

Berea Friendship United Methodist Church News
April 2011

Holy Week—Easter and a World Community

Spring is in the air. Flowers, birds and sinus allergies are everywhere. Carolina Springs are something to behold. The birds are singing and outdoor activities call us out of hibernation.

In a few short weeks Holy Week again will be here. Palm Sunday (April 17) is a harbinger of both hope and sacrifice. On Holy Thursday (April 21st service at 7:00 p.m.) we will share the bread and the cup as Jesus did in that first last supper with his disciples. Good Friday brings to culmination God's saving act in our Lord Jesus Christ. Easter celebrates a hope that triumphs over death. This reenactment of God's holy acts can bring renewal to the Christian disciple. We remember, believe and are thankful our lives are invigorated with Easter joy. Jesus' living brings peace to the heart and to the world.

We attempt through this faith to bring healing to a troubled world. A good example is the claim of the United Nations "to bring all nations of the world together to work for peace and development based on the principals of justice, human dignity and the well-being of all people." This sounds like a lofty idealism yet it also seems like an attempt to bring fulfillment to the Christian Gospel.

So we pray and act for the well-being of all people because of Palm Sunday, Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter. Because God has acted for us we seek to fulfill his coming in practical ways, in every day living.

There are no disposable people on the earth, only God's beloved. We seek to use the power of love and non-violence as Christians to bring change to every situation that calls for a change and a Christian response to human needs.

May God bless you as we journey together through this Holy Season and grant you and your family much Easter joy.

Peace and Blessings
Pastor David

April 02 Carol D. Presnell
April 05 Jennafer Bikas
April 07 Shane Dosser
April 08 Jackie Lumsden
April 09 Ellen Holman
April 10 Juanita Sherlin
Jan Vaughan
April 11 Patti Taylor
April 12 Glenn Wells
April 13 Debi Bush
April 15 Chris Rosa
April 16 Marsha Disher
Rodney Lee
April 18 Jean B. Vaughn
Bud Dosser
April 21 John Disher
Louvina Leach
April 22 Elmo Mann
April 23 Willie Nalley
April 24 Sherrelle Bayne
April 26 Andy Gray
April 27 Louise Fair
April 30 Eric Disher
Stella Schaefer



Sympathy. The Pastor and Congregation express their deepest sympathy to **Pat and Bill Teat** and all their family, upon the death of Pat's brother William 'Bill' H. Bond who was killed in an accident Wednesday, March 23, 2011. A private family burial was held on Saturday, March 26th with visitation at St. Mark UMC in Seneca, SC.



Do You Have a Graduate?

As the school year comes to an end, we are preparing to recognize our graduates during Church Service. If you have a graduate you would like for us to recognize in our monthly newsletter and graduate Sunday Bulletin, please let the office know by May 1, 2011. We will have a special program for our church graduates during a church service in May.



April 04 Vickie & Ronald Failor
April 24 Sonya & Parks Evans



Prayer List

Ruth Brock	Louvina Leach
Edith Bynum	Eunice Looper
Myra Clements	Bob Murray
Troy Clements	Nick & Dot Nichols
Georgiana Dougherty	Martha Oxley
Jim Farren	Joe Philpot
Ellen Holman	Mildred Pollard
Lucy Hughes	Juanita Sherlin
Louvina Leach	Gwen Vaughan

Congratulations

We would like to congratulate **Eric & Melissa Disher** on the birth of their new baby boy, **Joel Sidney Disher** who was born on Saturday, March 26, 2011 at 8:00 p.m. Joel weighed 9lbs. and 4oz. The proud grandparents are **John & Marsha Disher**.



• **Extended Family and Friends of Berea Friendship Members**

Mary Grace Brown's sister-in-law (Helen Lancaster)
Georgiana Dougherty's daughter, (Mary Reichert)
Millie Dunn's granddaughter (Andrea Dunn)
Martha & Benson McWhite's friend (Hazel Mullinax).
Patti Taylor's father (Andy Watts)

Mark Your Calendar

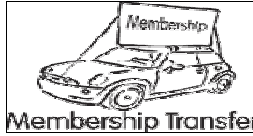
Holy Thursday April 21st at 7:00 p.m.
Sunrise Service April 24th at 7:00 a.m. breakfast will follow (the Youth will be in charge of the Sunrise Service and breakfast. Please give a donation.

