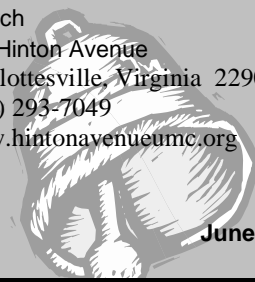


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Pastor's Letter

*My child, accept my words and
treasure up my commandments
within you, making your ear
attentive to wisdom and inclining
your heart to understanding. –
Proverbs 2:1-2*

*Never does nature say one thing
and wisdom another. – Juvenal*

Some of you may have recognized this about me. If not, it's a confession. I really, really like gathering bits of what I call wisdom. One of the gifts I got from my family one year before I was married was a very large book of wise sayings. Though I don't really reference it any more, I still consider it one of my favorite gifts. That's connected to another thing about me: when I find this "wisdom", I tuck it away to relish or ponder more deeply later. Sometimes, I've even tried to put it into practice, but not often. I may assimilate it into my subconscious and it becomes part of how I live. But I don't often consciously lay that wisdom out so I can actually begin to practice it – intentionally. That's the operative word for me – intentionally. I do yearn for wisdom, however. And I don't believe it's an elusive quality.

In a devotional called "Daily Good", researchers posed the questions: "Was Einstein wise

because of his intelligence? Was Mother Theresa wise because of her spirituality? According to their findings, wisdom isn't limited to a high IQ quotient or moral righteousness. It's something that can be learned and increased with age. Wow! Was I excited when I read that! And it indeed seems to ring true as I think about the people that I deem wise.

The research found that wisdom is a uniquely human characteristic defined by six prominent qualities: general knowledge of life, emotional regulation, insight, helpfulness to others, decisiveness and tolerance of different values.

So, there's the list I needed! But this time, I'm not tucking it away (I'm starring it in my email so I can go back to it later.) I've put these 6 traits in my journal and have begun to look at them almost every morning. I've gotten them pretty much memorized by now, and I believe they very much affect my vision for each moment, but most especially how I live. What if each of us cultivated our wisdom by practicing one of these 6 traits? What if we all kept these in front of us – for a month? Might we not only begin to cultivate them in ourselves, but also see them more readily in others?

~ Rosemary Welch, Pastor



What's Happening in Worship?

June 5th (Ascension Sunday) The

Question: What's the rush?

The Message: *Are We Just Hangin' Out?* (Acts 1:6-14)

Children's Message: *The Disciples Prepare for Ministry* (Acts 1:6-14)

June 12th (Pentecost Sunday) and Confirmation, The Question:

Just tell me what I'm supposed to do with chaos!?

The Message: *Where Order Resides* (Acts 2:1-21)

Children's Message: *Sure is Windy Today!*

June 19th (Trinity Sunday / Father's Day) Youth-Led Worship,

(Matthew 28:16-20)

Children's Message: *This is Good* (Genesis 1:1-2:4a)

June 26th (2nd Sunday after Pentecost) The Question: Have you been lucky lately?

The Message: *Something Better than Luck* (Genesis 22:1-14)

Children's Message: *A Kind Welcome* (Matthew 10:40-42)

Kits for Conference

Each year at Annual Conference church delegates bring "kits" that help replenish the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) supply. These go to UMCOR's Sager Brown Depot in Louisiana for distribution worldwide.

This year, Hinton Avenue will be collecting supplies for two different kits: Baby/Layette Kits and Birthing Kits. Supplies will be collected in the sanctuary and the kits will be dedicated prior to the **Annual Conference in Roanoke beginning June 15.**

Baby/Layette Kits: 6 cloth diapers; 2 shirts or 2 one-piece body suits; 21 baby washcloths; 2 gowns or sleepers; 2 diaper pins; 1 sweater open in front; 2 receiving blankets. Bundle the items inside one of the receiving blankets and secure with the diaper pins.

