

## Loving, Learning and Serving Together

TODAY (9 am) Donuts and Devotions in the Fellowship Hall *2nd Sundays*  
(10 am) Worship at Highland UMC  
(11 am) Homecoming at New Hope  
(6 pm) Ice Cream Social at Antioch COB

SATURDAY (10 am) Meals and Visiting—see Jennifer Brubaker

September 16 (7:30am ) Men’s Breakfast at the Roanoker

September 17 (7 pm) UMW *Every 3rd Monday (No meetings Jan, Feb or July)*

September 19 (Noon) Community Lunch at Bethany *Every 3rd Wed. of month*

September 20 Newsletter Due

September 21-22 Piedmont Women’s Retreat at Pheobe Needles

September 22 Pastor Amy in Richmond for VA Conference Cooperative Parish Workshop

September 23 Pot Luck with Outdoor Games Hosted by the Youth

September 26 (6:45 p.m.-8:30pm) Commission on the Way Forward Info.  
Q and A Live Stream from Richmond to Highland Fellowship Hall  
(6:30 pm) Bittersweet Gospel Band at Antioch COB

September 28 (7pm) Franklin County HS Football Game

September 30 Diabetes Walk

October 5-7 Smith Mtn. Lake Charity Home Tour

October 7 (After Worship) Council Meeting  
(7 pm) Community Celtic Worship at St. Peter’s Episcopal

October 14 (3 pm) Danville District UMC Annual Meeting Halesford UMC

October 19 (7 pm) Franklin County HS Football Game

October 20 (9:30-Noon) Charge Conference at Fairview UMC  
Fairview UMC, 1013 Westover Drive, Danville.

October 24 Garden Club meets at Highland UMC

November 2 (7 pm) Franklin County HS Football Game

February 23-26, 2019 Called General Conference of the UMC

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## Danville District Charge Conference: Saturday, October 20<sup>th</sup> at Fairview UMC in Danville (9:30 to Noon)

This year our District will gather to worship, learn, and bless a new year of ministry in our congregations. We will be moving around—there will be three areas of experience. 1: Charge Conference: We will take care of the “business” of a new year—bless 2019 leaders, vote on 2019 Pastor’s Compensation. 2: Discipleship Resources: Our purpose as a congregation is to be the place Jesus is making disciples. Rev. Bob Parks from the Farmville District—a rural, country area, just like our ministry setting will share resources and ideas and grace. 3. General Conference: The United Methodists will gather in February, 2019 to discern how we can be United in our Differences. Martha Stokes (born, baptized, and raised in Henry County) will share. She is AWESOME!. Please sign up if you would like to go. Sign up sheet is on the Pastor’s Office’s Door. We will leave at 7:45 a.m. (It takes an hour and half to get to Fairview).

### Schedule

9:30-9:55 District Business (sanctuary)

10:00-10:25

**Group A** *Charge Conferences* Janine Howard (Danville DS)

**Group B** *Discipleship Resources* Bob Parks (Farmville DS)

**Group C** *General Conference 2019* Martha Stokes (Lay Delegate)

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11:30-12:00 Closing and Eucharist (sanctuary)

A general resource tables with information about various ministry opportunities will be set up, too.

### **Commission on a Way Forward General Conference 2019 Q&A**

On September 26, Wednesday, “A Way Forward: a Q&A event with Bishop Sharma D. Lewis, the Rev. Tom Berlin and Ms. Martha Stokes” will be held in Richmond. The event will be “live streamed”—shown on the computer so no matter where we are, we can watch it. Pastor Amy will be tuning into to watch. If you would like to join her, come to the fellowship hall on Wednesday, September 26 at 6:45 p.m. The event begins at 7 pm. and is to last 90 minutes. For questions see Pastor Amy. For more information on the Commission on the Way Forward, see the table and prayer wall by the Pastor’s Office.

### **Bethany Church of the Brethren Bible Study**

“Glory Days” by Max Lucado is a 6 week study and Bethany will begin on Thursday, Sept. 26 (6:30 pm) and finish up on Thursday, Nov. 1. “We all face them. Strongholds with a strong hold on our lives. Roadblocks to our joy. Obstacles in our marriages. Fortresses of fear blocking us from peace. How can we bring down these walls that keep us from the future God promises? Remember the story of Joshua and the battle of Jericho? Those were some formidable foes and big barriers. Max Lucado says the book of Joshua is in the bible to remind us of one thing: God fights for us! We can overcome, because He has already overcome. We were not made to stand in the shadow of our walls and quake. We were made to stand on top of Jericho's rubble and conquer. We win, because God's already won. Need a new battle plan for life? Keep walking, keep believing. These may be your glory days.”

### **Bittersweet Gospel Band**

Wednesday, September 26 (6:30 pm) Free Concert at Antioch Church of the Brethren with Pastor Andy playing hand drums and vocals. A love offering will be received. Join them for a meal from 5 to 6:15 pm. See the flier on the bulletin board for more information.



## **WORLD HUNGER AUCTION**

*Doing what we can opens the door  
for God to do much more.*

Hear this good news shared from Antioch Church of the Brethren’s September newsletter: “The final week leading up to the 35th World Hunger Auction was filled with activity and people participating in many different ways. On Sunday, there was an excellent turnout for the spaghetti meal with pasta fans from many different churches attending. More than 100 meals were served and the donations total over \$1,300. On Thursday, a large crowd of workers showed up to raise the tent, and it was made easier because so many joined to be a part of the process. The momentum continued as auction day dawned. A large crowd gathered; some came to bid, some to eat, some to give, and all to fellowship. The items up for bid have changed considerably from early auctions to the thirty-fifth. In the beginning, there was a strong agricultural emphasis with cattle being the main focus but it has evolved to this year when there were no animals but many pieces of art donated for sale. Of course, quilts continue to be an important part of the event. Initial counts indicate that over \$31,000 was raised on auction day, and final totals will be announced in October when the committee gathers to disburse the funds to local and international hunger programs. On behalf of the auction committee, thank you to everyone who was involved in the many different ways ranging from creating pieces for sale, bidding, baking, growing, and doing the many different jobs to make the sale possible.