Epworth Children's Home Mother's Day Offering

We will be collecting for Epworth Children's Home Offering on Mother's Day, Sunday May 8th.

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.



Membership Transfer. Ms. Joanne Hagberg has transferred her membership to Lakeview United Methodist church in Sun City, Arizona. We miss you Joanne!

Missions Work

Church member, Reagan Mann, a sophomore at the College of Charleston, will be participating in a campus outreach ministry at Panama Beach Florida this summer. The purpose of the Summer Beach Project (SBP) is to help her and other students grow in their personal relationship with Jesus Christ. She went on a Project last summer as a disciple where she was lead by a room leader from Charleston Southern,. During her experience she grew exponentially in her walk and has continued to pursue her relationship by leading a Bible Study with a group of girls on campus. This year she has been asked to return as a room leader where she will get to meet and live with a group of random girls to lead them in their walks for a two month period.

Reagan will incur a \$1,575.00 expense to participate in this program. She has asked for help with her expenses. If you would like to make a donation towards her summer missionary project, you can do so by placing it in the offering plate marked, campus ministry outreach program.

We wish Reagan well with her summer project and will pray for her.

If you would like for information on the program you can check it out on http://www.ecbconline.com/pages/page.asp?page_id=77542

Reagan is the granddaughter of Elmo Mann.

Flower Power Fund Raiser. We have forms and catalogs on the back table of the sanctuary if you would like to order flowers for this fund raiser. Our church will keep 50% of the money made. All plants are guaranteed and will be shipped straight to buyer. If you would like to order, please give the order form and money to Janet Stone or Debbie Capps or order on line at:

http://www.flowerpowerfundraising.com/campaign?campaign_id7167



Time to Spring Clean. All ladies of the church please remember we need your old jewelry as you do your spring cleaning. We have a box located in the back of the sanctuary for your unwanted jewelry that we use to resale at the Bazaar.



Flowers Needed For April

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.

Bible Study. Please remember Bible Study Class every Wednesday night at 4:00 p.m. with Bob Helms in the Huckaby Class Room.

Inspiration Group. The Inspiration Group will meet on Thursday, April 28, 2011 at 11:30 a.m. in the fellowship hall. Lunch will be catered at 11:30 and Jane Cartee will be our speaker. She will tell us about her trips to Africa.

Wednesday Night Supper Menu

April 6th

Spaghetti
Tossed Salad
Garlic Bread
Chocolate Cake
Tea/Coffee/Water

April 20th

Meatloaf
Mashed Potatoes
English Peas
Apple Salad
Rolls, Pound Cake
Tea/Coffee/ Water



April 13th

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

April 27th

Fried Chicken
Green Beans
New Potatoes
Cabbage
Banana Pudding
Tea, Coffee, Water

United Methodist Men

The Methodist Men will meet on Saturday, April 9th at 7:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall for breakfast and devotion.
All men of the church are invited to attend!



Newsletter Deadline. Please have all items for the May Newsletter in by Wednesday, April 20th.



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

March Ministry Workers

Ushers

03 Gene Bondurant, Steve Capps, Corky Holman,
Ronnie Hunter

10 Eddie Hughes, Jim Humphreys, Ronnie Hunter,
Corky Holman

17 Steve Capps, Tony Earnest, Corky Holman,
Ronnie Hunter

24 Steve Capps, Wilson Creswell, Ronald Failor,
Ronnie Hunter

Altar Guild for April: Jane Walker

Stewardship for April: Tony Earnest

Trustee for April: Ron Failor

April Nursery Schedule

03 Vickie and Anne-Marie Failor

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17

24 Henry & Becky Philpot

April Children's Moment

03 Martin Leathers

10 Marsha Disher

17 Cindy Hester

24 Terri McCloud

Flowers for April

03 Jan Smith (in memory of Jerry's Birthday April 4th)

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24 Easter Sunday

Acolyte Schedule for April

03

10 Anne-Marie Failor

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21st is Holy Thursday Anne-Marie will Acolyte

