

# The Messenger

*We enter to worship. We depart to serve.*



**Pastor:**

Rev Charles Stacy  
revcrs@yahoo.com

**Birthdays for Feb/Mar**

Tara Pittman	2/4
Alexa Meriweather	2/5
Karen Moran	2/6
Jerry Umberger	2/9
Richard Holstlander	2/15
Braedon Mullins	2/18
Alana Nestor	2/19
Evelyn Olinger	2/21
Doris Jones	2/23
Jeanne Leazer	2/24
Dan Helm	2/26
Rick Brady	2/29
Travis Moran	3/3
James Briggs	3/5
Nyssa Briggs	3/5
Rick Lane	3/5
Stuart Robeson	3/6
Mary Holstlander	3/7
Justin Sommerville	3/8
Angie Nunley	3/8
Mattie Bateman	3/12
Dale Ann Williams	3/13
Jeb Bateman	3/14
Hayden Pence	3/14
Wesley McGlothlin	3/15
James Meadows	3/15
Juanita Barnett	3/15
Joshua Boggs	3/16
Shawn Reber	3/18
Jim Helm	3/20
Debbie Stanley	3/21
Skeet Ashby	3/22
Shelby Meriweather	3/28



**NEW DISTRICT MEETING**

On March 6 at 3 pm at RUMC, there will be a joint meeting of the seven churches departing the Alexandria District.

Ken Jackson, our current DS, and our new DS, will conduct a joint meeting explaining what we should expect in July when we become part of the Fredericksburg District. All members are encouraged to attend! To read a copy of the letter to RUMC from Ken Jackson, please see page 3 of this newsletter.

**FREEWILL MISSION DINNER**

Join us for a spaghetti dinner on Friday, March 4 from 5-7 pm in Fellowship Hall. Freewill donations will go towards a week-long mission trip to Haysi, Virginia, June 19-25. Other spaghetti dinners are planned in the next few months.

If you are interested in going on the mission trip, please contact Jennifer and Brian Rockefeller at rockees4@comcast.net or 540.349.4832.

**IN THE NARTHEX...**

Items of interest that would appear as inserts in your weekly church bulletin will now be found in the narthex:

- Mission Trip: ReCreation Mission to Haysi, VA
- Kits for Annual Conference
- RUMM Annual Mulch Sale
- RUMC Annual Bulb Sale (Flower Power Fund Raiser)
- Hoofin' for the Homeless - April 30 at Airlie Center

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

VBS has been rescheduled to July 18-22 due to the number of children and leaders who will be away at Boy Scout Camp during the week previously scheduled.

## CONFIRMATION CLASS

If you would like your child to attend confirmation classes during March and April, please contact Pastor Stacy. Classes are open to anyone between grades 6th - 8th.

## EAGLE SCOUT RECOGNITION

On March 20 at 2 pm in the Remington Fire Station, there will be a Eagle Scout Recognition for three area scouts. Two scouts, Andy Rockefeller and Matt Corbin, are from RUMC. Together with Brandon Rowher, they will receive the highest award in the Scouts. Congratulations to these young men for their accomplishments.

## From the Pastor's Desk...

As we enter the season of Lent we do so with a new vision for our church. Our vision statement reads:

Remington United Methodist Church shares God's love with all people to reach and transform a hungry world.

The season of Lent has traditionally been a time when the people of God are called upon to make a sacrifice to identify with the sacrifice Christ made on the cross. We also sacrifice so that we might better understand the suffering of humanity. All around us people hurt. Their pain may be caused by injustice, personal sin, or sickness. Whatever the reason, they are hungry for a sense of love and hope.

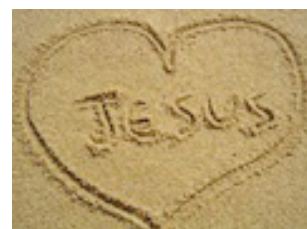
We worship a God who understands our suffering. Our mission is to provide God's love and care in this world to those who stand hungry before this loving God. May God bless us this Lenten season.



