-historical-drama-wesley>

1st WCU Movie Trailer

<http://www.vimeo.com/4598238>

2nd Movie trailer

<http://www.wesleythemovie.com/content/pages/trailer.php>

WESLEY - Official Web Site:

Press Kit, Latest News, Screening Dates, Photo Gallery

www.wesleythemovie.com

Please share this with others in the WNC area that could possibly attend. We would love to have a strong show of support from the community.