



**WOE TO ME IF I DO NOT  
PROCLAIM  
THE GOSPEL!**  
1 CORINTHIANS 9:16

***Gum Spring United Methodist Church***

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**Fitness Resolution Revolution** going on now. Wednesday 9 AM for Yoga and 9:30 AM for Walking. Thursday 6:30 PM for Yoga and 7:00 PM for Walking. Cost is \$15 per person regardless of whether you are involved in one or both classes on one or both days. The cost covers supplies and snacks. You must bring your own mat and towel for Yoga and your own towel for walking. See Jodi Elrod for details or call her on cell (804) 652-5225.



**Bible Studies**

Sunday Afternoon - 4 PM

At the parsonage - Lead by **Rev. Haugh.**

A continuation of the study of John.

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Tues. Mornings - 9 AM - beginning **February 7.**

Fellowship Hall - Lead by Delores Hawk.

**Beth Moore**

**James: Mercy Triumphs**

**Team *Faith, Hope, Pink*** is back!! Join the "Race for the Cure" on May 12, 2012 with Jodi Elrod as Team Captain. It was such a great day last year and the team had so much fun. Please join the team this year and support us whether you run, walk or sleep in. There is a Youth 1K for children ages 6-12. For questions or to join or donate, please see Jodi Elrod or call 652-5225.

**Singles** will be meeting here at the church on **February 25 @ 5:30 PM** to enjoy the **All You Can Eat Spaghetti Dinner.**

**Ongoing Activities**

**February, 2012**

<p align="center"><b>Sunday Afternoon</b></p> <p><b>Youth Group</b> - 4PM, Weekly Ricky Rowe (804) 519-7350</p> <p><b>Disciple Bible Study</b> - 4PM, Weekly - at parsonage - Pastor Jeff Haugh.</p> <p><b>Youth Council</b> - 7PM - 3rd Sunday Pastor Jeff Haugh - (804) 556-3494, <b>Next meeting - February 19.</b></p>	<p align="center"><b>Monday</b></p> <p><b>UMW</b> - 7PM - 1st Monday of each month. <b>Next meeting - February 6.</b> Connie Jarvis - (804) 556-6971</p>
<p align="center"><b>Tuesday</b></p> <p><b>Bible Study</b> - 9AM - Weekly - Delores Hawk, et al - (804) 556-0003. <b>Starts on February 7.</b></p> <p><b>Men's Group</b> - 7PM - Monthly, 1st Tuesday - Owen Taylor - (804) 457- 2216 - <b>February 7.</b></p> <p><b>Prayer Shawl</b> - 7PM - every other week - Doris Wiltshire - (804) 556- 3239. Next meeting - <b>Feb. 7</b></p>	<p align="center"><b>Wednesday</b> <b>(Feast &amp; Faith)</b></p> <p><b>Will begin again on Feb. 29.</b></p> <p><b>Bell Choir Practice</b> - 6:45PM - Weekly - Charlotte Parrish - (804) 556-3474</p> <p><b>Adult Choir Practice</b> - 8:00 PM - Weekly - Susan Duty - (804) 556-3148</p> <p><b>Fitness</b> - Yoga - 9 AM; Walking - 9:30 AM - Jodi Elrod - 652-5225</p>
<p align="center"><b>Thursday</b></p> <p><b>Seniors' Group</b> - 10AM - Monthly, 3rd Thurs. - rotates among churches - Dottie Reynolds - (804) 556-4380 <b>No</b> <b>meeting in January or February.</b></p> <p><b>Building Committee</b> - 7 PM</p>	<p align="center"><b>Friday</b></p> <p><b>Additional Bell practice at 6:45</b> <b>PM</b></p>
<p><b>Singles</b> - Different dates and places each month - Jean Wiltshire - (804) 556-3349. <b>Feb. 25, 5:30; Spaghetti</b></p> <p><b>Fitness</b> - Yoga - 6:30 PM; Walking - 7 PM - Jodi Elrod - 652-5225</p>	<p><b>Children's &amp; Youth Music</b> <i>Choir, Bells &amp; Boomwhackers for</i></p> <p><b>Children</b> - 9:50-10:10 AM - Sun. <b>Youth</b> - 4:15-5PM - Sunday</p>

**Sunday AM - Each Week**

**Worship Services - 8:45 and 11AM - Sunday School - 9:45AM**

**Youth Mission Trip Fundraising**  
**You can sign up for the 5K or give a simple donation**  
**or purchase tickets for the Chili Cookoff**  
**or All-You-Can Eat Spaghetti Dinner**  
**on our blog/website**  
**Go to [www.gumspringumc.com](http://www.gumspringumc.com)**  
**access the Youth page for the 5K & Chili Cookoff**  
**For general giving to the Youth, click on "give" on the main pg.**  
**Securely pay using your debit, credit and bank account info.**

**New Sunday School Class** - Cultivators Class is meeting in the old JOY Classroom at the top of the stairs at the back of the Fellowship Hall. "Boundaries with Kids" is the first topic. Taught by Rev. Haugh.

