

# The Messenger

Remington United Methodist Church

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## FEBRUARY 2010

### Important Dates

Feb. 1 Finance Meeting	7pm
Feb. 7 Lace Class	10am-3pm
Feb. 8 Confirmation Class	4-5:30pm
Feb. 8 RUMM/RUMW meeting	6:30pm
Feb. 10 Admin.Council meeting	7:00pm
Feb. 12-13 Girl Scout lock-in	
Feb. 14 Boy Scout Sunday	11am
Feb. 14 Valentine's Day Party	2-3:30pm
Feb. 16 Youth Pancake Supper	5:30-8pm
Feb. 17 Ash Wednesday Soup Supper	6pm
Feb. 17 Ash Wednesday Service	7:30pm
Feb. 20 Freewill Chili supper	5-7pm
Feb. 22 RUMW meeting TBD	7pm
Feb. 24 Soup Supper	6pm
Feb. 24 Wednesday Service	7:30pm
Feb. 28 Confirmation Class	4-5:30pm



**Those who are drawn to Christ  
are drawn to each other.**  
(Our Daily Bread)

### From the Pastor's Desk

**Holly and I would like to thank everyone for the generous gift given to us this Christmas season. You are a very giving congregation. We appreciate your love and support for us.**

**May God Bless you all in the new year.**

**Pastor Charles and Holly Stacy**

## **A very special thank you:**

*I wanted to take the opportunity to express a special thanks to the **Remington United Methodist Church Women** for all that they have done in the past year. If you have been to a funeral, covered-dish luncheon, purchased an Advent calendar, been to a Ruritan's or Lion's Club meeting, eaten wonderful desserts at a spaghetti supper or the church Bar-B-Que, taken a Beth Moore Bible study to which they contribute money to help pay for the disks, helped send members to prison by donating money to the Epiphany team, or been to a Finance committee meeting and noticed how much money they contribute to the church then you too, have reason to thank a member of the RUMW. We are blessed to have an active and supportive UMW. Please take the opportunity to thank one of the members of this group for their outstanding work over the past year.*

*Pastor Charles Stacy*

## **INFORMATION**

### **LENTEN SOUP MEALS**

*Beginning with Ash Wednesday, Feb. 17<sup>th</sup> and throughout the Lenten Season we gather each Wednesday night at 6pm for a light meal of soup and bread. After the meal we have a short devotional time at 7:00pm. With the exception of Ash Wednesday, when the service will be at 7:30pm.*

#### ***DONATED ITEMS NEEDED FOR EACH WEEK:***

*enough to feed 430-40 people.*

*4-6 pots of soup*

*Homemade bread (or something like it)*

*Large containers of water*

*Plastic knives*

*Napkins*

*Crackers (saltines, oyster)*

*Chicken Noodle or Tomato Soup for the children*

*Contact Jeannie Boggs or Linda McClanahan for more information*

**RUMC ADMIN. COUNCIL Meeting Minutes - Dec. 9, 2009**

*Members Present: Pastor Charles Stacy, Peggy Simmons, Alex Fedorov, Tom Wolfrom, Jim Helm, Joan Andes, Mary Beth Waldeck, and Lorie Andes.*

*Pastor Charles opened the meeting with a devotion based on Matthew 5: 4. After the devotion Pastor Charles had an opening prayer.*

*Minutes of Nov. Admin. Council meeting were approved as presented.*

*Alex Fedorov presented the financial reports based on Nov. deposits and checks for the church's bills. The reports indicated that our financial challenge is still here with us.*

*Alex indicated he had contacted PNC Bank and Oak View Bank to see their interest in refinancing our mortgage on the remodeling work. Our loan is approaching the 3rd year of a 5th year term and we are looking to keep the interest rate down before interest rates start rising.*

*Alex indicated that gifts in honor of Nellie Simmons had reached \$2,871.00 and were being held in our money fund until a determination by the family of where the money should go would be made.*

*Mary Beth Waldeck discussed the financial secretary position with the possibility of a permanent alternate being found to support the financial secretary. Mary Beth indicated that the Church had received a total of 19 commitment cards thus far a reduction from last year's number. Offering envelopes were being placed in all the mail slots and in the future the rest of the envelopes would be mailed out.*

*The Council was informed that the Locks code would be changed in the near future.*

