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JUNE 2018 NEWSLETTER
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UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
STEPHENSON, VIRGINIA 22656
C. STEVEN MELESTER, PASTOR

*"LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE BEFORE MEN, THAT THEY MAY SEE YOUR
GOOD WORKS AND PRAISE OUR FATHER IN HEAVEN"
~ MATTHEW 5:16*

OUR MISSION STATEMENT:
SHARING THE LOVE OF CHRIST WITH ALL PEOPLE.

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From our Pastor

One of the many challenges to the church today is overcoming the great harm some churches have perpetrated upon the people. As the post-Christian culture of our country continues to grow and intensify, believers are left with daunting circumstances, declining attendance, apathetic participation, lack of Godly leaders and a general mis-trust of the church and its leaders. How do we begin to overcome the "ungrace" some faith communities have practiced? How do we start in motion a true apostolic revival? I believe this article from Pastor Carey Nieuwhof shines a little light on one aspect for our consideration.

"I understand that the idea of the church being imperfect makes some people despair. But rather than making us despair, the fact that Jesus started the church with imperfect people should make us marvel at God's incredible grace. That God would use ordinary, broken human beings as vessels of his grace, and delight in it is awe-inspiring. He's proud of how his grace is beating through your imperfect-but-redeemed life and through the church. The idea that God would use you and me is pretty amazing. He had other options. He could have spoken to the world directly, but instead chose to use broken people to showcase his grace to a world in need of redemption.

For sure, community is messy. People sin. Leaders are sinful. Most of the New Testament is not a story of an idealized church where everything worked perfectly all the time (just read 1 Corinthians any time you're frustrated with your church). Most of the New Testament is a story of Jesus using his followers to spread his love in spite of themselves and as they overcome obstacle after obstacle. The fact that Christ uses flawed people to accomplish his work on earth is actually a sign of his grace, not a sign of his absence.

The church's story, as twisted as it gets at times, is a beautiful story of God's grace, God's power and God's redemption. So, by the way, is your life, which reflects the story of the church more than you would want to admit. The church gives the world a front row seat to the grace of God."

Words that are worth pondering! The heart of Wesleyan theology and Methodist practice is grace!

*God Bless!
Pastor Steve*

June



Birthdays

- 1st Marcia Darsie
- 2nd Madison Bursey
Megan Bursey
- 5th Norma Duvall
- 7th Sue Swimley
- 9th Ruby Beck
Hannah Heinlein
Sam Melester
Susan Pannell
Lucinda Lentz

- 10th Diana Smith
Chuck Simmers
- 11th Tom Miiller
- 12th Bob Rodeffer
- 15th Richard Henry
- 18th Tim Perrault
- 19th Megan Hunt
- 21st Greg Powell
Rylee Repine
- 22nd Mark Duvall
- 24th Carrie Fair
- 25th Kim Bursey
- 27th Charlie Beaver
Charlotte Goode
- 30th Amy Jenkins



- 2nd Jay & Harriett Hanke
- 4th Rob & Debbie Moss
- 8th Mark & Aimee Taylor
- 11th Sonny & Iris Sibert
- 14th Paul & Susie Gerometta
Joe & Nancy Hulver
- 21st Randy & Karen Willis
- 24th Dick & Rena Harris
- 29th Dave & Charly Winter

The Laurel Center

A Huge Thank You to Our Church Family
for once again so generously meeting the needs of
The Laurel Center.

Peace, Love and Joy!
Donna Gallagher

June is an exciting month! The warmer weather brightens our moods, school gets out and the children are free, and of course **Vacation Bible School** time is here!!! It will be a very fun time for all!



June 17-21 from 6-8:30 pm. Kalyn and I are looking forward to seeing what God has planned for all the wonderful children He will send to us, and in all my years of working on VBS God continues to amaze me through VBS planning and production!

June also brings us closer to our **Summer Camp** program. This year we will be diving into the amazing story of Daniel. The students will learn about God's Providence, Daniels Prayer life, and God's Protection in troublesome times. I am getting very excited about this theme! Summer Camp will be held **July 9-11 from 9am-1pm.**



We welcome summer volunteers for these ministries as well as Sunday school teachers, Children's church teachers and Nursery substitutes. Please let me know if you feel called to serve in Children's Ministries. You will be blessed!