Peace,  
*Charles*

## Worship Opportunities

New Beginnings Contemporary Worship	08:30 am
Sunday School for All Ages	09:45 am
Adult Sunday School	10:00 am
Traditional Service	11:00 am
One Combined Service on every "Fifth Sunday" (Jan 30/May 29/Jul 31/Oct 30)	10:00 am



## Meetings

Youth Group:	1st, 2nd, & 5th Sun	04:00 pm-6:30 pm	Fellowship Hall
Finance Committee:	1st Mon/Jan/Mar/May/Jul/Sep/Nov		
RUM Men's Group:	2nd Mon of each mo	6:30 pm	Fellowship Hall
RUM Women's Group:	4th Mon of each mo	7:00 pm	Various locations
Adult Choir Practice:	Every Tue	7:00 pm	Sanctuary
Praise Band Practice:	2nd & 4th Thursdays	6:45 pm	Sanctuary
Admin Council Meetings:	2nd Wed of each mo	7:00 pm	Fellowship Hall
Craft Nights:	Every other 3rd Fri	7:00 pm	Fellowship Hall



Recycle your old cell phones and printer cartridges!  
Bring them to church with you and leave them in the narthex.  
And, don't forget to save your Campbell's soup product labels!  
You can put them in Pat Neill's mailbox in the narthex.





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February 15, 2011

## ALEXANDRIA DISTRICT

District Superintendent  
Kenneth J. Jackson

Program Coordinator  
Herbert Brynildsen

District Lay Leader  
Sue Stewart

District Chaplain  
Bill Burrough

District Secretary  
Martha Flanagan

## BI-DISTRICT

Business Manager  
Leon Newbanks

Program Secretary  
Sharon Sheldon

Youth Coordinator  
Herbert Brynildsen

Liaison to Young Adults  
Herbert Brynildsen

TO: Liberty UMC, Midland UMC, Morrisville UMC, Mount Horeb UMC  
Remington UMC, Trinity UMC (Catlett), and Wesleyan UMC

Dear Friends,

Grace and peace to you from our Lord Jesus Christ.

As you know, at the 2010 Virginia Annual Conference, the Conference voted to reduce the number of districts from 18 to 16. The Book of Discipline states that the Bishop and the District Superintendents are responsible for setting the boundaries for the Districts. The Cabinet has done that and it directly affects seven churches in Fauquier County that are currently on the Alexandria District. Your church is one of those seven. The new district that was formed as part of the redistricting plan has been called the Fredericksburg District. This is the district that your church will be a part of beginning July 1, 2011.

At our charge conferences last year, I promised you that after boundaries had been set I would hold a meeting with you and invite the superintendent of that new Fredericksburg District to meet with you. The Rev. Mark Ogren, current superintendent of the Ashland District which will make up a large portion of the new Fredericksburg District, has agreed to meet and discuss plans for how ministry will be carried out in the new district. You are invited to meet with him and me on **Sunday, March 6 at 3:00 p.m. at Remington Church** (150 W. Bowen Street, Remington 22734).

I hope that you will make every effort to attend this meeting and learn about the plans for redistricting. **This meeting is open to any member of your congregation who is interested.** Please send the approximate number of persons attending from your congregation to Linda McClanahan of Remington UMC ([adminassistant@remingtonchurch.org](mailto:adminassistant@remingtonchurch.org) or 540-439-2579) by March 1 so they can prepare adequately. Thank you.

If you have any questions about this, please don't hesitate to contact me. I look forward to seeing you March 6.

Yours in Christ,

Ken Jackson

KJJ/mmf

## Help for Family Caregivers

Local families caring for a loved one with Alzheimer's or other dementia - even if there has not been a diagnosis of dementia - are urged to contact a new and FREE program called *Connections*.

*Connections* will be sending trained staff into hundreds of homes in Fauquier and nearby counties to help family caregivers plan satisfying and meaningful activities for those with dementia. Staff will visit families once a week for eight weeks. The goal is to reduce caregiver stress, increase quality of life for the person with dementia, and make life easier and more satisfying for everyone.

