

Paths of Faith - Sign up today in the Resource Room for your choice of classes. Multiple week and single session opportunities for adult Christian education are available. The next series includes; (1) February 16 - March 9 - *Praying Our Way Through Lent with the Psalms* - The Book of Psalms offers us a "school of prayer" that expresses every human emotion in our relationship with God - praise, anger, thanksgiving, despair, joy, and reflection. The Psalms also remind us that faith includes struggle and doubt as well as gratitude and celebration. Since Jesus quoted more often from the Psalms than any other biblical book. What better way to accompany Jesus to the Cross in this Lenten season than to study and pray these psalms that he knew so well. In four sessions, we will look together at hymns, wisdom psalms, laments, and thanksgivings (with the help of some video clips and music) and, hopefully, expand our understanding of prayer to embrace the totality of life. This class is led by Dr. Denise Dombkowski-Hopkins professor of Biblical Theology at Wesley Seminary. **Please pick up the text in the Resource Room.** (2) February 16 - *Modern Parables: Hidden Talents* - Modern Parables uses films of modern stories to recreate in the viewer the same responses that the original audiences of Jesus' parables might have experienced. It drives the participants deeper into the Scripture. The parable of the Hidden Talents (Matthew 13:44) explores duty, character, goals and wisdom to enter the Kingdom of God. Doug Barrieks will lead this study.

New Sunday School class premieres on February 28, at 9:30 am! *Rated PG-10*, is coming soon and is approved for parents with children 10 years old and under. Don't miss the first showing! This class will explore the importance of relationships in developing a Christian home and Christian parenting, using a multi-media curriculum entitled, *Parental Guidance Required*.

Psalms at Open Doors: Lent is a time for reflection and a time to join together as a community to share the ways in which the life of Christ has affected our lives. Sometimes it is hard to find words to describe this relationship. However, the Bible leads us to ways we can express our relationship with God and no other book expresses the range of human emotions as the Psalms. The Psalms texts offer the most joyous proclamations of God's love to the most heart wrenching lamentations about the complexities of life. At our Open Doors Service, we will be focusing our Lenten Journey on the Psalms. Each week in our worship, a different psalm will guide our journey and help us to grow in our faith. We hope you will join us at Open Doors and examine your relationship with God through these wonderful scriptures. Come be in a community!

The Outreach Purpose Area extends appreciation to all who volunteered in hosting the Hypothermia Shelter at our church this week. We especially thank Christie Johnson and Corkie Wilson, who provided the leadership in coordinating every facet of this caring project. Volunteers and guests were sheltered in place during the snowstorm last week from Friday - Sunday. Due to weather conditions our sheltering site was extended until Monday and last-minute volunteers were asked to leave their own homes, and come in under difficult circumstances. Thank you all for this extraordinary efforts for all God's Children! *Just as you did it to one of the least of these, you did it to me.*

Serving Us Today February 14, 2010

8:15 a.m.

William Barton
David Peacock
Deyane Rudge

9:30 a.m.

Ushers
Wyatt Bethel
Joe Bekhor
Judy Goldich

11:00 a.m.

Bill Clift
Tony Almond
Daniel Cosner
Millie Holdaway
Patrick Shea
Al Wells

Worship Leaders

Ralph Jones

Leslie Carter

Jason Snow

Sanctuary Greeters

John & Helen Smith
Pete Grubmeyer

Helen & Bill Barton
Melissa Osborne

John & Leslie Carter
Sue Almond
Victoria Eustice

Acolytes

Brian Moffatt

Timothy Farr

Crucifiers

Elliot Meyer

Our Giving - January 31, 2009

Total Weekly Offering	\$ 23,342
Budget Receipts Year-to-Date	\$ 86,429
Budget Needs Year-to-Date	\$112,380
Power Up Capital Campaign Receipts Inception-to-Date	\$601,700



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Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany

Music to Celebrate the Presence of God

Wonderful Grace of Jesus
Men of Message

Haldor Lillenas

Welcome

Entrance and Praise

Call to Worship

Leader: Our surprising God comes to our lives in ways we do not expect. We ask for success;

People: God teaches us faithfulness.

Leader: We ask to be loved;

People: God asks us to love.

Leader: We ask for ease;

People: God challenges us.

Leader: We ask for a triumphant Messiah;

People: Christ comes to us as one obedient to death.

Leader: Come, let us follow our surprising God wherever he leads us.

People: Let us worship God with joy!

*Hymn No. 64

Holy, Holy, Holy!

