

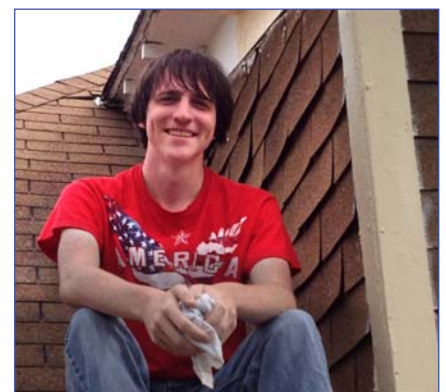


PROJECT CROSSROADS 2012

“Find New Ways to Serve” was the theme of our Project Crossroads mission trip, July 15–20. An outstanding group of hard-working, caring youth and adults enjoyed working together to benefit three families whose homes needed repairs.

Our team looks forward to sharing with our church family in worship on Sunday, August 12.

The twenty team members: Kathryn Waters, Abby deAristizabal, Lily Hungarland, Angel Moore, Kate Newell, Elizabeth Payne, Patrick Woodard, Tristan Woodard, Nicholas Wright, Aaleyah Coleman, Dustin Milam, DeMonte Wood, Frank Cuthrell, Beth Bauman, Gary Benefield, Chuck Sampson, Tammy Waters, Nick Bellanger, Lorraine Hutchins, Gwen Edwards.



Members of our youth/adult mission team will share in worship on **SUNDAY, AUGUST 12** 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

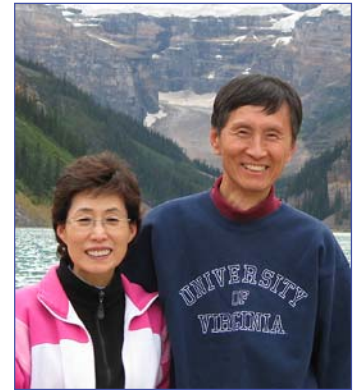
Bishop Young Jin Cho Will Lead the Virginia Conference

I am so very pleased that Divine Providence (actually, the UM Jurisdictional Committee on the Episcopacy) has brought the Rev. Dr. Young Jin Cho to the Virginia Conference as our new Bishop.

I have served with Young Jin on the Conference Board of Discipleship for the past six years and have admired his gentleness and quiet Christian spirit. He has a dry, Korean wit ... and the accent helps the humor. We have enjoyed some deep thoughts on the changing structures for ministry and even deeper thoughts about today's challenges for developing disciples

for Christ and the church. I believe he will be a different type of Bishop, mainly because of his genuine humility, and his persistent optimism about what the Holy Spirit is going to do in and through our church.

Through this somewhat surprising appointment, God is definitely "doing a new thing" in our midst. I welcome Bishop Cho as my Bishop, and will pray for him as he leads us into the future with a quiet, yet joyful anticipation of "Emmanuel" – God truly with us.



Bishop Young Jin Cho
and wife, Kiok

Visit youngjincho.org for
the Bishop's biography & more.

Fun at the Farm!

Co-Sponsored by the Children's and Young Adult Councils
Sunday, August 12, at 3:30 p.m.

Calling all kids, and grown-ups, too! Please join us for a fun afternoon at the Milams' farm, followed by a covered-dish supper. All are welcome. Meet at church to carpool.



RSVP to Angela Longerbeam,
rizbeam@gmail.com,
if you plan to attend.

Flowers for the Sanctuary

If you would like to donate the flowers for the urns in the sanctuary in someone's memory or honor, please contact Nell Jefferson, 793-7349. We still have some Sundays open for flowers for the remainder of this year. The cost is \$60.00.

– Nell Jefferson, Flowers Chair



Young Adults News

Faith Night at Danville Braves is Friday, August 3.

You can still purchase tickets at the gate, so come join the Mount Vernon group if you can! The game starts at 7 p.m.



Sunday school will resume with Godly Play and the Young Adult class on August 19.

This year there will be three Godly Play classes! We have added a new Youth class (ages 11–13+). The Young Adult class will be led by John Ranson, and the class will be studying *Three Months with Matthew*. Light breakfast and coffee will continue. We are looking forward to a great year.

Youth News

On Sunday, August 12:

• **Project Crossroads team will lead worship services** at 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Between services we will go out for breakfast. Meet in the youth room at 8:15.



