

Smoke Signal



*"Let your light so shine before
men that they may see your
good works and glorify your
Father who is in heaven ~
Matthew 5:16*

Burnt Factory
United Methodist Church
Stephenson, Virginia 22656
C. Steven Melester, Pastor

August 2017 Church Newsletter

OUR MISSION STATEMENT:
Sharing the Love of Christ with
ALL people!



NEW MEMBER SUNDAY IS SEPTEMBER 17th

Is God Calling You?

The church of Jesus Christ exists in and for the world. The church, with the guidance of the Holy Spirit, is to help people accept and confess Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior and to guide them to salvation and to live their daily lives in light of their relationship with God. This relationship gives structure, meaning, relevance, purpose, and direction to our lives!

The church is a community; a family through which discipleship-making occurs. It is a community that reaches out in mission to those in need. No person is perfect and no church is perfect, but the church remains God's ordained and preferred means of proclamation about the one who was and is and forever will be perfect: Jesus Christ!

Our lives take many turns. We all have ups and downs; joys and concerns. We all have needs and we are all on different points on the road of discipleship. Membership in a church identifies us with Jesus Christ and awakens, confirms, strengthens, and solidifies our faith and our hope. It provides roots and helps the disciple and seeker to embrace the true worship of God, to be edified and encouraged, and to embrace the joy that comes with commitment and dedication to God! Jesus wants our dedication, commitment, but mostly our love! He seeks our transformation. He loves us and cherishes a deep and committed relationship with us. Membership requires baptism and commitment. We will ask you to be loyal to the church, to be present, to pray, to serve, to give, and to share your story. We ask you to join us in the vital work of Jesus Christ!

I would like to extend an invitation. Would you consider becoming a member of Burnt Factory United Methodist Church? God loves you and we love you! If you have questions or would like to find out more or if you are ready to join this faith community; don't hesitate to give me a call or e-mail me at pastorsteve58@comcast.net; and I would be glad to help you in any way I can! We will be holding our "New Member Sunday" on September 17th and would love to welcome you into full membership. Please pray and discern if God is leading you in this direction.

*God Bless You!
Grace and Peace to You!*
Pastor Steve





Faith and Health Corner August 2017

Life Transitions

*"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old is gone, the new has come!"
2 Corinthians 5:17*

It's the middle of July and the summer sun is shining down as I write this article for August. It's hard to believe that it will soon be time for school to start and summer will change to fall; just as the many seasons of our lives change. Life never stays the same. There are many stages with unique challenges that make each one memorable.

AS NEW PARENTS you add new responsibilities and a baby to your life while trying to establish yourselves as a couple. This new role means sharing your partner with someone else so make sure you talk to each other, have a date night, and share your struggles. Adjustment is easier when you know what challenges exist.

THE NEXT STAGE is sending your first child off to school, which can be scary for everyone. As a parent, try to put your fears aside and look for the positives, like your child beginning a new adventure that will teach him/her many new things. Before school starts, go to the school and arrange for a tour, if possible, to take the fear out of the new surroundings. Remind him/her that others will be nervous about school and there will be many new friends to meet. Talk about the exciting things he/she will be doing during the school day and make it an adventure for both of you. If you have worries about his/her health, be sure to meet with the school nurse to discuss any health conditions or medications that might impact the day. Soon both of you will be looking forward to hearing about each other's day.

THE NEXT STEP is the teen years and the bid for independence. Know that your role as the caregiver for your child is starting to end. To prepare your child for adulthood, teach him/her about financial and personal responsibility and be open with your spouse about any conflicts you have about letting go.

NEXT is sending your child off to college, career or marriage. Your role shifts slightly from parent/controller to friend/advisor. If this is your last child, it may mean reconnecting with your spouse since the previous years have been focused on your child(ren). You might also be adding the role of caregiver for a parent. Keep in mind as you struggle with your changing roles, your parent is also struggling with his/her loss of independence. Be patient, include your parent in decisions when possible, ask siblings and friends for help, and be honest about your feelings.