Enjoy your summer!

Blessings,
Carrie Fair, Director of Children's Ministries



Expressions of Sympathy are extended to.....

the Baker Family and the Families of Heather Hupp and Nikki Praml in the passing of George Baker and to...

the Bollenbeck Family in the passing of Jason's father, Peter and to....

the Unger Family in the passing of Kenny's father, Ken, Sr.

God surround you with His comforting arms and bring you peace.

Do we have...

your @e-mail.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 Roberts 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

Birthdays &



Anniversaries

Charly keeps a birthday and anniversary list for each month. Is yours on a list? It is always nice when someone sees your name and wishes you a Happy Birthday or you and your wife Happy Anniversary.

All Charly needs is your birthday month & day (we don't need to know "how" old you are.) ☺

Also, the same goes for your anniversary, just the month & year (unless you want others to know how long you've been married.) ☺

Just let Charly know!

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.



Mark your calendar for our **next CCAP Collection at Burnt Factory**. We will be Collecting Pantry supplies on **Sunday, July 8 and July 15**.

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE NEEDED: CANNED SOUP, CANNED MEAT (EXCEPT FOR TUNA), PAPER BOWLS THAT CAN BE MICROWAVED, GALLON SIZE STORAGE BAGS, TOILET PAPER, LAUNDRY DETERGENT, WOMEN'S FEMININE ITEMS, SUNSCREEN, CHAP STICK AND BUG SPRAY. TENTS, TARPS AND NYLON ROPE ARE ALWAYS NEEDED AT THE HOMELESS CAMP. BED BUG SPRAY IS ALSO NEEDED. DOLLAR GENERAL STORES HAVE THIS SPRAY. THESE ITEMS CAN BE PLACED IN OUR NEW CCAP BINS AT THE CHURCH.

On Sunday, May 20, our church served lunch to over 30 CCAP clients. We served a meal and also provided some healthy take-away snacks. **This mission is done monthly at CCAP on the 3rd Sunday** as part of our Outreach Ministry. Our church has been doing this since September and our friends at CCAP look forward to our visits. **Our next Sunday Lunch will be served on June 17 starting about 12:15 at CCAP. We are usually finished by 1:30.** Debbie Walker will be the team lead for this meal. We would love to have more volunteers for preparing food and serving. If you would like to be part of the June meal at CCAP, please contact Debbie at dswalker1@yahoo.com, or by cell at 540-664-0908 or home phone at 540-667-6711.

We are always looking for volunteers to help at CCAP. If you are interested in volunteering, I will be happy to share the contact information with you and take you on a tour. Your continued prayers for the many clients of CCAP are always appreciated.

Thank you for all you do for this ministry, "If not now – when? If not us – who"
Patty Leonard



Faith and Health Corner June 2018

He has shown you, O man, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with God.
Micah 6:8

June is the month that we celebrate Father's Day. It's a great time to give thanks for all of our fathers and to let them know that June is also **Men's Health Month**.

Recognizing and preventing men's health problems is not just a man's issue. It impacts everyone in their family. Women are 100% more likely than men to visit the doctor for annual exams and preventive services. 1 in 2 men are diagnosed with cancer in their lifetime compared to 1 in 3 women. In 2010, there were 88.9 men for every 100 women in the 65 - 69 age group.

Here are three tips to get all of you men started toward a healthy month, a healthy year, and a healthy lifetime:

- 1. Eat Healthy** Start by taking small steps like saying no to super-sizing and yes to a healthy breakfast. Eat many different types of foods to get all the vitamins and minerals you need. Add at least one fruit and vegetable to every meal.
- 2. Get Moving** Play with your kids or grandkids. Take the stairs instead of the elevator. Do yard work. Play a sport. Keep comfortable walking shoes handy at work and in the car. Most importantly, choose activities that you enjoy to stay motivated.
- 3. Make Prevention a Priority** Many health conditions can be detected early with regular checkups from your healthcare provider. Regular screenings may include blood pressure, cholesterol, glucose, prostate health and more.

