

Announcements

Let's Go Tubing! Sunday, August 4th After Worship

On August 4th after worship we have the opportunity to gather at James River Runners to tube down the James! Everyone is invited! \$26 per person. Cooler tubes are \$10. Bring your family, your friends, your co-workers, your neighbors!

Contact carolynmcgee@cvillefirstumc.org to make your reservation.

C'ville Youth Collective Summer Meet-Up: Tuesday, July 23rd at 2pm

Join us every Tuesday this summer between 2-4pm! Please contact connect@cvillefirstumc.org if you need a ride or have questions. The C'ville Youth Collective is a collection of local Charlottesville Methodist Youth Programs for kids in grades 6th through 12th.



Creative Worship: TODAY at 4pm

Join us today in the Fellowship Hall for Creative Worship: Foundations of the Earth: Rock Painting.

Gallery Exhibition: Please take some time to view our new gallery exhibition.

Former members **Helen Edmunds** and her husband **Pete Edmunds** (both have passed away) were great supporters of the arts in Charlottesville. Helen, educated as an artist, taught at the secondary level, and was part of the Working Women Artist Group and a member of a Lansing, Michigan, artists' co-op. She described herself as a painter, collagist, and printmaker. There are some prints also in the show that are from **McCrea Kudravetz'** collection of Helen's work. Enjoy the deep, rich night colors and textures used in these creative prints and collages.

Tacos and Poetry: Thursday, July 25th at 6pm

Thursday at 6 PM come enjoy Tacos & Poetry with Pastor Alex at Brazos Tacos in Ix Park. This week we'll be looking at the theme of Crying out to God and looking at a few sample poems. Look for Pastor Alex at an outdoor table. The series continues until Aug. 15.

The Charlottesville Clergy Collective presents the Seventh Year Remembrance of the August 11 & 12, 2017 White Nationalist Rally

Sunday, August 11, 4:00 to 6:00 pm | Sojourners United Church of Christ, 1017 Elliott Ave.

Four CCC members will share their experience of those two days and how they have coped with the trauma of hate and violence. Afterwards, attendees will be invited to share and process their experiences with each other through reflection questions. Copies of the book *Standing Up to Hate* will be available for purchase for \$15.00.

Scuba VBS - Open for Registration!

July 29th - August 2nd, 9:00 am-12:00 pm

Scuba VBS is still open for registration!! Registration will take place inside the Realm App. Contact Lara Upton at children@cvillefirstumc.org with questions and to sign up to volunteer!

Bread and Blessings

Looking for a short-term volunteer opportunity? Help cut up & bag watermelon directly after the Sunday worship service throughout the summer as we plan to hand out the watermelon as part of Bread and Blessings meal on Mondays! No experience needed and all ages welcome, although children must be accompanied by an adult. Come once or every Sunday!

Contact Chris Roehl at catcar24@yahoo.com.

Solar Panel Parking Update! Parking Extremely Limited Until August 15th

From now until August 15th, parking in our church parking lot is going to be extremely limited due to the construction on the roof for our Solar Panel Installation Project. During the week, please only park in the lot if you have already spoken to our Facilities Manager, Keith (fm@cvillefirstumc.org). We will only have about 5 spaces available each day. Thank you for your understanding!

Adult Bible Studies

Faith Seekers - Room 208, 8:45am Sundays

The Faith Seekers Class is studying PSALMS: Prayers of the Heart. This is a collection of beautiful psalms, poems, and laments. All of them provide a unique way of relating to, praying to, and communicating with God. All are welcome! info - kjberlin56@gmail.com

Faith Explorers — Room 308, 11:15am Sundays

The Faith Explorers class is reading the book, *Transforming: The Bible & the Lives of Transgender Christians*. Many people lack understanding of gender identity and the transgender experience. Transforming weaves ancient and modern stories that will change the way readers think about gender, the Bible, and the faith to which Jesus calls us. Join us as we learn how to become a more inclusive community of faith. Contact Bill Clarke at janebillclarke@earthlink.net

Adult Fellowship Group — 11:15am Sundays

Beginning July 14th, please join us to explore what it takes to live the courageous life Jesus offers us, guided by a book and DVD by Tom Berlin, "Courage: Jesus and the Call to Brave Faith". For further details, contact Pat Graham at the email Annew41@outlook.com.

Young Adult Fellowship — 1st and 3rd Sundays at 11:30am — Meet after Portico Café in the 3rd Floor Youth Room

For anyone who considers themselves a young adult (likely in your 20's or 30's), here is the space for you to get connected. Our discussions are inspired by the riveting, action-packed story of David in 1st & 2nd Samuel. No need to read ahead of time! Contact madisonmcmanners@cvillefirstumc.org for more information.

Men's Bible Study — Wegmans, 8am Tuesdays

The group is studying the book "Why did Jesus, Moses, the Buddha, and Mohammed Cross the Road?". It is by Brian McLaren and in this book, he seeks to answer two questions: Can you be a committed Christian without having to condemn or convert people of other faiths? Is it possible to affirm other religious traditions without watering down your own? All are invited. Contact Jim Berlin jimberlin79@gmail.com or Dave Wheatley wheat1506@gmail.com for more information.

Young Parents Class- Youth Room (3rd Floor)- 2nd and 4th Sundays at 11:30am

The Young Parents Class will be delving into Matt Rawle's study, *Jesus Revealed: The I Am Statements in the Gospel of John*. Together, explore the "I Am" statements in John as works of art that resonate throughout the Gospel. Together, let's experience the profound truth at the heart of the "I Am" statements: that Jesus is light and life, and He calls us to himself and offers us the hope of resurrection. This class meets on the second and fourth Sundays. Childcare is provided. See Patricia Hott for information.

ONE THING MINISTRY

The One Thing Ministry for July will benefit the Barrett Early Learning Center on Ridge Street. This is the oldest childcare facility in the Commonwealth, offering education, nurture, and care for underserved children in our area (since 1935!)

Watercolor paper (9"x12") & paint & trays
Tempera (washable) paint
Play-Doh & tools
Stamp pads (washable)
Construction paper (various colors)
Dry erase markers (low odor/chisel tip)
Dot markers & washable markers
Glue sticks (jumbo sized) & liquid school glue
Crayons (jumbo sized)
Paint brushes (large brush tips) & Paint stamps
Crafting/bracelet/necklace beads (large holes) & elastic cord (2mm)
Crafting feathers, pom-poms, googly eyes, gemstones
Finger paint & finger paint paper
Kinetic/moldable play sand
Bubble wands & bubble solution
Sound books (e.g., animal sound buttons)
Puzzles (floor puzzles, small wooden 24-48 pieces, sound puzzles)
Sand box toys & Sidewalk chalk
Foam outdoor balls
Toy cars/trucks, animals, dinosaurs, etc.

We are excited to share the generosity of Christ with Barrett Early Learning Center!