THE LAST STAGE is retirement where some people have a loss of identity because they no longer work; while others find new beginnings. To make the transition successful, consciously look for things to do. Resurrect an old hobby or find a new one. Travel to visit family and spend time with your grandchildren. If you can't travel, call them on the phone or use email. Stay connected and interested and hopefully you will find a whole new world.

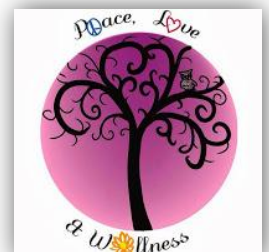


*"...Rejoice. Change your ways. Encourage each other. Live in harmony and peace.
Then the God of love and peace will be with you."* **2 Corinthians 13:11**

Until the next time ... Blessings to you and yours,
Theresa

You can reach me at any time by e-mail at tgilbert@afpdocs.com or
theresa.h.seddon@gmail.com or by phone at (540) 247-5612.

As your Faith Community Nurse, I am here to serve as a bridge to better health, meeting the wholistic healing mission of the church by partnering with the Pastor as a healer of the spirit, mind and body.



We wish to extend our Deepest Sympathy to the following whose family members have claimed the promise of the resurrection:

Martha Ludtke and Family in the passing of her brother, Jack Miller.

Chad Lee and Family in the passing of his brother-in-law, Geoff Mollard.

Heather Flowers and Tiffany Laing and Families in the passing of their grandmother, Patricia Dampman.

Prayers of comfort are being sent forth.

God Bless.



CCAP, THE CONGREGATIONAL-COMMUNITY ACTION PROJECT, IS A COOPERATIVE MINISTRY OF 45 AREA CHURCHES AND ONE SYNAGOGUE SERVING WINCHESTER AND FREDERICK COUNTY THAT HAVE JOINED TOGETHER TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL, MATERIAL AND SUPPORTIVE ASSISTANCE TO PEOPLE IN NEED. CCAP IS LOCATED AT 112 AND 106 S. KENT STREET.

WOW!!! AGAIN!!! CCAP Day collections in July were AWESOME. Thanks so much for all the donations and to those who helped make the TRIPS (several) to my car.

The special request for backpacks was enthusiastically answered. We collected 82!! And 62 notebooks, 46 folders, 29 binders, 44 packs of notebook paper, 94 composition books, 25 bottles of glue, 120 glue sticks, 45 packs of pencils, 27 packs of color pencils, 22 highlighters, 2 packs of pens, 51 packs of crayons, 29 packs of markers, 24 pr. of scissors, and many erasers, index cards, post-its, rulers, sharpeners, a compass and protractor a lunch bag and lots of pencil packs. We also received \$40 cash for purchasing additional supplies. Burnt Factory is an amazing church. It is such an honor to share **YOUR** gifts with CCAP.

- There are many opportunities to volunteer at CCAP. A day a week, a day a month, or a few hours anytime. Volunteers are needed in the pantry, the clothing house, in receiving, as receptionists and as drivers. Contact me if you are interested in giving a few hours of your time to an organization that reaches out to many in need.
- If you have items to donate – please use these guidelines: Toys and stuffed animals are no longer accepted.
- **Items accepted:** Food and Produce; Clothing that is clean and not missing buttons or zippers; Bikes in good working order; Dishes, Pots & Pans, Silverware, Utensils; Small Kitchen Appliances – in good working order – such as Microwaves, Toaster Ovens, Crock Pots, Elec. Skillets, and Irons. If you have furniture to donate, please call Cookie at 540-877-0834 to schedule drop off or pick up. Sleeping bags, Tents and Camping Equipment are always needed for our homeless clients.