Show support to all the men in your life by wearing **BLUE** the Friday before Father's Day!!

Happy Father's Day to my Daddy and all the other Dads that may read this article.

*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 didn't have a regular meeting in May, but several of us got the school kits ready for Pastor Steve to take to conference. We had supplies for 51 kits and have some 2 inch erasers and a few pencils left over to start next year's stash. When the summer sales are going on (July and August), that is a good time to pick up the spiral notebooks (70 pages), rulers (centimeter), blunt children's scissors, box of 24 crayons, and pencil sharpeners. It takes over 300 unsharpened pencils for the number of kits we prepare, so pick those up, too. Thanks for being a frugal shopper for these items. This is a mission project we have participated in for many years. When you bring them in, we will store them on "our UMW shelf" in the storage room downstairs.

Our VBS directors have asked if some of our church ladies would like to serve the volunteer workers a light meal right before the sessions begin each evening. Tuesday evening, the 19th, has been spoken for. If you would like to help out with this, please see Polly Duvall ASAP. The sessions begin Father's Day, the 17th, through Thursday, the 21st. Time: 6:00 – 8:30 p.m.

We will have to change our meeting date for June. Put Thursday, the 28th on your calendar. Debbie Moss will be our program leader and Susie Gerometta and Martha Ludtke will serve refreshments. We will also collect our annual World Thank offering at this meeting. We will review our Living Into Our Purpose check sheet to see how we are doing. Sometimes you are unaware of the good things your unit does until they are recorded.

Check out the UMW Reading List in our library. There are 5 categories. Some of us are striving to follow Plan 1 (reading 5 books – one in each category).

Blessings, Polly Duvall, president

Our Youth are very important! Their journey with Jesus is one we strive to enrich and encourage. They are our blessings and our future. In this temporary transition with Youth Group, we continue to provide opportunities for connection to Jesus and His church. Participate and reap the rewards.

Upcoming Youth Events:

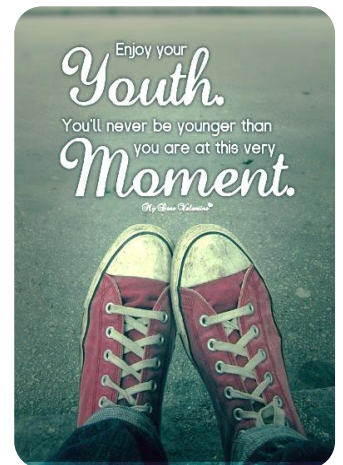
June 6th **Senior High** are invited to pastor Steve's house from 6:00 to 7:00 pm for a Wednesday evening get-together.

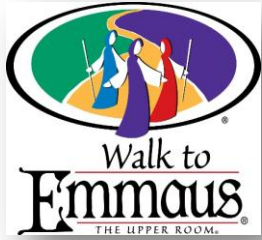
June 10th **Combined** youth group meeting, Sunday 4:00 – 6:00 pm in the Social Hall. We will share a meal, have some fun and then break out into senior high and junior high groups.

June 13th **Junior High** are invited to the Youth Cottage for our Wednesday evening get-together from 6:00 to 7:00 pm.

June 24th **Junior High** are invited to Pastor Steve's house for a cook out, swimming, and basketball party! 4:00 to 6:30 pm.

One opportunity that requires a quick response is a **Mission Trip** the week of **July 15th – 20th in Front Royal, VA**. Our host is Teens Opposing Poverty (TOPs). At this late date, we may not be able to pull it off, but we are sure going to try! We would be staying in cabins at the Front Royal campground and doing home rehab in the local area. It is open to Junior and Senior High. This trip would also require adult volunteers. Are you interested? The cost for the trip is \$100 per child. A \$50 deposit is required by June 10th with the balance due July 1st. Please don't let money ever be a barrier to participation. Your church can and will help.





Loudoun Valley Emmaus
Piety, Study, Action
Welcome!

