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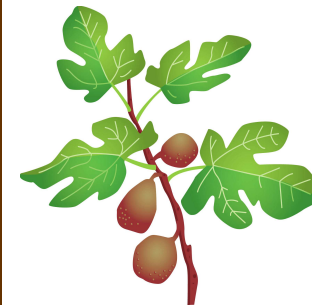
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*"For we are God's  
 fellow workers;  
 you are God's  
 field, God's  
 building."  
 1 Corinthians 3:9*

**IN MINISTRY**

Minister	Veranita Alvord
Lay Leader	Charlie Kooles
Choir Director	Jess Mills
Organist	Kevin Bryant
Admin. Asst.	Danya Sellers
Custodian	Glenda Shook
Nursery	Amy Dayton
Ushers	Rusty Brown
	Bob Lamb
	Bryce Shook
	Brent Wilson
Greeters	Charlie & Peggy Milroy
District Superintendent—	Dr. John S. Boggs
Resident Bishop—	Dr. Larry M. Goodpaster



**FAKS (Francis  
 Asbury Kids)  
 TRIP to WNC  
 NATURE  
 CENTER**

**Sunday, May 19 After Worship**  
 All children up to 5<sup>th</sup> Grade  
 are invited to bring a bag lunch  
 and enjoy the afternoon outside  
 with friends, family and nature!  
**Kids' admission is FREE.**  
 Adult admission is \$8.



*The Spirit's Here... So What!*

*A 1 Week Series on Spiritual Gifts*

*As an Equipping Church, we begin to see ourselves as called to some kind of ministry, using our gifts, skills, talents & passions for the ministry & mission of God in the world. This series will begin to develop in us the understanding that God is calling us to use our*

*Holy Spirit given gifts to Grow Spiritually, Praise God & Reach Neighbors with the Good News of Jesus the Christ!*

*May 26 Ephesians 4:7-13 "He Gave Gifts"*

*June 2 1 Corinthians 12:1-13 "Varieties... But the Same"*

*June 9 1 Corinthians 12:14-31 "One Body Many Members"*

*June 16 Ephesians 4:11-16*

*"Each Part Equipped & Working Properly"*

*June 23 Romans 12:3-8 "God's Grace - Our Gifts"*



**MOTHER ROOTS BIBLE STUDY CONTINUES**

ALL WOMEN ARE INVITED TO SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDY AT DEBRA LUTHER'S HOME AT 47 MONTE VISTA TERRACE ON THE FOLLOWING TUESDAYS IN MAY FROM 7-8:30PM. PLEASE NOTE THE

SCRIPTURE YOU CAN READ IN ADVANCE TO PREPARE FOR OUR CONVERSATION.

ON THE FIRST TIME YOU ATTEND, PLEASE BRING A PICTURE OF ONE OF YOUR FEMALE ANCESTORS SO WE CAN HEAR HER STORY!

**TUESDAY, MAY 7**

**RAHAB- A WOMAN WHO MADE FAITH WORK**

JOSHUA 2:1-24, 6:17-25, HEBREWS 11:31, JAMES 2:24-25, MATT. 1:5A

**TUESDAY, MAY 21**

**RUTH- A WOMAN WHO LOVED THE ENEMY RUTH (ONLY 85 VERSES!) & MATTHEW 1:5B**

**TUESDAY, MAY 28**

**BATHSHEBA- A WOMAN WHO BEAT THE ODDS**

2 SAMUEL 11-12, 1 KINGS 1:11-21, 28-31, 2:13-21, 1 CHRONICLES 3:5 & MATTHEW 1:6B

**What's Up in Worship for May?**

This month we celebrate Pentecost, also known as the Birthday of the Church as recorded in Acts 2 with the coming of the Holy Spirit. We will be having **Communion on May 19<sup>th</sup>, Pentecost Sunday**, so look



forward to an exciting and Spirit-filled Worship service with an African-American Spiritual theme in terms of the music and words of the service!

Some of the words will be borrowed from James Weldon Johnson's classic sermons in verse found in his collection God's Trombones.