Please call the Rappahannock-Rapidan Community Services Board at 825.3100 for more information. Ask about *Connections* for family caregivers.



## Administrative Council Minutes, Dec 8, 2010

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson, Peggy Simmons, at 7:03 pm. Pastor Charles opened the meeting with prayer and a devotion based on Isaiah 61:8-9 and Isaiah 62: 10-12. Attendees: Peggy Simmons, Tom Wolfrom, Evelyn Meadows, Linda Butler, Alex Federov, Jim Helm, Charles Stacy, and Jan Hart.

As a part of his report, Pastor Charles went over January 2011 calendar dates:

1. **Jan 2, 2011** - Covenant Service (both services) with an emphasis on Mission Focus.
2. **Jan 12, 2011** - Ken Jackson (District Superintendent) will have 30-minute meetings with four local ministers beginning at 10:00 a.m. and ending at noon. The meetings will be held at RUMC.
3. **Jan 15, 2011** - A Vision and Training event, led by Herbert Brynildsen, the District Program Coordinator, will be held at RUMC from 9 am to 3 pm. Attendees need to bring a brown bag lunch or order a sandwich from The Farmer's Wife that morning.
4. **Jan 30, 2011** - Our first fifth Sunday service will be a Leadership Dedication Service. Finger foods will be available after the service.

Minutes were approved as amended (changing the air conditioner status from pending to approved). There were no other changes.

Alex Federov presented the financial report. The air condition installer needed to be paid \$7,500 in December, with an estimated remainder to be paid in March, 2011 after installation of the air condition units. The report was approved as presented.

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## Caring Food Network

Your helping hands are needed! Sign up to assist in a food network that will focus on supplying meals to those who are homebound, sick, or who are caring for newborn babies. The more people involved in the Caring Food Network (CFN), the easier - no one person will always supply meals.

**Contact Jeanne Boggs:**

**540.439.9955**

**[jean\\_boggs@yahoo.com](mailto:jean_boggs@yahoo.com)**

Or, sign up on the form that is located in the narthex.

## OLD BUSINESS

A diagonal minister for youth activity was suggested and discussed with Pastor Stacy. He will check with the district office for additional information and to see if an arrival could be expected during the fall of 2011.

Chairperson of the trustees, Evelyn Olinger, reported to the council that the Leazer family responded negatively to the church's letter in regard to the property adjacent to RUMC. Bob Leazer, on behalf of the Leazer family, indicated the family was not in agreement nor accepted the church's claims. The Leazer family's letter made claims of their own regarding the back entrance to the property. Evelyn was authorized by the Administrative Council to check with an attorney as to the appropriate response and action.

Evelyn also reported on repairs to be done to the communion table and the historical cabinet. She suggested Ricky Heflin as a possible repair person.

## NEW BUSINESS

Evelyn Olinger reported that contributions of \$11,103.00 were received towards the air conditioning project.

She also reported that the annual inspection of the rental property by the Section 8 government agency representatives was completed with no problems and no repairs were required.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Jim Helm*  
*Substitute Secretary for Linda McClanahan*



### YOU SAY

'It's impossible'  
'I'm too tired'  
'Nobody really loves me'  
'I can't go on'  
'I can't figure things out'  
'I can't do it'  
'I'm not able'  
'It's not worth it'  
'I can't forgive my self'  
'I can't manage'  
'I'm afraid'  
'I'm always worried and frustrated'  
'I'm not smart enough'  
'I feel all alone'

### GOD SAYS

All things are possible  
I will give you rest  
I love you  
My grace is sufficient  
I will direct your steps  
You can do all things  
I am able  
It will be worth it  
I forgive you  
I will supply all your needs  
I have not given you a spirit of fear  
Cast all your cares on ME  
I give you wisdom  
I will never leave you or forsake you