Curious about this **Walk to Emmaus** thing that your church friends keep talking about and maybe inviting you to attend? There are no secrets, no special handshakes, and no exclusive privileges. You'll find local programs on The Upper Room Emmaus website.

Your church friends see your potential to grow spiritually, intellectually, and in service for the purposes of furthering God's mission. In the three days you spend on the mountain, you will participate in a course on what it means to live daily as a Christian – giving your heart to God, giving your mind to God, and giving your hands and feet to God – all while under God's abundant grace.

Sessions on living the Christian life are taught by laity who share their personal stories of struggle and victory. Sessions on the many forms of God's grace are taught by local clergy who present an ecumenical view with respect to all Christian traditions.

Dates for 2018 Walks

Men's --- October 25-28, 2018

Women's --- November 1-4, 2018

Ask God if now is the time to say yes. Peruse the site and if you have questions, contact Pastor Steve or Josh and Sue Morimoto, the email addresses for Josh and Sue are below along with our cell phone numbers.

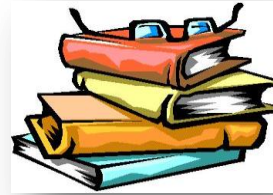
Contact Info

Contact us, Josh and Sue Morimoto,

Walk to Emmaus Representatives

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Library News

Summer – A time for: relaxing, reflecting, renewing and **READING**. Whether you're looking for books on Christian Living, Marriage, Family, Justice or Inspiration, you can find it in our church library. There are lots of children's books, books for teens, and adult fiction books. Come downstairs and browse to your heart's content, check a few books out – then find your favorite place to read and enjoy!

For those of you who love Christian fiction, suspense and romance – try out books written by the following authors:

Karen Kingsbury, Lisa Harris, Dee Henderson, Melody Carlson and Francine Rivers books. There is also a large selection of Amish fiction written by Wanda Brunstetter, Shelley Gray, Beverly Lewis, and Kelly Long

Reminder: So others may enjoy them - Please return any books that you have had checked out for a long period of time. Thank you!

Books are keys to
Wisdom's treasures
Books are gates to
Lands of pleasure
Books are paths that
Upward lead
Books are friends
Come let us read

By Emilie Poulsson

Come and browse our church library and check out a book or so. Find a cool place to relax and enjoy a good book. We have different categories of books that will appeal to everyone.

Doris Duvall
Church Librarian

Understanding Depression & the Hope for Healing

A Christian Physician's Perspective

Saturday, June 23, 2018

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon

Location:

Our Health Board Room

329 North Cameron Street, Winchester

Our Health is located just north and east of the Old Town Winchester Walking Mall.

Sponsored by the

Shenandoah Region Chapter of the Order of St. Luke

About the Conference

Today 9% of Americans are suffering from moderate to severe depression. This means that it is very likely that you or someone you know has a depressive disorder. Unfortunately, most people will not seek the services of a physician, counselor or minister because they don't know what depression is or how much can be done for it.

To learn more about the symptoms, causes and treatments of depression, plan to attend a half-day seminar on Saturday, June 23, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon. This seminar will examine the biological, psychological and spiritual aspects of depression. Dr. White will also share about his own depression and healing. There will be time for questions and answers during and after the presentation.

A free will offering will be taken to support the teaching Dr. White does twice yearly in Kenya on mental illness, where the recognition and treatment of mental illness is almost non-existent.

About our speaker:

Andrew White is a Winchester family physician who has a large population of depressed patients as well as having struggled with severe depression himself. He regularly teaches on mental illness, especially to those who are under-served. He is active in the healing prayer ministry at his church. Dr. White is both a medical doctor and has his Master of Arts in Theological Studies.