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April Financial Report

Average attendance for March: S.S.—39; Worship—98

Financial report for March: Needed for budget \$19,359.76

Received for Budget \$17,075.64

Needed to-date for Budget \$62,919.22

Received to-date for Budget \$50,673.19

Received to-date for Lenten Offering \$440.00

Received to-date for Japan Emergency \$70.00

Expenses

Jan– Feb \$39,428.72

Feb. \$21,698.48

April 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 <i>Girl Scouts 6:00-9:00 p.m. Fellowship Hall, Gym</i>	2 <i>Girl Scouts re- served Gym- Fellowship Hall 9:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.</i> <hr/> <i>Day Apart Pleasant Ridge County Park. Cost is \$7:00 Bus is reserved We will have a picnic on the way back to the church.</i>
3 <i>Edward McCutcheon will preach today while Pastor David is away on vacation.</i>	4 <i>GS Troop Meeting 6:00 p.m.— 7:30 p.m.</i>	5 <i>Quilters 10:00 a.m.</i> <i>Quilters 7:00 p.m.</i>	6 <i>Bible Study 4:30 p.m. WNS 5:30 p.m. UMW Executive Board Meeting 6:30 Youth 6:30-7:30 Choir 7:30</i>	7	8 <i>Girl Scouts 6:00 p.m. (Sleepover through April 9th Will have the gym, fellowship hall and Kitchen.</i>	9 <i>GS Service Unit sleepover until 2:00</i> <hr/>
10 <i>Communion Sunday Youth Breakfast 8:30 a.m. S.S. 9:30 a.m. Worship 10:30 a.m.</i>	11 <i>GS Troop Meeting 6:00 p.m.— 7:30 p.m.</i>	12 <i>Quilters 10:00 a.m.</i> <i>Quilters 7:00 p.m. GS Leader's meeting 6:00-8:30</i>	13 <i>Bible Study 4:30 p.m. WNS 5:30 p.m. Council Meeting 6:30 p.m. Youth 6:30-7:30 Choir 7:30</i>	14	15 <i>Bus Reserved For Girl Scouts trip to Colum- bia 15th-17th</i>	16 <i>Bus Re- served for Girl Scouts Colum- bia Trip</i>  7:30 a.m.
17 <i>SS 9:30 Worship 10:30 a.m. Covered Dish Lunch after service</i> <hr/> <i>Bus Reserved Girl Scouts Columbia trip</i>	18	19 <i>Morning Circle 10:00 a.m.</i> <i>Quilters will follow the circle</i> <i>Quilters 7:00 p.m.</i>	20 <i>Bible Study 4:30 p.m. WNS 5:30 p.m. Shalom Circle 6:30 p.m. Youth 6:30-7:30 Choir 7:30</i> <i>Newsletter Deadline today</i>	21 <i>Maundy Thursday 7:00 p.m.</i>	22 <i>Bus Reserved 22-24</i> 	23 <i>Easter Egg Hunt</i> 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
24 <i>Sunrise Service at 7:00 a.m. Easter Day</i>	25	26 <i>Quilters 10:00 a.m.</i> <i>Quilters 7:00 p.m.</i>	27 <i>Bible Study 4:30 p.m. WNS 5:30 p.m. Youth 6:30-7:30 Choir 7:30</i>	28 <i>Inspiration Group Lunch catered 11:30 am, speaker Jane Cartee (about her trips to Africa.)</i>	29	30

Join us on Saturday, April 23, from 1-3pm for an Easter Egg Hunt! We will have a snack, a craft...and of course, we will search for those elusive eggs! "Hunters" should bring their own Easter Egg baskets. If you feel that you've outgrown the Egg Hunt phase, we would love you to help us by donating plastic eggs and/or small prizes to go inside them.



