



Cullowhee United Methodist Church

A Christ-Centered Community -- Growing together

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March/2010 Newsletter

Lent and Easter Happenings

- ✚ **Get ready for the Sunday School Lenten Fair** coming on March 21st for preschool through 5th grade. Prepare yourself for the blessed celebration of Easter by learning more about Jesus' journey from Palm Sunday to the Resurrection. We'll have fun activities planned, so please join us at 10:00 am in the fellowship hall!
- ✚ **Easter Sunday Celebration** - we'll have Super Sunday Easter celebration on April 4th for children preschool through 5th grade. We'll celebrate with games, the Easter story and of course...an EASTER EGG HUNT! Please bring 12 filled plastic eggs to church by 10:00 am on Easter and an Easter basket to collect eggs.
- ✚ **Ecumenical Easter Sunrise Service** at Cullowhee Baptist Church Cemetery starts at 7:00 a.m. Breakfast to follow in their Fellowship Hall. Everyone is invited.



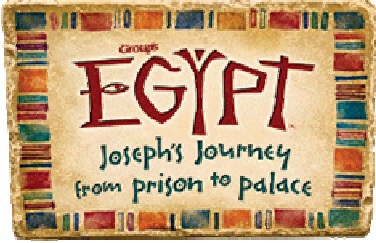
A REALLY Big Project

You have heard about a BIG project and here it is. On Saturday June 5 we hope you will join a bunch of other Methodists for a Day of Service in our community. For a few hours that day we will build ramps, paint things, pick up trash, visit the sick, wash windows, split wood and a lot of other good things. When we finish there will be a picnic with barbeque and a big inflatable slide and lots of games. **WE NEED YOU THERE!** Please watch the emails, bulletins, and newsletter for more updates. **IT IS ONLY A BIG DAY IF YOU ARE THERE.**

Consecration of the New Building

Sunday, April 18, will be a very special day in the history of our church. Our building is finished and now we need to consecrate it. On this Sunday, Milford Thumm will deliver the message during the 11:00 a.m. worship service. Milford served CUMC as pastor during the 1950's and was very involved in the early beginnings of the Wesley Foundation. After the service we will dine and then have a formal consecration in the Wesley Foundation. Hope everyone can join us.

Vacation Bible School



Come to Egypt this summer at Cullowhee United Methodist Church Vacation Bible School. We'll be joining Joseph on his journey from prison to palace and visiting Egypt, right here in Cullowhee! At Egypt, everyone gets to explore firsthand the culture of Joseph's world. You'll experience- right along side Joseph- the heart-breaking trials, joyous victories, and tear-filled celebrations of this unique Bible hero. God's Word comes alive as families enjoy traditional Bible-times customs, occupations, food, and even

games! The date has been changed slightly from last month's newsletter, so please mark your calendars with this new date - **JUNE 27th to JULY 1st**. We'll be joined on this adventure to Egypt with our friends from Cullowhee Baptist Church, The Summit, and El Centro, so it will no doubt be a great adventure for all. Be on the look out for more information about how you can be involved in this journey of a lifetime!

Update on Guatemalan Mission Trip

Seven members of our church are going to Rabinal, Guatemala over Easter break to work at a hospital for malnourished children. The "Día del Amor" fundraiser was a huge success, and we thank you very much for your support. Donations received will go toward the hospital clinic to provide diapers, wipes, formula, vitamins, clothes, and other expenses. Other items that we will be collecting include children's clothes (ages 0-5yrs), hand sanitizer, hand sanitizer wipes and small toys for the children. They love bubbles and stickers! Again, thank you so much for your gracious gifts. We know the Guatemalan children will benefit greatly.

STARSHIP



Hey, everyone. What happened to February? That may be a flaky question. With the bad weather and cold temperatures, it was hard to have our regular STARSHIP programs on Wednesday evenings at 6:00. If you are feeling like have missed a lot, you really have not! Hopefully our weather which has kept us homebound is at a close and we can get our children's music/drama up and running full speed. We need YOU! Please note the dates we will not be able to rehearse in March due to university/school breaks.