### **Louisa Donations**

Persons wishing to donate can make checks out to the Fluvanna/Louisa Housing Foundation, P. O. Box 160, Louisa, VA 23093 with "Louisa Earthquake" written in the memo line. For more information, visit - [www.louisacounty.com/LCHF/index.php](http://www.louisacounty.com/LCHF/index.php).

**Servant Ministry Openings**

Needed -

- Asst. Coord. of Faith Development
- Asst. Coord. of Mission, Service and Witness
- Sunday School Director

God may be calling you to work in these areas. If you have an interest, please call 804-556-3494 and talk with the Pastor or Secretary.

### **Flowers Needed**

We need flowers for the Sanctuary for the entire year. Please sign up on the flower calendar over the water fountain in the Fellowship Hall or let Sandy Hundley know at 556-6239 or by e-mail at [shundley@harrisheating.com](mailto:shundley@harrisheating.com).

## ***Birthdays and Anniversaries***

### ***Happy Birthday to You!!***

#### **February 5**

Jack Dunn  
Benjamin McLemore  
James McLemore

#### **February 6**

Jonathan Ferguson  
Lee Martin  
Mary Margaret Richardson

#### **February 7**

Phyllis Crow  
Camille Mangiere  
Estelle Pruden

#### **February 8**

CD Wilcox  
Mike Yeatts

#### **February 9**

Davis Pruden

### ***Birthdays, continued***

#### **February 10**

Christine Kemmerly  
Fritz Kemmerly

#### **February 11**

Ryan Mangiere  
Sarah Melvin

### ***Celebrating Marriages***

**None this week**



## ***Small Group Studies***

There are so many wonderful studies going on. Please find one that you think you will enjoy and come. Do not let missing the first meeting stop you from attending. The study during Feast and Faith is designed for you to drop in on and requires no work at home. Some of the studies are listed below and we encourage you to let us know of your interest in other types and topics of Small Group Studies.

Study on John - **Sunday at 4 PM at parsonage**

Men's Group - **1st Tuesday evening @ 7 PM**

Morning Bible Study - **Tuesday Morning @ 9 AM - February 7 - Beth Moore study on James.**

Drop-In Bible Study - **Wednesdays @ 6:45 PM - Will begin again on February 29.**

Fitness - **God's Fitness Resolution Revolution -**

**Wednesday mornings @ 9 AM for Yoga and 10 AM for Walking;**

**Thursday evenings @ 6:30 PM for Yoga and 7:30 PM for Walking.**

Finance for Children - **coming soon**

Caregiver Group - **need a leader**

Arts and Crafts time - **after dinner on Wednesdays.** (Spring 2012)

**To put someone on the prayer list, please complete a "Prayer Card" and put it in the offering plate or call the office with the name. Names are listed for one month (except in the case of ongoing concerns). Thank you for helping us keep concerns updated.**

**The UMC**

Our Bishop and Cabinet  
UM Urban Ministries of  
Richmond  
Our Missionaries  
Spiritual Direction

**Our Congregation**

Mission  
Building Program  
Five Practices Emphasis  
Our Pastor & His Family  
God's Continued Guidance

**Our Nation, Our World**

Our President, Congress, Courts  
People Affected by Disasters  
All Our Military  
Stephen Canty (Afghanistan)  
Joe Canty (Afghanistan)  
Rev. A. J. Gunther (Afghanistan)  
Trey Ritter (Afghanistan)  
Andrew Reynolds (LeJeune)  
Neil Saaman (Afghanistan)

**Those Who Grieve**

The Family of:  
Dana Ragland

**Hospital/Recovering**

Meredith McCabe Grace Davis  
Emily McCabe Riley Powers  
Peggy Jones Glen Powers  
Diane Blair Bernard Hawk  
Cora Simmons Al Hollins  
Louise Rowe Lesley Walter  
Frank Howarth Tom Durrett

**Homebound/Nursing Home**

Margie Isbell Gene Rigsby  
Chelsea Uglow Jean Perkins  
Susie Rigsby Pat Clark's Mother  
Gordon Harris Hazel Johnson  
Bruce Perkins

