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This Week at Front Street

Sunday, April 20 8:45 Worship Service 9:00 Aldersgate Service 9:45 Sunday School 9:45 Reception for Jonathan Blalock AH 11:00 Worship Service 4:45 Wesley Ringers/Youth Bells BR 5:30 Snack Supper AH 6:00 UMYF YC 6:00 Confirmation 304 6:00 Dr. Efirid Bible Study CR Monday, April 21 7:30 Education JWR	Tuesday, April 22 7:30 Men's Breakfast Bible RA Study Group 9:30 Tuesday Morning Bible Study 305 5:30 Mission Man Mtg. HC 6:15 Epworth Ringers BR Wednesday, April 23 4:00 Cherub Choir 401 4:00 Carol Choir 404 6:00 Praise Singers CR 7:00 Carousel Smockers 303 7:30 Chancel Choir CR	Thursday, April 24 Friday, April 25 Saturday, April 26 Sunday, April 27 - Confirmation Sunday 8:45 Worship Service 9:00 Aldersgate Service 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship Service 5:00 Children's Music Program Chapel 5:30 Reception RA 5:30 Parent/Youth Mtg. AH 6:00 UMYF YC 6:00 Dr. Efirid Bible Study CR
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Many Thanks!

We want to thank **Chuck and Flora Hall Davis** for building and helping with our Easter Cross. Thanks to all the children and families who brought beautiful flowers to decorate the cross. It was a wonderful addition to our Easter Service.



Flower Calendar

- April 20 - Larry & Mary Ellen Osius
- 27 - Nancy Garner
- May 4 - June Reid
- 11 - Tammye & Doug Wilson
- 18 - Haggins Wedding
- 25 - Bert & Julian Mims

STAFF:

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Associate Pastor
Robert W. Simpson
Director of Christian Education and Programs
Cynthia D. Powell
Minister of Visitation
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Preschool Director
Barbara K. Long
Afterschool Director
Catherine H. Mills

Notes from the Pastor's Desk...

IN MISSION TOGETHER

Rev. Sam Dixon, Deputy General Secretary of The United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) will bring the message at 8:45 and 11:00 a.m. this Sunday. I asked Sam via email to identify his text and title, and learned that he wants to focus on Acts 16:9-10 with the title, "In Mission Together." In this short text, Paul reports his dream of the Macedonian man pleading that he "come over and help them." The passage concludes with the statement that Paul is on his way.

As we gather for worship this Sunday, we want to celebrate "A Sunday for Sochi." This is our opportunity to learn more about our sister-congregation in Sochi, Russia, Transfiguration United Methodist, and its pastor, Rev. Pererva. Front Street United Methodist provides this pastor's salary in order for him to concentrate on ministering to his congregation. There is no church building, rather the congregation meets in the

ASP DINNER AND AUCTION WAS A BIG SUCCESS!

The ASP dinner and auction held Saturday night was a big success. We want to give a big thank you to everyone who donated items and those who bid on and purchased them. Through the generosity of these individuals we raised over \$9,000 towards our mission trip to Buchanan County, Virginia this summer.

We would also like to give a special thanks to Louise Cox and Donna Ashley (and their husbands Randy and Joe) for all the preparations and serving of the meal. We received lots of compliments on the dinner from patrons. Thanks to Laura Michel for all the pre-event publicity and posters of auction items. Melanie Hawks was a tremendous help with the calculating of bidder totals and preparing the checkout procedures. And of course we cannot thank our Auctioneer John "Dead Cat" Black enough for his entertainment and hard work to make this auction so successful.

There was one item in the auction, a beautiful hand-stitched quilt, that was donated but we have not been able to determine the donor. Please let Derek know if you know who the individual is so we can thank them.

ASP Mission Team of 2008

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Sympathy and Prayers to Mr. & Mrs. Jim (Robin) Weston upon the death of her grandmother, Mary Watts, April 11.

Please Join Us!

You are invited to join the church family on **Sunday, April 20**, immediately following the Aldersgate Worship Service (approximately 9:45 am) for a reception honoring **Jonathan Blalock**. Jonathan has served as our Associate Director of Music and is leaving Front Street UMC to relocate to Fort Worth, Texas. The reception is in Aldersgate Hall. Please come and express your gratitude to Jonathan for his ministry among us.

