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God Loves:

**FEBRUARY 1ST! WEDNESDAYS ARE BACK**



Adults, Youth and children are invited to the Sanctuary on Wednesdays at 6:30 PM for a time of Praise, led by Worship X Psalm 98:4 Praise Team. Afterwards, Children (5th grade and under) are invited to the gym for a devotion & recreation. For the rest of us, it's time for the "V Show"! **Worship X Psalm 98:4** NEW practice time on Wednesdays is 6-6:30 PM.

**WEDNESDAY SUPPER**

**5-6:15 PM**

**Feb. 1:** *Pizza & Salad*

**Feb. 8:**

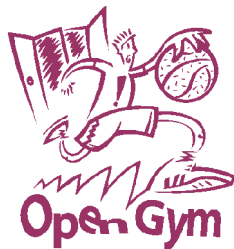
*Chicken Nuggets & Mac'n Cheese*

**Feb. 15:** *Soup & Grilled Cheese*

**Feb. 22:** *Tacos*

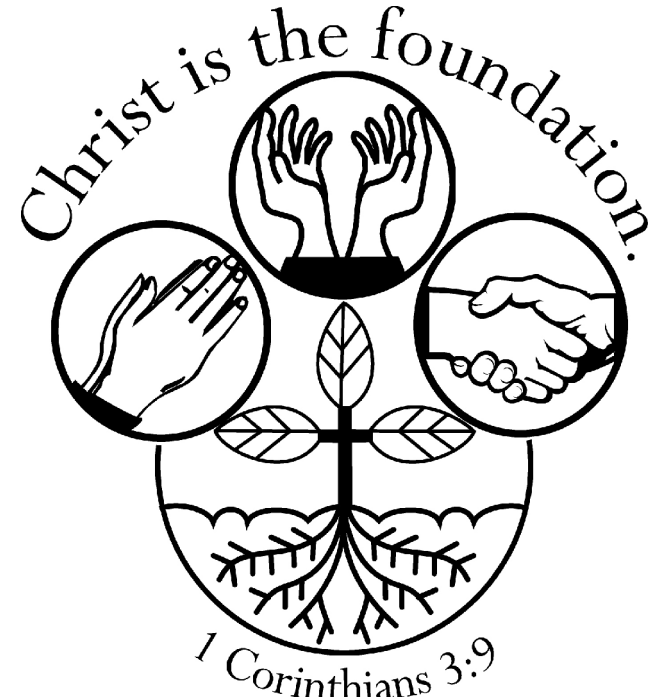
**Feb. 29:** *Subs & Salad*

*Freewill Donation*



**ATTENTION Youth & Kids!**  
**Beginning February 1st**  
**Wednesdays**  
**4:30-6:30 PM**

THE COMMUNICATOR



Francis Asbury United Methodist Church

February, 2012  
 Volume XXX Issue 2

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

IN MINISTRY

Minister	Veranita Alvord
Lay Leader	Charlie Kooles
Choir Director & Pianist	Jess Mills
Admin. Asst.	Danya Sellers
Custodian	Glenda Shook
Nursery	Sharon Lutz
Nursery	Amy Dayton
Ushers	Walt Martin
	Chip Miller
	Brian Turner
Acolytes	2/5: Jansen Arrowood
	2/12: Anna Darby
	2/19: Taylor Turner
	2/26: Sydney Roberts
Greeters	Brian, Sharla, Brandi & Taylor Turner



LENT

What is **Lent**? **Lent** is the 40-Day Period of repentance & renewal preceding Easter (not including Sundays). **Lent** begins on Ash Wednesday and ends with the Easter Service. Holy week commemorates Christ's last week of life on earth. It's the final, most important part of **Lent**. Observing **Lent** can help you experience the **FULL JOY** of Easter! "Be doers of the word, and not merely hearers." James 1:22

Please join us as we begin **Lent** on **Feb. 22nd** at our Ash Wednesday Service at **6:30 PM**.  
 A 5-week **Lent Class** starting on **March 4th!**





Our Youth will be collecting money and canned foods for **Hominy Valley ABCCM** for the 2012 *Souper Bowl of Caring* on Sunday, February 5th. Please help our youth make a difference in our community and support their efforts. With your help, FROG Youth has raised \$1280 and collected 177 food items for HVABCCM since 2008.