**May 5 Pulpit Exchange with Oak Hill Church**

**Rev. Joe Tarpley, Guest Preacher**

Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5: "Visions of Afterlife"

**May 12 Mother's Day**

Acts 16:9-15: "The House Built with Purple Cloth"

**May 19 Pentecost!**

**The Celebration of the Holy Spirit with Communion. PLEASE WEAR RED!!!!**

Acts 2:1-21 "What Does This Mean?"

**Room in the Inn May 12-18 at Montmorenci Church**



Thank you to the Ladies Bible Class for providing 14 blankets and FAB Women for providing 14 pillows for Room in the Inn, a housing ministry for homeless women for a week at a time. Montmorenci along with other Hominy Valley Churches are stepping out in faith to provide housing the week of May 12-18. Thanks also to FAB for providing two breakfasts and lunches for this exciting local mission! We are also grateful to Peggy Millroy & Pastor V for serving as Innkeepers by staying the night on May 12! We are also providing supper for Room in the Inn on Thursday evening, May 16. Please contact Veranita if you would like to help with the evening meal!



**Blue Ridge District Lay Speaking Held at Francis Asbury!**

May 11 and May 19, people who are called into

Lay Speaking ministries across the Blue Ridge District will be meeting at Francis Asbury with Beverly Hill, Coordinator of Lay Ministries and our Pastor to learn more about preaching and speaking in many different settings. Please keep these Brothers and Sisters in your thoughts and prayers as they follow their calls to preach, teach and serve in their local churches and beyond!

**Drop-in Cinco de Mayo Baby Shower for Jess & Linzy Mills! It's a Boy! Viva la Bambino Jet! THIS Sunday, May 5th from 1-3pm. Everyone is invited!!**



**NEXT MEETING:** Tuesday, **May 14th, 6:30 pm** at **Mel's** house. Devo by Brenda. SNACKS by Mel. Call Mel @ 273-2656 for more info

**Diaper Shower for Baby Kaeson Wilson- It's a Boy!:** Sunday, June 9th after worship.



**WELCOME to Wayne Miller** who joined Francis Asbury on April 7th.



**HEART SMARTIES Continues thru MAY 30th!**

Come to the Gym Upper Room at 7PM on THURSDAYS for kickboxing/core/body sculpting led by Erin Rice, an awesome instructor from the Rush! *only \$2 per class*



**IN HONOR OF JEANNETTE SWANN**

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** by Tina, Tommy & Bailey Melton



**HOMINY VALLEY ABCCM Needs:** Jelly, fruit, cereal, soup & self-rising flour. Please leave items in the large basket in the Narthex.



**IN MEMORY OF BOBBIE ASHE KITCHEN FUND** by John & Barbara Crozier

**IN MEMORY OF LEN DRIGGERS** VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL by Leonard & Veronica Crook



**VBS Begins June 9th!**

*For 3 years old-Rising 12th Grade*  
Enter the epic adventure that empowers kids to stand strong. Here, God's victorious power isn't a fairy tale—it changes kids forever!!!  
Through the VBS Basket Auction & donations, we have collected **\$1536.50** for Vacation Bible School. *Many thanks to everyone for your continued support of this important ministry. YAY!!!!*

**CHURCH Yard Sale**



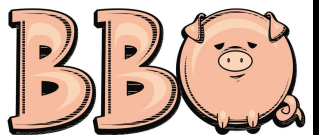
**Saturday, MAY 18th in the GYM from 9am-12pm**

FAB Women now accepting yard sale donations. Please leave items in the FAB Room. Call 667-3950 or see Danya to reserve a table.



**GRADUATION SUNDAY** at FAUMC is June 2nd! If you have a high school or college Graduate, please let Veranita or Danya know.

**HOMINY VALLEY UMM**



**Saturday, June 1st** 11am-6pm **Acton UMC** BBQ, 2 sides & drink-\$8 Proceeds Benefit the HVUMM Missions

**Snip-it from Sandy:** A long time ago, I met Kimberly Laws Rose, a new co-worker at Stewart Jewelry in Conover, NC. I loved Kim and ended up working with her about a year. She always made work happy and fun! Well, we lost touch with each other, but I found her again about 2 years ago on Face Book! Many people criticize Face Book, but if it were not for this social media...I wouldn't have known about this story that I am going to share with you.