**NEW BUSINESS:**

*The purchase of new color tones would be handled by Alex Fedorov with the cost anticipated at approx. \$90 each. A total of 4 different colors would be purchased.*

*The matter of employee bonuses was discussed with the motion made, seconded, and passed unanimously for each bonus not to exceed \$100.00 maximum. Alex was asked to check out and follow up based on last year's bonus.*

*No further new business was presented but Lorie Andes did give an update on the fund raising wreath/centerpiece project with an estimated profit ranging from \$800 to a \$1000. She had some wreaths and centerpieces to sell yet. Lorie indicated the sale of Christmas ornaments was also ongoing.*

*No other business was presented so the meeting adjourned at 7:50PM.*

*Respectfully Submitted,*

*Jim Helm  
Acting Secretary*

## *Why Epiphany*

*The following article is from an unknown author, however those of us from RUMC could easily have written this. We experience this each and every time we visit the facility, just ask John or Jan Dertzbaugh, Wally or Kaye Rich, Jeanie Barlow (she's been there) or Linda McClanahan. Why don't you consider being one of God's servants and come join us at Culpeper Juvenile Correction Facility. Our next weekend walk is 13, 14, 15, of February 2010.*

### **Take Up Your Cross and Follow Me**

Time and again, I am taught the same lesson in my life; in giving I receive. In 2006 I went to an Emmaus gathering where I heard someone looking for volunteers to be part of a Christian program in a juvenile prison called Epiphany. At the time I didn't feel qualified but I was drawn to the idea of visiting a prison, especially one for juveniles, which I thought must be a lonely place.

I have since spent two weekends doing an intensive short course on Christianity for the young men. On one of the weekends I had a profound experience. The group of boys we had was very open and the Holy Spirit was there right from the start. We were sharing, singing, praying and laughing. One of the young men was very uplifted and kept saying, "I can feel the love". He had a broad smile the whole weekend. He was so bright I could hardly imagine him as a criminal at all, perhaps more like the boy next door.

Before we left many of the boys felt the need to confess. When I heard the crime of the bright young man I felt as though I had been punched in the stomach. I wanted to go on with my happy undisturbed thoughts, high on the spirit; instead I was horrified and depressed. The following day, after returning from jail, I broke down and started to cry. I asked God why I had to hear this young man's sins, *what could I do about it*. God spoke to my heart and said, "You don't have to carry this burden. This is why I sent Jesus, but I need you to be my hands and feet and in this case my ears. He needed you to listen, I do the rest."

Then I remembered Jesus telling his disciples that if they wanted to be near him they needed to take up his cross and follow. In an instant I knew exactly what he meant. We are the body of Christ in this hurt and suffering world. I was taking up his cross. Once again, I felt that my work in the prison had given me a powerful gift that I might never have truly understood otherwise.

**Taken from the December issue of Upper Room Emmaus  
Author unknown.**

## STAINED GLASS WINDOWS.....

Rich Kaiser of Stained Glass Works in Culpeper has provided a range of prices for installing stained glass designs in other windows of the church. This is the company that recently repaired and restored the sanctuary windows. The prices are firm until Sep 10, 2010. Several individuals and families have inquired about adding additional memorial windows in the sanctuary. The windows can be done one a time but I believe the designs chosen should be somewhat complementary with each other. This would be a huge undertaking and the expenses would have to come entirely from individual/family donations. Should you wish to consider this addition to the church sanctuary please let the Church Office know your wishes.

### **For those who might be interested -**

The United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) is rated A+ by the American Institute of Philanthropy. There is a strong Methodist church presence in Haiti. You can try to donate online, but if you can't get through the phone number to donate is **800-554-8583** and for Haiti the code is "**Advance #418325**."

They even ask for your home church, so RUMC can be credited with the donation. Win-win!

For more information contact Karen Fedorov.

## ***News from the Virginia Conference – January 20, 2010***

### ***United Methodists asked to pray, give, assemble kits for Haiti earthquake victims***

Following the massive earthquake in Haiti, United Methodists are asked to: 1) Pray for Haiti and for those involved in rescue efforts; 2) Give generously to United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR); 3) Assemble and ship health kits to UMCOR. [U](#) for instructions on assembling kits. Bob Pihlcrantz, Virginia Conference Disaster Response Coordinator, announced that kits will be picked up from regional sites on Sunday, Jan. 31. Regional site locations will be announced this week. For more information, contact Pihlcrantz by e-mail to [VAUMCDisasterInfo@vaumc.org](mailto:VAUMCDisasterInfo@vaumc.org) or [VACDRT@cox.net](mailto:VACDRT@cox.net) or telephone 1-866-264-8488.

