

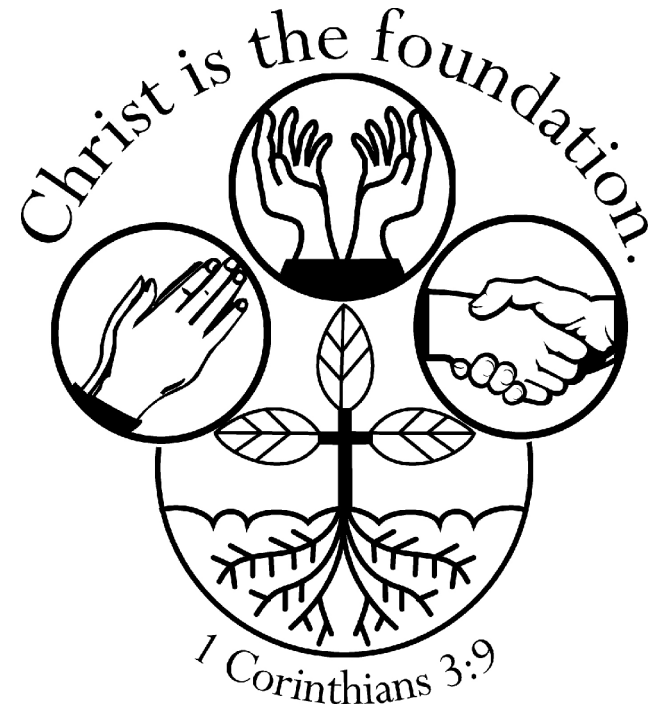
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Christ Died for:



**For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him shall not perish but have everlasting life!**  
 John 3:16

**THE COMMUNICATOR**



**Francis  
 Asbury  
 United  
 Methodist  
 Church**

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*"For we are God's fellow workers; you are God's field, God's building."*  
 1 Corinthians 3:9

**IN MINISTRY**

|                |  |
|----------------|--|
| Minister       | Fred Carpenter   |
| Music Director | Randy Cox  |
| Accompanist    | Jamie Bryson   |
| Admin. Asst.   | Danya Sellers  |
| Custodian      | Glenda Shook   |
| Nursery        | Sharon Lutz  |
|                | Jenny Shook  |
|                | Amy Dayton   |
| Ushers         | Todd Cathcart  |
|                | Calvin Dixon   |
|                | Bob Lamb   |
|                | Robert McCain  |
| Acolyte        | Jackson Arrowood   |
| Greeters       | Sondra Cooper and<br>Dot Peebles   |
|                | District Superintendent—Dr. John S. Boggs<br>Resident Bishop—Dr. Larry M. Goodpaster |

**Sunrise  
 Service &  
 Breakfast**

**FAUMC**



**Sunday, April 12th at 7AM**

Please join us Easter morning for our Sunrise Service at 7:00 AM here at Francis Asbury. Pastor Todd Cole from Liberty Baptist Church will preach and then we will share breakfast with our Baptist friends. Don't miss this meaningful service and time of rejoicing in our Risen Lord!



### Seder Meal

You are invited to partake of this special meal in Celebration of the Passover.

Please RSVP by Wed, April 1st. Call 667.3950.

## PALM SUNDAY EVENING

April 5th  
5PM



THE RELAY FOR LIFE  
*Got Hope? Team*  
is having a Bake Sale after worship on Palm Sunday in the Lloyd Penley Room. Let's help them in the fight to help find a cure for cancer.



Enka High School  
May 15, 2009



## GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

April 10th  
6:30 PM

A  
**Reflective  
Time of  
Worship.**



Join a  
**Sunday School  
Class**

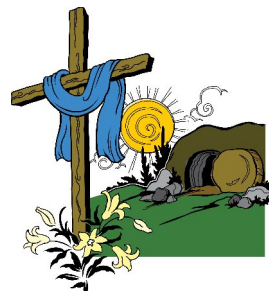


## Egg Hunt

Children's Easter  
Celebration  
& Egg Hunt  
Sunday, April 5th  
3PM

Each child needs to bring an Easter basket and 12 plastic eggs filled with candy or small prizes for the Egg Hunt. Can't wait to see you there!

