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## Berea Friendship United Methodist Church News

### November

#### Transitions

Transitions are often times of uncertainty that cause us to reflect on our foundations and re-courses. We may often question a foundation we thought we could count on. We all go through transitional times which may be experienced in the form of crisis. These may occur in relationships, positive changes and blessings, or significant challenges and loss. Life itself is a series of transitions from childhood, to youth, to adulthood and to senior years. Nature is itself in constant transition as the fall of the year makes clear in such beautiful ways.

Transitions can include a kind of emotional unsettledness. Yet they also hold the opportunity of positive change, we can think about our lives and what is really important to us. We can become aware of the many blessing we have experienced and even seek to share our gifts with others who are less fortunate. Good mental health involves change of focus from just us to the lives of others beyond ourselves.

In times of transition we may begin by taking a personal inventory of our goals and hopes. What is really important to us? We can reflect on people who have touched our lives and look forward to new relationships. We are grateful for the care of God who is like a good shepherd watching over us just beyond our sight.

In November we will celebrate Thanksgiving and the Advent season which begins a new church year. We have the opportunity to focus on God's love and faithfulness and to be together with family and friends. Some may also choose to make Thanksgiving a time of reaching out to the needy in food kitchens, Meals on Wheels, and other acts of charity for persons who do not have traditional Thanksgiving celebrations available to them. In Advent the church begins its spiritual journey again following the Lord through the many holy transitions he faced and learning from him the meaning of faith. There is a security and constancy of life available to those who center their lives in the seasons of the church year as one of the deep resources of sustenance and faith.

Blessing and Peace  
Pastor David

Prayer "Eternal Lord, in whom there are no Transitions, Creator and Savior, lead us through the transitions of life with your wisdom. Help us to keep watch with you over all who seek mercy. Bring us at last to Your Home of complete fullness of understanding and truth." Amen

**November 02 SamcieJoe Philpot**  
**November 03 PollyRose Philpot**  
**Issaac Stone**  
**November 07 Don Griffin**  
**Mildred Tollison**  
**November 08 Steve Capps**  
**November 09 Kody Lee Bennett**  
**November 10 Max Hovious**  
**November 13 Shannon Watts**  
**November 16 Heather Philpot**  
**Marc Metcalf**  
**November 18 Calley Dunn**  
**November 21 Jan Smith**  
**November 23 HopeEllen Philpot**  
**Alex Smith**  
**November 25 Davon Harrelson**  
**Margaret Rawson**  
**November 29 Gloria Adrienne**  
**Collins (daughter of**  
**Katrina Collins)**



**Nov. 1**  
**Rhonda & Mike Hovious**  
**Nov. 21**  
**Myra & Troy Clements**  
**Nov. 23**  
**Tari & Dismas Beeson**  
**Nov. 26**  
**Ann & Bob Donaldson**



**THE BAZAAR IS Here!**

**Come join us for our Annual Bazaar!**

Friday, November 4th (8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.) and Saturday November 5th (8:00a.m. to 1:00 p.m.) We will be setting up Wednesday, November 2nd following the Administrative Council Meeting. If you are not on the Council and would like to help, please feel free to start earlier. We will be working on Thursday starting at 1:00 p.m.

We appreciate all who will be helping this year!



**CONGRATULATIONS!** To Jane & Gene Bondurant upon the birth of their first great-grandson, Yates Gregory Dover who was born on Saturday, October 15th. Yates is the son of Greg & Suzy Dover of Greenville, Yates weighed in at 7 lbs. 7 oz.

**Sympathy.** The Pastor and Congregation express their deepest sympathy to Cindy and Addy Cooper, upon the death of their grandmother and great grandmother, Mrs. Evie Hall of Greenville who died on Saturday, October 1st. Evie served our county in the United States Navy during World War II.

**Thank You.** The Board of Governors, staff, and children of the Shriners Hospital for Children in Greenville, wish to express sincere appreciation for your generous contribution in memory of Nobel Lloyd Harold Watson.  
Administrator of Shriner Hospital, Randy Romberger

**Blood Drive.** We will be having a Blood Drive on Friday, November 4th from 2:30 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. during the Bazaar. There is a sign-up sheet on the back door of the sanctuary.

**Eben Taylor Memorial Lecture.** We have been invited to attend the Eben Taylor Memorial Lecture at Trinity UMC in Greenville on Wednesday Evening, November 9th at 7 p.m. Bishop Jack Meadors, former pastor of our church and a friend of Eben will be the special speaker. There will be two choirs and light refreshments. This is an official District Meeting and everyone is invited to attend. Eben Taylor struggled for justice and peace all of his life and had a kind, gentle spirit. There is a sign-up sheet on the back door of the sanctuary if you would like to go. If we have enough people we will take the bus.

