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*"For we are God's
 fellow workers;
 you are God's
 field, God's
 building."
 1 Corinthians 3:9*



Asheville Tourists Game
 Sunday, July 26th at 2:05 PM

Before heading to the game, we will be having a *Church Cookout* immediately following worship. Bring a covered dish. *Burgers & hotdogs will be provided.*

Then we will go to the see the Tourists take on the Delmarva Shorebirds and it's **Kid's Run the Bases and Autograph Sunday.** Stick around after the game and kids get to run the bases and get autographs from their favorite Tourists.



Don't miss the fun. *Please sign up across from the church office by July 19th to order tickets.* \$5/ticket.

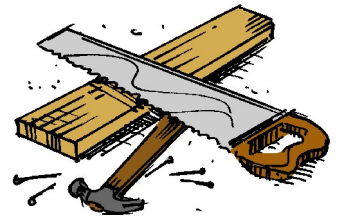


IN MINISTRY

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| Minister | Fred Carpenter |
| Music Director | Randy Cox |
| Accompanist | Jamie Bryson |
| Admin. Asst. | Danya Sellers |
| Custodian | Glenda Shook |
| Nursery | Sharon Lutz |
| | Amy Dayton |
| Ushers | Calvin Dixon |
| | Chip Miller |
| | Charlie Milroy |
| | Broughton Wallin |
| | Jacob Scott |
| Acolyte | Al & Anita Sanchez |
| Greeters | |
| Summer Accompanists | Sharon Lindsay & Shirley Miller |
| District Superintendent | —Dr. John S. Boggs |
| Resident Bishop | —Dr. Larry M. Goodpaster |

Habitat for Humanity Work Dates for FAUMC:

- July 11
- July 14
- July 24
- August 13
- August 25
- September 3



2 Volunteers are needed on July 11 & August 13.

3 Volunteers are needed on July 14, July 24, August 25 & September 3.

For more information or to volunteer, please contact Len Driggers at 633-1014.

Shalom and happy 4th of July! I hope everyone is having an enjoyable summer thus far and you have been getting your fill of swimming, ice cream, movies, miniature golf, and the company of your families and closest friends. I also hope you have spent time studying God's word for your life and reflecting often on Jesus' love and the Great price he paid for us all!

We are already at the next big event of the summer and that's Independence Day: A time for fireworks and reminiscing, laughter, hot dogs, and anything in between. A time to reflect on our country's birthright into freedom. A time to remember those that gave us our **freedom** and still now secure it as well!

That thought is what leads us to consider our own emancipation...

"LET FREEDOM RING!"



GALATIANS 5:1- STAND FAST THEREFORE IN THE LIBERTY WHEREWITH CHRIST HATH MADE US FREE, AND BE NOT ENTANGLED AGAIN WITH THE YOKE OF BONDAGE.

Christ died to set us **free** from sin and from a long list of laws and regulations. He came to set us **free**-not free to do whatever we want because that would lead us back into slavery to our selfish desires. Rather, thanks to Christ, we are now **free** and able to do what was impossible before-to live unselfishly. Because of Jesus' obedient sacrifice, he gives us **freedom** to give our lives to focus on

others instead of being controlled by our own desires, leading us to problems of disastrous proportions, saving us from feelings of helplessness and of personal imprisonment. This **freedom** enables us to live by fruits of the spirit (Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness, Gentleness, Self-control) and not by fruits of the flesh (too many to list here). **Freedom** to enjoy life, not being consumed by worry of what the future holds, but knowing rather who holds the future! I urge you, if you don't know Jesus as your Savior...give your life to him today and **LET FREEDOM RING for ETERNITY!**

"If the Son therefore shall set you free, you shall be free indeed!" John 8:36

THANKS to JESUS! But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and forever. A-men.

BRENNING



The family of **Daniel Lindsay**, brother of Sharon Lindsay, who passed away on June 28th.