## EASTER FLORAL CROSS



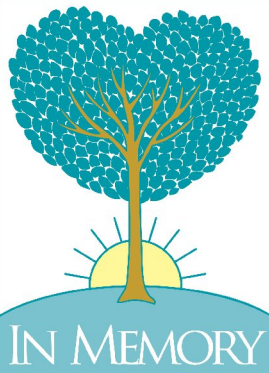
Please bring fresh flowers from your garden or favorite store on Easter morning to help decorate our Easter cross. The cross will once again be a special part of our worship.

It will then be placed by the road to proclaim to the world that  
**"CHRIST IS RISEN INDEED!"**



Ms. Cindy's  
Class  
Sunday,  
April 26th  
9:45 AM  
All 5-11 year  
olds invited

The NEW Stove/Ovens in the Church Kitchen have been given to the Glory of God and in Loving Memory of her daughter,



*Pat Roberts*  
who was a  
Home Economics  
Teacher at  
Enka High School  
by Elveta Earley.



## HOMINY VALLEY ABCCM Needs:

Cereal, Powdered Milk, Juice,  
Laundry Detergent & Toothpaste

## FRANCIS ASBURY UMC

Thursday, Apr. 2nd from 2 - 6:30 PM

## Blood DRIVE

Howard Building  
Help save a life.  
Call 667.3950  
to schedule an  
appointment.



## VBS 2009 June 14th-18th

A burning bush...an assault of plagues... Jesus' resurrection. This VBS has it all and you're invited!



## APRIL CHILDREN'S CHURCH TEACHERS

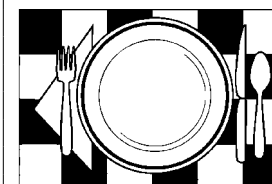
4/5: No Children's Church  
4/12: Bat & Melanie Hudson  
4/19: Beth & Travis Arrowood  
4/25: Shelly Cloud &  
Mollie Scott

## Beginning May 3rd



We will Offer  
Sunday School  
Classes for  
Ages 4 & 5  
Grades 1-3  
Grades 4-6

Please call the church office at 667.3950 for more info.



## Hominy Valley Welcome Table

FAUMC Fellowship Hall  
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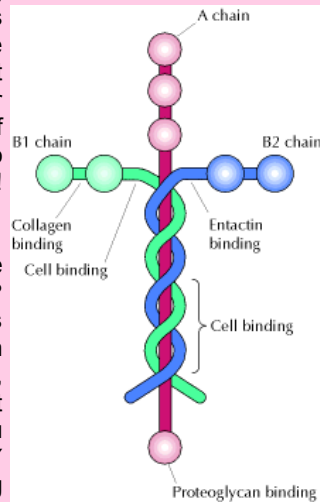
The Welcome Table needs YOU! Hot meals are prepared each Wednesday and served from 11:30AM until 1:00PM. The meals are for everyone. Did you know there is an attorney there if you have a legal question? Did you know that you can have your Blood Pressure checked? Please make others aware of this awesome opportunity! Come, eat and bring a friend! EVERY WEDNESDAY!

## Snip-it from Sandy:

I am not much on reading books. In fact, my current selections are on Sharks, Snakes, Insects or Skateboarding! My soon-to-be 11 year old, Wyatt enjoys those subjects! I do, however, read a lot from the computer. I really enjoy learning new things and I found out how Christ is in each one of us and this is scientifically proven!

I learned about proteins in our body that hold us together called Laminin. By definition, Laminin is a family of proteins that are a part of the structural scaffolding of basement membranes in almost every animal tissue. You see.... laminins are what hold us together.... LITERALLY. They are cell adhesion molecules. They are what holds one cell of our bodies to the next cell. Without them, we would literally fall apart. So, God knitted our human bodies together with amazing detail and wonder.