If you are able to join me, the next CCAP meeting is October 19th, 10 am, at the First Presbyterian Church on the Loudoun Street Mall. I can be reached at ricpat5@gmail.com or by cell at 540-664-6973 if you have questions about CCAP or are interested in volunteering. If you need help getting your donations to CCAP, please let me know.

Thank you for all you do for this important ministry,

Patty Leonard

From a branch on the Vine,

Thank you Charly for a wonderful, best in class newsletter and Dave for caring for the martins. Thank you Daniel and Angela for representing so well at Annual Conference. Thank you Cindy, Polly and Harriett for tickling the ivories so beautifully. And, thank you Madison and Megan for always responding to my requests for help over these many years.

Do you see a pattern?

Thank you Tommy and Sonny for cutting the grass, and thanks to Kristi, Jason and Tim for leading Faithseekers. Jay, what can I say? Your help and guidance from the pulpit, in Sunday School and in the mission field is an example to us all. Thanks Helen for never meeting a person you wouldn't hug. Thanks Eddie for the many, many years of serving and fixing our church, plus ushering and keeping the money straight for UMM. Thanks Naleah for your smile and nimble fingers on the violin.

Living gratefully.

Tammy and Joy – you made Youth fruitful (you are still bound by confidentiality). Thank you to Andrew and Tim for getting stuff off the top shelf, and thanks to little Audrey for your incoherent exuberance at Children's Time. My thanks to Becky and Angie for managing WATTS and being friends. Karen and Martha, the flowers on the altar are always beautiful, and, Martha, what is this about a pole? Many thanks to Jani and Kathy for preparing the Lord's table and to Lisa for going the extra step and baking gluten-free bread. My gratitude to Jeanette and Riley for leading the Youth in song.

Certainly and emphatically this list is not exhaustive. I haven't thanked Rhonda for keeping the church clean or Stan for always standing to shake my hand. How do you express appreciation for blessings that, when you stop and take inventory, are too many to count? You respond in gratitude to the gifts others have given so you may have joy. So many do so much.

Jesus has done so much for so many. Thank you Pastor Steve for your recent sermon on Paul's letter to the church in Rome – our response is gratitude for what Jesus has done on the cross. We realize grace has been given to us, and we thankfully praise God. It is not repayment for a debt for no one can pay the price. It is embracing your blessings and, in turn, blessing others.

Thank you, my Savior. You loved me first.

And, thank you Donna for managing our donations to the Laurel Center and Patty to CCAP. Penny and Tom, your selfless giving to the work of the Kingdom is inspiring. Thanks Shepley boys for being present to help, and thank you Carrie for constructing a place where children are loved. Pat, your work with RFL is legendary as is your capturing of the history of our church. Norma, I am not taking you to WV, but I still love you. Amye and Glen, the directory is wonderful. The library is spectacular – thanks Diann and Doris. Thank you Choir for the beauty your voices bring to worship, and Diana for your dedication.

Not exhaustive, just a representation of real blessings that is Burnt Factory – a representation of God at work in His Kingdom. He is at work for us and in us.

Thank you, my friend for listening to me, and, in spite of knowing me too well, caring about how I am doing.

In Christ, *Rob*



Confirmation Classes to begin September 10th!



*Confirmation Classes will be forming in the Fall with the **FIRST CLASS BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 10TH**.*

Confirmation is for youth grades 7th and up, although a class for older youth is possible. Confirmands will be educated on the core values of a follower of Christ and on the structure, sacraments and heritage of the United Methodist Church. It is both a human act of commitment and the gracious action of the Holy Spirit strengthening and empowering discipleship. At the conclusion of the classes, each confirmand will have the opportunity to confirm their baptism vows and to unite in membership with their Brothers and Sisters in Christ found in the Faith Community of Burnt Factory United Methodist Church. For more information or to register, please contact Rob Moss or Pastor Steve.

Joy and Peace, *Rob*



BURNT FACTORY UMC
RELAY FOR LIFE
"THE BELIEVERS"



There will be a Relay for Life wrap-up/preplanning covered dish get together on Sunday July 30th at 5:00pm at the church shelter.

