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This Week at Front Street

Sunday, April 13 8:45 Worship Service 9:00 Aldersgate Service 11:00 Worship Service 4:30 Teen Bible Study 304 5:30 UMYF/Confirmation AH Snack Supper 6:00 UMYF YC	Tuesday, April 15 7:30 Men's Breakfast Bible Study Group RA 9:30 Tuesday Morning Bible Study 305 6:15 Epworth Ringers BR 7:00 Stephen Ministers Peer Supervision 305	Thursday, April 17 7:00 Stephen Ministers Peer Supervision 305
Monday, April 14 10:00 United Methodist Citizens RA 12:30 Children's Council 305	Wednesday, April 16 10:00 Stephen Ministers Peer Supervision 305 12:30 Lunch & Learn Bible Study JWR 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	Saturday, April 19 7:00 Alamance Chorale Dinner And Show AH
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Notes from the Pastor's Desk...

WITH US TO GUIDE

Many years ago, my father decided that his growing family needed a larger home. His solution was to remodel our existing house. Of course, with four young children, living in the midst of construction was not much of an option for my mother. After looking around, she and my father decided to move in temporarily with my grandmother.

My grandmother's home was of the old farm house variety. By today's standards, it offered no amenities. From a child's point of view, it had everything. The steps to the second floor came with a banister. I could slide to my heart's content. It had a big kitchen from which every kind of good food came. During winter, Grandma would turn on the oven and throw open the doors to heat the kitchen – not very

ASP Dinner & Auction



**Saturday
April 12
6:00 p.m.
Aldersgate Hall**

Tickets are \$5.00 per person with a \$20.00 family cap.

Some great items will be available to bid on. Come for a great time of food, fun, and fellowship!



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A Sunday for Sochi

Rev. Sam Dixon, Deputy General Secretary of The United Methodist Committee on Relief [UMCOR], will be our guest preacher at 8:45 and 11:00 am on Sunday, April 20th. Sam has been a part of United Methodist Missions since 1998 and, until last October, had primary leadership responsibility for the Russia Initiative.

As a participating congregation in the Russia Initiative, Front Street UMC has a covenant with Transfiguration UMC in Sochi, Russia. We provide a portion of Rev. Alexander Prevera's salary each year. Additionally, we hope to assist this church in the purchase of land for their first building.

On April 20th we will receive a special offering which will allow members to offer gifts to either pastoral salary support, land purchase, or both causes. We hope you will prayerfully consider a gift for this unique ministry.

Following the 11:00 service, Sam will join interested persons for lunch at The Cutting Board. Sam will have the opportunity to speak more directly to the nature and function on United Methodist missions and the Russia Initiative. If you would like to attend the lunch, please call the church office to make a reservation.



Altar Flowers

April 13 - Nancy & John Lewis
 20 - Larry & Mary Ellen Osius
 27 - Nancy Garner
 May 4 - June Reid
 11 - Tammye & Doug Wilson
 18 - Haggins Wedding
 25 - Bert & Julian Mims

Prayers and sympathy to **Bobbi & Tom Pate** on the death of her mother, **Peggy Hall**, April 7, 2008.

The Men's Breakfast Bible Study Group will meet for a breakfast of country ham, scrambled eggs, grits, biscuits, and diet breakfast on Tuesday, April 15, at 7:30 a.m., in the Reading Area. Afterward, Jim Pace will continue with the study of 2 Samuel, Chapter 23. Those interested in attending should contact Ben Coble (270-4557) or Julian Mims (584-5443).



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Special Gifts

Karak Project

In honor of Dr. Jim Pace by:
 Upper Room SS Class

Missions Projects

In honor of Rev. Robert W. Simpson by
 Upper Room SS Class

Music Fund

In memory of David Koontz by
 Margaret Isley



Watch for Two special letters arriving in your mailbox!

You don't want to miss these 2 special events on

April 20, 2008

Reception for Jonathan Blalock

and

Sam Dixon presentation On Russia Initiative

United Methodist Citizens

Front Street United Methodist Citizens will meet Monday, April 14th in the Reading Area at 10:00 a.m. Our guest speaker will be Gail Moore. The Program is *Seniors, Home Instead*. There will be a time of fellowship and refreshments afterwards.

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energy efficient, but warm and inviting.

Over the years, I've had the opportunity to think about this experience. My grandmother's house was no mansion, but it was filled with love. I've come to realize that my Father's House is much the same – only greater! As Jesus sought to reassure his disciples, He reminded them of a wonderful home which was prepared for them. More than anything else, it was a place filled with the Father's love.

As we gather for worship this Sunday, Jesus' words about "a house with many rooms" will be our focus. Our Lord offers these words as a guide. Won't you join us this week to hear more about where Jesus is leading?

Marshall



RECEPTION

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.



He took the children in his arms.

Jesus said, "I tell you the truth, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it." And he took the children in his arms, put his hands on them and blessed them.

Mark 10:15-16

When solutions elude us, we can rest in God's love.

ORDER OF WORSHIP THIS SUNDAY, APRIL 13

Scripture:

Acts 2:42-47; Psalm 23; 1 Peter 2:10-25
 John 10:1-10

SANCTUARY SERVICES - 8:45 a.m. (†) & 11:00 a.m. (††)

Sermon:

† "A Shepherd's Presence" - Rev. Robert Simpson
 †† "With Us to Guide" - Rev. Marshall Old

Music:

†† Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life
 Vaughan Williams
 Chancel Choir, Dr. Edward Bach, Trumpet
 Voluntaries for Trumpet and Organ by Gottfried Finger,
 G. F. Handel and David German

ALDERSGATE SERVICE - 9:00 a.m.

Scripture: John 14:1-14

Sermon: "With Us to Guide" - Rev. Marshall Old

Music:

Guest Musicians: Wesley Ringers/Youth Bells
 Jonathan Blalock, Director

SUNDAY SCHOOL WORKERS

Van Driver -
 David Hoxie
 Sunday School Greeters
 Marianna & Gary Harris
 Infant/Toddler Nursery
 SS & Worship
 (Room 306 & 308)
 Becky & David Johnson
 Nursery Worker
 (SS & Worship)
 Jamie Glassford
 Two Year-Old Nursery
 SS & Worship (Room 101)
 Robert & Caroline Wahoff
 Three & Four Year Old SS
 (Room 103)
 Beth Inabnit & Allison Moran

WORSHIP WORKERS

8:45 Greeters
 Tina & Lloyd Manning
 11:00 Greeters
 Doris & Roger Jefferson
Children's Church
 Leslye White & Tori Stadler
Acolytes
 † Anna Bearden
 †† Kathryn Metts & David Budd
Crucifers
 † Kristen Hackbarth
 †† Spencer Budd
Quick Reaction -
 Lee & Jeannie Proctor
Pew Pad Puller -
 Brittany Weston

EMERGENCY PRAYER CONTACTS

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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 Melanie Hawks
 2nd Grade - Lorraine Desern
 3rd Grade - Gade Lander
 4th & 5th Grades - Amy Chandler