**Administrative Council Meeting.** The Council will meet on the first Wednesday, November 2nd so everyone can attend the Eben Taylor Memorial Lecture on the second Wednesday, November 9th.

**Prayer Committee**

**We are trying to organize a committee to discuss plans to have a prayer room and prayer committee. If you are interested in being on this committee, please contact either Margaret Rawson, Terri McCloud, or let Debbie Capps in the office know.**



**Prayer List**

**Mildred Bray**  
**Ruth Brock**  
**Blanche Creswell**  
**Millie Dunn**  
**Jim Farren**  
**Mildred Huckaby**  
**Lucy Hughes**  
**Vera Hunt**  
**Louvina Leach**  
**Mac McWhite**  
**Gloria Moore**  
**Jake Moorehead**  
**Rachel Palmer**  
**Joe Philpot**  
**Juanita Sherlin**  
**Allen Zorn**  
**Extended Family and Friends.**  
**Liz Philpot**



**PLEASE HELP UPDATE THE PRAYER LIST**

We are only listing those who we know are in nursing/Assisted living homes, the home-bound, those who are hospitalized at present, and those who are at present under going medical procedures such as chemo, etc. We do not want to leave anyone out so if you want your name or loved ones name listed, please notify the church office. We will up-date this list every 30 days—please help us with this important endeavor.

**From The Financial Secretary:**

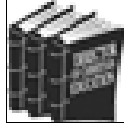
To help with keeping expenses down we are again using some of our old offering envelopes. If you need a new set for 2012, please let me know and I will be glad to issue you a set. Pat Teat

**Youth.** Youth meet every Wednesday 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Come support the youth on Sunday, November 13th, at 8:30 a.m. in the fellowship hall for breakfast.



**Book Club.** The book club meets Wednesday, November 30th at 6:30 pm. In the Fellowship Hall and the book is Carolina Mountain Song by Anne Blythe.



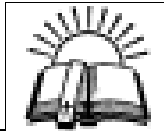
**Commitment Sunday.** On Sunday, November 20th we will have Commitment Sunday. A letter will be sent out to each of you with a pledge card. You may turn in your pledge card any Sunday or bring it on Sunday, November 20th.

**Flowers Needed For November.** If you would like to reserve flowers in memory of or in honor of someone, please call Debbie Capps at 246-4311 at the church office or write your name on the calendar outside the Huckaby Class Room located on the bulletin board.

**All Saints Sunday.** We would love to have the families of our friends that have passed away over the last year join us next Sunday, November 6th for All Saints Sunday. We will light a candle in memory of Edith Bynum, Georgiana Dougherty, Doris Moorehead, Nick Nichols, Euncie Looper, and Harold Watson.

The UMM will meet on Saturday, November 12, at 7:30 a.m. for breakfast and devotion. All men are invited to attend!

**Bible Study.** Please join us for Bible Study each Wednesday Night at 4:00 p.m. Bob Helms is our teacher and would love to fill the room up! If you are looking for a middle of the week pick me up, please join us for Bible Study.



**Newsletter Deadline.** Please have all items for the December Newsletter in by Sunday, November 20th.



**November Ministry Workers**



**Ushers**

- 06 Gene Bondurant, Steve Capps, Corky Holman, Ronnie Hunter
- 13 Eddie Hughes, Jim Humphreys, Ronnie Hunter, Corky Holman
- 20 Steve Capps, Tony Earnest, Corky Holman, Ronnie Hunter
- 27 Steve Capps, Wilson Creswell, Ronald Failor, Ronnie Hunter

**Altar Guild** for November: Dawn Stewart

**Stewardship** for November: Jim Rawson

**Trustee** for November: Ronnie Hunter

**November Nursery Schedule**

- 06 Vickie & Anne-Marie Failor
- 13
- 20 Marsha & John Disher
- 27 Becky & Henry Philpot

**November Children's Moment**

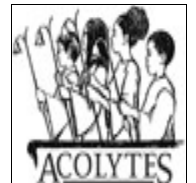
- 06 Martin Leathers
- 13 Terri McCloud
- 20 Cindy Hester
- 27 Terri McCloud

**Flowers For November**

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- 13
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**Acolyte Schedule for November**

- 06 Debbie Gissendanner
- 13 Dalton Argo
- 20 Debbie Gissendanner
- 27 Dalton Argo



**New Address.** Vera Hunt is staying at Agape Nursing and Rehab Center, 300 Agape Drive, Room 308 -A, West Columbia, SC 29169 for rehab.