Rehearsal Dates

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

UMW Book Discussion Group

The next book for the Book Discussion Group has been selected. Sunday, April 11 at 5:30 p.m., they will discuss, No Turning Back: My Summer with Daddy King by Gurdon Brewster. "In the summer of 1961 seminary student Gurdon Brewster ventured south to work at Ebenezer Baptist Church in Atlanta, Ga., where Martin Luther King Sr. and Jr. were pastors. In this moving memoir, he recalls his first encounters with segregation and spontaneous church services of the black Baptist tradition. Mr. Brewster revisits a historic era carved in faith and courage by ordinary Americans of all colors." *From the United Methodist Women's Reading Program.*



UMW Nurturing Circle Meeting

The UMW Nurturing Circle will meet from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. on Monday, March 1, at the home of Lisa Bacon (586-8399, 1028 Old Cullowhee Rd). Please bring a salad ingredient (other than lettuce) to share in a light supper. All interested women are cordially invited to attend.

UMW Pledge Luncheon March 14

Cullowhee United Methodist Women will hold their annual Pledge Luncheon on Sunday, March 14, after the 11:00 worship. This is an opportunity for UMW members to make their pledges for 2010, and for others to make a donation to mission giving. On the menu is soup and salad. Please join us.



"Mission giving supports institutions and programs empowering and improving the lives of women, youth and children in the United States and around the world. It provides food, shelter, education, employment, health care and human rights advocacy for many living on the margins of society. Mission giving supports United Methodist mission personnel and retired deaconesses. United Methodist Women's mission giving also funds spiritual growth programs, leadership development events and mission education opportunities for United Methodist Women members." (from the UMW website)

We invite you to join us in a time of food and faith. All donations are gratefully accepted and prayerfully used.

Mini School of Christian Mission March 27

The annual Waynesville District UMW Mini School of Christian Mission will be held at Love's Chapel UMC on Saturday, March 27, from 9:30 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. This year's studies are "Food and Faith" or "The Beauty and Courage of Sudan" (choose one). A light breakfast will be provided during registration, which is from 9:00 until 9:30. Bring a bag lunch; Love's Chapel UMW will provide drinks and dessert.

Youth Calendar for March



March 7 No meeting

March 14 Both youth groups meet from 5:30 to 7:00. Dinner at 6:00.

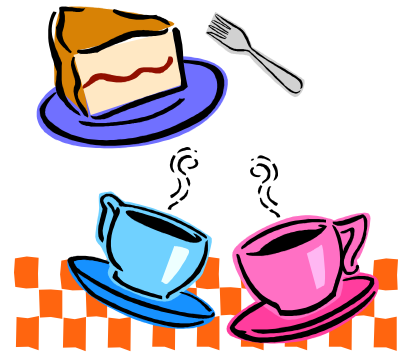
March 21 Youth will serve breakfast after early and late church services. This is a youth fundraiser to support our mission work.

March 25 Youth will prepare and serve dinner for Wesley Foundation.

March 28 No meeting

Future youth group dates to remember:

Coffee House: April 10 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.



Plant Sale: Weekends of May 1 and May 8

Order forms will be in the April Newsletter

Youth Silent Auction, May 2



Our youth are soliciting donations for the Silent Auction, May 2. If you have something you would be willing to donate (art, antiques, new or slightly used items, a service you can perform, monthly desserts, a dinner, beach house or mountain cabin rental or any other attractive service or merchandise), please contact the church office. As offerings come in, they will be placed on the church website.

Operation Christmas Child

Many thanks to everyone at CUMC who helped to make Operation Christmas Child such a success by creating over 40 boxes! Over 8.1 million shoe box gifts-the most ever-were collected this past holiday season, with the United States contributing 5.2 million of those gifts. Because of churches like ours, boys and girls around the world will now have the opportunity to hear the Good News of God's greatest gift, Jesus Christ!

Wesley Foundation Days at

Sylva Zaxby's

*Monday March 1st and

*Monday March 22nd

Wesley Foundation gets 10% of the sales on those days.

Put this in a place that will remind you. Thank you!

Parents Night Out is Back This March!

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, March 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 March 11th. It's ok to leave your R.S.V.P. on the voicemail! ☺
Space is limited so reserve your spot today!

Cullowhee United Methodist Church Family Responsibilities for March/2009

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.

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.