Birthing Kits: 1 hotel-size bar of soap (1 oz. and up); 1 pair clean latex gloves; 1 square yard of clear 4 ml plastic sheeting; 3 pieces of clean string each 12" long; 1 clean single use razor blade (carefully wrap the blade in paper or plastic to protect it and keep it from causing injury); 2 flannelette receiving blankets, each 1 square yard. Place these inside a sealed one-gallon plastic bag.

Questions regarding kit contents should go to the conference Mission Office at 1-800-768-6040, ext. 144, or (804) 521-1144, and by e-mail at <Mission@vaumc.org>.

Thank You

On behalf of AA, thank you for opening your church for today's workshop. Your continued support of Alcoholics Anonymous is appreciated.

Sincerely, Pat D. CPC Chair
Jefferson District

Clothes Closet



By Patricia Carter/Dot Collier

All clothing and household items welcome.



Food Pantry

When food shopping, remember to pick up a few items for our Food Pantry – use one of the various Gift Cards (Bob Braden spokesperson) for purchases and our Church is blessed twice. There is a never-ending need for this ministry to our community

2011 Staff, Committees and Chairpersons

Rosemary Welch – Pastor
John McLain – Youth Minister
Frances Marshall – Secretary
Edd Denham – Chair, Church Council
Bob Braden – Lay Leader
Sue Woodson – Chair, Trustees
Patricia Carter – Chair, Risk-Taking Mission & Service Team
Charles Talley – Chair, Passionate Worship Team
Jake Hultberg – Chair, Radical Hospitality Team
Vicki Bibb – Chair, Intentional Faith Development Team
Lindsay Walton – Chair, Extravagant Generosity Team
Pam Davis – Chair, Compassionate Nurture Team
Gary Bibb – Chancel Choir Director
Mark Sherriff – Handbell Choir Director
Jennifer Sandy – Organist
Tommy George -- Custodian



*Sundays, 5:00pm
Signing Class for youth
in Sanctuary*



*Handbell Practice,
Wednesdays, 5:30pm
Handbell Room, 1st Floor*



*Open (non)Auditions for the
Chancel Choir every
Thursday 6:30 pm in the
Chapel ☺*



2011 Graduates – congratulations

Bobby Braden, Albemarle HS
Mike Myers, Albemarle HS
Drew Campbell, University of
Mary Washington
Isaac Hopkins, The College of
William & Mary
Lin Walton, George Mason
University
Shane Welch, University of Alaska
Fairbanks
Sarah Welch (wife of Shane)
University of Alaska Anchorage



Youth News

By John McLain, Youth Minister

Summer is upon us again and the Youth Group is gearing up for exciting times!

After a great Spring, including our successful Art Fundraiser and hitting the streets with TOP, June looks to be more reflective.

For Father's Day, the Youth will be handling the Service. What a gift for all of our awesome dads!

Further into the summer, we have a trip planned to help those in need through **Project: Crossroads** for our Youth Mission trip.

June 2011 schedule:

June 5 (Sunday): Father's Day Service prep

June 12 (Sunday): Father's Day Service prep

June 19 (Sunday, Flex): Father's Day Service, Time with Dad

June 26 (Sunday): TBD

Father's Day Service prep youth groups will be held at Hinton Ave. UMC from 6:00 to 7:30pm. Dinner at 6:00pm, followed by prep with the Pastor for the service. Service will be held on Father's Day at 11:00am. Our youth group for Father's Day will be setting some time aside to spend with your Dad.

It doesn't have to be Sunday, but it should be sometime during that week. Happy Father's Day, Dads!!

Our Summer Mission Trip is Project: Crossroads, in the Marion, Va. area. We will be in the mountains doing light construction work. Funds raised determine the size and amount of mission possible, the sky is the limit!

Please respond to your Facebook invite, or if you're not on Facebook, see John ASAP to come along from July 31st to August 7th.

Farewell to John, Youth Minister

By Mark Sherriff, SPRC Chair

On May 22, John announced that he and his family would be leaving Charlottesville as his wife, Rev. Christina McLain, is moving from Mount Moriah UMC.