Nicaea

*Opening Prayer

Holy God, we come before you with awe, for you are great in love and power. Some of us come with reluctance, and some with joy, some with sadness, and others with fear. Yet we know you receive us as we are. Touch us, God, with your healing fire. Speak to us through your Word. Send us back into the world renewed and eager to do your will. For we pray in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

*Affirmation of Faith No. 881

The Apostles' Creed

*Gloria Patri No. 71

Reception of New Members (11:00) Hymnal, page 33
Janel and Brent Justice

Sacrament of Baptism (11:00)
Brent and Christopher Justice

Congregational Response The Faith We Sing, No. 2051

I was there to hear your morning cry, I'll be there when you are old.
I rejoiced the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold.
When the evening gently closes in and you shut your weary eyes,
I'll be there as I have always been with just one more surprise.
I was there to hear your morning cry, I'll be there when you are old.
I rejoice the day you were baptized, to see your life unfold.

Children's Message (11:00)

Proclamation and Response

Prayer of Illumination

Gracious God, we are ready to hear your Word this day. In the life, death, and resurrection of Christ, you have taught us that in faith nothing can separate us from your love. Help us to live as faithful disciples that we might share your Good News and bring healing to our broken world. Let us be the messengers of your peace, let us be the doers of your will, let us be your hands of grace. In Christ's holy name, we pray. Amen.

Gospel Lesson (page 893, par Bible) Luke 5:1-11

Meditation Caught Pastor Steve Bray

Service of Holy Communion

Invitation to the Lord's Table Hymnal, page 12

Confession and Pardon

*The Peace

Presenting Our Offerings to God

Offertory Prayer

Offertory *Victory in Jesus* Eugene Monroe Bartlett
Men of Message

*Doxology Hymnal, page 95

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving Hymnal, page 13

The Lord's Prayer

Communion Music *Near to the Heart of God* Cleland McAfee
Men of Message

Breaking of the Bread

Giving of the Cup

Communion will be received by intinction. The congregation moves to the front at the direction of the ushers. Having received Communion, you may kneel in prayer at the communion rail before returning to your seat by the side aisles.

Prayer for Those Communing in Other Places

Before we leave the Table of the Lord, we remember those of our congregation who wish to receive Communion with us today but who cannot be present at this place. We share this meal with them and remember them as part of us.

Sending Forth

*Hymn No. 344 Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore Pescador De Hombres

*Benediction and Choral Response

Postlude *Variations on BACH* Brian Steane
David Leahy, organ
** Congregation Standing*

Immediately following each worship service this morning
Please meet and greet persons, especially those you do not know.

Thank you for turning off your cell phones during the worship service.

Large print Bibles and hymnals are available from the ushers upon request.

Worship material for children ages 3-6 and 7-12 is available from the ushers.

The audio for the worship service is available at
www.fairfaxumc.org/Downloadaudio.aspx

The previous week's service is under archives on the website.

WELCOME VISITORS

Good morning and welcome to Fairfax United Methodist Church! As we gather for worship today, we hope that within our sanctuary you will feel the presence of God through friendly faces, meaningful worship, and opportunities to serve God's people in our world. Our hearts are blessed by your presence, our minds are focused on Christ, and our doors are always open for you.

You are invited to the Fellowship Hall (directly below the sanctuary) between services this morning (10:30) for coffee and fellowship.

Interested in finding out more about becoming a church member? Please see one of our pastors today or call the church office, 703-591-3120.

Prayer Request Cards are in the pew racks. If you have a loved one, special need, concern or situation you would like lifted up in prayer, please complete one of these cards. Your pastors and staff will remember your prayer requests during the Tuesday morning staff meetings. Please indicate if you desire your request to be listed in the bulletin Prayer List. Each request will be listed for four Sundays unless you request an extension.

We invite everyone to sign the attendance registration pads located in the pews. We are blessed to have you worshipping with us. If you would like to receive information from the church via e-mail, **please provide your e-mail address** in addition to the other requested information, or you may provide your e-mail address to the church at church@fairfaxumc.org.

The Altar flowers this morning are given to the glory of God and in celebration of our 48th wedding anniversary, on February 10th by William A. (Bill) and Camille B. Smith.

The Narthex flowers this morning are given to the glory of God and in celebration of our 51st anniversary today by Eddie and May Camper.

As a part of a delayed contribution to this year's Souper Bowl of Caring, our youth ministry will have a donation bucket available in the Narthex of the Sanctuary in between all of today's worship services. Contributions to the SBC will benefit the FACETS hot meals program that helps feed needy families in our community.



