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Roanoke, VA 24019

**FEBRUARY 2016
NEWSLINE NEWSLETTER**



ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE

Ash Wednesday is the first day of Lent in the Western Christian calendar. It occurs exactly 46 days before Easter (40 fasting days not counting Sundays).



Ash Wednesday is named after the practice of placing ashes on the foreheads of the faithful as a reminder of human mortality, and as a sign of mourning and repentance to God.

Join us for Ash Wednesday service on February 10 at 7:00 p.m.

Palm Sunday

March 20, 11:00 a.m.



Maundy Thursday Communion Service

March 24th, 7:00 p.m.



Good Friday Tenebrae Service

March 25th, 7:00 p.m.

EASTER

Sunday, March 27th

Community Sunrise Service
at Summerdean Church of the Brethren
at 7:00 a.m. (pancake breakfast to follow)

Northview's Easter Morning Worship Service
with Communion at 11:00 a.m.



Church Staff
Joe Klotz, Pastor
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Connie Ragland
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Family Life Center
Custodian

CHURCH OFFICE
HOURS
8:15 a.m. - 1:45 p.m.
Monday - Friday
(540) 366-0646

Sunday Morning Worship
11:00 AM

Sunday School
9:45 AM

NEWSLINE

We encourage all members to contribute articles. Articles are due the third Monday of each month for the following month's issue.

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**NORTHVIEW UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
OLD FASHIONED COUNTRY BREAKFAST**

Sponsored by United Methodist Men
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13TH

8:00 A.M. 10:30 A.M.

Scrambled Eggs, Omelets, Sausage Gravy, Pancakes,
Biscuits, Bacon/Sausage, Fried Apples

Coffee, Juice and Milk

Adults \$6 Children \$4

Tickets available from any Methodist Man,
Church Office, at the door or call 366-0646

and

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN BAKE SALE

Rolls, cookies, muffins, candies,
all kinds of good stuff to eat in or take home



**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14
CONSECRATION OF CHURCH
LEADERS AND TEACHERS
DURING THE 11:00 A.M. WORSHIP
SERVICE**

“JOYFUL KIDS”

A new children’s choir has come to
Northview UMC – “Joyful Kids.”
Mary Simmons will direct the choir in
practice the 3rd Sunday of each month
following the worship service. Lunch
will be provided. “Joyful Kids” will
sing during the worship service on the



Children’s Choir

4th Sunday of each month. Mark your calendar for
our next practice on Sunday, February 21. Family
and siblings are welcome to stay for lunch. There
will be a family activity space available during choir
practice.

DAYS FOR GIRLS

As a new year begins, we would like to
update you on our Days for Girls outreach ministry.
Due to a generous financial donation last year, we
have been able to continue making feminine
hygiene kits for girls in countries where those
products are not readily available. This made it
possible for those girls to stay in school on a regular
basis. We are happy to report that we have finished

**BOY SCOUT TROOP 209
SUPER BOWL SUNDAY BBQ SUNDAY
FEBRUARY 7**

Pulled Pork BBQ - 2 lb. Bag \$20.00

Package of buns free with pre-orders

May be purchased at the door February 6 & 7
Pick up Sunday, February 7, 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Northview Family Life Center

Perfect for 50th Super Bowl meal

*Proceeds applied to cost of Florida High
Adventure 2016*

See Forrest Otey for tickets

another 120 kits which Jean Broyles took with her
to Haiti on a VIM trip (January 31-February 12).

We were excited to have had the opportunity
to help a group of Roanoke College students form a
Days for Girls team in 2015. In January of this year,
Rose Townsend led and Lane Canada and Lynn
Bryant helped teach a Spirituality class at Hollins
University. This class is regularly taught by the
Rev. Jenny Call. We shared our Days for Girls
mission with them and the students had an
opportunity to participate in making some of the
kits.

Our next work session will be on Thursday,
February 25 starting at 9:00 a.m. in the Seekers
classroom. We invite anyone interested to join us.