We will be discussing recommendations for next year's event to be passed along to the RFL Administration as well as penciling in our fundraisers for next year.

If you weren't able to participate this year but would like to be involved next year, please join us!

Brenda Drumheller
Susan Williams
Co-Captains



Keith Roberts needs your email address!!!

Pastor Steve has special notices he needs to send to those who attend Burnt Factory. The notices will include not only prayer concerns, but also schedule changes during bad weather.

Keith keeps an e-mail list in his computer for just such purposes. Your e-mail address is protected and e-mails are sent, recipients not disclosed, to protect your privacy.

Kindly send your e-mail address to Keith Roberts at john.k.roberts@comcast.net with the message:

"ADD ME TO THE CHURCH EMAIL LIST"

Thank You

The Laurel Center



If you are not familiar with The Laurel Center.....

THEIR MISSION is to empower victims of domestic and sexual violence by providing emergency housing, advocacy, support services and education. They reach out to the community through education and awareness programs.

THEIR VISION: Working together in our community to stop the cycle of domestic and sexual violence.

AUGUST 20TH
NEXT COLLECTION DAY
FOR THE LAUREL CENTER

The Center is an example of how BFUMC serves our community through our Outreach Ministries.

THESE ARE SOME OF THE ITEMS ON THEIR WISH LIST:

Paper Products, Ziploc bags (all sizes),
 Deodorant, Women's Socks and Slippers (new),
 Flashlights, Batteries, Nail Clippers,
 Hair Brushes, Combs, Hair Picks, Miniature
 Sewing Kits and Facial Moisturizer.

Many thanks for all your support.

If you have any questions, please give me a call.

Peace & Joy, Donna Gallagher

BIRTHDAYS
AND
ANNIVERSARIES



Anniversaries

If you would like your birthday or anniversary in the newsletter each month, just let me know.

Thanks, Charly

Through the Sacrament of Baptism we are initiated into Christ's holy church. We are incorporated into God's mighty acts of salvation and given new birth through water and the Spirit. All this is God's gift offered to us without price.



**Welcome to
Our Family**

*We were pleased to baptize
Lillian Estelle Sutphin
during the 8:30am Worship Service
on July 16th.*

*Lillian is the daughter of
Tim & Ashley Sutphin.*

*We were also pleased to baptize
Penny Wray Merceruo
at the 11:00am Worship Service.*

New
to Our
Family

*We also were pleased to welcome the following
new members into our family at Burnt Factory:*

Dan & Lauren Merceruo

**Steve & Bandy Dillard along with
their children, Rob and Katie**

and

We welcomed

**Michael & Shannon Grooms, who are
Penny Merceruo's Godparents**

United Methodist Women



Summer is flying by and we are excited that August is a month that UMW will hold a regular meeting on Thursday, the 17th.

We will check on our Living Into Our Purpose form to see what our achievements have been this past year. We are a very active group and recording the things we have done help us to fulfill our PURPOSE.

We will remember those in our church families who have died since September last year and have a brief Candle burning.

Project Esperanza is uppermost in our minds and we will hear an update on what has happened since our last meeting when we skyped with the founder, Caitlin McHale, who is from Frederick County.

I will remind you to check out the sales for the school supplies that are needed for our school kits we put together next spring for conference.

Now is the time to purchase the following items:
SPIRAL NOTEBOOKS, UNSHARPENED PENCILS, 2 ½ INCH ERASERS, PENCIL SHARPENERS, CRAYONS (BOX OF 24), BLUNT SCISSORS, AND RULERS.

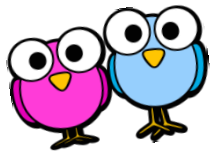
Our treasurer purchases the bags we need from Oriental Trading. That ends up being our only expense for this Virginia Conference project.

Continue to save cancelled postage stamps. Also Box tops for Education. There's a container in the Social Hall for these.