### ***Virginia churches asked to take special offering for Haiti earthquake recovery***

Virginia Conference churches are encouraged to take a special offering for Haiti earthquake recovery. Donations can be sent to the Conference Treasurer's office; checks made payable to "Virginia Conference UMC" can be designated for "UMCOR Haiti Emergency Advance #418325." 100% of all donations will be used directly for disaster recovery efforts and humanitarian aid in Haiti. While it will be a while before Haiti is ready for regular United Methodist Volunteers in Mission (UMVIM) teams, UMCOR is already providing aid to the Haitian people. Updates on plans for UMCOR teams to go to Haiti will be available on the Southeastern Jurisdiction UMCOR Web site, [www.umvim.org](http://www.umvim.org).

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**UMCOR IS ALWAYS IN NEED OF THESE KITS WHICH THEY KEEP A SUPPLY OF THEM WAREHOUSED, OBVIOUSLY THEY ARE NOW RUNNING LOW. SEE SUNDAY INSERT ON WHERE TO SEND THEM.**

#### **HEALTH KITS NEEDED**

UMCOR's Sager Brown in Baldwin, LA is accepting much-needed health kits for distribution to Haiti. Health kits provide basic necessities to those affected by natural disasters or human conflict. The kits also serve as learning tools in personal hygiene, literacy, nutrition and cooking classes.

These items are needed for the youth to pack kits:

- hand towel (15" x 25" up to 17" x 27", No kitchen towels)
- washcloth
- comb (large and sturdy, not pocket-sized)
- nail file or fingernail clippers (no emery boards or toenail clippers)
- bath-size bar of soap (3 oz. and up)
- toothbrush (single brushes only in original wrapper, No child-size brushes)
- adhesive plastic strip sterile bandages
- \$1.00 to purchase toothpaste (toothpaste purchased by Sager Brown)

Items are available in bulk at [www.dollardays.com](http://www.dollardays.com) and many other websites. Dollar Tree stores also carry items for these kits at really low prices.

## CHILDRENS MINISTRY

There will be a Valentine's Day party on Feb. 14<sup>th</sup> at 2pm to 3:30pm . Please come and enjoy the fun and fellowship. All Children are welcome.



***EASTER IS COMING – April 4<sup>th</sup>*** Look for future information concerning the activities. There will be an Easter Egg Hunt at the church and all kids are invited. Please plan to bring your basket and enjoy the fun of hunting for Eggs. The time will be from 2pm to 3:30pm. Come and enjoy the fun!



**The Children's Ministry will collect non-perishable food for the next few weeks. T**

The food bank can use all kinds of non-perishable food, as well as diapers, baby formula, toiletries and paper products.

We'll make an appointment to deliver the food in late February and hopefully we'll participate in filling orders and serving the consumers. I'll provide advance notice and a sign-up sheet for parents and kids to participate in the delivery/service process.

Thanks for helping us with this project.

## **HELP WANTED**

***Nursery help is always needed for both services*** This is scheduled on a rotating basis. The more people we have to help the better. If you'd like to help with nursery during the 8:30am service, please contact Dawn Borja. If you would like to help with nursery during the 11am service, please contact Joan Andes.

## RUM WOMEN

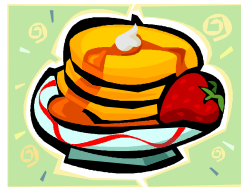
No report at this time.

## YOUTH GROUP (MYF – Methodist Youth Fellowship)

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS----

The Youth Group of RUMC will hold a Freewill Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper on  
February 16<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 to 7:00pm.

Please put the date on your Calendar and plan to come and enjoy the dinner and share the fellowship.



**The Youth Group** meets every Sunday at 6-7:30pm at the church and all kids from 6th thru 12th grade are welcome.



THE RUM Men's Group will have

A CHILI DINNER

ON FEB. 20th FROM 5-7PM.

Freewill Offering

PLEASE PLAN TO COME AND ENJOY THE FOOD AND FELLOWSHIP.