• **Fun Day at the Milams' Farm** – Meet in the parking lot at 3:30 to ride out to the Milams' farm for volleyball and other fun activities with the young adults and children.

Dear Mount Vernon Friends,

Bill and I wish to thank you for your prayers, calls, cards, memorial gifts, and concerns that we received from you during my Mother's illness and passing. My family and I miss her very much, however we are comforted in knowing she is with her Heavenly Father.

Bill and I are indeed blessed to be part of such a wonderful church family here at Mount Vernon.

Betty Ann Smith

Betty Ann's mother, Doris Brown, died on June 18.

Dear Members of Mount Vernon,

Thank you so much for the cards, your support, and your prayers in the death of my father. They have truly been appreciated. He was certainly blessed to have such caring friends.

Jan Lester

Jan's father, J. T. "Jake" Carter, Jr., died on July 4.

August 19: GODLY PLAY Resumes and New Youth Class Begins

Folks are busy this summer preparing to add a new class to our Sunday school program. Volunteers painted a classroom and bookshelves, and added a new counter and Venetian blinds. Thanks to Jerry Franks, Frank Cuthrell, Frank Davis, Chuck Sampson, Tom Underwood, Jim Moyer, Angela Longerbeam, Linda Sampson, and Leslie Navis, this room is ready to go for the new Youth Class: Ages 11, 12, and 13+.

Again this year, the Mount Vernon UMC Foundation provided funds for additional challenging materials. A small sample of our lessons are:

- ✿ **Class 1 - Ages 4–7:** “The Story of the Creation,” “The Ten Best Ways,” and “Holy Baptism.”
- ✿ **Class 2 - Ages 8–10:** “The Ark and the Tent,” “The Prophets,” and “Jesus and the Twelve.”
- ✿ **Class 3 - Youth Class - Ages 11–13+:** The Parables, Parable Synthesis, The Holy Trinity, Paul’s Discovery, and Saints of the World.
- ✿ Ongoing projects in the classroom include journal writing and/or drawing, painting, sculpting with clay, watercolor painting, making crosses, tile painting, murals, games, and reading.

Other lessons for all children include the Old Testament stories, stories of the prophets, the life of Jesus, Advent, Epiphany, Holy Baptism, Lent, Pentecost, Holy Communion, as well as Christian symbols.

A ten-year curriculum schedule is now in place so that children will receive lessons appropriate for their age throughout their Sunday School experience.

We will begin the new year August 19 and hope that you will encourage children and youth to take part in the richness of God’s story. If you are interested in serving as a storyteller, a doorkeeper, or a substitute, you may call the church and leave your name with Lin Benefield, 793-6824, or see one of our teachers – Beth deAristizabal, Leslie Navis, Becky Lutz, Beth Bauman, or Ann Hurt.

Many thanks to everyone for your support of this program. – Ann Hurt, Coordinator of Godly Play



Painting Day

Saturday, August 4 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Lots of volunteers are needed

to help paint the downstairs rooms used by our youth group, Children’s House, Children’s Church, and Boy Scouts. The leaks have been fixed, walls and ceiling have been repaired, and the rooms are ready for a fresh coat of paint.

Many thanks to Frank Cuthrell, Tom Underwood, and Gary Benefield, who have made the repairs and prepared the room.

Nursery and children’s activities provided. (Please e-mail Leslie at lnavis@gmail.com if you need the nursery.)

We will order pizza for lunch.



Boomers Sunday School Class News

The Boomers Class will resume on August 5. We meet in room 208 (second floor, above the parlor), and if you’re not involved in another class, give us a try. We are a discussion class and we look at various contemporary books about our faith journey.

To kick off our fall season, a game night social with pot-luck dinner is scheduled on Saturday, August 11, at 5 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Visitors are welcome.

Church Calendar Now Online

If your group is planning an event at the church, and you need to know, for example, whether the Fellowship Hall will be available on a certain evening, you no longer have to wait until you can call the church office to find out.

If you look at the home page of the church Web site, and click **CHURCH CALENDAR** at bottom right, you can see all the information that is on the paper calendar in the church office – as far into the future as events have been scheduled.



