

## Announcements

### **All Saints' Day Daffodil Bulb Planting Opportunity: November 3<sup>rd</sup> after worship**

Spearheaded last year by Mackie Kudravetz and Marilyn Basham, CFUMC planted 100 daffodil bulbs in our flower beds by the parking lot. This past spring, they were so beautiful!

November 3, (All Saints' Day) after the 10am worship service, we will again have the opportunity to remember all the Saints who have gone before us by planting more bulbs! In April of 2025 they will burst forth in glory to give us joy and help in making Charlottesville a place of beauty. (Love the Whole City, Love the City Whole, Starting Right Here!) That morning a team of people will be present to guide you and lend a hand. If you have a bulb planter, please bring it along. Rain date: November 17. All are invited to purchase and plant a bulb for \$10. If you are interested, put "daffodil" in the memo line of your check or give on REALM to "Daffodil Bulbs" Questions? carolynmcgee@cvillefirstumc.org

### **November One Thing Ministry: Cville Sock Love**

The One Thing Ministry for the month of November will be supporting Cville Sock Love which was founded by servant hearted church members Lily and Lindsay Simpson.

Thanks in advance for your generous giving!

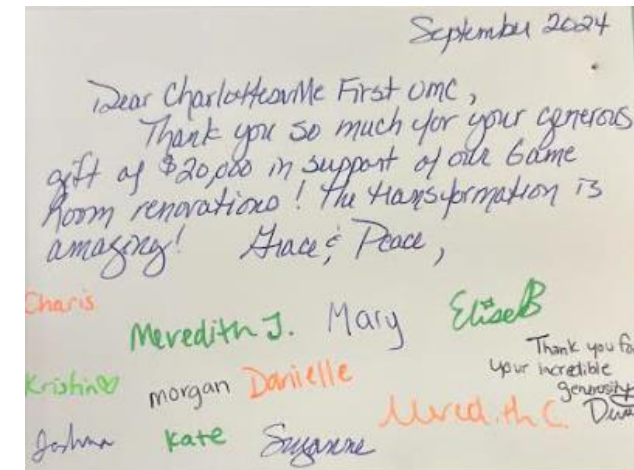
### **Trunk or Treat: TODAY from 3:00- 5:00pm:**

Join us for an afternoon of fun in the Charlottesville First UMC parking lot! Invite your friends! All ages are welcome!! Contact [connect@cvillefirstumc.org](mailto:connect@cvillefirstumc.org) if you have any questions.

### **Relief for Appalachia**

Following the devastating after effects of Hurricane Helene, the United Methodist Church and the Appalachian Service Project (ASP) are responding with opportunities to help. The Virginia UM Conference has set up a landing space at [vaumc.org/helene](http://vaumc.org/helene) with connections for prayer, emergency response team training, and a link to donate to the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR). Our partners in the Appalachian Service Project (ASP) are on the ground already in some of the most hard-hit areas and you can donate to that organization at <https://asphome.org/give/>.

### **Thank you letters from The Wesley Foundation at UVA**



## Young Adult Groups

### **Young Adult Fellowship – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sundays at 11:30am – Meet after Portico Café in room 312**

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 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Samuel. No need to read ahead of time!

Contact [madisonmcmanners@cvillefirstumc.org](mailto:madisonmcmanners@cvillefirstumc.org) for more information.

### **Young Parents Class- Youth Room (3<sup>rd</sup> Floor)- 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> 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.

## Adult Bible Studies

### **Faith Seekers - Room 208, 8:45am Sundays**

The Faith Seekers will be reading *The After Party Project Course*. The purpose of this study is to reorient Christian thinking about politics in an effort to heal political divisions in the church and cultivate key Biblical virtues like humility, kindness, and hopefulness in Christian political engagement. The After Party equips viewers to reorient their hearts on the person of Jesus such that our status as beloved sons and daughters of Christ comes before any partisan identity. This study is by Curtis Chang, David French, and Russell Moore and will include videos and discussion each week. All are welcome!