**NOTES FROM THE TREASURER:**

**AS OF: December 31, 2009**

**Happy New Year to All!**

**End of the Year Financial Report:** We made it! Thank you everyone for your generous contributions throughout 2009. Your financial support, no matter what size, made a vital contribution to a successful completion of the year. All of the RUMC bills were paid in full and there is nothing in arrears as we begin the New Year. All apportionments to the Virginia United Methodist Conference and the Alexandria District were fulfilled at 100 percent. In addition to your contributions in support of the budget, there was \$28,194 contributed to the Capital Campaign, \$4,346 contributed to the Memorial Fund, \$435 in support of the Choral Fund, \$375 given to the Building Fund, and \$1,540 for the Discretionary Fund.

**Special Thank You:** During this very difficult economic year, several members and RUMC organizations made special financial contributions without which RUMC would not have been able to meet its financial obligations. A special thank you to those individuals and families, you know who you are, who came to our aid again this year. Thank you also to the RUM Women’s Group and RUM Men’s Group for your generous support.

**Small Correction:** Last month I reported that the Christmas Wreath sale raised \$2,533 for Missions and Outreach. Once I paid the bill for the cost of the materials, I realized that my statement was somewhat misleading. The actual profit that was assigned to the Mission & Outreach Fund came to \$446.88

**Behind the Numbers:** As you examine the numbers below, you are probably wondering how we were able to pay for \$183,636 in expenses with \$153,493 in contributions received. Please keep in mind that the contributions received represents only the funds collected in the offering each week. Additionally, RUMC received other funds from several sources throughout the year. In 2009 these included rental house income that paid for the pastors housing allowance, and the real estate taxes on the rental house. Also, RUMC received checks from Konica Minolta to buy out the old copier contract, and a check from AmeriGas as a refund. There was also income from several fund raising projects, recycling income, CD interest credits, Little People’s Playskool contributions, and special gifts from RUMC groups. Finally, we began the year with a substantial checkbook carryover from end of the year 2008, contributions of \$6,960. It should also be noted that the Capital Campaign Fund was responsible for paying the majority of the mortgage costs throughout the year, and was critical in keeping our actual expenses way under the 2009 Budget.

**Treasurer’s Report as of end of December 2009**

**Year to Date**

Programmed Expenses:	\$18,587	\$210,562
Actual Expenses:	\$15,484	\$183,636
	(\$3,103)	(\$26,926)
11/30/09 Balance Carryover:	\$2,974	
Contributions Needed:	\$15,076	\$195,988
Contributions Received:	\$15,236	\$153,493
Over/(Short):	160	(\$42,495)
Capital Campaign Collections:	\$5,542	\$28,194
Mortgage Status:	\$356,779 (opening balance)	
	\$2,851 (principal paid)	
	\$353,928 (new balance)	

Alex Fedorov  
Treasurer RUMC

Music Notes by Kaye Rich

***People Need the Lord*** is an anthem the choir has done recently, (actually twice), that is appropriate for all seasons and reasons. Here is a bit about it:

The two young men who wrote the song “People Need the Lord,” Greg Nelson and Phil McHugh, give this story—

We were trying to write a song one day. We spent most of the morning talking about ideas. We decided, about lunch time, to go to a restaurant near my office in Nashville. After we were seated, a waitress came to our table. As she approached us and smiled, it seemed that her eyes were so empty. She was trying to convey a cheery attitude, but her face seemed to say something else. She took our order and walked away. Phil and I looked at each other and one of us said to the other, She needs the Lord.

We then began looking around the restaurant at all of the people there. They, too, seemed to have an emptiness in their faces. We sensed a real heaviness in our hearts as we watched them. Suddenly we realized that all of those people need the Lord. Just as quickly we both thought, We need to write that—people need the Lord.

We finished our meal and went back to my office and sat down to write what was in our hearts. The pictures from the restaurant that remained in our minds, coupled with the realization that millions of people around the world are also groping for some ray of light, gave rise to this.

***People Need The Lord***

*Every day they pass me by, I can see it in their eye;  
Empty people filled with care, headed who knows where.  
On they go through private pain, living fear to fear.  
Laughter hides the silent cries only Jesus hears.*

***Chorus:***

*People need the Lord. People need the Lord.  
At the end of broken dreams, He’s the open door.  
People need the Lord. People need the Lord.*

**ADULT CHOIR PRACTICE** - takes place on Tuesday nights at 7:15pm in the Sanctuary. If you would like to join us please come, or call Choir Director Kaye Rich at 439-8298.