A "Celebration of Life" will be held in the Fellowship Hall of Francis Asbury UMC on Friday, July 10, 2009 from 4 -7:30 PM.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to help the family with expenses. Call the church for details. 667-3950.

Our acolytes were recognized during morning worship on Sunday, June 28th.

Jackson Arrowood
Wyatt Jackson
Jacob Scott
Kaylee Sellers
Tyler Sellers
Bryce Shook
Brandi Turner



Our many thanks to our acolytes for their dedication, professionalism & seriousness in this important weekly task.

Thanks also go to Mollie Scott for wonderful job of coordinating our acolytes.

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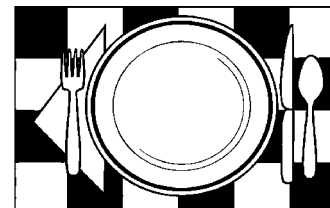


Thursday, July 30th
from 2 - 6:30 PM
Howard Building

Call 667.3950 to schedule your appointment.

Give Blood. Help save a life.

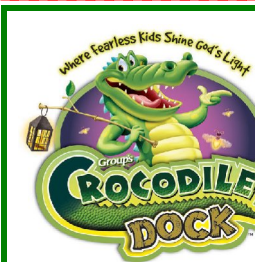
HV Welcome Table



FAUMC Fellowship Hall
828.667.3950

Every Wednesday
11:30AM - 1:00PM

EVERYONE WELCOME!!



Our Crocodile Dock VBS with Snow Hill UMC was a huge success!! Thank you to all our volunteers and supporters. We couldn't have done it without you & our friends from Snow Hill UMC. And Thanks be to God for a wonderful week of our children praising His name because that is what VBS is all about!



JULY CC TEACHERS

7/5: **Bat & Melanie Hudson**
7/12: **Beth & Travis Arrowood**
7/19: **Shelly Cloud & Mollie Scott**
7/26: **Margaret Anson & Traci Roberts**

Snip-it from Sandy: Wake the child, dress the child, feed the child, make sure the child brushes his teeth and hair, get book bag, get lunch money, get the child to school before the bell rings...wheww. Last day of School...done. Oh, wait a minute. This was the last day of Elementary School! Wow, where did the time go?

Six years ago, I was scared to death of Kindergarten and the kid that eats paste! Now, it will be Middle School and the kid that sniffs paste! It seems like yesterday, I could pick up my baby and "skin the cat." Now, if I we tried to "skin the cat" he would bop his head on the floor!

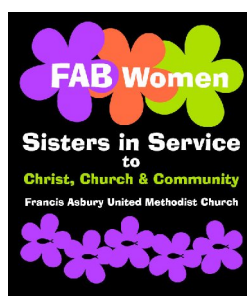
Life is filled with bittersweet moments. Things can make you so proud and happy and yet so sad and sentimental.

All I know is that we have to enjoy the present time. We have to forgive and forget. We have to be positive. We have to participate in life, because, like Tim's Grandmother says all the time, "We don't know what the future holds!"



So, as you enjoy a family movie, attend church, eat out on the back porch with friends or play Jailbreak Dodge Ball with your family...remember, life is a dance...So, Shake your Bootie! Happy June! **Sandy**

For everything there is a season, and a time for every purpose under heaven: a time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted; a time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up; a time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance; Ecclesiastes 3:1-4



Last Meeting was at the home of Cindy Crook. The devotion Cindy shared with us focused on the scripture: **Our God is a consuming fire.** Hebrews 12:29. She made each of us a decorative match box.

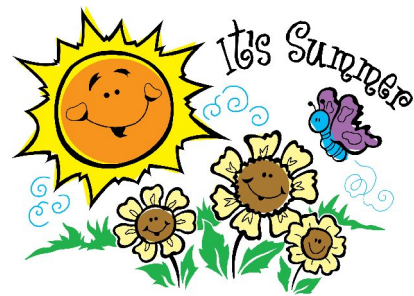
NEXT MEETING:

Tuesday, July 14th
@ 6:30 PM

Home of Bobbie Ashe
Devotion: Shirley White

Everyone bring a
COVERED DISH,
swimsuit & towel!!