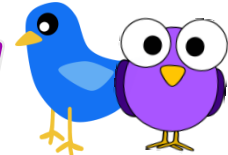
Please put the 17th on your calendar and come be a part of the UMW work, activities, and fun as we gather together, share ideas, have refreshments (thanks, Diana Smith!), and hear what's going on in this mission-minded group!

We welcome anyone who hasn't come before!! And we welcome those who haven't been with us for awhile. You'll be glad you came!

Blessings, Polly Duvall, President




KID MIN CONNECTION



August used to mean that summer was just rockin! Now August brings in the return of school days. Church, let us be in prayer for all our children preparing for their return to school! We are blessed by a bounty of beautiful children at our church, from preschoolers to high schoolers and even our college bound students, and we want them to know that they are prayed for and loved! So here's a helpful guide on how to pray for them using scripture!

The **A B C 'S** of
praying for students



- Attitude – Psalm 19:14
- Boldness – Psalm 27:1
- Courage – John 1:9
- Discernment – Philippians 1:9-10
- Enthusiasm – Colossians 3:23
- Friendliness – Proverbs 18:24
- Generosity – 2 Corinthians 9:7
- Humility – Philippians 2:3-5
- Initiative – 1 John 3:18
- Joyfulness – Philippians 4:4
- Knowledge – Proverbs 18:15
- Listening – Proverbs 12:15
- Maturity – 1 Corinthians 14:20
- Neighbors – Mark 12:31
- Overflow – Romans 15:13
- Perseverance – Galatians 6:9
- Quiet – Proverbs 29:11
- Respect – Romans 12:10
- Self-control – 2 Peter 1:5-7
- Thankfulness – 1 Chronicles 16:34
- Understanding – Psalm 119:130
- Victory – Psalm 18:29
- Wisdom – James 3:17
- eXcellence – Proverbs 3:9
- Youthfulness – 1 Timothy 4:12
- Zeal – Romans 12:11

Winchester City	August 10
Frederick County	August 16
Clarke County	August 22

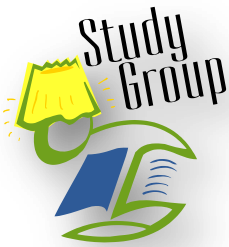
May God Bless all our teachers, administrators, custodians, school nurses, bus drivers, aides and specialists as they return to school. May they have an amazing year!

Blessings,

Carrie Fair

Director of Children's Ministries





ARE YOU TIRED OF PAYING FOR THE PAST INSTEAD OF PLANNING FOR YOUR FUTURE?

**ARE YOU BLESSED AND WANT TO KNOW MORE ABOUT BEING A
STEWARD OF GOD'S BLESSINGS?**



Money has great power in our lives and when used wisely it helps us meet our goals, provide for our needs, and fulfill our life purpose. But in recent years, many of us ignored this when managing and spending our money. We found ourselves spending tomorrow's money today. The result of all of this was not greater happiness and satisfaction, but greater stress and anxiety.

ENOUGH is an invitation to rediscover the Bible's wisdom on prudent financial practices. Find the keys to experiencing contentment, overcoming fear, and discovering joy through simplicity and generosity. This book could change your life by changing your relationship with money.

Dave Ramsey says . . . *"We Americans LOVE our stuff. We're living in a fast-paced, me-first, instant-gratification world, and it's finally catching up to us. Debt is out of control, homes are in foreclosure . . . even banks are going out of business. What the world needs today is the message of contentment and simplicity, and that's exactly what Pastor Adam Hamilton delivers in his book **ENOUGH**."*

BEGINNING ON AUGUST 22ND, I will begin leading a small group study based upon Adam Hamilton's book, **ENOUGH - DISCOVERING JOY THROUGH SIMPLICITY AND GENEROSITY**. We will meet on **TUESDAY EVENINGS AT 7:00 PM AT THE CHURCH**. If you are interested, there is a sign-up sheet in the Fellowship Hall. The books are also in and available if you would like to pick one up. Please contact me in advance if you have any questions. alrudolph78@gmail.com

Angie Rudolph

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

HONORING OUR POLICE MEN & WOMEN, FIREFIGHTERS & EMT'S

Burnt Factory UMC will be honoring our Police Men and Women along with our Fire Fighters and Emts!!!