The J.O.Y. Relationship

“A cord of three strands is not quickly broken.”- Ecclesiastes 4:12

“For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them.” - Matthew 18:20



We will soon be celebrating meaningful relationships on Valentines' Day. All ages will exchange invitations to “Be my valentine”. The greeting card companies tell us: “Love is in the air”. There is one irrefutable truth in life – **Relationships Matter**. Relationships have value and affect everything in our lives whether for good or for harm.

Let us explore the **J.O.Y. Relationship (fellowship)** which actually consist of three very important relationships that must intertwine for our lives to be healthy and strong. The three relationships are based on three life stories: **Jesus' story (J), the story of other people (O), and your story (Y)**. Most of our relationships consist of two of these three stories – **friendship** (others + yourself) and **faith** (Jesus + others OR Jesus + yourself). We begin and sustain many human friendships throughout our lives. Our faith relationship and the faith relationship of others begins as we seek to know Jesus. Every faith relationship is unique and of sacred value.

Jesus addressed many human relationships in Matthew chapter 18. He began by answering the disciples' question – “Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?” Jesus' disciples struggled with the value humanity places on **place, status, and importance** within relationships. The answer was both encouraging and cautious. Jesus told his disciples to “become innocent children” and to avoid “causing anyone to sin”. Faith relationships were never meant to be competitive or be exclusive.

Jesus continued in Matthew chapter 18 to ask the disciples a question, “What do you think? If a man owns a hundred sheep, and one of them wanders away, will he not leave the ninety-nine on the hills and go to look for the one that wandered off?”. In this teaching Jesus moves beyond our personal faith relationship to the **intentional seeking** of those confused and struggling in their faith relationship.

Jesus now comes to the challenge of **reconciling** friendships. Sin damages human friendships. Forgiveness is the only solution to necessary reconciliation. However, we lack the motivation or power to accomplish this difficult task. Here is where the **J.O.Y. Relationship** is introduced. The disciples are reminded of Solomon's wisdom regarding a “cord of three strands”. When you have difficulty in human (you + another) relationships then you need to have THE third strand – Jesus.

Jesus understood the power in human “freedom of choice”. We can choose to build or destroy relationships. We can bind heaven with our unyielding stubbornness. Only when we are in a healthy friendship (agreeing to sustain and maintain) can we experience fellowship with Jesus – **J.O.Y. (Jesus + Others + Yourself)**.

As we enter a new year of Christian friendship, faith, and fellowship let us strive for more strong, healthy relationships. Our 2016 church-wide focus is “**Healthy Congregation, Healthy Community**.” Jesus calls us to live in the world (making friendships), but not conform to the world (faith in Jesus). Now is the time to be a friend, to make a friend, and to bring a friend to Jesus.

*In Christian Faith, Friendship, and Fellowship,
Pastor Joe*



BIRTHDAY BUDDIES – 2016

90-98 Year Olds:

1. *Charlotte Peck (1/13/1925) 107 Springbeauty Apt 206. Roanoke VA 24012*
2. **Evelyn Carr (1/20/1918) 6525 Greenway Dr Apt D-38 , Roanoke VA 24019*
3. **Hazel Hager (2/2/1910) Carrington Place - 290 Commons Pkwy, Daleville, VA 24083*
4. *Dennis Booze (2/17/1926) 440 Blue Bell Lane Apt. U204, Roanoke, VA 24012*
5. **Delaney Black (2/24/1926) 5103 West Creek Court, Suffolk, VA 23435*
6. *Frankie Cornwell (3/24/1924) 129 Hershberger Rd, Apt. 224, Roanoke, VA 24012*
7. *Enid Clarke (4/7/1923) 440 Bluebell Lane, #308, Roanoke, Va. 24012*
8. **Margaret Camper (5/26/1924) 8005 Enon Dr., Roanoke, VA 540-366-7724*
9. **Dorthy White (4/24/1926) 4230 Elm View Road, Rm 224, Roanoke, VA 24018*
10. *James Johnson (6/2/1922) 320 Hershberger Road, Apt. C103, Roanoke, VA 24014*
11. **Peggy Widmayer (8/8/1924) 1009 Old Country Club RD., Roanoke, VA. 24017*
12. **Tilford Boitnott (9/24/1926) 290 Commons Pkwy, Daleville, VA 24083*
13. *Albert Pendelton (9/29/1925) 1326 Monterey Road, Roanoke, VA 24019*
14. **Doris Burnside (10/3/1923) 320 Hershberger Rd Rm A319, Roanoke VA. 24012*
15. **Elizabeth Fisher (11/16/1922) 6675 Stonelyn Cottage Circle , Roanoke, VA 24019*
16. **Mary Mitchell (12/4/1919) 705 Clearview Dr, Vinton, VA. 24179*
17. **Helen Vaughn (12/13/1921) 501 VES Road, Apt. B304, Lynchburg, VA 24503*

