

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR FEBRUARY 5, 2012

CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATHY is expressed to the family of *Edna Martin*. Please remember her family in prayer at this time.

THE FLOWERS in our Sanctuary are given in honor of *Johnny and Ronda Myers* for their 50th wedding anniversary by John, Allison, Jack and Alexandra Yankech.

LET'S SHARE OUR LOVE by sending cards to Thelma Hord (209 West Elliott St., Fort Mill SC 29715) and Beeler Mason (Agape Senior, 1785 Lexington Common Dr., Rock Hill SC 29732). This message is sponsored by the Ladies' Bible Class.

ALL ARE INVITED - Please join the **UNITED METHODIST WOMEN** on Monday, February 6th at 7:00 PM in the St. John's Fellowship Center to hear Cathi Neesam, Prevention Specialist from Keystone Substance Abuse Services. The program will include emerging drug and alcohol trends that are finding their way into the hands of our children and teens. Let's learn together what they are, what they affect, where it is available, what concerns parents should have and what can be done about the issues for the protection of children, teens and the community. We encourage you to attend this program...together we can learn to make a difference. Light refreshments will be served. Childcare will be provided. **Due to program content, we ask that no one under the age of 21 attend.**

SJUMC KID'S CHOIR is back in full swing! Our Spring session will last 12 weeks running through the end of April. Our kids will get to sing in worship once a month rotating between the services. Our younger choir will be making instruments and learning how rhythm is used in music. Our older kids will have the chance to experiment with handbells and also will have the privilege to take a road trip to Gastonia for the annual Children's Choir Festival in March. Our Spring session will culminate with a wonderful celebration singing a favorite old hymn in a new way using homemade drums, solos, and lots of rhythm. Come see what all the excitement is about – Wednesdays 5:30-6:15 PM.

SCRIPTURE SNACKS SUNDAY is next Sunday. Please bring your snacks and our Children's Church participants will attach the scripture verses so they may be taken to the several outreach ministries that benefit from your gifts. Thank you for your generosity!

It is with a sad heart that I tell you that Mrs. Donna will no longer be in our nursery. She has worked with our children for almost 2 years and is ready to go back to the Adult world on Sunday morning. We are now in search of a **NURSERY WORKER**. If you are interested in working on Sunday mornings with our children, please contact Laura at the church or email at sjumckids@comporium.net.

A YOUTH BIBLE STUDY, Dave Ramsey's "Generation Change," is being offered beginning Sunday, Feb. 12, 6:00-7:00 PM in The Zone and will run for 8 sessions. Cost is \$19.99 for the student kit, which includes a workbook, t-shirt and pledge card. This class will show today's students how money really works, how God views money and how to grow into responsible young adults who are ready to embrace all of God's blessings! We have 8 currently enrolled in the class and you may contact Brenda Wilges at sjumcyouth@comporium.net by Feb. 6, if you would like your youth to attend.

Children and Youth will be collecting items for "**HEALTH KITS**" for UMVIM (United Methodist Volunteers in Mission) through Valentine's Day. Drop boxes are located in the Fellowship Center Lobby and outside the Sanctuary. You may donate individual items or prepare a complete Health Kit on your own. **Health kits include:** one hand towel, one washcloth, one comb, one nail file or two emery boards, one bar of soap in original wrapping, one toothbrush in original sealed package, six adhesive bandages. (Wrap the brand new items in the new hand towel, tie it with string or yarn, and place inside a sealed one-gallon plastic bag with a zipper enclosure.) You may also donate money to help purchase items for the kits or to help UMVIM defray the cost of shipping the kits. Checks should be made payable to St. John's UMC with "Health Kit" on the memo line.

SALKEHATCHIE is an intense Saturday to Saturday experience for anyone ages 14 and up to serve. We hope you'll consider participating in Salkehatchie Summer Service again—or for the first time—this year! The cost is \$215.00 and full payment is due by March 30, 2012. **You are encouraged to apply early (by March 1st!) as many camps filled up quickly last year.** You may go online at www.salkehatchie.org for an application and to find camp dates. For more information, you may contact Brenda Wilges, Youth Director at sjumcyouth@comporium.net.