The story really began to unfold Mother's Day weekend in 2012. Kim and the 3 "Rosebuds" (her daughters) as she calls them were away at husband, Allen's hunting cabin in West Virginia. It was Mother's Day, a happy day and the eldest daughter, Zoey (age 10) had caught her first Rainbow Trout in wild water with her Dad's help! Sunday night, Allen was going to fry the trout for supper. He heated up the grease in a gas fryer and warned the two younger "Rosebuds" (ages 3 and 6) to stay away. Zoey went out to be with her Dad. Without warning, the life of the Roses was about to change. Zoey accidentally tripped over the line from the tank to the fryer and fell onto her hands and knees. The fryer was pulled over on her, spilling the hot grease down her back and legs, burning her from the waist down to her ankles. Quickly thinking, Allen ran with Zoey down to the river. They practically threw her into the 40 degree water and removed her clothes. Due to the location of the cabin, there was no real way to get an ambulance there. They laid her on her side in the backseat of Allen's truck and began the 30 minute ride to the nearest hospital. Zoey was screaming, but the first thing that she asked, "Mommy, will you pray with me?" Of course, Kim prayed and Zoey continued to pray until they arrived at the hospital. Unfortunately, Zoey needed to be air-lifted to a Burn Unit in Pennsylvania. But, due to storms, they would have to take her by ambulance. Five hours later, they finally arrived in Pennsylvania at 2 am. For the next 11 plus weeks, the Rose family would go through what many of us can only imagine as a terrible nightmare. The younger Rosebuds were brought back to N.C. to be cared for by other family members while Kim and Allen slept on cots beside their burned child.

[Now here's where the story gets really good!] Tuesday night, after their arrival, Zoey wanted Kim to paint her nails in a watermelon color. Zoey calmly said, "I have an Angel in my room." "Really?", asked Kim. She continued, "Yeah, it's been here since I got here." Kim also asked if the Angel was still there, and Zoey said yes, that it stayed in the corner behind her bed. Kim now began to keep that corner of the room empty.

After Kim put this on Face Book, I sent her a private message to see if she would ask Zoey more about her angel. Kim was afraid to ask. What if Zoey didn't remember? What if she made the whole thing up to make everyone feel better. So, one evening after a bad day at the hospital, Kim noticed that Zoey seemed more at peace than she had been all day. In Kim's words, this was their conversation : [Kim's words] "I asked her if we could talk about her angel & she told me yes. Me- Is he here now? Zoe- Yes. Me- Can you tell me what he looks like? Zoe- He is big, he has a white robe to the floor with a white sash across his shoulder (motioning to her left shoulder). His wings are bigger than his head, with the tops of them a little above his head, and the bottom of them go to his knees. Me- Are his wings white? Zoe - No, they are gold. Me- Would you please do mommy a favor and ask him his name when you can? Zoey-No, I can't talk to him. He doesn't speak to me, he just watches over me. (then, putting her hand to her left cheek), he kissed me right here when he left. I asked if I could tell this to others, and she nodded. Zoey- I'm tired now mommy, I'll talk later."

It will have been 1 year since Zoey's accident, this coming Mother's Day weekend, so, I decided to do my "Snip It" on this Angel story. I contacted Kim to answer a few more questions for me. Here's a little more information for you. Zoey Rose is now 11 years old. She ended up with 3rd degree burns over 27% of her body. She had to have skin grafts and painful "washings" daily which required pain medication. She wasn't able to go back to full time school until last September. Today, Zoey is excelling in school and dance class! She still has to wear special burn garment type leggings but is excited to go to "Burn Camp" in Pennsylvania this June, to visit with so many that helped her through this terrible time. The Roses are well aware that if the grease would have landed on one of their two younger daughters, that they would have been planning a funeral. They are also aware that if Allen had not gotten Zoey into the cold water, that she could have ended up even worse! As for the Angel...well, Kim says that Zoey doesn't really talk about it and they haven't seen him since they left the hospital. Kim's belief is that this Angel did follow them home. Zoey is his job and has been with her since birth and will continue to be with her until she draws her last breath on this earth. Many times, Kim has been asked if the Angel was a loved one that had passed away. Kim's reply is, "No. Because, those that struggled in this world have gone on to rejoice with our Heavenly Father, not to WORK protecting those of us left behind.