### BIBLE VERSES

(Luke 18:27)  
(Matthew 11:28-30)  
(John 3:16 & John 3:34 )  
(II Corinthians 12:9 & Psalm 91:15)  
(Proverbs 3:5-6)  
(Philippians 4:13)  
(II Corinthians 9:8)  
(Roman 8:28 )  
(I John 1:9 & Romans 8:1)  
(Philippians 4:19)  
(II Timothy 1:7)  
(I Peter 5:7)  
(I Corinthians 1:30)  
(Hebrews 13:5)

# MARCH - SEASON OF LENT

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Choir Practice 7:15pm; Scouts-Pence 3-5; Scouts Kuhler 7-8:30pm	2	3	4 Freewill Mission Dinner, 5-7pm	5 Piedmont Lace, 10-3
6 Joint Meeting with DSs re: new district, 3pm at RUMC; MYF, 4-5:30pm	7 Finance Meeting 7pm; Scouts 1180-Mount	8 Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper 5-7pm; Choir Practice 7:15pm	9 Lenten Soup Meal, 6pm; Ash Wednesday 7:30pm	10 Band Practice 6:45 pm; Girl Scouts	11	12
13 Day Light Savings Time-Spring Forward; RVFD Breakfast 8am-Noon; Girl Scout Sun.	14 RUMM (Charles & Stan) 6:30pm	15 Choir Practice 7:15 pm Scouts-Pence 3-5 Scouts-Kuhler 7	16 Soup Meal 6pm; Devotionals 7pm	17 Mission Meeting 7pm	18 Craft Night, 7 pm	19
20	21 Scouts 1180-Mount	22 Choir Practice 7:15pm	23 Soup Meal 6pm; Devotionals 7pm	24 Band Practice 6:45pm; Scouts	25 Mulch Sale	26 Mulch Sale
27	28 RUMW	29 Choir Practice 7:15pm	30 Soup Meal 6pm; Devotionals 7pm	31 Mens' Emmaus Walk	Apr 1 Mens' Emmaus Walk	Apr 2 Mens' Emmaus Walk

**Congratulations to KYLE COMBS**, who will be representing the Liberty High School wrestling team at the state championship! It is noted that Kyle is the only one going from Liberty High School and is only in his sophomore year in school.

**EPIPHANY WEEKEND.** Feb 19-21, Culpeper Juvenile Correctional Center

The Epiphany team, Linda McClanahan, Wally and Kaye Rich, Trish and Scott Robertson, spent the weekend in the Culpeper Juvenile Correctional Center. Thank you to all who generously donated to this ministry. Without the support from you and others, the team wouldn't be able to minister to 30 young men on this weekend. The Epiphany team thanks you for helping make this possible!

**NEW BIBLE STUDY.** "Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World: Finding Intimacy with God in the Busyness of Life" By Joanne Weaver. Wednesday Nights at 7 pm at the home of Joyce Bryant. (Contact church office for address/location.) For more information, contact Anne Bryant at 540.439.9624 or bryantal@comcast.net. This is a 6-week study which began Feb 2 (delayed from Jan 26).

## Want to receive a hard copy of this newsletter?

If you would prefer to receive a paper copy of the monthly newsletter, please contact the church office:

Telephone: 540.439.2579  
 Mail: RUMC, P.O. Box 86, Remington, VA 22734  
 Email: adminassistant@remingtonchurch.org  
 Web site: www.remingtonchurch.org



It is our intention to keep you as RUMC members informed of the current happenings at church. We hope you enjoy the articles and information herein and welcome your comments and feedback! To submit information to The Messenger, please send to Mrs. Robin Briggs via the church mailbox or email her at the church email address above.

# Girl Scout Corner

Girl Scout Troop 4870 would like to take this time to thank Remington United Methodist Church for its generosity in allowing us to hold meetings and special events at the church. Since RUMC is allowing us to use the church, we would like to begin sharing with you in the newsletter some of the activities we have been doing and what is to come.

First, we will share a little background. Our troop has ten girl members, which consist of four Brownies (3rd graders) and six Juniors (4th graders). We meet on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays after school in the Fellowship Hall, and occasionally add other meetings as necessary.