SHROVE TUESDAY Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner on February 16th- The United Methodist Men will be cooking pancakes, bacon, and eggs for the Tuesday night dinner. There is no need to sign up. The cost of the meal is your free will offering that will be used to support UMM charities. Dinner starts at 5:30 p.m. and we will stop serving at 7:30 p.m. Shrove Tuesday is the last day before the beginning of Lent. (Otherwise, known as Mardi Gras). In the United Kingdom and many other countries, the day is often known simply as Pancake Day. Making and eating such foods is considered a last feast with ingredients such as sugar, fat, and eggs, whose consumption is traditionally restricted during Lent.

UMYF – It's a special Valentine's edition of UMYF tonight at 6:30 in the Youth Activities Room. Join us and our special guests as we munch on Valentine's snacks, play Valentine's themed games, and have a roundtable discussion about dating. This is a great time to invite along your bf or gf!

Confirmation Makeup Class – Due to the recent inclement weather, our Confirmation Class has been scheduled the following make-up days: March 10th from 6:30-8:00pm in the Multi-Purpose Room and March 13th from 9:00-10:30am in the Youth Activities Room.

Sweetheart Subs – This year's Superbowl Subs have been magically transformed into Sweetheart Subs by the recent snow! If you purchased a sub from our youth ministry during our recent sub sale, your sub can be picked up today following the 11:00 service in the Fellowship Hall.

In Our Prayers February 14, 2010

Gene Atkison (brother-in-law of Mary & Peter Jackson)
Kurt Bendley (brother of Kelli Martin)
Virginia Buesching (friend of Brenda Weaver)
Helen Caddell
Jim Conklin, Sr.
Keith Corey (friend of the Foggs & Boucards)
Jean Ebaugh (friend of Linda Gramlich)
Jim Fay (father of Erin Fay)
Fisher House Families
Margaret Grebe (friend of Linda Gramlich)
Elle Howdershell (friend of the Arcia Family)
Craig Goldsworthy (friend of the Weaver family)
Duston Grefe (uncle of DeAnn Boehm)

Roger Kaveney Family (uncle of Gerry Weaver)
Don & Jane Klimkiewicz (former members)
Greg Laws (grandson-in-law of Betty Fisher)
Katelyn McFarland (granddaughter of Janet Jones)
Harry Mitchell
Lindsay Shaw (friend of Molly Weaver)
Sandra Smith (cousin of Clark Adams)
Frances Stream
Louise Walters (mother of Charles Walters)
Kathleen Weaver (mother of Gerry Weaver)
Lisa Williams (daughter of Bob Boughton)
Jacqueline Wilson (mother of Cookie Wilson)
Jack Zimmer (friend of Pat & Bill Hilbank)

Our Prayers are With Those Serving Our Country Overseas...

Stephen Anderson (cousin of Daniel Cosner)
Jesse Charles Andrew (grandson of Alma Ehlen)
Ray Britt (son of Diane Britt)
Patrick Bull (grandson of Ed & Marilyn Bull)
Tyler Butterworth (son of Marion Butterworth)
David Fernandez (grandson of Art & Marey Bivens)
Brian F. Foley (son of Nina Deluca-Phillips)
Paul Gault (nephew of Pete & Leah Fortney)
T. J. Graham (friend of Gale Pearson)
Robert Hensley (son of Joan Hensley)
Jeff Hicks (nephew of Ted & Jean Tedder)
Matthew D. Hudson (son of Sharon & Chip Hunt)
John & Jennifer Huntsman (nephew and niece of Jen & Mark Tajnai)
Jay Martin (son-in-law of Joan Hensley)
James Mayer (grandson of Jim & Gloria Joyce)

Ann Mazur (friend of Doug & Maureen Frank)
Christopher McChung (nephew of Pete & Leah Fortney)
J.R. (Jack) O'Connor (friend of Ann Hamann)
Sara Olson (niece of Mary Hughes)
Gary Rhodes (friend of the Charles Walter family)
Daniel Richitt (nephew of Souren & Lori Tashjian)
Joseph Scanlin (son-in-law of Larry & Mary Branch)
Mike Schenaker (friend of the Sachlis family)
Greg Soule (nephews of Walter & Judy Ferguson)
Jim Sparks (nephew of Sue & Fred Bowers)
Col. George Walsh
Joe Weeren (relative of Alex & Rosemary Graham)

