

United Methodist Women

The Circle of Grace will have a Sewing Circle meeting on Wed., Feb. 8 at 6 p.m. in room 132. Please bring medium size safety pins and scissors to make baby quilts for CHIP first time moms.

The UMW, UMM and Mission Committee are teaming together to prepare a meal for Park Place Community on Thurs., Jan. 26. We will leave at 5 p.m. and serve the meal at 6:30 p.m.

Important Dates -

Sat., Jan. 28th - Prayer Breakfast 9 a.m. at Wesley Memorial UMC in Norfolk. If you are interested in attending please contact Linda Brinkley at 482-4521 by Sun., Jan. 22.

Tuesday, Feb. 7th - Unit Meeting at 6:30 p.m. in room 136.

The Friendship Circle is collecting clothing & supplies for new mothers & infants ages birth - 2 years for the Baby Care Program at Chesapeake Health Dept. New born nightgowns, hooded bath towels, rattles, baby strollers, as well as, other baby supplies are needed. Items can be placed in the donation cabinet outside the church office. Thank you so much for your continued support. If you have any questions, contact Ruth Wiles at 482-1481.

Attention Middle & High School Students

Application forms for the Ralph & Margaret Nichols Mission Scholarships are available on the youth table and at the Welcome Centers. The UMW will be offering three \$200 scholarships toward the cost of a mission trip(s).

Applications must be turned in by Friday, April 1st.

Come see "Jonah" at Sight & Sound Theatre in Lancaster, Pa. Join church members as they travel to Lancaster for the production of Jonah March 23rd & 24th. Deadline for sign-ups & payment is Tues., Jan. 31st. If interested or have questions contact Ruth Wiles at 482-1481.

Confirmation is a meaningful part of our faith journey. In the United Methodist Church, Confirmation is open to youth (grades 7 - 12) who wish to become disciples of Christ by professing their faith and becoming a member of the congregation. Invitations to attend Confirmation 2012 are being sent out, but if you - or someone you know - are interested in participating in Confirmation, please contact the church office at 482-1049. The first event will be on Sunday, February 12th, at 2:00 p.m. Confirmands, parents and mentors are invited as we begin this spiritual journey!

Have You Taken Control of Your Health Today?

Life Line Screening will be here on Fri., February 3rd offering five safe, painless, non-invasive preventive health screenings that are typically not a part of a routine physical.

There is no time like the present to take action!

Have you EVER wanted to be an Acolyte? Now is your chance! We are looking for people to help with all three services as acolytes and crucifers. Age requirements are from 6 - 99, yes, we are allowing adults, young and older to join our "elite group of candle lighters." Our younger set will wear the traditional white robes, but everyone else will just wear their "Sunday clothes" (but no flip flops). If you are interested, please contact Dale McClure at dkmclure3@verizon.net and she will get you started.

Youth Update!

High School

Sunday Night Youth tonight is Sock Wars! 6:30 - 8 PM

High School & Middle School

Tonight 6 - 6:30 PM—**Feeding Frenzy**; in between HS & MS Youth

Middle School

Sunday Night Youth tonight is Sock Wars! 4:30 - 6 PM in the Youth Room

Girl's Refuge this week! Wednesday - 6:30—7:30 PM in the Youth Room

For 6th - 8th Grade Girls

Handbell Players Needed! If you would like to become involved in our handbell ministry & have basic understanding of counting, in Feb. 2 - 3 players are needed in the Solid Rock Ringers. This group meets on Tuesdays from 5 - 5:45 p.m.

Choir opportunity for 5th Graders - starting this Tues., Jan. 24th, 5th graders interested in singing are being given another choir opportunity. This group will be called the Alpha & Omega Jr. Ensemble & will practice with the Alpha & Omega Sr. Ensemble at 6:15 - 6:45 p.m. Rehearsals will be kept short for serious but busy singers.

If you are interested in either of these music opportunities, contact Denise at 482-1049 or gbumcmusic@verizon.net.

"Anointed, Transformed, Redeemed"

Thursdays from 7 - 9 p.m. in room 132, we will offer a 6 - week study of David, called "Anointed, Transformed, Redeemed." There is some homework & great DVD sessions by Kay Arthur, Priscilla Shirer & Beth Moore. If you are interested, please contact Kathy Case at 482-4943. Everyone is welcome - dudes, chicks, young & old.

United Methodist Men hosted Bible Study - "The Thirteen Apostles"

Twelve men personally chosen by Jesus to lead in his ministry of spreading God's word and love - and later, a thirteenth. If asked, few of us could name them all; and yet, Jesus left his mission and message in the care of this small group of men. Today, their spiritual descendants fill the world. Everyone is invited to join us on Wed., Jan. 25th at 6:30 p.m. in room 136 as we continue our journey with the group that walked with Jesus.

Final Words from the Cross by Adam Hamilton

This small-group study DVD contains seven teaching sessions featuring Hamilton providing fresh insight into Jesus' final words at the cross through the perspective of those who witnessed the crucifixion. Then, he moves beyond the cross to Jesus' words to the disciples on the road to Emmaus and to those who were witnesses to the Resurrection. You can join this study beginning **Wednesday, Feb. 8th at 6:30 p.m. in room 119** or **Sunday, Feb. 19th at 9:30 a.m. in room 135** or **11 a. m. in room 109.**