**Shut-in*

Shut-in's:

- *Charlotte Broyles (3/3/1928) 825 Hugh Ave, Roanoke, VA 24019*
- *Frances Wertz (3/31/1927) 6405 N Barrens RD., Roanoke VA 540 366 7988*
- *Al Cheatwood (4/4/31) 320 Hershberger Rd #101, Roanoke VA. 24012*
- *Betty Kelley (4/10/1931) 11 N Broad St. Salem VA. 24153*
- *Katherine Shaw (10/4/1933) 6804 Greenway Dr, Roanoke VA 540*
- *Bill Kelley (10/13/1929) 4429 Pheasant Ridge Road, Roanoke, VA 24014*
- *Robert Widmayer (10/20/1929) 1009 Old Country Club RD., Roanoke, VA. 24017*
- *Dorothy Mongold (11/11/1932) 650 North Jefferson Street, Roanoke, VA 24016*
- *Alice Underwood (12/2/1934) 1851 Harrogate Dr., Salem VA.24153*



BIRTHDAY CARD SHOWER 2016

We plan to “shower” our 90+ year olds and our shut-in’s with cards this year. There will be a birthday “poster card” at church for all to sign on the Sundays prior to their birthday. Let us remember special members of our church family all through the year.

ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD UPDATE

The first meeting of the 2016 Administrative Board (1/21/16) was very productive in spite of impending winter storm Jonas. Pastor Joe recommended a church-wide focus for new and existing ministries – Healthy Congregation, Healthy Community. The idea for a year-



long focus came out of our successful 150th anniversary celebration. Memories and experiences shared incorporated all generations and effectively connected current members, potential members and guests. The HCHC focus was approved.

The Staff Parish Relations Committee met (1/19/16) to discuss the “state of the church” and the future clergy leadership needs for Northview UMC. The committee and Pastor Joe agreed on the recommendation of the pastor’s continued appointment for a sixth year (2016-2017).

The Finance Committee presented a 2016 church budget for approval. The committee has worked long and hard to evaluate the past year’s income and expenses in order to craft a realistic budget. The 2016 budget includes a reduced payment of conference and district apportionments, a 1.5% salary increase for staff (excluding pastor), and a portion of church reserves (for income). The board discussed and approved the 2016 budget. The Finance Committee also noted that an additional payment was made to the Family Life Center mortgage that resulted in a \$1,000 interest saving. Even though church repairs and maintenance expenses exceeded the 2015 budget estimates, there were sufficient reserves to cover the cost without making an emergency appeal to the congregation. The board expressed appreciation for the “quarterly summaries” published through 2015.

The following new ministries and leadership were reported for 2016: Rhonda McDonald will chair Family Ministries; Mary Simmons will direct the Joyful Kids Choir; Pastor Joe will teach the Tweens Sunday School Class for grades 4-6; and Helen Watson has expanded Helping Hands to include the Birthday Brigade (to help the congregation celebrate those who will be 90 – 106 years old.)

SOCIAL CLUB NEWS

(December)

'Tis the Season...

...to celebrate the annual Social Club Christmas party! It was a balmy 75 degrees outside on Sunday, December 13th, matching the warmth of the Fellowship Hall inside as members arrived to festive decorations and Christmas songs played by Pastor Joe on one of the many pianos available. Folks were directed to a table where the Christmas pins and necklaces they'd made in November were gift wrapped for them in boxes made from old Christmas cards by members of the UMW.

Lunch consisted of a variety of scrumptious party foods provided by the volunteers. Over dessert, Pastor Joe read a Christmas story about a little lamb that had been born with a condition that made him feel left out, something with which many of the listeners could relate. There was a happy ending, with the lamb being an important presence at Jesus' birth.