UMYF News

There will be a Parents/Youth meeting on Sunday, April 27, beginning at 5:30 p.m., in Aldersgate Hall. This will be a covered dish meal (drinks will be provided), so please bring something to share. We will welcome our new group of Junior High youth after their Confirmation and the summer schedule will be presented.

On Sunday, May 4, the Burlington District UMYF Chicken Pickin' will be held at Cedarrock Park. We will leave the church at 1:45 p.m. Cost per person is \$5 for the BBQ chicken. One or two parents will be needed as chaperones for this event, and your dinner cost will be paid for. If you are interested, please let Derek know.

The Men's Breakfast Bible Study Group will meet for a breakfast of cream chip beef, oven toast, hash browns, scrambled eggs and diet breakfast on Tuesday, April 22, at 7:30 a.m., in the Reading Area. Afterward, Jim Pace will continue with the study of 2 Samuel, Chapter 24. Those interested in attending should contact Sidney Wayne (226-8904) or Reece Haywood (227-2275).

**United Methodist Women's
2008 Spiritual Enrichment Retreat**
"For the Love of Jesus"
A Spiritual Growth Retreat
May 16 & 17
Hay Street UMC, Fayetteville, NC

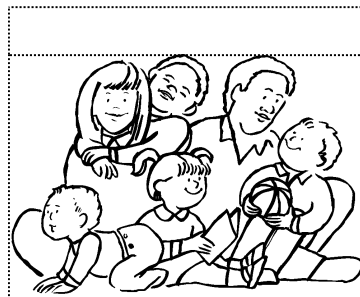
Leader - Rev. Laura Early, Pastor of All God's Children Church in Aulander

Reservation forms can be found in the Church Office or contact Glenda Milligan, UMW President.

Deadline: May 1st

Oh What a Night!!

The Burlington District Laity Rally was held Sunday evening at Davis Street UMC with 332 people present. There was wonderful singing by the District Choir, inspirational testimonies by the Bellemont United Methodist Youth, a challenging message by Steve Taylor, Director of North Carolina Conference Missions Development, and outstanding Lay Ministries from 11 churches. Front Street was recognized as a Rainbow Covenant Church of Missions and was recognized as the Burlington District Lay Ministry of the Year with the Wheelchair Ramp Ministry which is coordinated by John Pratt. Many thanks to all of the members of Front Street who attended the Lay Rally. A special thanks to JoAnn Barbour, Burlington District Lay Leader and Front Street Lay Leader, for all her hard work in making the District Lay Rally such a special night.



NURSERY WORKERS

Cynthia for an application.

SPECIAL GIFTS

Herman Blue Memorial Habitat House

*In memory of Herman Blue
In memory of Phil Grady
In memory of Chris Wilkinson*
by:

The Genesis Sunday School Class

Endowment Fund

*In memory of Wilbur Hooper by:
Charles Coble, Jr.*

Music Fund

*In honor of Mr. & Mrs. Fred
Genaway's 60th Wedding Anniversary*
by:

Mr. & Mrs. Harold Younger and Kyle

**Tuesday, April
22, is Earth
Day.**



Caring For God's Creation wonders what you are doing to celebrate? Need some hints? How about something as simple as planting a tree or planting some flowers? Try using the bags you have (or purchasing earth friendly ones) to bring home your groceries and eliminate using the plastic bags. Give earth friendly products a try. If you don't like the brand you bought, try another brand. Don't give up! Keep looking for ways to make God's earth healthier -- after all, we will be held accountable for what we do. *Isaiah 24:4-6*. The earth dries up and withers, the world languishes and withers, the exalted of the earth languish. The earth lies under its inhabitants; for they have transgressed the laws, violated the statutes, and broken the everlasting covenant. Therefore a curse consumes the earth; its people must bear their guilt.

ATTENTION YOUTH:

We are in the process of recruiting youth Nursery Workers. This position is open to 11th and 12th Graders ONLY. Paid nursery workers serve in the Infant, Toddler, and Two & Three Year Old nurseries during the 8:45 and 11:00 a.m. worship service, assisting an adult. You will be required to get a work permit as well as have Safe Sanctuaries Training. If you are interested, see

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apartment. Our hope is to assist Transfiguration with the purchase of land. In addition to learning about the ministry this Sunday, we also have a chance to support the ministry with a special offering. It is my prayer that together we will offer generous support to provide resources for pastoral compensation and purchase of land.