### & TADPOLE YOUTH Upcoming Youth Activities

**Sunday, Feb. 5th at 11AM**  
Souper Bowl of Caring

**Friday, Feb. 10th at :**  
Winter Jam 2012  
at Bi-Lo Center in Greenville, SC  
*Meet at church at 3:30 to  
Carpool. U need: \$10 admission,  
Permission slips & \$ to eat.*

**Friday, Feb. 17th at 6PM -  
Saturday, Feb. 18th at 9AM**  
Hominy Valley UM  
Youth Progressive Lock-in  
finishing up at FAUMC Gym.

## Five Love Languages



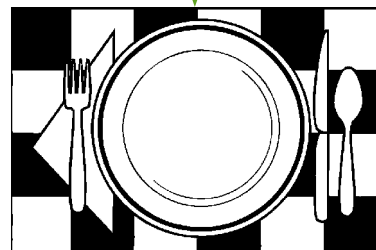
Do you and your spouse or significant other communicate well with each other? Do you sometimes think you speak different languages? YOU DO! Especially when it comes to the way we give love and the way we receive love. You may be giving your spouse signs of love in a language they do not receive or even understand. Your spouse may love you like crazy, but the way they show their love doesn't matter to you one bit. Here's where the Five Love Languages come in. Turns out, we speak different languages when it comes to love. The five languages are Physical Affection, Quality Time, Acts of Service, Gifts, Words of Affirmation. If your spouse speaks in Acts of Service, but you understand love only with Quality Time, she's got to learn your language and you've got to learn hers. Come figure out what love language you speak and what love language your main squeeze speaks! Come learn the language of love which will continue to nurture and grow your relationship for the long run! Please sign-up for the 5 Love Languages class by calling the church at 667-3950 or by emailing Veranita @ vgalvord@gmail.com. The class will be facilitated by Joe and Veranita, using their marriage as an example of how NOT to communicate...

**LOVE LINGO CLASS with Oak Hill UMC**  
from 6:30-8PM on February 20, March 1,  
April 16, May 21, August 20, September 17,  
October 15 and November 19.  
Childcare will be provided!

Oak Hill Youth invite you to a Valentine Banquet on February 12th @ 5:30pm. *Lasagna, Salad, Italian Bread and Dessert.* DONATIONS.



Please RSVP by calling 667-1782 or 772-7402.



"Loving families and strengthening our community through Christian outreach and fellowship"

## Hominy Valley Welcome Table

We are Celebrating our 3rd Anniversary on  
**Wednesday, February 15th from 11:30AM-1PM**  
and you are invited to celebrate with us!

Everyone is WELCOME! In 3 years now, we have not missed serving a single meal on Wednesdays. Thank you to all our volunteers and to all of you who help keep this ministry going through your prayers, donations, service and attendance. It is our purpose to continue to serve hot, delicious meals to the community with love and a smiling face. **Please tell others about the Welcome Table so we can share with them.**

**Wednesdays 11:30-1:00**

**Francis Asbury UMC Fellowship Hall**



**WELCOME** to  
**Jeanette Swann  
& Phyllis Martin**  
who joined  
Francis Asbury  
on January 8th.  
And **WELCOME** to  
**Linda & Terrie Miller**  
who joined Francis Asbury  
on January 22nd.

The family of  
Rose  
Case,  
who



passed away on Dec. 22th.  
The family of *Morris Henson*,  
brother of Shirley Miller, who  
passed away on Dec. 7th.  
The family of *My linda Morgan*,  
sister of Shirley Miller, who  
passed away on Jan. 3rd.