First, the SPRC would like to thank John for his service to Hinton Avenue in the years that he has been here. The effect he has had on our youth and the enthusiasm he

brought has been infectious. Seeing our youth getting involved in programs such as Teens Opposing Poverty, the soup kitchen, and other ministries has been inspiring.

Also, numerous members of the congregation have also expressed to me how much they enjoyed hearing John pray Sunday mornings with such conviction.

We cannot express our gratitude to him enough. We know that John leaving us will create a void that will be extremely difficult to fill.

As a token of our appreciation for everything that John has done for Hinton Avenue, we will be having a reception for him on **June 12th** after church.

The SPRC has already begun discussing the ministerial needs of our church and how we can best match those needs with staff members.

As we move forward over the coming weeks, please don't hesitate to contact a member of the SPRC with your thoughts.

We wish John and his family all the best as they take their ministry away from Charlottesville. His enthusiasm and dedication to the youth and members of Hinton Avenue was incredible and I know that he will be greatly missed.



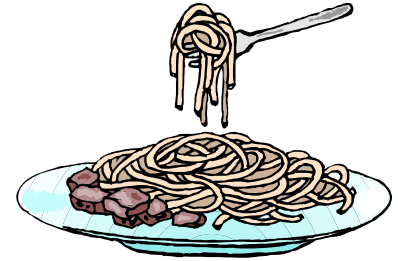
Church Library Receives Donated Books

By John Wilkinson

Some books were given to us by the family of retired UM pastor, Rev. Charles Spivey and they are now in the church library.

I suggest the following might interest you: The Lost Bible: Forgotten Scriptures Revealed by J.R. Porter, Faith and a Lump of Clay by J. David Barkley, The Miracles of Christ by David A. Redding, In Quest of God's Power, by Charles L. Allen, The Prophets Faith, Hope and Love, by Charles L. Allen, How Can I Find You, God by Marjorie Holmes, Food for Fasting: A Series of Documents for Lenten Study by Ben F. Lehmborg, Bench Marks of Faith, by Ewart G. Watts, A Life of Jesus by Edgar J. Goodspeed, Expect a Miracle by Roy C. Clark, The Life of Jesus by Jean Steinmann, He Spoke to Them in Parables by Harold A. Bosley, and multiple books of children's and other sermons.

Stop by the library and help sort, alphabetize and place on bookcases and/or check one out for some good reading.



Spaghetti Cook-off Event

By Pam Davis, Nurture Committee

The Denham's Reclaim the Spaghetti Cook-off Title

On Sunday, May 15, six contenders went "spoon-to-spoon", concocting their Italian best, to carry the honor of creating the "Best Spaghetti Sauce" at HAUMC. While everyone who attended had the pleasure of tasting all of the delicious sauces, Ed Denham reclaimed his bragging rights as having the best sauce in the church!

The real winners, however, were the Youth Group and the Food Pantry, as the cook-off raised a total of \$239.00. These proceeds will be split between the two ministries.

Stay tuned for other opportunities to show off your "culinary best", as there are plans to do a bake-off and recipe sale in the coming months.

Around the VA Conference

The Virginia United Methodist Assembly Center presents

Faith of Our Founding Fathers

Governor Bob McDonnell

June 11, Keynote Speaker

Bishop Hasbrouck Hughes

June 12, Sunday Sermon

For Ticket Information Telephone

434-292-5308 or visit

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“Our Membership Vow: As members of this congregation, we will faithfully participate in its ministries by our prayers, presence, gifts, service and witness”.

BUDGET REQUIREMENTS FOR EACH WEEK \$4,754	
April, 2011	
Budget Requirements	19,016
Receipts	<u>17,684</u>
Deficit	\$(1,332)
Average Attendance	71

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NEWSLETTER DEADLINE
Submissions are due by the 20th of each month. Submit your articles/calendar events to: karenlapps@embarqmail.com , the church office, or call Frances Marshall during office hours at 293-7049



NOTE: Our newsletter will be posted online for those that prefer to view electronically

<http://hintonavenueumc.org/>

Hard copies will be provided to those without this viewing ability and as requested.

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