Bobbie's #: 667-5662



Long warm days...
The pace of life slows...
A time for picnics and rest in the shade...

Lord,
Help me to rest awhile
in the cooling shade of your presence.
Slow down my restless heart
and fill me with gentle compassion
for all your people. Amen.

FROM THE PASTOR

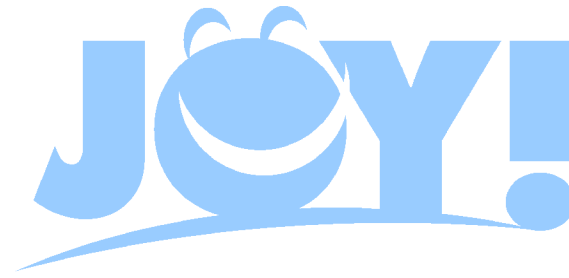
I was recently reading a story about a young man named Chris McCandless. His story has been told in the book and movie "Into The Wild." When McCandless, fed up with the "rat-race," graduated from college in the early '90's he sold all his belonging and walked away from everything in search of **happiness**. After a couple of years of wandering he ended up in some of the most remote regions of Alaska. Just before he died of starvation he entered these final words in his journal that seemed to indicate that he might have regretted his isolationist ways, "**Happiness** is only real when shared."

I believe that our society has been tricked into thinking that the greatest level of existence is realized by being **happy**. People spend their lives searching for it. They work themselves into early graves trying to purchase **happiness**. Yet it eludes them. How do we find **happiness**?

Unfortunately, Chris McCandless realized the answer to his quest too late. **Happiness**, real **happiness** is what we in the Christian community call **joy**. **Happiness** is what we feel when things are going our way, we are having fun, and all is well with the world. Conversely, we feel unhappy when things do not go our way and all is not well. But, **JOY**, that is different entirely. When we have joy it is present in the good and bad times. **Joy** cannot be taken away by mere circumstances because joy

does not come from what the world offers. **Joy** comes from sharing in a relationship with Jesus Christ.

McCandless wrote, "**Happiness** is only real when shared." You and I will find real **happiness**, **joy**, when we have a shared relationship with Jesus!



Summer is a season to share time with friends around the pool or grill. It is a time to share vacations with family and have fun. As you enjoy these shared times remember the source of our **joy**. In these months of vacation don't take a vacation from your relationship with Jesus. Have a great vacation.

Love, **Fred**

"As the Father loved Me, I also have loved you; abide in My love. If you keep My commandments, you will abide in My love, just as I have kept My Father's commandments and abide in His love. These things I have spoken to you, that My **JOY may remain in you, and that your **JOY** may be full."** John 15:9-11



- 7/1 Emily Malloy
7/2 Carol Dixon
7/5 Angela Cathcart
7/5 Betty Wilson
7/6 Chris Malloy
7/6 Susan Tedder
7/8 Eric Davis
7/12 Grace Sluder
7/13 Nellie Trull
7/14 Marty Mitchell
7/15 Bob Lamb
7/16 Kellie Deel
7/17 Renee Carpenter
7/17 Patty Hamlin
7/18 Max Battle
7/18 Daniel Brown
7/19 Javotte Driggers
7/20 Ona Putnam
7/23 Carson Cochran
7/24 Tyler Sellers
7/24 Jo Ann Vallini
7/27 Betty Harkins
7/27 John Russell, IV
7/29 Charlie Milroy

***Happy Anniversary
to..***

- 11 Trace & Kathy Cochran
14 Bob & Dottie Lamb
24 Robby & Mollie Scott
24 Brenning & Jenny Shook
28 Allen & Danya Sellers
30 Tim & Sandy Jackson

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