*Many thanks to the volunteers who helped in the transformation of two classrooms into our **Youth Class, Children's Music Room, and Children's Library!** Volunteers Chuck Sampson, Jerry Franks, Tom Underwood, Frank Davis, Gary Benefield, Frank Cuthrell, Jim Moyer, Angela Longerbeam, Leslie Navis, Linda Sampson, and Beth deAristizabal did a beautiful job!*



United Methodist Women to Hold Mission Mini-School

The Danville District United Methodist Women are holding a "Mini-school of Christian Mission" on Tuesday, August 28, from 7 till 9 p.m. at Oakland United Methodist Church, 120 Snakepath Road, Blairs.

This annual education opportunity supports the mission ministry for local churches across the Danville District. Anyone with a passion for missions is encouraged to attend: missions committee chairpersons, United Methodist Women, United Methodist Men, clergy, youth. Additional information and registration forms (due by Aug. 17) are available in the church office.

Happy Anniversary

To
Zane and Ann Kinn,
who celebrated
their sixty-fourth
wedding anniversary on July 17.

God's Storehouse Needs Our Help

Dear Area Faith Communities:

Please accept my thanks and appreciation for ALL the support you provide to God's Storehouse through your donations and prayers. We could not do what we do without your support and we are very grateful.

God's Storehouse continues to see increased numbers in need of food in Danville and the county. Each week we average 31 new clients and serve an average of almost 600 clients – about 150 families per day. During June and July, our food donations are significantly down. We are running very low on food and toiletry items.

While we have been fortunate over the last few months to receive grants from various organizations and monetary donations, some of the grants are restrictive (i.e., not to be used for food purchases). We have used some of the unrestricted money to purchase food and it is on its way, but given our increased numbers, that food will go quickly. Also, we have to cover our general operating costs (utilities, gas for vans/trucks, etc.) out of the donations we receive.

Below is a list of our needs. Note: Our clients on SNAP (food stamps) may not be able to get necessities for hygiene with their food stamps, and our other clients forego those items in order to purchase food. Our "store," which we try to stock with hygiene and toiletry items, allows our clients access to these items.

Food items: Canned corn, canned green beans, any canned vegetables, canned fruit, pasta, rice, ramen noodles, Hamburger Helper, small boxes breakfast cereal, packets of oatmeal.

Toiletries: Shampoo, soap, men's & women's deodorant, men's razors & shaving cream, lotion for men & women, toothbrushes, tooth paste, toilet paper, etc.

Any assistance you can provide is greatly appreciated. Continue to pray for God's Storehouse and the people we serve. Please accept my warmest thanks to you for your ongoing help and support. Working together we are "United to Feed the Hungry." *Karen Harris, Executive Director*



Food and Toiletries Drive for God's Storehouse

Please bring in the food items and toiletries listed above, as soon as you can, to help meet the need at God's Storehouse this summer.

Donations will be taken at church throughout August.

Place donations in the boxes outside the church office or in the hallway to the education building.

– The Mount Vernon Missions Committee

In Our Thoughts and Prayers . . .

At home: **Bill Hardy, Zane Kinn, Margaret Powell**

At Roman Eagle:
Virginia Farley, Lucy Scarce, Zula Callahan

At Riverside Healthcare:
Albert Maurakis, Nancy Barker, Greg Read

At Our Lady of Hope
(Richmond): **Alyce Roach**

At Stratford House:
Marjorie Hood, Irene Guthrie, Becky Farthing, Paul and Helen Stanfield, Sylvia Gibbs, May Bergman

At Stratford House Rehab:
Mildred Ferrell

In Rock Hill, SC:

Don Moore

In Raleigh: **Vitula Porter**

August

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| 1 Casey Fowler
Rhonda Yates | 19 Brock Abernathy
Dan Waters |
| 2 Neill McMillan, Jr.
Sonia Williamson | 20 Suzanne Mills |
| 3 John Morris | 21 Butch Dalton |
| 4 Lois Kirkland
Tobias Lutz | 23 Emaline Adkins
Christopher Bailey
Betty Eller
Carol Gibbs
Elsie Slayton |
| 5 Edward Long | 24 Andrew Farley |
| 6 Carter Bauman
Hudson Dunn
Sophie Parrish | 25 Jim Gourlay
Jane O'Neill
Patrick Turbiville |
| 7 Catherine
Bendall
Dick Patterson
Stephanie
Spainhour
Zickefoose | 26 Elizabeth
Furgurson |
| 11 Margaret
Ashby
Maloney
Phillip Blackmon | 27 Vitula Porter |
| 12 David Johnston | 28 Jane Anglea
Pete Brown
Katie Fitch
Nell Jefferson |
| 13 Charles Jackson | 30 Joe Garrett
Summer Milligan |
| 14 Lindsey Burton
T.J. O'Neill
Chelsa Williamson | 31 Stephen Fowler
Harry Milam
Ashlyn Payne |
| 16 Ruth Anderson | September |
| 17 Carolyn Moore
Joyce Obstler | 1 Jesse Mayhew, III
Steve Wyatt
Charles Sampson |
| 18 Newton Ray, Sr.
Walter Yates, II | 2 Phyllis Acker
Leslie Navis
Thomas Underwood, Jr. |