Please Remember to save your Pint and Half-Pint Jars for the Quilters

It's time to start planning for the Bazaar in November. The Quilters will be in need of Pint and Half-Pint jars for their wonderful homemade jams, jellies, chow-chow, and other home made goodies that they will be making for the Bazaar. Please bring them by the office (9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.) Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, or Friday, or the Quilt Room on Tuesdays and Thursday between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Thanks so much for your help!

In this year's Vacation Bible School, children will visit the Shake It Up Café, where together we will explore the Bible as a cookbook with recipes for living God's Word. The Shake It Up Café is a fresh, one-of-a-kind VBS, full of kitchen fun!

Your kids will explore the Bible as an exciting cookbook filled with recipes for living out God's Word. By celebrating biblical festivals, they will:

- Be ready for God
- Give happily to God
- Believe fully in Jesus
- Remember Jesus often
- Celebrate God forever



VBS will be held this year on June 13th through 17th, from 6-8:30pm. This is a very exciting VBS opportunity, and we need "chefs-a-plenty" to help make it a success! If you would like to volunteer, please sign up on the sheet in the back of the sanctuary, or call me at 834-0381.

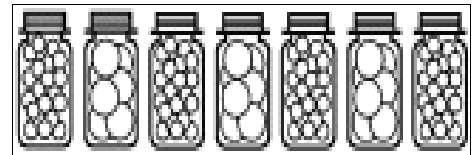
Look for a link—COMING SOON!—on the church's web site to register as a volunteer or participant!

Thank you,
Terri McCloud

Fair Trade Bible Study and Discussion

Beth Lindsay Templeton, Presbyterian USA minister and Director of Our Eyes Were Opened at United Ministries in Greenville, will facilitate a Bible study and discussion about Fair Trade at noon on Wednesdays May 18 & 25 at Ten Thousand Villages. The two sessions will be related but participants can choose to come to one or both. Bag lunches are welcome.

Fair Trade is not a new concept nor it is radical. It has deep roots in religious thinking across various faith traditions. What we buy impacts everyone, locally and globally.



To register or for more information, please call the store at (864) 239-4120 or email greenville@tenthousandvillages.com. The Ten Thousand Villages Fair Trade store is located at 2 West Lewis Plaza on Augusta Road, Greenville, SC 29605.

Herman Melville wrote: "We cannot live only for ourselves. A thousand fibers connect us with our fellow [humans]; and among those fibers, as sympathetic threads, our actions run as causes, and they come back to us as effects."

Berea Friendship UMW April 2011

Week Of Prayer and Self Denial Breakfast

We held our breakfast on Saturday, March 5, 2011. We had 27 in attendance. Our speaker was Rev. Deb Richardson-Moore from Triune Mercy Center. We collected items to be used by Triune. Thank You to everyone that participated...

Day Apart

Day Apart will be on Saturday, April 2, 2011 at Pleasant Ridge County Park. The cost of the program is \$7.00. If you would like to attend, please let Vickie Failor or Jane Walker know.

Executive Board Meeting

We will have a Executive Board meeting of the UMW on Wednesday, April 6, 2011 at 6:30 P.M. in the Ruth Bible Class

Our Circles

The Shalom Circle will meet on Wednesday April 20, 2011 at 6:30 P.M. in the Ruth Bible Class.

The Morning Circle will meet on Tuesday, April 19, 2011 at 10:00 A.M. in the Quilter's Room.

Flavoring and Cutlery

Don't forget we have flavoring and cutlery items available for sale all the time. See Pat Teat or Vickie Failor for items.

Upcoming Events for 2011

Saturday, April 2 nd	Day Apart at Pleasant Ridge
Saturday, May 7 th	Mother - Daughter Tea
Sunday, May 8 th	Special Mother's Day Bulletin Recognition
Tuesday, August 16 th	Education Program Dinner
Tuesday, October 18 th	World Thank Dinner

Special Mother's Day Recognition

The UMW will be recognizing the significant women in our lives on Mothers' Day with a special bulletin insert. You may make memorials or honorariums for \$1.00 per person. Special envelopes will be placed in the pews starting Sunday April 17, 2011. The donations from this will be used towards our special mission projects.