**PRAISE BAND PRACTICE** - is held at 6:30pm on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4th Thursdays of each month. Contact Kaye Rich at 439-8298 with questions.

## **BIBLE STUDIES AND PRAYER GROUPS**

### **Moms-In-Touch Prayer Group Formed for M. M. Pierce Elementary**

For mothers who want to join together and pray for the children and staff of M. M. Pierce Elementary School. They will meet on Thursdays, 1:15pm to 2:15pm starting Sept. 4<sup>th</sup> at the home of Sharon Hunt in Remington. For more information, please contact Sharon at 540-439-1034 or [jesseandsharonhunt@verizon.net](mailto:jesseandsharonhunt@verizon.net)

### **PLEASE NOTE --- CHURCH PRAYER CHAIN EMAIL GROUP**

RUMC has a church email group that is used to communicate prayer requests, reminders and other important church related information. If you would like to be added to the church email group, please send an email to Jeanne Boggs at **THIS NEW EMAIL ADDRESS:**  
[\*\*jean\\_boggs@yahoo.com\*\*](mailto:jean_boggs@yahoo.com)  
(don't forget the \_ in between jeanne and boggs)

**and put "Add to RUMC Email group" in the subject line.**

### **BIBLE STUDY**

The Thursday evening study will be doing "A Woman's Heart" by Beth Moore and will discover the parallels of the Tabernacle's building and your life as a chosen vessel of God. Please contact Jeanie Boggs for the evening study if you are interested.

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**PLEASE NOTE: The Thursday morning Bible Study is being held at the home of Heather Michyna. For more information please contact Heather at 439-8435.**

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A bible study "The Seven Deadly Sins" will be conducted by Pastor Charles starting Jan. 31<sup>st</sup>. Cost of the workbook is \$9.00. Anyone who is interested in taking part in the study, please contact Pastor Charles at 439-2579.

## **MISSION AND OUTREACH**

### **PLEASE SAVE YOUR CAMPBELL'S SOUP LABELS**

Please donate your labels from Campbell's Products, V8 juices, Franco-American Gravies, Spaghetti O's and Pastas, Pepperidge Farm Breads, Cookies, and snacks.

**There is a basket in the Narthex or put the labels in Pat Neill's mailbox. The proceeds will benefit the church.**

## **GIVE US YOUR OLD INK JET CARTRIDGES AND OLD CELL PHONES**

PLEASE consider donating all your old Ink Jet cartridges and old cell phones for recycling.  
Just drop them in the box located in the Narthex. Proceeds will Benefit the Church.

### **FUNDRAISING & STEWARDSHIP**

#### **Church Chuckle for the month.....**

Taken from a church bulletin .....

**Weight Watchers will meet at 7 PM at the First Presbyterian Church.  
Please use large double door at the side entrance.**

#### **There are Valentine Cards in the Narthex**

Please feel free to browse through them.

If you find something you can use, please leave a freewill offering  
in the basket nearby.

The proceeds will be used by the RUMW for various ministries this year.



Look for Easter Cards to be on display in February.

#### **PENNIES FROM HEAVEN JARS ARE LOCATED AT EACH DOOR OF THE CHURCH**



**Your loose change can help many different ministries within the church.  
Thank you for your generosity.**

***NO REPORT AT THIS TIME.***

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**Remington VFRD**

**Pancake Breakfast**

**Sunday, Feb. 14<sup>th</sup>, 2010**

**(second Sunday every month thru April)**

Bring your sweetheart to Breakfast

Proceeds benefit and located at:

Remington Vol. Fire and Rescue Department

Pancake Breakfast 8am - 1pm

Cost: Adults \$9      Children ages 6-11 \$6      Kids 5 & under – free

## **THIS INFORMATION WAS MEANT TO BE HELPFUL TO YOU AS THE 2010 CENSUS BEGINS**

Cautions from the Better Business Bureau

With the U.S. Census process beginning, the Better Business Bureau (BBB) advises people to be cooperative, but cautious, so as not to become a victim of fraud or identity theft. The first phase of the 2010 U.S. Census is under way as workers have begun verifying the addresses of households across the country. Eventually, more than 140,000 U.S. Census workers will count every person in the United States and will gather information about every person living at each address including name, age, gender, race, and other relevant data.