Average Attendance for October (only reporting 4 Sundays)  
S.S.—42          Worship—89

Financial report for October: (only reporting 4 Sundays)

Received for Budget	\$12,069.44
Needed for Budget	\$19,359.76
Needed year to-date fro Budget:	\$208,117.42
Received year to-date for Budget:	\$162,748.34

**Expenses**

**Sept 2011 — \$15,090.44**

**Jan—Sept 2011 — \$166,193.65**



Don't forget to set your clocks back 1 hour on Saturday, November 5th

**November 2011**  
**Wednesday Night Menu**

**NOVEMBER 2, 2011**

Cube Steak  
Mashed Potatoes  
Pinto Beans  
Turnip Greens  
Chocolate Cake  
Rolls  
Tea/coffee/water

**November 9, 2011**

Chicken Pot Pie  
Cole Slaw  
Mixed Fruit  
Apple Cobbler  
Rolls  
Tea/Coffee/Water

**November 16, 2011**

Ham  
Green Beans  
Macaroni & Cheese  
Apple Salad  
Banana Pudding  
Tea/Coffee/Water

**November 23, 2011**

Chicken Strips  
Vegetable Soup  
Salad  
Cornbread  
Brownies  
Tea/Coffee/Water

**November 30, 2011**

Spaghetti  
Tossed Salad  
Garlic Bread  
Strawberry Shortcake  
Tea/Coffee/Water

**Esperanza United Methodist Church**

Esperanza United Methodist Church is located in the old Arrington United Methodist Church on Old Buncombe Road.

They are collecting used coats for a coat drive at their church. If you have any coats you would like to donate, please bring them to the church and place in the tub at the back of the sanctuary.

They have their Sunday services on Sunday evenings at 5:00 P.M. They would love to have members visit their church during church service. They serve a meal after every service on Sunday. They have different volunteers that fix the food. They also have someone that provides children's church on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays. They would love to have someone to have children's church on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays. If you would like to help with their church, please let our church office know.

**FOOD FOR UNITED MINSTRIES AND OUR  
FOOD PANTRY**

United Ministries has a set list of food they put together for the families in need.

We are trying to make sure we pack our food boxes the same as theirs. The list they give out is:

**What's in a food bag?**

Food for 3 days' worth of nutritional meals including:

- 1 Cereal or Breakfast Item
- 2 Powdered/Evaporated Milk
- 3 Canned Meats
- 6 Cans of Vegetables
- 3 Canned Soups
- 1 Can of Spaghetti/Ravioli
- 1 Bag of Dried Beans
- 1 Bag of Rice
- 1 Macaroni and Cheese
- 1 Canned Fruit
- 1 Crackers
- 1 Jar of Peanut Butter

Our pantry is in need of the milk, dried beans, rice, crackers, macaroni and cheese, and peanut butter. Those are items we currently do not have. We will graciously accept any donations that you can give.

We will continue to do our 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month (Communion Sunday) food drive. You may place the food donations in the tub at the back of the sanctuary or you may place it on the alter railing during communion.



**11<sup>th</sup> Annual**  
**VETERANS DAY CELEBRATION**

**BEREA HIGH SCHOOL**  
All members of the community are invited and urged to attend as the faculty and students of Berea High School honor our veterans and their families.

**Program and Reception**  
**Friday, November 11, 2011**  
**2:45 p. m.**  
**Berea High School Auditorium**

**Berea Friendship UMW  
November 2011  
Our Circles**

The Morning Circle will meet on Tuesday, November 15, 2011 in the quilter's room.  
The Shalom Circle will meet on Wednesday, November 16, 2011 at 6:30 in the Ruth Bible class.

**World Thank Dinner**

We held our annual world Thank Dinner on October 18<sup>th</sup>. We had 25 ladies in attendance. A delicious meal of soup and salad was enjoyed. Debbi Bush, owner of Expressions, was our guest speaker. She showed us several simple decorations we could do for the holidays and special occasions. We collected \$164.00 for the Annual World Thank Offering. Thank you to everyone that participated.

**Flavoring and Knives**

Don't forget we will have a table at the bazaar this year selling our stainless steel and flavorings. We will have some soup mixes as well. In the mean time if you need something, you can see Pat Teat or the church office. If any of the ladies of the UMW can work the table during the bazaar, please let Vickie Failor know.