**Ongoing Concerns**

Dennis Gammon Margaret Ford  
Louis Parrish Lizzie Martin  
Mary Johnson Charles Thurston  
Meesha Joshua Edith & Marvin Jones  
Kathleen Bowman Michael Brown  
Art Scott George Taylor  
Brenda Eddy Charles Nuckols  
Florence Melton Lisa Harris  
Anthony Pellicci Candice Barefoot  
Karen Stapleton  
Doug Fisher

***We love you Lord  
and we lift our voice . .***

**Those in our Church and Community**

Larry Mason, Lee Mullen, Garland Eubank, Pam Coli, Seth Beck, Judi Brightwell, Delores Hawk, Wayne Fowler, Brenda Sanders, Dan and Corky Monson, Katie Huffman, Mike Sherrill

**Other**

We pray to overcome in Christ's name the heritage of racism: To experience the victory of Jesus' resurrection over all personal and institutional results of racism and racial inequality in this metropolitan city. Together with the churches of Goochland County, we pray for West End Church of the Nazarene in her mission and ministry.

*Prayer for The Epiphany*

Father,  
you revealed your Son to the nations  
by the guidance of a star.  
Lead us to your glory in heaven  
by the light of faith.  
We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

*Prayer for Communion*

Lord Jesus Christ,  
we worship you living among us  
in the sacrament of your body and blood.  
May we offer to our Father in heaven  
a solemn pledge of undivided love.  
May we offer to our brothers and sisters  
a life poured out in loving service of that kingdom  
where you live with the Father and the Holy Spirit  
one God for ever and ever. Amen



# 5th Sunday After The Epiphany

8:45 AM  
11:00 AM

February 5, 2012

*Patty Melvin  
Mark Monson*

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## Entrance and Praise

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Haugh

Prelude

Susan Duty

\*Call to Worship

Call: Lord, for who you are, and all you do in our lives;

**Response: Thank you!**

Call: For all the times you gave us a shove in the right direction;

**Response: Thank you!**

Call: For the times that we were so wrapped up in what was going on that we forgot to say it;

**Response: Thank you!**

Call: For all of the answered prayers;

**Response: Thank you!**

Call: Lord, help us in all circumstances and situations always to remember to say,

**Response: Thank you!**

*Homiletics*

\*Hymn of Praise

*Make Me A Captive Lord*

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Prayer of Confession

**God of grace,**

**we want to save the world**

**and yet sometimes we cannot even begin to save ourselves.**

**And so we gather our thoughts during this time of prayer**

**and pray for ourselves.**

**Teach us how to rearrange our lives**

**so that what you would have us do is our first priority.**

**Grant us the courage to release what we desire**

**and firmly grasp what you would have us do.**

**Help us to step outside of our comfort zone in your name.**

**Grant us a willing heart to serve you**

**no matter where we are or what we do.**

**Alert us to the needs of those around us,**

**and encourage us to meet that need in love,**

**thereby being the church of Jesus Christ our Lord,**

**in whose name we pray.**

*Homiletics*

Call: In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven!

**Response: In the name of Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven!**

**All: Thanks be to God. Amen.**

## Proclamation

Prayer for Illumination

**Spirit of truth, open to us the scriptures,  
speaking your holy word  
and meeting us in the living Christ. Amen**

Scripture	1 Corinthians 9:16-23	171
11:00 Anthem	<i>Together at the Table of Our Lord</i>	Adult Choir
11:00 Children's Moment		Rick Rowe
Sermon	"Slave to All?"	Rev. Haugh

### Response to the Word

Hymn of Response	<i>In Remembrance of Me</i>	2254 (TFWS)
	<i>As we sing, you are invited to come to the railing to pray</i>	

Affirmation of Faith	Nicene Creed	880
*Response	Gloria Patri	70

Prayers: Pastoral, People, Lord's Prayer		895
	<i>Please close your prayer with "Lord, in your mercy," and the congregation will respond with "Hear our prayer."</i>	

God's Tithes and Our Offerings		Rev. Haugh
Holy Communion		13
Offertory		Susan Duty
Doxology		95

### Sending Forth

*Hymn of Celebration	<i>I Am thine, O Lord</i>	419
*Dismissal		Rev. Haugh
Postlude		Susan Duty

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Next Sunday in Worship: 6th Sunday after the Epiphany.  
2 Kings 5:1-14. *Naaman*

**Worship Notes - Please use this page to take sermon notes.**

**February 5, 2012 5th Sunday After The Epiphany  
1 Corinthians 9:16-23**

<sup>16</sup>If I proclaim the gospel, this gives me no ground for boasting, for an obligation is laid on me, and woe betide me if I do not proclaim the gospel! <sup>17</sup>For if I do this of my own will, I have a reward; but if not of my own will, I am entrusted with a commission. <sup>18</sup>What then is my reward? Just this: that in my proclamation I may make the gospel free of charge, so as not to make full use of my rights in the gospel.

