

Loving, Learning and Serving Together

TODAY (10am)Worship and Celebration of VBS!
FRIDAY (6-8 pm) Movie Night at Bethany Church of the Brethren
THURSDAY-SUNDAY Annual Conference in Hampton, VA
June 17 Cooperative Parish Pulpit Switch!
 New Hope (8:30 am) Terry Jamison Preaches
 Highland (10 am) Carolyn Saul Preaches
June 18 (7 pm) UMW *Every 3rd Monday (No meetings Jan, Feb or July)*
June 20 (Noon) Community Lunch at Bethany *Every 3rd Wed. of the month*
 Newsletter Information due to Pat Webb
June 22 Relay for Life
June 24 (After Worship) Highland Council Meeting
July 1 (7 pm) Community Celtic Worship at St. Peter's Episcopal Church
July 13-15 Highland Church Camping Trip
July 14: Cassie Smith followed by Skillet Sisters at Antioch COB Pavillion
August 4: After Jack music at Antioch COB Pavillion
August 5 (After Worship) Youth Meeting
September 8: Like the Moon followed by The Harwell Grice Band at
 Antioch COB
October 20 Charge Conference

SAVE THE DATE: October 20 District Conference with Combined Charge Conferences at Fairview UMC, 1013 Westover Drive, Danville.

UPDATE: Last Sunday, the District Superintendent and several other District Leaders led in informatinal meetings about the Commission on the Way Foward. A hand out was shared. Pastor Amy has made copies and they are available in the front of the church, across from the copier.

Saturday Social Live Music at Antioch Church of the Brethren Pavilion (2996 Callaway Road, Rocky Mount, VA 24151)

 July 14: Cassie Smith followed by the Skillet Sisters
 August 4: After Jack September 8: Like the Moon and Harwell Grice
 Begins at 6 pm—Food, Music,Fellowship—Donations Welcome

PRAYERS FROM VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

(From the Vacation Bible School curriculum by Cokesbury)

Lesson 1: Matthew 4:18-25

Will you follow Jesus?

We will follow Jesus.

Even when times are really tough?

We will follow Jesus!

When the water's fast and rough?

We will follow Jesus!

Even when days are dim and dreary

We will follow Jesus!

When you're feeling sad and weary?

We will follow Jesus!

Will you follow Jesus?

We will follow Jesus! Amen!

Lesson 2: Luke 10:38-42

Help me slow down, Lord.

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Hhellpp mmee sslllooww ddoowwnn, LLOORRDD.

Hhellpp mmee sslllooww ddoowwnn, LLOORRDD.

Hhhheeeellllpppp mmmmmmeeeeee sssssllllllloooooowwwwwww

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LLLLLLOOOOORRRRDDDDDD.

Hhhheeeellllpppp mmmmmmeeeeee

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LLLLLLOOOOORRRRDDDDDD.

Aaaaaaaaaammmmmmmeeeeeeennnnnnnnnn.

Lesson 3: Luke 19:1-10

Whenever I feel small, your love lifts me—
Up!

Whenever I feel low, your love cheers me—
Up!

Whenever I feel outnumbered, your love backs me—
Up!

Whenever I feel worn out, your love wakens me—
Up!

Whenever I feel empty, your love fills me—
Up!

Amen.

Lesson 4: Luke 22:14-20

Jesus gave his friends a special meal to help them remember his love would never leave me. Think about Jesus and one special way you know he loves you. It could be part of a story from Jesus' life, or something Jesus said to his friends.

When you have thought of that special way you know Jesus loves you, use your finger to draw a picture of it into your hand. Or you can draw a cross, or even write the name Jesus.

Now, rub that picture into your heart and say, "We remember Jesus."

Finally, think about how Jesus loves you just because you are you. Now, stop, rest, and picture yourself and Jesus sitting together just being still and resting in the goodness of God's love.

Now rub that picture into your heart and say, "We rest in God's love." Amen.

Lesson 5: Matthew 28:16-20

Jesus calls us to go out into the world to share the good news of God's amazing love. Let's prepare ourselves by learning how to greet people of other lands and languages.

English: Hello

Spanish: Hola (OH-la)

Swahili: Jambo (JAHM-buh)

Mandarin Chinese: Ni-hao (nee-HOW)

Hebrew: Shalom (sha-LOME)

Hawaiian: Aloha (ah-LOW-ha)

Japanese: Konnichiwa (ko-NEE-chee-wah)

God of many languages. God of many lands. Together we're your vision. Together we're your hands. Amen

A Call for Prayer

We are encouraging every United Methodist to fast weekly and to pray daily with the Council of Bishops," said Bishop Al Gwinn. All UM's are invited to:

1. Engage in a weekly Wesleyan 24-hour fast from Thursday after dinner to Friday mid-afternoon. Those who have health situations causing food fasts to be unadvisable might consider fasting from social media, emails or another daily activity.

2. Pause and pray for our church's mission and way forward daily for four minutes from 2:23 through 2:26 a.m. or p.m. in their own time zone OR at another time. This is because the Special Session of General Conference will be held February 23 through February 26, 2019.

3. Pray using a weekly prayer calendar that will be posted on the UMCPrays.org website from June 2, 2018, through the end of February 2019. The calendar will list a unique cluster of names each week. Bishop Debra Wallace-Padgett, added: "We believe that the acts of weekly fasting and prayer will help us approach General Conference both individually and corporately in a posture of humility and receptivity to one another and to the leadership of God's Holy Spirit." For more details, visit UMCPrays.org.