And then came Santa! With his jolly manner and his own white beard, Butch Jordan was perfect for the role. He worked the room as he made his way to his special spot where one by one, each member joined him for a chat, a picture and a gift bag containing \$25 for shopping at K-Mart.



Christmas shopping with Social Club is always an adventure! K-Mart was bustling with shoppers, but each member had an attentive volunteer to help them stay within their “budget” and they went through the check-out lines with big smiles. It's always interesting to see what purchases they make when they can choose anything they want. Audrey bought two pairs of fuzzy slippers; Virginia found a lovely handbag; Mickey had to have a belt, a white shirt and tie; Lawrence always buys a movie, but he also had four cans of pineapple slices in his cart. It seems that someone will make a Pineapple Upside Down Cake for him if he provides the pineapple. Many folks bought personal care

items or snacks. They were free to use the money as they chose and a few elected to save it. Whatever they decided, the money was Northview's Christmas gift to them and once again we thank you for your generosity and loving support of this ministry. For many of the Social Club members, it will be the nicest thing that happens to them this season.

SOCIAL CLUB STARTS

THE NEW YEAR WITH NEW MEMBERS!

At the January Social Club meeting 6 new members were welcomed, bringing our total to 25! And there's more good news: the end of the year financial report shows that we're maintaining our SC Fund, thanks to so many generous donations from various groups and individuals in the church. Truly, our cup runneth over!



Lunch, purchased with money from our fund, was fried chicken, mac and cheese, baked beans, and buttered biscuits, with pineapple topped frozen yogurt for dessert. Then there was BINGO – always a favorite – with lots

of prizes for everyone. Of course, everyone won, several times!

The yearly planning meeting of SC volunteers was held on Sunday, January 31st following the worship service. During our February Social Club meeting we will share the love with a Valentine party!

There's always a need for volunteers at Social Club. If you have an interest in becoming a part of this vital local ministry, simply check with any of the volunteers, or join us on the 2nd Sunday of the month. Be sure to check the SC bulletin board for pictures with Santa!

Ann Journell, Social Club Volunteer

OUTREACH COMMITTEE

Northview's Outreach Committee is a combination of Mission and Evangelism. We oversee the Social Club, Samaritan Inn, Elijah's Backpack, Day for Girls, the Community Outreach program (COP), UMCOR, and Volunteers-in-Mission. Your generous advent donations of \$926 allowed us to donate to the Boy and Girl Scouts that use our church, UMCOR and COP. We exceeded our campaign of "No More Malaria" this past year thanks to so many. Our Outreach Committee is also trying to build a Covenant Relationship with our UM missionary in Marion, Va., Mark Stransky of Project Crossroads. Project Crossroads provides homes, firewood, meals and disaster response for the elderly, the handicapped and families in the Marion area of southwest Virginia. In a Covenant Relationship, a church partners with a missionary and helps provide financial, spiritual and emotional support. Our church members visit Mark yearly in Marion to help in whatever area his mission needs. We have painted and built ramps in the past. The Outreach Committee has decided that the 2016 Lenten Offering will be donated to Project Crossroads to help build a covenant relationship.

Gary and Jane Lambert, Co-Chairpersons



IN YOUR DAILY PRAYERS PLEASE REMEMBER

Mary Lou Rakes	Norman Andersen	Katherine Shaw	Linda Waltz
Jean Stamper	Jerry Arnold	Norma White	Doug Mitchell
Alice Underwood	Elizabeth Fisher	Allie Jones	Josh Thurston
Leroy Dimmery	Paula and Tom Lesko	Rev. Tina Cox	Freddie Ragland
Charlotte Broyles	Phyllis Campbell	JC Star, Kathryn Johnson's brother	
Emily Dick, Rhonda McDonald's niece		Jay Williams, husband of Jane Williams	
Billy & Debbie Ginger		Celia Ferguson	
Marge Klotz, Aunt of Joe Klotz		Mary Starr, Kathryn Johnson's sister-in-law	
Bobby Ginger, Billy Ginger's brother		Hazel Hager, Aunt of Twila Briscoe	
Sylvia Starnes, John Hinrichs' sister		Gary Yarbrough, Becky Hinrichs' brother	
Lee Dotson, Debbie Ginger's stepfather		Charlotte Peck	
Chris Stinnett, son-in-law of Charlene Fitzgerald, Northview's Financial Associate			
Jesse Perdue, husband of Barbara Perdue (Northview's former Financial Associate)			
Mel and Faye Clark, brother-in-law and sister of Twila Briscoe			
Gerri Giles, stepmother of Jimmy Giles (husband of Jill Camper Gills)			