We are asking anyone in our congregation or extended friends and family who have served or is serving now as a professional or volunteer in our police, fire and/or rescue units to be present on **SEPTEMBER 10** at either service so we can recognize and celebrate your vital and self-sacrificing service to our community and to our Lord!

**We want to encourage you to wear your uniform, if you so choose,
but certainly that is not mandatory.*

GOD BLESS!
Pastor Steve

Church Council is the voice and decision making body of the local church. It is where the mission and ministry of the church is celebrated and initiated. It is where Jesus Christ is proclaimed, praised, and worshiped. The leaders and members of the Church Council, that are approved each year at our Annual Conference, have answered the call and have been tasked with representing the church. We are thankful that God calls and then equips his children for ministry. Everyone is welcome to attend Church Council meetings.

**CHURCH COUNCIL MEETS EVERY OTHER MONTH STARTING IN JANUARY
ON THE SECOND WEDNESDAY AT 7:00.**

WE ALSO CALL SPECIAL MEETINGS AS THE NEED MAY ARISE.



**The remaining schedule meetings for 2017 are
SEPTEMBER 13th and NOVEMBER 8th.**

**There is a good chance that a called October meeting
may be required to prepare for our
Annual Conference on November 12th.**

Following are the members of your Church Council. Keep them in your prayers.

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| 1. Council Chair: Jody Dorsey | 13. Trustee Chair: Keith Roberts (or Rep.) |
| 2. Lay Leader: Tom Duvall | 14. UMM Chair: Steve Cunningham (or Rep.) |
| 3. PPRC Chair: Becky Dennis (or Rep.) | 15. UMW Chair: Polly Duvall (or Rep.) |
| 4. Finance Chair: Angie Rudolph (or Rep.) | 16. Outreach Chair: Karen Willis (or Rep.) |
| 5. Treasurer: Tammy Cunningham | 17. Nurture Chair: () (or Rep.) |
| 6. Financial Secretary: JoAnne Baker | 18. Witness Chair: () (or Rep.) |
| 7. Council Secretary: Debbie Moss | 19. Worship Chair: Sharon Clark (or Rep.) |
| 8. Parish Nurse: Theresa Gilbert | 20. At Large: Margie Willis (2017) |
| 9. Youth Director: Rob Moss | 21. At Large: Jay Kackley (2018) |
| 10. Children's Director: Carrie Fair | 22. Annual Conf. Rep. : Angela Renner |
| 11. Youth Representative: Daniel Renner | 23. Pastor: Steve Melester |
| 12. Young Adult Representative: Amye Murphy | 24. Retired UM Pastor: Jay Hanke |

4-Day Work Team in September

ARE YOU CALLED TO BE PART OF A SHORT-TERM WORK TEAM TO GET A FAMILY BACK IN THEIR HOUSE?

Last August, a 12-person work team from Burnt Factory worked on a tornado-damaged home in Tappahannock, VA. That effort was part of a conference-wide effort for volunteer teams to work on homes in Tappahannock, Waverly, and Evergreen, VA -- three communities suffering tornado damage in February 2016. To date, hundreds of teams have worked in these communities, repairing and even re-building homes completely. We want to join the current effort now to have teams complete all projects and have all the families back in their homes by October 31st.