<sup>19</sup> For though I am free with respect to all, I have made myself a slave to all, so that I might win more of them. <sup>20</sup>To the Jews I became as a Jew, in order to win Jews. To those under the law I became as one under the law (though I myself am not under the law) so that I might win those under the law. <sup>21</sup>To those outside the law I became as one outside the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law) so that I might win those outside the law. <sup>22</sup>To the weak I became weak, so that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, so that I might by any means save some. <sup>23</sup>I do it all for the sake of the gospel, so that I may share in its blessings.

**What is our ground for boasting?**

**How are we slaves to those around us?**

**February 5, 2012**

**Indonesia: Stenley**

**When Stenley got off the boat on the remote Indonesian island, he felt the spiritual darkness. The people practiced a combination of witchcraft and Islam. Stenley was fresh out of Bible school and ready for the work to which God had called him, reaching these island people for Christ.**

Stenley preached boldly, calling people to turn to Christ and then to burn their idols and the relics of their old life. One Muslim burned his idol, but inside it was a scroll from the Koran. When radical Muslims heard of the burning of the Koran, they reported Stenley to area officials. Stenley was immediately arrested.

Although Stenley was horribly beaten and lay comatose, his mentor from Bible School, Pastor Siwi, came to see him and witnessed tears streaming from his eyes. Soon after, Stenley died from his injuries.

But even death could not end Stenley's ministry. When his story was told in his home village, eleven Muslims accepted Christ as Savior. Fifty-three villagers made the decision to attend Bible school, seven of whom asked to be sent as missionaries to the very village where Stenley had died.

Hoping to extinguish the gospel fire, village officials snuffed out Stenley's life. But even in the midst of their violence, God's hand was at work. Today the flames of the gospel burn brightly in that village.

***You are the light of the world.  
A city on a hill cannot be hidden.  
Matthew 5:14***

**Sunday**



Virginia United Methodist

# Advocate

*Weekly supplement to the Virginia United Methodist Advocate*

**Feb. 5, 2012**

**Fifth Sunday after Epiphany**

## **Finally, some positive news for apportionment receipts**

As the financial books for 2011 are closed, Virginia Conference apportionment receipts exceeded estimates and reversed an eight year trend of downturns.

Funds received by the conference Treasurer's Office totaled 86.83 percent of the budget, up 2.43 percent from last year, according to the treasurer, David Dommissé. That represents the second largest increase in the past 30 years, he said.

"It was well beyond what I was hoping for," Dommissé said.

The increase was primarily lead by late receipts. "More than \$3 million came in after December 31," Dommissé said.

Dommissé said there were several factors in the positive financial news from the conference office.

"The Cabinet started paying more attention (to churches paying their apportionments)," he said. "Plus the economy has stabilized, or at least we've had a period where it's not gotten worse, there were no major disasters in third world countries ... and we had good weather late in the year. But pastoral leadership, at both the local church and DS level, is most important."

Director of Connectional Ministries the Rev. Marc Brown said that United Methodists in Virginia have also responded positively to conference efforts to reduce spending."

"Keeping the conference budget relatively flat has allowed churches to catch up," Brown said. "People are sensing that we on a conference level have made adjustments that reflect the economic reality we are living in."

The conference office laid off several employees in 2010, and has cut back on most all of its programs.

Brown also credited Bishop Charlene Kammerer's emphasis on stewardship during 2011. She mandated that each district superintendent meet with the conference Treasurer to discuss improving apportionment giving.

"She deserves a lot of credit," Brown said.

**February is Heart Havens Month:** February is the time the Virginia Conference has set aside for the organization to raise awareness in churches about Heart Havens, which provides group homes for adults with intellectual disabilities. Twelve homes are currently operational throughout the Commonwealth, providing supported independence for more than 50 individuals. If you would like a Heart Havens representative to speak to your congregation or group, call 1-877-442-8368 or (804) 237-6097, or visit Heart Havens' Web site at <[www.hearthavens.org](http://www.hearthavens.org)>.

