

Welcome New Members

We welcome Tim and Janet Van Sant to the Front Street family. Tim and Janet raised their family in Bloomsburg, PA



followed by an 8 year layover in the Philadelphia area before relocating to Burlington to be near their daughter and grandchildren. Janet retired from teaching and Tim recently retired from the pharmaceutical industry. Janet is an avid knitter and stays busy teaching private piano while Tim enjoys hunting and gardening.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL | AUGUST 5 - 8 | 9 A.M. - NOON ROAR: LIFE IS WILD - GOD IS GOOD!

We have about 170 children registered for VBS. This is fantastic and exciting! Now we need your help. We need kitchen and craft helpers and people willing to shepherd the groups of children from one activity to another. This requires no special skill or training, just a willingness to serve. Please contact Marcy McAdams for details or to volunteer at marcy@frontstreetumc.org or call 336-227-6263.



WHY DID MY PARENTS VOLUNTEER? CONTINUED FROM FRONT COVER vital part of keeping our church healthy. Also, no one will argue with me, that children are often the heart strings to motivate us!

Front Street's children ministries are extra busy this summer. We are spreading Jesus Christ through hugs, smiles, and by being godly role models. Thank you to all my supporters, my thinkers, and to those who model a godly life. Let's all show the love of Christ through the examples that we have been taught.

Love you,
Ms. Marcy

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WHY DID MY PARENTS VOLUNTEER?

As a child, I often wondered why my father would help children build soap box derby cars in the basement. He would spend many hours repairing broken down cars for people that could not afford to take them to a repairman. My parents would spend many hours at our small Lutheran church doing landscaping, fixing doors, and cleaning the kitchen. My mom would always help feed and clothe families that were struggling financially, but would tell me we didn't have money to buy something.

I always wondered why? As I have aged and raised my children, my questions have been answered. God gives us talents to share and to help those in need. My father was blessed with the talent of building and working on cars, and my mom was blessed with compassion and understanding. They blessed me by teaching me to be a godly example in this unforgiving world.

The Bible directs us to share our faith, and working with children can help with that mission. One of my favorite Bible verses is 1 John 3:18, "Dear children, let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth." What we say is very important, but actions and being nurturing are just as important.

I am sure there are many reasons why you may not be involved at Front Street. I realize that parents of young children need a break. Maybe you feel like you've already done your part. Maybe you feel insecure or lack the experience to serve others. Perhaps you are simply just too busy! I'm sure there are lots of other reasons why we don't serve in our church. The fact still remains that you serve a

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A LOOK AHEAD:

GROWING IN CHRIST

ELEMENTARY SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED

Do you enjoy helping youngsters grow in their faith? Our Elementary Sunday School Program needs you for the new school year (**September 2019 - May 2020**). Join one of our teaching teams for our 2nd-5th grade classes, as a lead teacher or assistant teacher twice a month. The curriculum we use makes it easy to create a fun filled learning environment where children will grow their faith in leaps and bounds. Please contact Marcy (marcy@frontstreetumc.org) for details.



- pasta
- pasta sauce (no glass jars please)
- canned beans
- cans of corn or mixed vegetables
- canned meat
- cans of fruit
- rice
- snack packs (Jell-O or fruit cups)

Please deposit your donations in the Welcome Center. This collection will continue **through August 31**.

AZALEA MINISTRY SUMMER DATES

This summer our Azalea Team will share the love of Jesus with our friends at Azalea MHP on the following days: **Saturday, July 13, 10:00 a.m. - noon and Saturday, August 17, time to TBD.**

All are welcome to join us for these gatherings of fun and fellowship. Parking at Azalea is very limited, so please meet at FSUMC to carpool. Contact Pastor Patrick (patrick@frontstreetumc.org) for details.

OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE

We are searching for someone to assume the duties of head collector at the 11 a.m. Sunday service for the months of September, January, and May. This person needs to be in the narthex between 10:45 a.m. and 10:50 a.m. on the aforementioned Sundays, and sign up collectors as they enter the church. The task is not difficult. There is a system in place to cover any Sundays you may be absent. Please call Phil Minton for more information, 336-584-1722.



INVITATION TO MEET NEW DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT AND ADS

You're invited to a greeting/get-to-know time with our new District Superintendent, Rev. Mike Frese, and Assistant to the District Superintendent, Sarah Carter. On the evening of **July 16** from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m., Front Street will host a time for area congregational leaders to come and get to know our new DS and ADS.

Mike and Sarah are looking forward to learning about the District and getting to know the pastors and lay leadership. To facilitate this, they are planning to have a number of opportunities to meet with lay people close to their areas of ministry. The Corridor District is large, and they want to learn about the different contexts in which ministry is taking place. The focus will be on getting to know one another as persons, and defining the contexts of ministry in which churches find themselves.

Prayers

- **Marty Crank** recovering from knee replacement surgery
 - **Betty Saffelle** recovering from hip surgery
 - **Taylor and Nancy Wilson** upon the death of his father, Russell Read Wilson, on 5/18
- Continued Prayers
- **Bill Sharpe**

Congratulations

Congratulations to Julie and Chandler Cox upon the birth of their daughter, Josephine Madeline, born on June 19. Proud grandparents are Randy and Louise Cox, and great-grandparents are Tom and Lynn Chandler.

Laura Sam, FSUMC Choirmaster, has been named the Artistic Director of the Women's Voices Chorus of Chapel Hill. Congratulations Laura! Learn more at <https://womensvoiceschorus.org/about/director/>.

CEREAL SUNDAY

Don't forget **August 4** is Cereal Sunday at FSUMC! Please deposit cereal or other canned/dry goods in the tubs in the cabinet in the Welcome Center. Thank you for helping stock the food pantry at the Salvation Army.



FINANCIAL GIVING UPDATE

YTD Actual Giving - \$622,578.60
YTD Budgeted Giving - \$744,389.03

SHARING CHRIST

WELCOME BACK EASTLAWN STUDENTS

Eastlawn students will be returning to school on **Monday, July 22**.



Come out and support the children by welcoming them back to school red carpet style! We will meet at the church at 6:30 a.m., carpool to the school, and return by 8 a.m. Contact Marcy McAdams for details.

BUCKNER MISSION MAN TRIATHLON, JULY 27

Lake Cammack Park and Marina, Burlington, NC

The Buckner Mission Man Triathlon is an annual event which raises money for the missions of FSUMC, over \$580K since its inception. We need **YOU** on our team! Individuals (all ages) are needed to assist with the event (6:00-11:00 a.m.) in body marking, registration, refreshments, directing course traffic, manning water stations, and the finish line. More information and race registration can be found at www.missionmantriathlon.com or by contacting Amanda Warren (fosterunc@aol.com or 336-317-0715) or Susan Morris (susiecmorris@yahoo.com or 443-823-8735).



AUGUST FOOD DRIVE

Front Street's Backpack Ministry supplies food for children at Eastlawn Elementary who would otherwise go hungry over the weekend. In the month of August we are asking for the following specific food items which will be used to support our Backpack Ministry.



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Senior Pastor
Ross Carter

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Patrick Murphy

Youth Minister
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Director of Children's Ministry
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