To this end we are "sounding the call" for a Burnt Factory Team of women and men to work on a newly-constructed house in Evergreen (near Lynchburg), **September 13 - 16 (Wednesday - Saturday)**. Housing and showers for the team are provided in a nearby church where we will fix our own meals. This house will be more than half-way completed when we arrive, so most of the work will be interior work. All skill levels are both invited and appreciated!! This will be a VA Conference UMVIM team under the direction of Rev. Forrest White, our conference coordinator. More information, questions: contact Jay Hanke (686-0433 or jhanke@comcast.net).

We need to finalize the team by mid-August. Less than 4 days?? -- a possibility, let's talk!

Thanks to all of you for your help and promotion. -- Jay



OUR YOUTH IN ACTION



On July 16th, the Youth gathered at the shelter to have a little fun with Friends. Friendships are not always easy. Beyond the common interests, they require trust. Trust in honoring the private thoughts of another; trust in receiving and giving opinions; trust that the good days will mean more than when that disagreement comes. A little whip cream and pizza helps. Thank you Tammy and Denise for helping corral the herd. Tender-heart, thick skin.

As you read this, our High School Mission Team will just be getting back from Christiansburg. Your support makes it possible and fruitful. We are your ambassadors and servants in the name of our Savior.

Upcoming Youth Events:

August 6 th	Regular Meeting	Shelter	4:30 – 6:30pm
August 25/26 (Fri - Sat)	Youth Camp-out	Shelter	6:00 – 3:00pm

Welcome 6th graders!!!
Motel Ministry

September 10 th	Regular Meeting	Shelter	4:30 – 6:30pm
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Contact Mr. Rob: ram288@comcast.net, 540-303-7161



Outreach Ministry

The Outreach Committee is looking into the possibility of serving a Sunday meal at CCAP once a month. It is difficult for the homeless to find meals on Sunday during Apr. - Oct. We will continue this discussion at the Sept. meeting.

I am excited to say that we had five people commit to Bright Futures one on one tutoring at Greenwood Mill Elementary School. There are three others interested. Eight people to touch a young person's life is fantastic. There will be a brief training session in August and tutoring will begin in late Sept. or early Oct. Please contact Karen Willis (540-539-6989) or krwillis1@comcast.net if you are interested or have questions.

There have been four deliveries of food to families during June and July. It warms my heart to be able to help people who are hungry. If you know of anyone in need of food, please contact Pastor Steve or myself.

Karen Willis, Outreach Chair

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE NEEDED FOR THE FOOD PANTRY:

POP TARTS OATMEAL JELLY FRUIT
HAMBURGER HELPER BAKED BEANS
VEGETABLES (NOT GREEN BEANS OR CORN)
SOUP (NOT CHICKEN NOODLE)





August Birthdays

2nd Helen Weir
 Stephen Kerns
 4th Daniel Renner
 5th Lindsey Perrault
 Duane Swisher
 6th Katie Mowery
 Deyerle Miller
 7th Meghan Snyder
 8th Pat Perry
 Bruce Powell
 9th Jo Anna Grayson
 10th Darrin Bursey
 Rachel Hayton
 11th Mike Goode
 12th Theresa Gilbert
 Chelsey Packham
 15th John Renner
 19th Deanna Simmers
 Theo Crowe
 21st Patrick Thompson
 23rd Makayla Butcher
 Rena Harris
 26th Billy Swimley
 Dave Winter
 27th Reily Murphy
 Ryan Hunt
 30th Jay Kackley
 31st Amye Murphy

*Happy Birthday,
 Birthday People!!!*

August Anniversaries



3rd Rich & Sue Wells
 5th Bill & Jani Shope
 7th Tom & Norma Duvall
 9th Paul & Sarah Shoremount
 14th Greg & Janie Bigler
 19th Mark & Liz Duvall

*Happy Anniversary,
 Lovebirds!!!*

*If you would like your birthday
 or your anniversary in the newsletter,
 all you have to do is let me know.
 I don't need the year, just the day and month!
 Thanks, Charfy*



CONGRATULATIONS to Adam and Brandy Woods!!!!

Two beautiful little baby girls arrived on July 18th!