The big question is - how do you tell the difference between a U.S. Census worker and a con artist? BBB offers the following advice:

**\*\* If a U.S. Census worker knocks on your door, they will have a badge, a handheld device, a Census Bureau canvas bag, and a confidentiality notice. Ask to see their identification and their badge before answering their questions. However, you should never invite anyone you don't know into your home.**

**\*\* Census workers are currently only knocking on doors to verify address information.**

**Do not give your Social Security number, credit card or banking information to anyone, even if they claim they need it for the U.S. . Census.**

**REMEMBER, NO MATTER WHAT THEY ASK, YOU REALLY ONLY NEED TO TELL THEM HOW MANY PEOPLE LIVE AT YOUR ADDRESS...**

While the Census Bureau might ask for basic financial information, such as a salary range, **YOU DON'T HAVE TO ANSWER ANYTHING AT ALL ABOUT YOUR FINANCIAL SITUATION. The Census Bureau will not ask for Social Security, bank account, or credit card numbers, nor will employees solicit donations. Any one asking for that information is NOT with the Census Bureau.**

**AND REMEMBER, THE CENSUS BUREAU HAS DECIDED NOT TO WORK WITH ACORN ON GATHERING THIS INFORMATION. No ACORN worker should approach you saying he/she is with the Census Bureau.**

Eventually, Census workers may contact you by telephone, mail, or in person at home. However, the Census Bureau will not contact you by Email, so be on the lookout for Email scams impersonating the Census.

Never click on a link or open any attachments in an Email that are supposedly from the U.S. Census Bureau.

**PLEASE SHARE THIS INFORMATION WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS.**

# The Piedmont Lace Guild of Virginia



Are you between ages 11 and 16?

Do you like art?  
Crafts?  
Needlework?



The Piedmont Lace Guild of Virginia is looking for young people to form a new group of young lacemakers. Meetings will begin in the spring of 2010.



- ◆ You can sign up today!
- ◆ Be one of the first to join!
- ◆ Learn to make Christmas ornaments, jewelry, bookmarks and more!
- ◆ Study lacemaking and help preserve the centuries old art of lacemaking!



Go to [www.piedmontlace.org](http://www.piedmontlace.org) to learn more about the guild. Click on "Young Lacemakers" and fill in the online form to join.

We can't wait to meet you!

[www.piedmontlace.org](http://www.piedmontlace.org)

Preserving the fine art of lacemaking

The Piedmont Lace Guild of Virginia was established in 2006 to promote and preserve the knowledge and appreciation of the fine art of lacemaking. The Guild is centered in Fauquier County and serves lacemakers in the Piedmont Region of Virginia. Membership is open to anyone with a sincere interest in lace and lacemaking, its history and its future.

**The Piedmont Lace Guild of Virginia** would like to invite members of RUMC to join us on Tuesday, 23 March when we will be visiting the Valentine Richmond History Center for a “Collections Up-Close” program.

The Valentine has the largest costume and textile collection in the south, comprising some 40,000 pieces and enjoying an international reputation. Curators from the Museum will give us a special presentation on the lace in the museum collection. There will also be an opportunity to tour the exhibits on Richmond History and to visit the Wickham House, built in 1812 by John Wickham, a lawyer and one of Richmond’s most prominent citizens, famous for his 1807 defense of former vice president Aaron Burr.

Cost: \$25/person.

Transportation: Carpool

For more information, please contact Gitte Tessier: 540-439-0141 (h) or [ghtessier@nelsoncable.com](mailto:ghtessier@nelsoncable.com)

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The Piedmont Lace Guild of Virginia ...is looking for young people between the ages of 11 and 16 to start a Young Lacemakers group this spring. For more information, please go to the guild website at [www.piedmontlace.org](http://www.piedmontlace.org) or contact Gitte Tessier at 540-439-0141(h) or [ghtessier@nelsoncable.com](mailto:ghtessier@nelsoncable.com).