Mother-Daughter Tea

Mark your calendar for our Mother-Daughter tea on Saturday, May 7, 2011 at 11:30 a.m. It will be here at the church in the social hall. The Wade Hampton High School Treble Ensemble will provide entertainment. The cost of the tea will be \$10.00. Watch the bulletins and newsletters for more details. One of our young ladies is a member of this ensemble.

Missionary Highlights

Our prayer focus for April will be on the program "At the New Path" at Ginghamburg United Methodist Church in Tipp City, Ohio. This program strives to bring an end to poverty through building relationships and understanding between social and economic classes. Their mission statement is "If we are not serving the poor, we are not engaging the whole Gospel."

Birthday cards will be sent to missionaries Jayne Edwards in New York and Carolyn Simms in Kansas..

Respectively Yours: Singing the Faith

By Beth Dixon – December 2010 Response Magazine Issue

Joan Campbell, a language arts and drama teacher at Owsley County High School in Kentucky, has been singing all her life. As a little girl growing up in southeastern Kentucky, she would sit on the porch swing and “sing at the top of my lungs.” She recalls how her mother once told her that their neighbor Mr. Newman could probably hear her all the way over the hill. Young Joan said, “Well, Mama, Mr. Newman loves to hear me sing.”

It seems many people appreciate Ms. Campbell’s vocal skills today. Judges and audience members declared her the winner of this year’s “Assembly’s Got Talent” in St. Louis.

A member of Warren’s Chapel United Methodist Church, Ms. Campbell is president of the Booneville Circuit United Methodist Women in the Red Bird Missionary Conference and vice president of the conference United Methodist Women. Members of her local unit encouraged her to participate in the Assembly talent competition.

Ms. Campbell likes many songs and genres but especially enjoys country gospel. She is a fan of Dolly Parton and Loretta Lynn. When she sang at Assembly 2010, she chose Ms. Lynn’s signature “Coal Miner’s Daughter,” which she considered a good fit for the Assembly theme of “Faith • Hope • Love in Action.”

The song has a great deal of meaning for her. Her grandfather was a coal miner, and she finds aspects of her own childhood reflected in the song’s lyrics. The second oldest of 10 children, she helped take care of her younger brothers and sisters while her mother tended to numerous household chores. She would keep her siblings entertained by telling stories and singing.

“I know about hard times, being from a family of 10,” she said. “And I know about love and faith. Mama did work hard. We did play and work hard. It says, ‘At night we’d sleep, cause we were tired,’ and we did.”

“Assembly’s Got Talent” was a wonderful experience for Ms. Campbell. After hearing one act that she was certain would be the winner, she found she wasn’t nervous anymore. She thought, “I’m not winning this. I’m just going to do my best and hope and pray that I don’t embarrass the ladies from Red Bird.” Then she simply enjoyed performing for a receptive audience.

Singing and faith are closely connected for Ms. Campbell. Two of her favorite songs are “One Day at a Time” and “When He Was on the Cross, I Was on His Mind.” She chooses the songs she sings very carefully, and the words come from her heart. For her, singing is an opportunity to be in service to God, to bring a message of love to those who hear her voice.

“If I sing at a funeral, I hope it gives comfort. If I sing at a fish fry, I hope somebody’s laughing and having a good time and clapping their hands,” Ms. Campbell said. “If I know of a special situation that’s going on with someone in the church, I’ll dedicate a special song to them and the words will be just for them.

“I just want to be a servant for God, in whatever capacity that might be.”

Her joy in serving is evident when she talks about United Methodist Women. She is especially excited about the opportunity she has with her circle to help women and children locally, in the state and around the world. Ms. Campbell describes the Booneville Circuit unit as very giving of their money, their time and their prayers.

“Even though we are just a little United Methodist Women unit meeting in a little southeastern Kentucky town, we are part of a global work for the Lord,” she said.”

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