In the Military/International Service

Captain Brandon Kelly, husband of Abby Jackson Kelly and son of Keith and Amanda Moore, Marine Corps Air Station Yuma, AZ.

Brigadier General Greg S. Otey, son of Ray & Doris Otey, Fort Belvoir

Staff Sgt. Wallace Berkeley Newton, Jr., grandson of Allie Jones, Red Stone Arsenal, AL

Avery Scott - Peace Corps, Grenada

Those Who Wish Cards/Notes/Encouragement & visits

Al Cheatwood - Eastwood, 320 Hershberger Road, Rm 101, Roanoke, Va. 24012

Betty Kelley - Snyder Nursing Home, 11 N Broad Street, Salem, Va. 24153

Darthy White - Elm Park Estates, 4230 Elm View Road, Rm 224, Roanoke, Va. 24018

Doris Burnside - FM, 320 Hershberger Rd, NW, Apt A319, Roanoke, Va 24012

Helen Vaughan - 501 VES Road, Apt. B304, Lynchburg, Va. 24503

Mary Mitchell - Berkshire Health Care Center, 705 Clearview Drive, Vinton, Va. 24179

Telford Boitnott - VA Vet. Care Center, West 226

Grace Helmer - 1127 Persinger Road, SW, Roanoke, Va. 24015

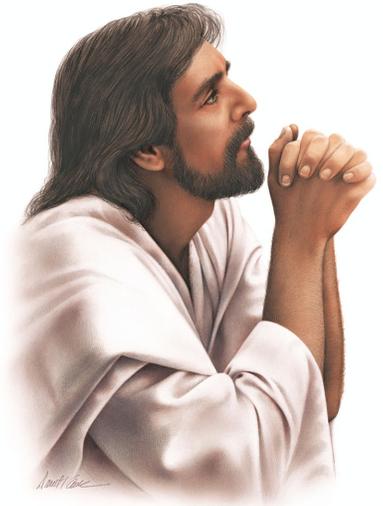
In Sympathy

Charlie and Twila Briscoe and family in the death of Charlie's mother, Virginia Briscoe (January 22)

Dear Northview,

Thank you for all the phone calls, cards, visits and food sent to me during my recent hospital stay and rehab recovery. Especially thank you for the 91st birthday card signed by you and brought to me by Pastor Joe. All were deeply appreciated.

Charlotte Peck



Happy Valentine's Day

"The Cross"

Two arms open wide
Two sinners on each side
Two eyes tearing
One heart grieving
One grandiose plan
One innocent man
Nailed was He
To a tree
He suffered and bled

So we would no longer be dead

The King of Kings and Lord of Lords were just two of the names given to Him by many who believed that He was!
For the true Son of God, the Christ came to deliver us all and He showed us the love that He did and still does!

He died for us for God did allow
Oh how grateful we all are now
All this Love He now leaves us
For this blessed hope in Jesus
To abide in His ways for sure
To believe in faith that's pure
To sacrifice His Life for all
Was the greatest gift of all
On this very truth and fact
Only with faith can you act
Faith in Him as Holy Lord
With the Bible as your sword
His death on the cross is a key
For every man's life in eternity
He gave so much and healed all
His work on the cross was a call
A call to each and everyone here
To see the love he had so dear
Love one another as also He,
Loved all of us, you and me!
Which way should we all go
He set an example to show
We need to yell and shout
So now we must go out
To tell the whole earth
Of our Savior's worth
And the joy of Him
Does not grow dim
Only one chance
So take a stance
Come to know
His Sorrow
Don't cease
Seek peace
God Bless
Pray yes!
I do warn
Be born
Again
Amen