In September, we led the Pledge of Allegiance at the Remington Town Council meeting. We used the Fellowship Hall for our Halloween Party in October. November and December proved to be very busy for our troop. We made cards for parents and also to mail to the troops. The girls also wrote their letters to Santa and took a field trip in December to the Remington Post Office to mail the Santa letters as well as the letters to the troops.

We marched in the Warrenton Parade, watched a play entitled, "Goldilocks and the Three Bears Meet Santa," and we sang on the steps of the Warrenton Courthouse. Our troop also set up a Hat, Mitten and Scarf Tree at the BB&T Bank in Remington.

The troop collected as many items as possible to donate to the Fauquier Shelter in Warrenton. However, the most special event in 2010 was deciding to adopt an angel from the RUMC Angel Tree. We accepted donations from the scouts and matched it with troop funds to purchase many items. A list was made and then we took a field trip to Walmart and put our shopping skills to the test to buy many necessary and fun items on a budget. We concluded December with our Christmas party.

We prepared and served a meal to the less fortunate at one of the Heat Shelters in Culpeper. This was a humbling experience in both giving and receiving for the girls ("The King will reply, 'I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me.'" Matthew 25:40).

We have lots of exciting events coming up for the remainder of this winter. We hope you enjoy reading about our Troop in this newsletter.

*Thank you,  
Lisa Pence and Lori Queen*

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## ARCHER'S FLOWERS

Ashton Archer of Archer's Flowers will place flowers on the altar for you for only \$30. Flowers are delivered on Saturday, and you can make your check out to "RUMC." Please don't forget to contact Linda McClanahan, Church Administrative Assistant, at 540.439.2579 by Wednesday if you want an announcement placed in Sunday's bulletin.



***Thank you  
for dropping your  
change into the  
"Pennies from Heaven"  
jars!***

***The jars are located  
at each entrance of the church.  
Your loose change  
benefits many  
church activities.***

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## 2011 MULCH SALE

All orders, with payment, must be received NLT Sun, Mar 13. Any orders after this date cannot be guaranteed - so order early!



Orders of 15 bags or more will receive FREE DELIVERY! Delivery dates are Fri, Mar 25, and Sat, Mar 26. All orders under 15 bags will need to be picked up by 3 pm on Sat, Mar 26, at RUMC.

Proceeds will benefit Remington United Methodist Church Men's Group Missions.

For more information, contact: Wally Rich at 540.439.8298 or email [rkrich5466@gmail.com](mailto:rkrich5466@gmail.com)

## LENTEN SOUP MEALS

Beginning Ash Wednesday and throughout the Lenten season, we gather each Wednesday night at 6 pm for a light meal of soup and bread. After the meal, there will be a short devotional time at 7 pm (except for Ash Wednesday, when the service will be at 7:30 pm). Donated items are needed each week, enough to feed 30-40 people: 4-6 pots of soup; homemade bread (or similar); large containers of water, plastic knives and spoons; drinking cups, coffee cups; napkins; crackers (saltine and oyster); chicken noodle soup and tomato soup for the children; three boxes of one gallon-sized zip lock bags. Please contact Jeanie Boggs or Linda McClanahan for more information.



## 105 CONFERENCE KITS NEEDED FOR ANNUAL CONFERENCE ON JUNE 15-19

The 2011 Virginia Conference kit collection is being conducted to replenish the UM Committee on Relief (UMCOR) supply. UMCOR reports a need for all types of kits. With the situation in Haiti, there is more of a demand for health kits than ever! RUMC is challenging you to make the kits, plus the others listed, (35 per month) for Pastor Charles to take to the Annual Conference! All items in the kits must be new items.



All emergency kits are carefully planned to make them usable in the greatest number of situations. Since strict rules often govern product entry into international countries, it is important that kits contain only the requested items - and nothing more. No personal notes, money, or additional materials are allowed in the kits. These things have to be removed and will delay shipment. Kits should be packed in boxes with only one type of kit in each box, with contents written on the outside of each box.



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