### MEMORIAL GIFTS

IN MEMORY OF Rose Case  
*GENERAL FUND*  
by Jim & Kathy McManus

IN MEMORY OF  
Leslie & Elizabeth Davis  
*BUILDING FUND*  
*GENERAL FUND*  
by C Richard Davis

IN MEMORY OF  
My Dad, Jim Harkins  
*HOMINY VALLEY ABCCM*  
by Steve & Sherrie Harkins

IN MEMORY OF  
Oscar Laney  
*Pastor's Discretionary Fund*  
by Al & Anita Sanchez

IN MEMORY OF  
Bob Owenby  
*GENERAL FUND*  
by Mollie & Charlie Johnson

IN MEMORY OF Russ Rand  
*STAFF CHRISTMAS GIFT*  
by his wife, Gwen Rand/Family

## FRANCIS ASBURY



Thursday, Feb. 9th  
from 2 - 6:30 PM  
in the Gymnasium

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

IN HONOR OF  
Dick O'Donnell's  
90th Birthday



*GENERAL  
FUND*  
By Dorris L.  
Sherman



### Snip-it from Sandy:

Dear Lord, Thank you for letting Sheffield's leg be okay! I really thought we were facing another expensive surgery and a very rough recovery time, but he seems to be fine! Thank You! And Lord, Thank You for helping me find the right Endodontist that kept me from having a terrible toothache all through Christmas! I know that your hand was on that! And Lord, Thank you for helping me find my car! Gas prices don't seem to be getting any better. You presented exactly what I needed at just the right time! I know that was a gift from you!

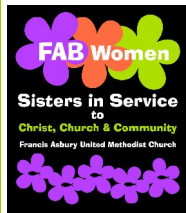
And just a few more things God. Thank You for my loving, supportive husband, my wonderful boy and his big brother, my brother and sister, my parents, my in-laws and all of my aunts, uncles and cousins. Oh, and God, Thank you for my church family and especially all of my friends! They listen to me and I think they actually like me! :)

Oh, almost forgot...Thanks for my job, my Boss and my co-workers! Thank you for heat, coats, warm knee socks and fluffy blankets! Oh, almost forgot again. Thank you for allowing my family to go out and eat yummy things like Shrimp Fajitas, Cilantro Lime Chicken, Greek Chicken and Steak! Oh yes, and thanks for letting me go to the movies every once in-awhile! I know some people can't afford to do that. Oh, and thank you that I am able to donate financially and of my time and talents to our church and to others that I might bring a smile to someone's face.

Oh and Lord, I know our Nation is in turmoil right now, but thank you for letting me live in Candler, NC. And thank you for all of those soldiers that put their life on the line for us every day! Oh, and thank you for my health and the health of my family. I don't think I could run a marathon, but I am able to walk speedily through the WalMart parking lot! Thanks for that too!

Wow...That's a lot to be thankful for! I read a statement on Facebook and it said this: **"What if you woke up only with the things you thanked God for yesterday?"** WOW, is right! Sometimes we get so busy, and caught up in things that we forget that God takes Knee-mail! I don't have a perfect life, who does? Unexpected bills come in the mail, someone that you love gets sick or down. There are quarrels among friends and your favorite scone falls off the wall...but you know what? At the end of the day, my life is pretty grand and for that I give God all the glory! AMEN!!! Big Hugs! **Sandy**

**Pray in the Spirit in every situation. Use every kind of prayer and request there is. For the same reason be alert. Use every kind of effort and make every kind of request for all of God's people.** -Ephesians 6:18



### Our Last Meeting

was held at the home of Sandy Jackson. Thanks

Veranita & Sandy for the yummy food. Peggy shared a devotion with us about focusing on our strengths not our weaknesses. God is looking for a willing heart! He's ready when you are!

*Thank You* to those that served as an Officer last year and everything you did for FAB Women!