**Missionary Highlights**

Our prayer focus for November is on the Chongyi Protestant Church in Hangzhou, China. Their youth fellowship program draws more than 1,000 young men and women each week. This vital ministry offers prayers, care, and Christian support to the young people as they are faced with making choices and decisions for their lives. Birthday cards will be sent to missionaries Carol Gullat in Alabama and Christy Lafferty in California.

## **Responsively Yours: Acting Like Hope**

By Harriett Jane Olson

October 5, 2011

"What is the one thing we need today in the United Methodist Church?" asked a seminar leader. It was early in the morning so I may have missed something, but she looked like she expected an answer.

"Hope," I said out loud.

As it turns out, that was not the "right" answer. The leader elicited the response she wanted, one that showed the importance of her session, and the group moved on.

All except me, of course. I was experiencing my own "ah-ha moment."

The United Methodist Church needs hope. Maybe most of us most of the time would say that we have hope in God's providence — that God goes ahead of us and invites us into that great, glad morning. But many times I think we are not hopeful that the church we love can change, or that the Holy Spirit is working in our congregations and communities, or even that in Christ we have something to offer to people who are not part of our church.

How would we act if we did not have that kind of hope? Does it look anything like our current actions?

When United Methodist Women members are driven by our commitment to the needs of women, children and youth, we act. It gives us an external reference point that impels us to be the best United Methodist Women members we can be. It keeps us committed to our partners around the world, and it pushes us into policy matters that shape our communities. It also keeps us committed to the lifeline of our spiritual growth through what John Wesley called the means of grace: prayer, Bible study, worship, Christian conferencing and sometimes even a little fasting. It requires that we continue the education that supports our critical and systemic thinking and that we develop our own and others' leadership skills.

But I wonder if we have hope that God is working in us in such a powerful way that we can do what it takes to keep reshaping our organization so that it continues to grow and change to be even more relevant for our daughters and granddaughters than it was for our mothers and grandmothers.

I have a pastor friend in Texas who talks about acting "as if." Jim discovered a marriage-counseling book that asked, "What would you do today if you really loved him/her? Why don't you try doing that?" Step-by-step, acting "as if" may change our responses and the outcomes.

What if United Methodist Women and the whole United Methodist Church, began acting "as if"? The proposals Women's Division and Global Ministries are bringing to General Conference and those from the denomination's Interim Operating Team / Connectional Table are expressions of hope. They may not be perfect, but they invite the church to create a context in which we can act faithfully and powerfully.

Let's act "as if" that is the sort of role for which we are preparing.

# MISSIONS CORNER

## McCall Hospice House

Through the dedicated efforts of community members and organizations, the McCall Hospice House of Greenville is a free-standing 30-bed facility located in Simpsonville, SC. It has provided comfort and care to terminally ill patients and their families in a warm, home-like setting since July 2007. Patients are being supported and nurtured by the Open Arms Hospice staff while receiving acute, respite, and residential care during the end stages of life.

### Comfort Bags:

**Open Arms Hospice and the McCall Hospice House would like to request that we be considered as a mission for your faith community or group. Below you will find a list of various items that we could use for our patients at the house or for our patient's that live in their own homes. Please let us know if you have any questions or comments.**

Body Wash  
Tooth Brushes and tooth paste  
Booties/socks (skid proof on the bottom)  
Deodorant  
Lotions  
Mouthwash  
Brushes/combs  
Crossword puzzles/ word search  
Pens  
Small note pads for journaling  
Hard candy  
Bottled water  
Crackers  
Change in a Ziploc bag for the family to go down to the drink/snack machines  
Small hand held games  
Disposable camera

If you would like to donate items for comfort bags please drop the items off at the church office or in the box at the back of the sanctuary marked comfort bags.

## **Thank You**

Thank You to everyone that helped with the Fall Festival. All donations and workers were greatly appreciated.

### WESLEY FOUNDATION

The Wesley Foundation at Furman University is a program supported/sponsored by the United Methodist Church. Edward McCutcheon is the director of the program and his office is located in our church... they are a very diverse group of kids.

In a recent conversation with Edward, I found that his program has needs. They meet every week and are divided up into several groups. They go on weekend getaways and attend football games as a group. Edward said he likes to provide them with snacks at the weekly meetings. They also tailgate before the home games.

If you can provide snacks for one of the weekly meetings or help with a tailgating party please contact the church office and they will get Edward the message.