May the Lord Bless and Watch Over Your Family

Dillon Hunt Wilson

was baptized
at the 11 a.m. service on July 29.
He is the son of Kate and David Wilson
and the grandson of Frank and Sue Wickers.
He was born on March 13, 2012.

Our Worship Assistants

USHERS

August 5 - 8:30: Fred Duncan, James Bucklew, John Morris (*alt*).

11:00: Bill Griffith, David Fuquay, Tommy Hodges, Tom Leggett, Tom Underwood, Gene Saunders (*alt*).

August 12 - 8:30: John Morris, Tom Savastano, Butch Dalton

11:00: Frank Grogan, J. G. Hurt, Budge Kent, Gene Saunders, John Ranson, Kelly Brande (*alt*).

August 19 - 8:30: Fred Duncan, James Bucklew, Bill Booker, John Morris (*alt*).

11:00: Tom Leggett, Andrew Farley, David Fuquay, Tommy Hodges, Bill Smith, Frank Grogan (*alt*).

August 26 - 8:30: Bill Booker, Butch Dalton, John Morris

11:00: Tom Leggett, J. G. Hurt, Bill Smith, Charles Sampson, Tom Underwood, John Ranson (*alt*).

AUGUST ALTAR GUILD

Mary Franks, Van Keck, Linda Sampson,
Marlyn Sigmon, Betty Ann Smith

Attendance, Tithes, & Gifts

<u>Week of</u>	<u>8:30</u>	<u>11:00</u>	<u>Contributions</u>
July 1	25	80	\$10,665
July 8	29	84	7,318
July 15	30	141	4,610
July 22	28	115	4,911
July 29	33	93	3,800

Our Deepest Sympathy to...

The family of John Thomas ("Jake") Carter, Jr.,
who died on July 4.

Helen Stanfield, whose sister, Vera Stanfield,
died on July 4.



Gluten-free communion bread is available at Mount Vernon.

Please contact the pastor at 793-6824
before Communion Sunday if you would
like to be served gluten-free wafers.

Thursday, August 2, at 7 p.m.

2012 CROP Walk Kick-Off Meeting

At God's Storehouse

For Team Captains, Clergy, & Anyone Who Wants to Learn
More About and Get Involved with the ...



2012 Danville Area CROP Hunger Walk
October 7, 3:00 p.m.

September 9 Ballou Park 4 p.m.



KICKBALL ... HORSESHOES ... CHILDREN'S
GAMES ... "BEST DESSERT" CONTEST ...
CATERING BY MAMA POSSUM'S

August 5, 2012

TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Scripture: Acts 16: 11–15

Sermon: "Lydia"

The Rev. Barry S. Foster

August 19, 2012

TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

The Rev. Jack Weikel, Guest Speaker

August 12, 2012

ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

CROSSROADS MINISTRY SUNDAY

Scripture: Psalm 34

The Project Crossroads '12 Team

August 26, 2012

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Scripture: Acts 18: 1–3 and 18–28

Sermon: "Priscilla"

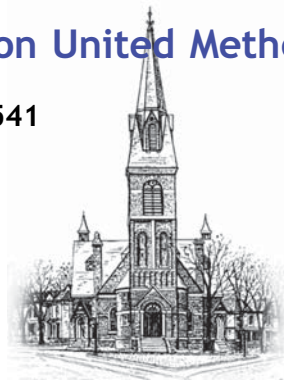
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Sunday Services of Worship:
8:30 and 11 a.m.

Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.



The Rev. Barry S. Foster, Pastor
Parsonage/Cell: (434) 709-0093

For more information
about worship services, programs,
classes, events, and more,
visit the Web site:
www.gbpm-umc.org/mountvernon