Weather Related Closing

The policy of Fairfax Church is that the church will follow the *weekday* guidelines of the Fairfax County Public Schools regarding closing due to weather conditions. On weekdays that schools are closed, day and evening church activities will be canceled. In the event of an early closing or when weekday evening events are canceled in schools, all evening activities at church are canceled. **For Saturday and Sunday events and Worship Service schedules**, please check the church website at www.fairfaxumc.org or call for a recorded message at 703-591-3120

THE MINISTRY



Stephen G. Bray
Senior Pastor

Elizabeth P. Barricks
Administration & Program Ministries

Martha D. Peacock
Educational Ministries

Michael Hensley
Youth Ministries

Jason Snow
Associate Pastor

David Leahey
Music Ministries

Ian Lane
Music Ministries

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR
February 14 - 20, 2010

SUNDAY	9:30 am	Faith Journeys, Parlor	
	3:00 pm	Chapel Ringers, 215	
	3:00 pm	Valentine Children's Choirs Variety Show, 216	
	4:00 pm	Chapel Choir, 212	
	4:15 pm	Junior Ringers, 215	
	5:00 pm	King David Ringers, 215	
	5:30 pm	Open Doors Worship Service, Sanctuary	
MONDAY	6:30 pm	TNT Sunday School Class, Main Office Area	
	6:30 pm	UMYF Meeting, Youth Activity Room, 312	
	Church closed for President's Day		
	TUESDAY	7:30 am	UMM Tuesday Morning Prayer Breakfast, 112
		9:30 am	Staff Meeting, Conference Room
		4:00 pm	Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper, Main Kitchen, Fellowship Hall
		6:00 pm	Cherub Choir, 217
7:00 pm		Fairfax City 4-H Cloverbuds, 303, 304	
7:00 pm		Fairfax City 4-H, 306-308	
7:00 pm		Youth Drama Rehearsal, Youth Activity Room	
WEDNESDAY	7:00 pm	Paths of Faith, 112, Multi-Purpose Room	
	7:30 pm	Staff-Parish Committee, Conference Room	
THURSDAY	7:30 pm	Ash Wednesday Service	
	9:30 am	W.A.T.E.R. Circle, Parlor	
FRIDAY	7:00 pm	ESL Make-Up Classes, 310	
	7:00 pm	Stephen Ministry Meeting, Parlor	
	7:30 pm	Preschool Winter Workshop, Fellowship Hall	
	7:30 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal, 216	
	9:30 am	Preschool Play group, 107	
SATURDAY	3:00 pm	FACETS Meal Preparation, Main Kitchen	
	10:00am	Fairfax City 4-H, 112	
	12:00 pm	Food Delivery Preparation, Fellowship Hall	

**The Passages for Sunday,
February 21, 2010**

Deuteronomy 26:1-11; Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16;
Romans 10:8b-13; Luke 4:1-13



Wednesday, February 17

7:30 p.m.

The church community gathers to begin our Lenten journey together. This is a service of penance and the imposition of ashes. The imposition of ashes is a powerful nonverbal and experiential way of participating in the call to repentance and reconciliation. Reverend Steve Bray will be our worship leader.

Lenten Midweek Services - Lent is a time that we reflect on our life, our faith and the sacrifice made for us by our Lord and Savior Christ Jesus. We live busy lives, but for six weeks we have an opportunity to pause and contemplate our place as Christians. On Wednesday evenings during Lent, our Lay Speakers will guide us through a progressive examination of ourselves. Please stop by on your way home from work for a short 30 minute service of reflection in the Chapel at 6:45pm each Wednesday in Lent, starting February 24, the week following Ash Wednesday. Our Lay Speakers are Leslie Carter, Betsy Draper, Marty Draper, Leslie Lord, and Patty Stephenson. Let's share the journey through Lent together.



**Brass of Peace
Concert**

Sunday, February 21

7:30 pm

The Brass of Peace Scholarship Program (BOP), a tuition-free program for 13 to 15 talented high school students, is an intensive training program which prepares its members for greater success in the very competitive field of music. For a period of 36 weeks during the school year, the Brass of Peace Scholars are given two-hour weekly coaching sessions with National Symphony Orchestra hornist, Sylvia Alimena. There are no fees or tuition of any kind. The ultimate goal is to build individual and ensemble skills as well as confidence in performing and public speaking. You will want to enjoy this group of exceptional high school students who have been chosen because of their unique gifts as they present a concert of brass music. Many of these young musicians will go on to positions of greater prestige around the world.