Piedmont Medical Center needs **TREASURE CHEST ITEMS!!** The Pediatric department has a beautiful treasure chest that the children of St. John's UMC decorated during VBS many years ago. The treasure chest is a place that children can visit before or after receiving chemotherapy treatments or after a painful procedure. They can choose an item to help brighten their day. Please help us refill the chest. Ideas include but are not limited to: puzzles, coloring books and crayons, crib toys, stuffed animals, children's blankets and hats. Please bring your **NEW** item to the bin outside Laura's office through the month of February.

YOUR HELP would be appreciated in keeping the coffee pantry stocked. Both decaf and regular are needed. Just drop off your donation in the FC Kitchen (**3 lb. ground coffee, plastic container**). Thanks for your help!

IT'S OFFICIAL! St. John's now has Cub Scout Pack 130 and Boy Scout Troop 130. They will both meet on Wednesday nights at 7:00 PM, FC 108. Cubs are Grades 2-5 or must be age 8. Boy Scouts are Grade 6 or age 11 and continue through age 18. If you are interested, please come on Wednesday. If you have any questions, please contact Scott Gainey or Lee Richardson.

THE MISSION TEAM sends a great, big **Thank You** for the support you showed for the BBQ/Bluegrass fundraiser. It took a lot of work which came from many members of the church. A special thank you goes out to the UMW for providing those wonderful desserts. Look for a financial report next week on the funds we now have to show our love for those in need. All glory and praise to the Lord!

MEN'S SHELTER – We have two more opportunities to serve at the Bethel Men's Shelter. There is a sign-up sheet in the Fellowship Center Lobby for Monday, February 13. Please take a look at the list of needs and see what you can do. If you have any questions, please contact Jean Blackwelder (547-4813) or a member of the Missions Team.

CHURCH CALENDAR (Week of Feb. 5 – Feb. 12, 2012)

SUNDAY, Feb. 5

8:30 AM	Holy Communion
9:30-9:55 AM	Sanctuary Worship
10:00 AM	Sunday School Hospitality (FC)
11:00 AM	Sunday School
12:15 PM	Sanctuary Worship
12:30 PM	Family Ministries (FC)
	Jesus & The Gospels (210)
NO UMYF TODAY	
5:30 PM	Disciple I (FC 108)
	Disciple IV (FC 112)

MONDAY-FRIDAY

9:00 AM-12:00 PM	WEE School
------------------	------------

MONDAY, Feb. 6

6:30 PM	Board of Trustees (200)
7:00 PM	UMW Event (FC)

WEDNESDAY, Feb. 8

4:30-5:15 PM	Relentless (Sanc.)
5:30-6:15 PM	Children's Choirs (FC)
6:00-6:45 PM	Evening Meal (FC)
6:30 PM	Cub Pack 130 (FC 108)
7:00 PM	BS Troop 130 (FC 108)
	Chancel Choir (Sanc.)
	Missions Comm. (200)

THURSDAY, Feb. 9

6:15-7:45 PM	GS Troop 1564 (200 & 201)
--------------	---------------------------

FRIDAY, Feb. 10

6:00-9:00 PM	GS Troop 634/648 (201 & 204)
--------------	------------------------------

SUNDAY, Feb. 12

8:30 AM	Scripture Snacks
9:30-9:55 AM	Boy Scout Sunday
10:00 AM	Sanctuary Worship
11:00 AM	Sunday School Hospitality (FC)
4:00-5:30 PM	Sunday School
5:30 PM	Sanctuary Worship
	Sr. & Jr. UMYF (The Zone)
	Disciple I (FC 108)
	Disciple IV (FC 112)
	Jesus & the Gospels (210)
6:00-7:00 PM	Generation Change (The Zone)
6:30-8:00 PM	GS Troop 420 (201)

***** MENU: Hamburgers, Hot Dogs, & Fixins'*****

COST: Adults - \$6/Children under 10 - \$3

Set-up & Clean-up: Men's Softball Team