Contact [kjberlin56@gmail.com](mailto:kjberlin56@gmail.com)

### **Faith Explorers — Room 308, 11:15am Sundays**

Starting on October 20, Faith Explorers will begin a new study of John Newel's book, "Christ of the Celts". This study will explore some of the teachings of ancient Christianity, prior to the establishment of Christianity as the religion of the Roman empire and subsequent doctrinal practices. Celtic Christianity, which is still practiced today, is more about love and forgiveness than about judgement and doctrine. All are welcome to join with us as we prepare to celebrate once again the coming of Christ.

Contact Bill Clarke at [janebillclarke@earthlink.net](mailto:janebillclarke@earthlink.net) for more information.

### **Women at the Well- Room 308- 9:30 Thursdays**

The Women at the Well are now reading "Searching for Sunday" by Rachel Held Evans. This author describes faith as less of a club to belong to and more of a current to enter into. Her ideas are both comforting and slightly terrifying and really....isn't that what faith really is?

Come join us, and fall in love with God all over again!

Contact Carolyn McGee at [carolynmcgee@cvillefirstumc.org](mailto:carolynmcgee@cvillefirstumc.org)

### **Adult Fellowship Group —11:15am Sundays**

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](mailto:Annew41@outlook.com).

### **Men's Bible Study — Wegmans, 8am Tuesdays**

The Tuesday Morning Men's Study will be studying the N.T. Wright thoughts on the book of Matthew. His thoughtful insights will bring contemporary application of Scripture to life. All are invited.

Contact Jim Berlin [jimberlin79@gmail.com](mailto:jimberlin79@gmail.com) or Dave Wheatley [wheat1506@gmail.com](mailto:wheat1506@gmail.com) for more information.

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### **Church Door Code Change Coming**

To upgrade security for our preschool, all door codes will be changed as of Monday, Nov 11<sup>th</sup>. All previous door codes will be erased and new ones will be issued to church members who need to access the building outside of church hours. If you need to access the building during the hours of 8:30am-1:30pm Monday-Friday, please ring the doorbell outside the Welcome Center door. To receive a new code, contact the church office at [office@cvillefirstumc.org](mailto:office@cvillefirstumc.org).

### **Advent Devotional Book**

It's only October but it's time to start thinking about what you would like to contribute to the annual Advent Devotional Book! No need to be a professional writer, just think of a personal experience or a thought that might go along with our Advent theme which is a quote from Willa Cather, "Where there is great love, there are always miracles." Personal miracles can be big or small and when you think about it, what greater miracle is there than a baby, born of virgin, that came to save the world? The deadline for the devotionals to be sent to [carolynmcgee@cvillefirstumc.org](mailto:carolynmcgee@cvillefirstumc.org) is Nov. 18 but the earlier the better! The devotional books make a great gift for family and friends.

### **FUMP Thank You**

As Charlottesville First United Methodist Preschool (FUMP) Board Chair, I want to thank everyone for the opportunity to celebrate FUMP in worship this past Sunday. FUMP has existed as an important outreach ministry of this church family for 40 years and one can feel the ongoing excitement for the program simply by seeing the joy in each child's face when they run in the door every morning! If you would like to financially support our efforts, just put FUMP in the memo line of your check or in REALM, click on Preschool. Thank you in advance! ~ Marilyn Comfort

### **FUMP Spirit wear Fundraiser: orders due tomorrow!**

Our First United Methodist Preschool is selling Spirit wear. This is a great way to advertise for our preschool and support them financially. Scan the code to access the shop. All orders must be placed by Monday Oct. 28<sup>th</sup>.



### **Hinton Clothes Closet in need of donations**

The Hinton Clothes Closet is in need of tents and sleeping bags. Items can be dropped off between 10am and 1pm on Tuesdays.

### **Upcoming Hikes**

The Hiking group invites you to join us on a hike on Sat. Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> at Mint Springs Valley Park at 11:00am and a walk through UVA on Friday, Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> (rescheduled from Nov. 13<sup>th</sup>) at 9:30am.