The Book of Acts states that after Paul received his vision he moved into action. Christian mission must always follow the vision Jesus lays on our hearts. While it is important to "do good," the Church of Jesus Christ engages in mission, not for its own sake, but because we model Jesus to the world. Put another way, "we love because He first loved us." I invite you to hear Rev. Dixon this Sunday as Front Street UMC celebrates "A Sunday for Sochi." Please remember that you are invited to join Sam for lunch following the 11:00 service at The Cutting Board. Please call the church office to establish a reservation.

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National Day of Prayer

"PRAYER! AMERICA'S STRENGTH & SHIELD" is the theme for the National Day of Prayer on Thursday, **May 1**, 2008. (Based on Psalm 28:7) This special annual event, established by Congress in 1952, urges Americans of all faiths to set aside time to pray specifically for our nation and its leaders.

Both our Chapel and Prayer Room will be open for individuals who would like to pray anytime throughout the day, 8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. Materials will be available with the names of our elected officials - national, state, and local, so that we may pray for them, as well as a guide to pray for our families, churches, and world. God calls us to "pray and humble ourselves with repentant hearts, and He will forgive us and heal our land." (2 Chronicles 7:14) What an awesome privilege, honor and duty as Christians to pray for our nation and its people, especially with the upcoming elections this year!

Please plan to set aside time on May 1st to be a part of this Prayer Event.

The Prayer Ministry Team

Underground Childcare

Underground Summer Day Camp students will offer childcare on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. for children, ages 1 - 5.

Underground students have completed grades 6,7, and 8 and will be supervised by Ally Osborne. Ally is a student at ACC and has worked in the Afterschool and Summer Day Camp Programs for 5 years.

Childcare will begin Tuesday, June 24. The fee is \$10.00 per child per day. Children bring their lunch and milk is provided. A mid-morning snack of juice and crackers is served.

Church members have first priority for this program if they register before **April 23**. Reservations for any session may be made by calling Catherine Mills at 227-6772.



ORDER OF WORSHIP THIS SUNDAY, APRIL 20

Scripture: Acts 7:55-60; Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16;
1 Peter 2:2-10; John 14:1-14
SANCTUARY SERVICES - 8:45 a.m. (†) & 11:00 a.m. (††)

Sermon:

"In Mission Together" - Rev. Sam Dixon
Acts 16:9-10

Music:

Epworth Ringers : Celebration, Cynthia Dobrinski
Canon, Johann Pachelbel
Rondo Passacaglia, Cynthia Dobrinski
† It Is Well With My Soul,
Martha Lynn Thompson
†† Salvation Is Created, Pavel Tschesnokoff, Chancel Choir

Organ Voluntary of Sigfrid Karg-Elert

ALDERSGATE SERVICE - 9:00 a.m.

Scripture: Acts 16:9-10

Sermon: - Rev. Robert Simpson

SUNDAY SCHOOL WORKERS

Van Driver - Sam Morrah
Sunday School Greeters
Frances Dickson
Infant/Toddler Nursery
SS & Worship
(Room 306 & 308)
Jennifer & Steve Smith
Nursery Worker
(SS & Worship)
Kimberly McAdams
Two Year-Old Nursery
SS & Worship (Room 101)
Caroline & Robert Wahoff
Three & Four Year Old SS
(Room 103)
Beth Inabnit & Elly Myers

WORSHIP WORKERS

8:45 Greeters
Marie Ray & Peggy Glosek
11:00 Greeters
Amy & Bob Chandler
Children's Church
Cynthia Powell
Acolytes
† Rachel Daughtry
†† Hunter Abner & Bailey Brown
Crucifers
† Rebecca Johnson
†† Allen Canaday
Quick Reaction
June & Howard Fogleman
Pew Pad Puller - Gatlin Chandler

EMERGENCY PRAYER CONTACTS

Becky Joyner (Pastors' Secretary) - 227-6263
Wayne & Sandra Beal - 584-6218
Salley Bradford - 584-74101

You can also e-mail your prayer requests to prayer@frontstreetumc.org
All requests will be handled confidentially by the Emergency Prayer Ministry Team.

F.I.S.H.

THE
GOOD
SAMARITAN

Storytelling

Heather Lakey & Heidi O'Neal
Art - Barbara Long
Video - Flora Hall Davis
Music/Games - Robin Weston

Shepherds

K - 1st Grade Kelly McDonald
2nd Grade - Marti Strickland
3rd Grade - Andi Metts
4th & 5th Grades - Lisa McDaniel