Conference Schedule

8:30	Registration & Coffee	10:30	Break
9:00	Welcome	10:40	Second Talk – <i>Treatments for Depression</i>
9:10	First Talk – <i>Causes & Symptoms of Depression</i>	11:40	Q&A
10:10	Q&A	12:00	Close – Individual Prayer Available



REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

*Limited scholarships available
upon request.*

Make check payable to OSL

- **\$5/person**

Mail registration to –
Carolyn Rae
111 Harvest Ridge Drive
Winchester, VA 22601
540-504-7260

**There will be Flyers with
Registration Forms on a table
in the Social Hall.**



“The Believer’s” RELAY FOR LIFE



THANK YOU to everyone who made the 7th Annual Jack Duvall Golf Tournament a success. We raised approximately \$2,560 and had 44 participants this year. Fun was had by all and God blessed us with perfect weather. A special thank you to Rob Moss and Joe Hulver for all of your hard work organizing the event and making sure everything was ready to go for the 9:00 start.

The Singin’ Sundae Social was a huge success. The Believer’s would like to thank Diana Smith for her leadership and all of those who blessed us with their talent. After the talent portion of the evening we joined together in fellowship to create our own ice cream sundaes. Donations for the evening totaled \$1,117. Thank you to everyone who attended the event, helped in the kitchen and donated food. A special thank you to Keith Roberts for arranging the donation of Cold Stone ice cream.

This year, thanks to the generosity of Steve and Tammy Cunningham (and family), we will be selling country ham sandwiches at the Relay for Life event. We will also be selling sandwiches following both church services on June 17th. The sandwiches will be made fresh that morning so plan to stop by the Fellowship Hall and buy your lunch after church. They will be sold on a first come/first served basis.

SAVE THE DATES

Tuesday, June 5th – 7:15pm in the church Social Hall there will be a short FINAL meeting for “The Believers” to make final preparations for the event on the 15th.

Friday, June 15th – 5:00pm through Saturday, June 16th – 6:00am RELAY FOR LIFE event at James Wood High School. Check out the schedule of events attached. **In conjunction with our campsite team, consider dressing like a farmer (i.e. bib overalls, straw hat) with your “Believer’s shirt or a plaid shirt underneath. It will be fun to walk the track together representing our local fruit and produce growers.**

“The Believer’s” will kick off the event with a covered dish dinner at our campsite at 5:00pm on Friday. Everyone is welcome so bring a dish to share and join us!!

You won’t want to miss the luminaria ceremony at 9:15pm. Walking the track and reading the names in honor of those who are fighting cancer, or in memory of those who lost their battle with cancer, is a reminder of why we raise money to fight this dreaded disease.

Sunday, June 17th – after both church services – stop by the Fellowship Hall and purchase a country ham sandwich/chips/drink for lunch.

Frederick County Fair – July 30th thru August 4th – The Believer’s will be selling dessert at the Stonewall Ruritan building where the bar-b-que chicken dinners are purchased. This has been a great fundraiser in the past.

With your help and God’s blessing, we WILL make a difference in the fight against cancer.

***Brenda Drumheller and Theresa Gilbert
Co-Captains***

2018 Relay for Life Timeline

Time	Stage	Activities/ Lawn	Children's Activities	Theme Laps	Other
1:00pm-4:30pm					Set-up (with assistance)
3:00pm-5:4Spm	Miss Abilities				
4:00pm-6:00pm			Various Activities with Vendors		Drop-off for Silent Auction
4:00pm-10:00pm					Silent Auction
6:30 -10:30			FREE Will Lawn Activities		
4:30pm-5:00pm					Survivor Registration-GYM
S:00pm-6:00pm					
6:00pm	Opening Ceremonies	Opening Ceremonies			
6:15pm				Survivor Lap	
6:30pm				Caregiver Lap	
6:30pm - 8:30pm			Children's Luminary Decorating Contest		
6:30pm-8:00pm			Moon Bounce		
6:30pm-8:DDpm			Who I Walk For Activity		
6:30pm-8:00pm			Woodworking Activity by Lowes		
6:45pm				Team Banner Lap	
7:00pm	Zumba			Sponsorship Lap	Survivor Shopping Spree
7:10pm-9:00pm		Lawn Games			
7:30pm					
8:00pm	Tacky Tourist Fashion Show			Advance to Go Lap	
8:30pm				Who I Walk For Lap	
9:00pm					
9:15pm	Luminaria Ceremony				
10:15pm					
10:30pm					
11:00pm			MOVIE	Monopoly Pieces Lap	
11 :30pm			MOVIE		
12:00am - 1:00am		Scavenger Hunt Musical Chairs	MOVIE		Early tear down (with assistance)
12:00am			MOVIE		
12:30am		Flushing Out Cancer	MOVIE		
1:00am	LAST CALL FOR MONEY	LAST CALL FOR MONEY	LAST CALL FOR MONEY	Bank Error Lap	LAST CALL FOR MONEY
1:30am		Balloon Bonanza			
2:00am	Fight Back Ceremony			Income Tax Lap	
2:30am		Road to Recovery Race			
3:00am				Tycoon Lap	
3:30am		Walking Bingo			
4:00am				Railroad Lap	
4:30am		Potato Golf			
5:00am					
5:30am				Trash Lap	
6:00am	Closing Ceremonies				
6:15am					Tear down(with assistance)