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THE NEW ALTAR FLOWER CHART IS HANGING IN THE NARTHEX . IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PLACE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR IN HONOR/MEMORY OF A LOVED ONE, ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS SIGN UP, FILL OUT A PINK FORM AND LEAVE IT IN THE ADMIN. ASSISTANTS (LINDA MCCLANAHAN) MAIL BOX.



**ALTAR FLOWERS**



Ashton Archer of Archer's Flowers in Remington will place flowers on the altar for \$30.00. He will not only deliver them on Saturday, but you can also make your check out to RUMC, so you get the tax benefit, the church pays Ashton, who doesn't have to charge tax and everybody benefits.

If you would like to place your own flowers as a Memorial, or in honor of someone either within your family or in the church, please take advantage of Ashton's services.

**YOU ARE ALSO WELCOME TO BRING YOUR OWN FLOWERS** To place on the altar. If they are not too tall, you can place them in front of the cross. If they are taller than the cross, please place them on either side of the cross or on one of the tables in front. Don't forget to let Linda McClanahan know by Wednesday if you want the announcement placed in Sunday's bulletin. Call the church office at 439-2579.

**CELEBRATIONS (to add special dates., please contact church office 439-2579)**

**Feb. Birthdays**

- Feb. 4 Tara Pittman
- Feb. 5 Alexa Meriwether
- Feb. 6 Karen Moran
- Feb. 9 Jerry Umberger
- Feb. 15 Richard Holtslander
- Feb. 18 Braeden Mullins
- Feb. 19 Alana Nestor
- Feb. 21 Evelyn Olinger
- Feb. 23 Doris Jones
- Feb. 24 Jeanne Leazer
- Feb. 26 Dan Helm
- Feb. 29 Rick Brady

**Feb. Anniversaries**

- Feb. 14 Paul & Diana Blackmer
- Feb. 14 Stuart & Linda Robeson
- Feb. 18 Bob and Mona Bender

**SPECIAL ADDITIONS**

On Sunday January 24<sup>th</sup>, **Andy and Theresa Johnson** were baptized and became members of Remington United Methodist Church.

We welcome our new brother and sister in Christ into the RUMC Family.

**To Send Cards of Caring for shut-ins and service persons**

Evan Ashby III  
National Rehabilitation Hospital  
102 Irving St.  
Room 227-1  
Washington, DC 20010-2949

Arlene Umberger  
23237 Umberger Lane  
Elkwood, VA 23718

James Ira Briggs  
541<sup>st</sup> ENCO  
CMR #459

Dot Watson  
Warrenton Overlook  
Hospital Hill Drive  
Warrenton, VA 20186

\* Note – Nell Leazer has been in and out of the hospital. Presently she is in Oak Springs Nursing Facility on Hastings Lane in Warrenton. To be sure she receives your cards and letters you can send her mail to her home at 100 Church St., P.O. Box 391, Remington, Va. 22734 if desired .

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**If you are interested in visiting Skeet, here are the directions to where he is staying:**

Choose your method to get to I-395 North. We have done I-66 to I-495 South to US 50 to I-395 North. Also, we have done 66 to I-495 South to I-395. Take I-395 to where it ends. You will then run into New York Ave. Take a right onto New York Ave. You will go a few blocks on New York and then you will turn right onto M St, then an immediate left onto 1st St. There will be a triangle of grass on your left. Take 1st St until you get to Hospital Center Dr (about 1.7 miles) and then turn left onto Hospital Center Drive. You will pass NRH on your right and then you will come to a parking deck labeled the Blue Parking Deck. Park in the Blue Parking Deck. Dad is in room 227.

If you have questions about how much parking is or you just want to know about NRH, you can go to [nrhrehab.org](http://nrhrehab.org). Feel free to email me or my mom if you have any questions.

--Blair Ashby

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**Meeting Schedules at RUMC**

Youth Group	1 <sup>st</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> & 5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	4-5:30pm	Social Hall
Praise Band	2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Thursday	6:30pm	Sanctuary
Adult Choir	Tuesdays	7:15pm	Sanctuary
RUM Women	4 <sup>th</sup> Monday of month	7:00pm	Various locations
RUM Men	2 <sup>nd</sup> Monday of month	6:30pm	Social Hall
Bible Study	Thursdays	6:30pm	Social Hall
Admin. Council	2 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of month	7:00pm	Social Hall
Finance Council	1 <sup>st</sup> Monday of month	7:00pm	Social Hall

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