**Scholarship nominations available:** The conference office of Ministries with Young People is accepting nominations for the Wasena F. Wright Jr. Merit Award for high school seniors who are planning to attend a United Methodist college or university in the fall. Applications are due by Feb. 27 (note that the due date for the applications is a change from past years). For more information, contact the conference director, the Rev. Derrick Parson, at (804) 521-1179 or <[derrickparson@vaumc.org](mailto:derrickparson@vaumc.org)>.

**Virginia Wesleyan adds engineering option:** United Methodist-related Virginia Wesleyan College has recently entered into an agreement with Old Dominion University that provides students the opportunity to earn both a Bachelor of Science degree from Virginia Wesleyan and a master's degree in civil, environmental, mechanical, electrical, computer, aerospace engineering or modeling and simulation from Old Dominion.

**Still openings for summer youth choir:** Voices of Youth is still accepting applications for both youth and adult volunteers. The choir will travel to Joplin, Mo., for a mission experience, then throughout the conference to share their stories and music. Trip dates are June 27 through July 15. For details, contact Jennifer Dixon at (757) 348-7084 or <[coordinator@voyva.org](mailto:coordinator@voyva.org)>. Applications can be found at <[www.voyva.org](http://www.voyva.org)>.

**Wesleyan Building Brothers training offered:** Pastors and one or two men among the leadership of each church are invited to participate in the third annual "Pastors' Overview: An Introduction to the Wesleyan Building Brothers Process" to be held at the United Methodist Center in Glen Allen on Feb. 10. The event is to acquaint pastors and laymen to this process of spiritual transformation. For more information, contact Larry Burian at (804) 453-4004 or <[wbb@vacumm.org](mailto:wbb@vacumm.org)>.

**Quote of the Week:** "My prayer is that we may know God's embrace is strong enough, wide enough and tender enough to carry the important conversations that are put before us." — *The Rev. Stephanie Hixon, co-executive director of the JustPeace Center for Mediation and Conflict Transformation, speaking during the recent pre-General Conference News Brief-*

**2012 Stewardship as of January 29, 2012**

<b>Operating Funds Giving</b>	<b>\$20,738</b>	
<b>vs. 2012 Budget to Date</b>	<b>-\$ 2,745</b>	<b>-12%</b>
<b>vs. 2011 Giving Same Period</b>	<b>-\$ 1,922</b>	<b>-8.5%</b>
<b>Building Fund Giving</b>	<b>\$17,559</b>	
<b>Average Worship Attendance</b>	<b>(Combined) 168</b>	<b>5 Sun.</b>
<b>vs. Same Period 2010</b>	<b>186</b>	<b>-10%</b>

**Servants for Next Sunday, February 12, 2012**

<b>8:45 Liturgist</b>	<b>Patty Melvin</b>
<b>8:45 Greeters</b>	<b>Jack &amp; Brenda Dunn</b>
<b>8:45 Nursery</b>	<b>Helen Robertson</b>
<b>8:45 Ushers</b>	<b>Rhu &amp; Peggy Harris</b>
<b>11:00 Liturgist</b>	<b>Mark Monson</b>
<b>11:00 Acolytes</b>	<b>JT &amp; Jacob Massey</b>
<b>11:00 Greeters</b>	<b>Sheryl Flory &amp; Norma Rowe</b>
<b>11:00 Nursery</b>	<b>Riley Allison</b>
<b>11:00 Ushers</b>	<b>RJ Jones &amp; Steve OMeara</b>
<b>Tellers</b>	<b>Dottie Reynolds &amp; June Taylor</b>
<b>Visitors</b>	<b>Nancy Talmage &amp; Becky Bruce</b>
<b>Childrens Church</b>	<b>David Holcomb</b>
<b>Youth Dinner</b>	<b>Dale &amp; Delores Hawk</b>
<b>Flowers</b>	<b>Jean Harris</b>

**If you want to volunteer for any of these areas, call (804)556-3494, e-mail [office@gumspringumc.org](mailto:office@gumspringumc.org) or fill out one of the pink pages and drop it in the box provided on the table in the narthex.**



***All You Can Eat \$5***

***February 25, 2012***  
***5 PM***

***Last Seating at 7 PM***

***Benefits***  
***Youth Mission Trip***



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"...Out of the believer's heart shall  
flow rivers of living water!"

John 7:38b

***WE ARE CALLED TO LOVE, WORSHIP  
AND SERVE AS WE SEEK TO MAKE DISCIPLES  
OF CHRIST.***

***We loved having you here today!!  
Please join us again.***



Visit us  
on the Web.



**Love lifted me.  
When nothing else could help,  
love lifted me.**