The regular attendant is Angela Killen

	Infants & Crawlers	Toddlers	Preschoolers
March 7	Carol West	Jennifer Williamson	Danny Williamson
March 14	Kari Hensley	Rose Bauguess	Greg Bauguess
March 21	Amanda Patterson	Mary Holliday	Mark Holliday
March 28	Juanita Phillips	Lloyd Phillips	Joyce Turk

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.

Children's Church for March

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

Acolytes March

7 Katy McRae
14 Quinn Manning
21 Spencer Stone
28 Chloe Wood

Greeters March

7 Gail Debnam
14 Lili Acheson
21 Gloria Wallace
28 Open

Children's Message March

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

Altar Flowers March

7 Open
14 Joyce Turk
21 Linda Fulk
28 Open

Head Usher March:

Jim Wallace

March Birthday list:

3	Domanique Haney	16	Debi Madill
4	Lisa Bacon, Brooklyn Hensley	18	Charlee Haney
5	Reneé Beutell Campbell, W.A. Harris	20	Evelyn Rooks-Weir, Rylee Williamson
7	Carlton Bostic, Dale Cox	21	Ivy Ayling, Edward Madill, Kendall Wike, Zachary Esco
8	Savanah Burgess	23	Jean Pittillo
9	Laura Spaulding	25	Warren DuPree, Jim Medlin, Keely Moll, Noah Hinton
10	Sam Yates	27	Elijah Metcalf
11	Dave Hepp	30	Susie Ray
12	Lili Acheson		

March Anniversaries

18 Pat and Lili Acheson 30 Randy and Susan Cooper, Charlie & Pam Myers
19 Pete and Kris Bates

Jingle Jug Makes a Come Back

This year, by popular demand, the jingle jug is back with a new twist. We'll ask you to bring change/money and put it in the jug each week as we did last year. This year though, we will have fundraising goals. After each goal is reached, a designated staff member will be awarded with a pie in the face!

Wait, it gets even better. You will have an opportunity to make a donation to be the person who actually applies the pie to a face! Yes this is a two donation fundraiser. One donation goes towards the jug total and one goes towards your personal opportunity to be the one who puts a pie in someone's face!

The money raised will go to help the Wesley Foundation/CUMC mission team that is going to Wyoming in May. The program will begin on February 28th and End on April 11th, Wesley Foundation Sunday. At the end of the service on the 11th in the fellowship hall we will have a spaghetti dinner. Then we will draw the names of the people who will commence to "pieing".

Here's the breakdown of levels of money in the jug and who gets the pie at that level:

- \$250 – Manning Wimberly, Wesley Foundation Intern
- \$500 – Dan Cherry, CUMC Choir Director
- \$750 – Sandy Railsback, Cullowhee Kids Director
- \$1,000 – Earl Black, CUMC member and mission trip participant
- \$1,250 – Sue Heckert, CUMC Administrator
- \$1,500 – Jay Hinton, Wesley Foundation Campus Minister
- \$2,500 – David Reeves, CUMC Pastor

Tickets will be issued for opportunities to be the one who puts the pie in someone's face. Suggested donations are as follows:

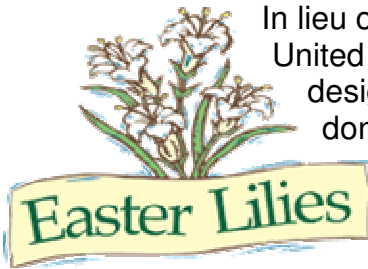
\$1 for one ticket, \$5 for 7 tickets, or \$10 for 15 tickets.

You may make donations in the jug and for tickets each Sunday through April 11 after the 9:00am and 11:00am services at Cullowhee UMC.

Bell chimes will not meet March 3 during WCU's break.

United Methodist Men will meet Sunday, March 14, 8:00 a.m. for breakfast and a program. Everyone is invited.

Donations for United Christian Ministries in Lieu of Lilies for Easter Sunday



In lieu of lilies for the sanctuary this Easter, we are asking for donations for United Christian Ministries. Checks may be written out to the church and designated for UCM. Please also indicate if you would like make the donation in memory or in honor of someone. In the April 4 church bulletin, we will list those names. This information may be sent back to us by email, www.culowheeumc.org or dropped off in the church office by Thursday, April 1

I would like to make a donation to United Christian Ministries

In Honor of: _____

or

In Memory of _____

Your Name: _____