The most awesome thing about Laminin is what it looks like...Here is a picture of the structure of laminin! I did not make this up either! I consider myself to have a lot of common sense, but am no means a Rocket Scientist! Here...look at Laminin!



AMAZING!!! Did this not take your breath? The glue that holds us together.... ALL of us.... is in the shape of the cross. So, God put the symbol of Christ in ALL OF US! Don't you think that is TOTALLY AWESOME!!! We are being held together, one cell to the other by the Cross!

In amazement, *Sandy* :)

**'He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by him all things were created; things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things were created by him and for him. He is before all things, and in him all things HOLD TOGETHER.'**

**Colossians 1:15-17**

**Our March Meeting** was held at the home of Mollie Scott. Mollie did our devotion from a book by Max Lucado called, "The Final Week of Jesus".

She brought up some good points. For instance, instead of giving up some type of food for lent, give up bad attitudes, bickering or some time for another person that needs you.



We collected \$1002 from the FAB Basket Auction! This money will be used to fund Vacation Bible School! Thank you for your support.

Please keep the ladies of 1st Step Farm in your prayers. Their new director will begin in Mid-April. FAB Women are combining their efforts to make Easter Baskets for the ladies at the Farm. A Meet & Greet will be scheduled ASAP.

We had 12 FAB women to attend the Extraordinary Women's Conference in Greenville, SC. God is good!

DONATION of \$100 was made by the FAB Women to the FROG Youth for the 30 Hour Famine.

Don't forget to bring fresh flowers for the Floral Easter Cross.

### NEXT MEETING:

Melanie Hudson's Home  
DATE: Tuesday, April 7th  
DEVOTION: Peggy  
SALTY & SWEET: Melanie

If you are interested in joining FAB Women, please contact the church. FAB is open to all women ages 16 to 116! :)



Well here we are, just a week away from crowning a new National Champion in college basketball. And yes, Carolina is in the Final Four. I know most of you will find it difficult to believe but in Carolina's first game of the ACC tournament I became a Carolina fan, at least for a few minutes.

Shocking isn't it! How could that happen you ask? Well, on that fateful Friday I needed a haircut. I drove by the barbershop and it looked empty. I stopped in thinking I had lucked out and wouldn't have to wait to get my haircut. The Carolina game was on TV, Bruce of course was watching. He got up immediately to attend to his customer. I politely offered to wait until the game was over. He said he could watch while he cut. I had my doubts but I trust Bruce. As the game clock wound down, the game was still in doubt. The lead was back and forth. I offered, I encouraged Bruce to take a break and watch the end of the game. Being the professional he is he continued to cut. It was at this point that I became a Carolina fan. When a man is working in the area of your head, neck and face you want him to be steady handed. I could only imagine an earlobe dropping in my lap as the buzzer sounded at a Carolina loss. I was converted; at least temporarily I was an avid Carolina Tarheel fan. Being a Tarheel fan was in my best interest at that moment.

Well, here we are, just a little over a week away from the crowning moment in all of history, the resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ. I can't help but wonder how many today are much like me in my conversion to Tarheelism. Being a "Fan" of Jesus doesn't mean that we embrace Him and His teachings only when it best serves our purpose. Truly being a Christian means that we trust Jesus in every aspect of our lives every day of our lives and every moment of the day. A true fan, whether it is a Carolina fan or a fan of Jesus, is loyal all the time even when things are down and at their darkest.

As we come to Easter and the miracle of the empty tomb I ask you, to whom or to what have you cast your allegiance? Jesus is worthy of your allegiance everyday not just times of convenience.

***"Then Jesus, looking at him, loved him, and said to him, "One thing you lack: Go your way, sell whatever you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, take up the cross, and follow Me."*** Mark 10:21

May the power of the resurrection draw each of us to unconditional allegiance to Christ. Happy Easter! CHRIST IS RISEN! Love, *Fred*