2018 Church Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
SUNDAY, JUNE 17, BFUMC SERVING SUNDAY LUNCH AT CCAP Beginning about 12:15 and ending about 1:30					1	2 UMVIM Team Leader Training at Burnt Factory UMC
3 8:30am-Worship 9:45am-10am-Children's Praise & Mini Worship 9:45am-Sunday School 11:00am-Worship 11:00am-Children's Church 1-3pm-Children's Choir and Worship Dance	4 6-6:30pm-Little Singers	5 7:15pm-RFL meet in Social Hall – final preparations for Event on June 15 6:00pm-Choir 7:30pm-SONrise Singers	6 9:00am-1:00pm Pastor's Office Hours 6-7:00pm-Senior High get-together at Melester's	7	8	9
10 8:30am-Worship 9:45am-10am-Children's Praise & Mini Worship 9:45am-Sunday School 11:00am-Worship 11:00am-Children's Church Blood Pressure Clinic 1-3pm-Children's Choir and Worship Dance 4-6:00pm-Youth combined meeting in the Social Hall	11 6-6:30pm-Little Singers 6:00pm RFL Captain's Mtg. at Calvary Baptist	12 NO CHOIR PRACTICE	13 9:00am-1:00pm Pastor's Office Hours 1:30pm-Sing-A-Long at Evergreen Nursing Home 6-7:00pm-Junior High get- together at Youth Cottage	14	15 5:00pm -RFL BIG EVENT at James Wood H.S. TO ►	16 6:00am-RFL BIG EVENT at James Wood H.S. 8:00am-UMMen Social Hall
17 FATHER'S DAY 8:30am-Worship 9:45am-10am-Children's Praise & Mini Worship 9:45am-Sunday School 11:00am-Worship 11:00am-Children's Church 1-3pm-Children's Choir and Worship Dance 6:00pm-8:30pm – Vacation Bible School at Burnt Factory	18 6-6:30pm-Little Singers 6:00pm-8:30pm- Vacation Bible School at Burnt Factory	19 NO CHOIR PRACTICE 6:00pm-8:30pm- Vacation Bible School at Burnt Factory	20 9:00am-1:00pm Pastor's Office Hours 6:00pm-8:30pm- Vacation Bible School at Burnt Factory	21 6:00pm-8:30pm- Vacation Bible School at Burnt Factory	22	23 9:00am-12:00noon Understanding Depression & the Hope for Healing Seminar at Our Health Board Room 329 N. Cameron St. Winchester
24 8:30am-Worship 9:45am-10am-Children's Praise & Mini Worship 9:45am-Sunday School 11:00am-Worship 11:00am-Children's Church 1-3pm-Children's Choir and Worship Dance 4-6:30pm-Junior High get- together at Melester's	25 6-6:30pm-Little Singers	26 6:00pm-Choir 7:30pm-SONrise Singers	27 9:00am-1:00pm Pastor's Office Hours NEED JULY NEWSLETTER ARTICLES BY 3:00pm TODAY	28 7:00pm-UMW Social Hall	29 PRINTING JULY NEWSLETTER	30

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**HAPPY
FATHER'S
Day!**

Father's Day is June 17