I believe that Angel's are everywhere! Sometimes, I think God allows one of his Angels to be seen so that we may be comforted. Grace, Peace and Angelic Blessings, Sandy

**GOD'S ANGELS are all around us even if we don't see them! Go you therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit:Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.**  
~Matthew 28:19-20



Memorial Day is typically the signal of summer's beginning. But it means so much more than that. The observance of Memorial Day began shortly after the Civil War to recognize the dedication, sacrifice and commitment of Union AND Confederate soldiers who died. What began as Decoration Day is now more than a Monday off and an opportunity to go to the lake for the week-end. As we have experienced the World Wars and conflicts in Korea, Vietnam, Afghanistan and Iraq and many other military conflicts, we continue to acknowledge the bravery and loyalty of those women and men who serve in our armed forces. We are grateful to them and realize that at times in our history, soldiers have not received the thanks and respect that they have deserved. We sometimes forget that men and women who have given their lives in military service are individuals serving under orders with which sometimes they might disagree. We might disagree and have fundamental problems with some of the military conflicts in which we are engaged. I am remembering the family and national conflicts we experienced over the war in Vietnam when soldiers who returned and marched in parades were actually spat upon and cursed for their service rather than applauded and cheered. So this Memorial Day, I challenge us to consider not just a day off on Memorial Day, but a day in which we give God thanks for those who put themselves in harm's way for the sake of ideals like freedom, democracy and independence. These ideals, like the ideals of hope, faith and grace deserve our commitment and sometimes even our very lives.

#### A Prayer for Those in Military Service from The Book of Worship

Righteous God, you rule the nations.  
Guard brave men and women in military service.  
Give them compassion for those who confront them as enemies.  
Keep our children from hate that hardens,  
Or from scorekeeping with human lives.  
Though for a season they must be people of war,  
Let them live for peace, as eager for agreement as for victory.  
Encourage them as they encourage one another,  
And never let hard duty separate them from loyalty to your Son,  
Our Savior, Jesus Christ. AMEN.

Grace & Peace, Veranita



#### Duke Divinity School Summer Interns!

This summer, we will be welcoming *Katherine and JE Mise*, students at Duke Divinity School.

As a part of their field education, Duke Interns serve all over North Carolina in churches learning about the everyday tasks of ministry. The Hominy Valley United Methodist Pastors banded together to seek Duke Interns for the summer who would begin to establish **Youth Ministry** across Hominy Valley. Rev. Jay Bissett, serving at Sardis & Reeves Chapel Churches filled out the application and we have been approved as a field education site for *JE and Katherine!* They will be staying at the house for Laurel Hill Church, which is in need of our work! Please look for more details about *Katherine and JE* and their ministry among our **Children and Youth** this summer!







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- 5/3 Jordan Cochran
- 5/4 Helen Argall
- 5/6 Tanner Moore
- 5/7 Veronica Crook
- 5/8 Sheila Davis
- 5/9 Dotty Lamb
- 5/11 Miles Brown
- 5/11 Connie Greene
- 5/11 Howard Roe
- 5/12 John Howell
- 5/13 George Hall
- 5/15 Robert McCain
- 5/16 Traci Roberts
- 5/17 Beth Arrowood
- 5/20 Derrick Wilson
- 5/21 Leonard Crook
- 5/22 Chris Serzan
- 5/23 Jess Mills
- 5/25 Karen Moore
- 5/25 Cole Rhinehart
- 5/26 Susan Daigle
- 5/26 Dot Peebles
- 5/26 Brent Wilson
- 5/27 Lynn Crook
- 5/27 Elizabeth Henley
- 5/28 Jim Trull
- 5/29 Rosemary Brown

**Happy Anniversary to...**

- 5/2 Jim & Karen Moore
- 5/14 Eddie & Morgan Rudisill
- 5/16 Brian & Sharla Turner
- 5/19 Megan & Chris Serzan
- 5/21 Joe Tarpley & Veranita A.
- 5/24 Clay & Candy Plemmons
- 5/27 Jon & Pam Hall