Below is a list of the dates of their activities for the remainder of this year

11-1, 11-8, 11-15, 11-22, and 11-29	Wesley in Garden Room at 7:45
11-5	Wesley Tailgate @ PAC Circle at noon
11-6	Leadership meeting
11-11 thru 11-13	Exploration 2011 in St. Louis, MO
11-18 thru 11-20	Wesley Trip to FU/UF Football game in Gainesville, FL (tentative)
12-6	Wesley Christmas Party and Caroling

# November 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		<p><b>1</b>  <i>Quilters</i>            10:00 a.m.  <i>Quilters</i>            7:00 p.m.</p> <p><i>All Saints Day</i></p>	<p><b>2</b>  <i>Bible Study</i> 4:00  <i>WNS</i> 5:30 p.m.  <i>Administrative Council</i> 6:30  <i>Youth</i> 6:30-7:30  <i>Choir</i> 7:30  <b>Set up for Bazaar after the Administrative Council</b></p>	<p><b>3</b>  <b>Set up for Bazaar 1:00</b></p>	<p><b>4</b>  <b>Bazaar starts</b>  <i>at 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.</i></p>	<p><b>5</b>  <b>Bazaar starts</b>  <i>at 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.</i></p> <p><b>Set time back one hour to-night</b>  <i>Daylight Saving Time Ends</i></p>
<p><b>6</b>  <i>All Saints Sunday</i>  <i>Communion Sunday</i>  <i>S.S. 9:30</i>  <i>Worship 10:30</i></p>	<p><b>7</b>  <i>Girl Scouts</i>            6:00-7:30</p>	<p><b>8</b>  <i>No Quilters</i></p>	<p><b>9</b>  <i>Bible Study</i> 4:00  <i>WNS</i> 5:30 p.m.  <i>Youth</i> 6:30-7:30  <i>Bible Study</i> 4:00  <i>Choir</i> 7:30</p>	<p><b>10</b>  <i>No Quilters</i></p>	<p><b>11</b>  <i>Veterans Day</i></p>	<p><b>12</b>  <i>Men's Club</i>            7:30 am</p>
<p><b>13</b>  <b>Youth Breakfast</b>  <b>8:30 a.m.</b>  <i>S.S. 9:30</i>  <i>Worship 10:30</i></p>	<p><b>14</b>  <i>Springmaid Beach Trip</i>            14-17th  <i>Bus Reserved</i>            14th-17th</p> <p><i>Girl Scouts</i>            6:00-7:30</p>	<p><b>15</b>  <i>Springmaid Beach Trip</i>            14-17  <i>Morning Circle</i>            10:00 am  <i>No Quilters</i></p>	<p><b>16</b>  <i>Springmaid Beach Trip</i>            14-17  <i>Bible Study</i> 4:00  <i>WNS</i> 5:30 p.m.  <i>Shalom Circle</i> 6:30  <i>Youth</i> 6:30-7:30  <i>Choir</i> 7:30</p>	<p><b>17</b>  <i>No Quilters</i>  <i>Springmaid Beach Trip</i> 14-17</p>	<p><b>18</b></p>	<p><b>19</b></p>
<p><b>20</b>  <i>S.S. 9:30</i>  <i>Worship 10:30</i>  <b>Commitment Sunday</b></p> <p><i>Covered Dish Lunch after the morning service. Please come join us!</i></p>	<p><b>21</b>  <i>Girl Scouts</i>            6:00-7:30</p>	<p><b>22</b>  <i>No Quilters</i></p>	<p><b>23</b>  <i>Bible Study</i> 4:00  <i>WNS</i> 5:30 p.m.  <i>Youth</i> 6:30-7:30 p.m.  <i>Shalom Circle</i> 6:30 p.m.  <i>Choir</i> 7:30 p.m.</p>	<p><b>24</b>  <b>Thanksgiving Day</b>  <b>Office Closed</b></p>	<p><b>25</b></p>	<p><b>26</b></p>
<p><b>27</b>  <i>S.S. 9:30</i>  <i>Worship 10:30</i>  <i>First Sunday of Advent</i></p>	<p><b>28</b>  <i>Girl Scouts</i>            6:00-7:30</p>	<p><b>29</b>  <i>Quilters</i>            10:00 a.m.  <i>Quilters</i>            7:00 p.m.</p>	<p><b>30</b>  <i>Bible Study</i> 4:00  <i>WNS</i> 5:30 p.m.  <i>Youth</i> 6:30-7:30 p.m.  <i>Bible Study</i> 4:00  <i>WNS</i> 5:30 p.m.  <i>Youth</i> 6:30-7:30 p.m.  <i>Book Club</i> 6:30  <i>Reading Carolina Mountain</i></p>			