#### New Officers are:

- Madam President : *Cindy Crook*
- Madam VP & Snip-it Girl: *Sandy "The Priss" Jackson*
- Christ Care Meal Planner & Prayer Requests: *Melanie Hudson*
- Christ Care Card Giver: *Pam Hall*
- 1st Step Farm Girl: *Brenda Rhinehart*
- Party Girl: *Beth Arrowood*
- Reporter & \$ Chick: *Danya Sellers*

**Save the Date:**  
**VBS Basket Auction**  
**Sunday, April 15th**

**NEXT MEETING:**  
**The First Tuesday, February 7th at 6:30 pm at the home of Elizabeth Gardner. Devotion by Melanie. Salty: Melanie & Amy. Sweet: Elizabeth.**  
For more info or directions, please call **Elizabeth at 400-2033.**



## FROM THE PASTOR

Your New Year's Resolution to "lose weight and get in shape" has gotten off track. You may have done well the first 3 weeks of January, but then there was rain that wouldn't stop and that appetizer thing at work. And that awesome Super Bowl party is coming up and all the excitement may lead your hands straight to your mouth before you realize it. All of a sudden, every day becomes feast day and those 15 fat grams and 1500 calorie days have vanished into thin air while the fat still resides. What do you do? Give up or keep trying?

One of the things I love about the Christian life is that we can start fresh, that getting off track in January does not mean that February or even March or April has to be off track as well. In fact, we believe that every day, even every moment, holds the opportunity for forgiveness and salvation. It's one thing to believe this. It is another to live this, to put intention behind change. For example, our family has tried to take on a new practice each January in order to be more environmentally conscious. We figure that if we take on one new practice each year, eventually, we are becoming better stewards of our environment. After all, "The Lord God put Adam in the Garden of Eden to till it and keep it." (Genesis 1:15) Practices like recycling or switching to more energy efficient light bulbs will have an impact when you put them all together. Right? Well, for the last 3 years, using fabric shopping bags has been our new practice. We have tried to make sure fabric shopping bags are in the car so we do not use the plastic ones when we go to the grocery store. 3 years we've tried and we still don't have it! How hard can it be, really, to be intentional about shopping bags? What prevents us from turning this practice into a habit?




I do not have the answers but we are trying to use shopping bags AGAIN....for the 4th year in a row. We could look at this 2 ways, at least. One way is to just give up, think that we are incapable of changing our ways. It's no big deal, anyway. Another way is to think that there is always a chance to start fresh. There is a possibility to change. Of course, I prefer the 2nd approach, especially as we face Lent this month. Lent, beginning with Ash Wednesday, February 22, is 40 days of fasting, prayer or some kind of new pattern that helps us turn our lives toward God—again. Lent is a chance for a fresh start. I've heard that in life, the victory really doesn't go to the winners, but to those who get up after they have fallen. Maybe so---

If you see me in the grocery store, ask me where my shopping bags are!

Grace and Peace, Veranita



# FEBRUARY 2012

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- 2/2 Amanda Davis
- 2/4 Jimmy Davis
- 2/5 Lisa Ballard
- 2/7 Leslie Poe
- 2/9 Carrie Carpenter
- 2/10 Tom Phelps
- 2/10 Jacob Scott
- 2/11 Savannah Cloud
- 2/11 Sandy Jackson
- 2/11 Brenda Rhinehart
- 2/12 Michael Sawyer
- 2/12 Whitney Tedder
- 2/12 Michelle Thompson
- 2/17 Ali Mae Crook
- 2/17 Josh Jenkins
- 2/18 Phyllis Martin
- 2/18 Kati Phelps
- 2/19 Brenda Heeg
- 2/23 Alli Rudisill
- 2/23 Bryce Rudisill
- 2/24 Morgan Rudisill
- 2/25 Ross Peebles
- 2/27 Cody Sanders
- 2/28 Conor Cloud
- 2/28 Paula Davis
- 2/29 Brenning Shook

*Happy Anniversary to...*  
 16 Ronnie & Brenda Rhinehart