Their names are Erin and Avery Woods!

*I thought I'd put a fun item in this newsletter for you to solve.
Thanks to Jo Anne Baker for loaning me her book of Faith puzzles. Enjoy, Charly*

FAITH WORD SEARCH PUZZLE By Gertrude Knabbe

Directions for Solving Word Search Puzzles

Words may read forward, backward, diagonally or up and down. Letters may be used more than once. Some words may cross each other. Circle the word when you find it, then check it off the word list as you go. Some of the smaller words may be looped together. Each line in the word list is an entry. The answers will be found in the next newsletter.

Deuteronomy 26:17, 18

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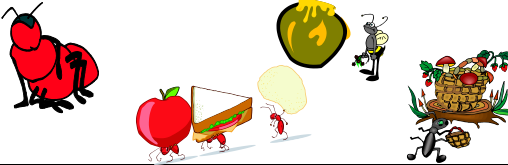

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AUGUST 2017 CHURCH CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 6:00pm-Choir 7:30pm-SONrise Singers	2 9:00am-1:00pm Pastor's Office Hours 7:00pm-Men Living Faith at Steve Cunningham's	3	4	5
6 8:30am-Worship 9:45am-10:00am-Children's Mini-Praise and Worship 9:45am-Sunday School 11:00am-Worship 11:00am-Childrens Church 4:30pm-6:30pm-Youth meet at the BFSherter	7 12:45-2:00pm <u>Living-Fully</u> <u>Dying Well</u> Book Study	8 NO CHOIR PRACTICE	9 9:00am-1:00pm Pastor's Office Hours	10	11	12  1:00pm-6:00pm BF Shelter (Behind the church)
13 8:30am-Worship 9:45am-10:00am-Children's Mini-Praise and Worship 9:45am-Sunday School 11:00am-Worship 11:00am-Childrens Church Blood Pressure Clinic	14 12:45-2:00pm <u>Living-Fully</u> <u>Dying Well</u> Book Study 6:00pm-RFL Captain's Meeting at Calvary	15 6:00pm-Choir 7:30pm-SONrise Singers	16 9:00am-1:00pm Pastor's Office Hours 7:00pm-Men Living Faith at Steve Cunningham's	17 7:00pm-UMW meet in Social Hall	18	19 8:00am-UMMen meet in Social Hall
20 8:30am-Worship 9:45am-10:00am-Children's Mini-Praise and Worship 9:45am-Sunday School 11:00am-Worship 11:00am-Childrens Church Laurel Center Collection Day	21	22 6:00pm-Choir 7:30pm-SONrise Singers 7:00pm- <u>Enough</u> Book Study	23 9:00am-1:00pm Pastor's Office Hours	24	25 6:00pm - YOUTH Camp-out at the Shelter to 3:00pm Saturday, 26th	26 YOUTH Motel Ministry
27 8:30am-Worship 9:45am-10:00am-Children's Mini-Praise and Worship 9:45am-Sunday School 11:00am-Worship 11:00am-Childrens Church	28	29 6:00pm-Choir 7:30pm-SONrise Singers 7:00pm- <u>Enough</u> Book Study	30 9:00am-1:00pm Pastor's Office Hours SEPTEMBER Newsletter articles due today by 3:00pm! Thx!	31	PRINTING SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1st!	

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Do you know every member at Burnt Factory?

Do you enjoy meeting new people wearing really cool nametags?

Do you like to eat fried chicken and go down water slides?

Are you doing anything on **Saturday, August 12th** from **1pm-6pm**? No?? **GOOD!**

Bring your family to our Annual Church Picnic at the shelter behind the church.

We ask you to bring a covered dish and/or dessert for everyone to enjoy.

Hot Dogs, Chicken, Drinks and Paper Products will be provided by the Church!

Bring a comfortable chair to sit in.

There will be our famous BF Water Slide, Face Painting by Rachel, Corn hole Tossing!!