

Announcements

THE TASSELL SCHOLARSHIP was established in memory of Patrick Wayne Tassell and is awarded to high school seniors who are members of Charlottesville First UMC and have demonstrated leadership and achievement in Scouts BSA, Girl Scouts, Venturing (BSA), Exploring (BSA), Sea Scouts (BSA), or Camp Fire. Scholarship awards, between \$1,000 and \$2,000, are paid directly to the institution that the awardee will be attending in the coming academic year. Further information and the application form are available from **Hu Shaffer, Charlottesville First UMC Scouting Coordinator email: has2u39@gmail.com**. Applications must be returned by **June 1, 2024**, to be considered.

C'Ville Youth Collective (6th-12th grade): TODAY: Sunday, May 19th 6:00-7:30pm
You are invited to ***Pizza Making and Praise: How to Worship God through Joy and Fun!***
This will be in the Fellowship Hall TODAY at 6pm. Bring your friends!
Contact Lara Upton at connect@cvillefirstumc.org



Young Adult Small Group Starting Soon! June 2nd

Come join this new small group for anyone in their 20's and 30's. Starting June 2nd, we will kick off by sitting together during the first of the month church luncheon, and then meet every 1st and 3rd Sunday after church for a Bible study and discussion. We can't wait to connect with you! **Contact madisonmcmanners@cvillefirstumc.org and carolynmcgee@cvillefirstumc.org for more info.**

Creative Worship starting June 23rd at 4:00 in the Fellowship Hall

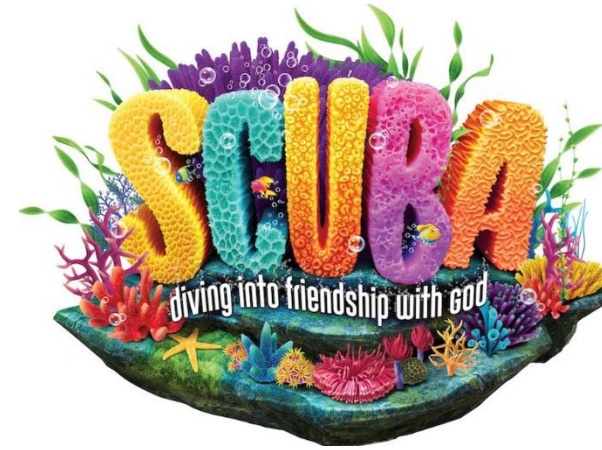
For seven Sunday's starting on June 23rd, we will have a new event devoted to worshipping God in creative and artistic ways. Join us each week from 4-5:30pm as we make art inspired by Scripture. We will be doing everything from painting rocks to penning worship songs. People of all ages and all artistic skill levels invited to come! **Contact connect@cvillefirstumc.org if you want to know more.**

Pasta and Praise Night: Wednesday, May 29th at 6-7:30pm in the Fellowship Hall

Our next Wed. Contemporary Worship Night will be on the last Wednesday of this month instead of the 4th Wednesday of the month. Join us for food, fellowship, and worship with dinner starting at 6:00pm. Bring your favorite pasta or side dish. We will have a separate time for the children during the message. **RSVP to connect@cvillefirstumc.org to help us plan for the meal.**

Ronald McDonald House

Just a reminder that CFUMC collects soda can "tabs" to benefit the Ronald McDonald House. The Ronald McDonald house is a place for families to stay while a child is being treated at UVA. Bring them in and leave them in the Welcome Center and THANK YOU!!!



Scuba VBS - Now Open For Registration!

July 29th - August 2nd, 9:00 am-12:00 pm

Scuba VBS is now open for registration!! Registration will take place inside the Realm App. Scan the QR code to start your registration.



A few notes:

- Please make sure to register your child(ren) AND yourself. This ensures the proper paperwork is filled out.
- If you get a message that the age group you need is full, please register in the separate waiting list registration field. We hope to get enough volunteers to have space for everyone that is interested in joining us on our SCUBA VBS 2024 dive!

We are looking forward to having you join us for a splashtastic SCUBA VBS 2024 adventure, July 29th-Aug 2nd from 9am-12pm.

Contact Lara Upton at children@cvillefirstumc.org with questions and to sign up to volunteer!

Adult Bible Studies

Faith Seekers - Room 208, 8:45am Sundays

We are beginning a New Study!

The Faith Seekers Sunday School Class invites anyone interested to join together to study Adam Hamilton's book, "Wrestling with Doubt, Finding Faith". The class will meet on Sundays at 8:45am in Room 208. All are welcome! Need more info? Kathy Berlin kjberlin56@gmail.com

Faith Explorers — Room 308, 11:15am Sundays

The Faith Explorers class will begin reading the book, *Transforming: The Bible & the Lives of Transgender Christians* on May 12. Many people lack understanding of gender identity and the transgender experience. *Transforming* weaves ancient and modern stories that will change the way readers think about gender, the Bible, and the faith to which Jesus calls us. Join us as we learn how to become a more inclusive community of faith. Contact Bill Clarke at janebillclarke@earthlink.net

Adult Fellowship Group — Room 208, 11:15am Sundays

Soon this group will begin a 6-week study "*Wrestling with Doubt, Finding Faith*" by Adam Hamilton. A gift for a questioning heart and mind. Contact Hu Shaffer has2u39@gmail.com for more information and a participant's book.

Men's Bible Study — Wegmans, 8am Tuesdays

The group is studying the book "*Why did Jesus, Moses, the Buddha, and Mohammed Cross the Road?*". It is by Brian McLaren and in this book he seeks to answer two questions:

Can you be a committed Christian without having to condemn or convert people of other faiths?
Is it possible to affirm other religious traditions without watering down your own? All are invited.
Contact Jim Berlin jimberlin79@gmail.com or Dave Wheatley wheat1506@gmail.com for more information.

Young Parents Class- Youth Room (3rd Floor)- 2nd and 4th Sundays at 11:30am

Starting on Sunday, 4/14 at 11:30am, The Young Parents Class will be delving into Matt Rawle's study, *Jesus Revealed: The I Am Statements in the Gospel of John*. Together, explore the "I Am" statements in John as works of art that resonate throughout the Gospel. Together, let's experience the profound truth at the heart of the "I Am" statements: that Jesus is light and life, and He calls us to himself and offers us the hope of resurrection. This class meets on the second and fourth Sundays. Childcare is provided.

Women at the Well – Room 308, 9:30am Thursdays

All women are invited to come together for our new study called *Be Bold: Finding Your Fierce* by Rachel Billups- This is a beautiful, empowering story about finding one's God-given boldness and **fierce** so that we can live out the love of God in this world.

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Next Hike #10- Wednesday, June 5th at 10:00am

Join us for our next hike which will start at the CHS Stadium and goes to Pen Park Crossing and back. Hope to see you there! Please let us know if you plan to be there so we can look for you.

Contact: connect@cvillefirstumc.org

Young Adult Game Night: Monday, May 20th at 7:00pm

The young adult group (rising seniors & college age) is having a game night Monday, May 20th. They will be meeting at Charlottesville First UMC from 7:00- 8:30pm. Feel free to bring your own board games or card games! We hope to see you there!

If you have any questions **contact Maria Plantz at mariaplantz@cvillefirstumc.org**

The Charlottesville Church Softball League: Friday, May 17th at 6:00 and 7:00pm

This Friday, the team will play a doubleheader at **Darden Towe Park at 6 and 7pm**. Let's continue to cheer on the team together! Hope to see you there!

The Quiet Center

Sundays at 11:15 in the Chapel

The Quiet Center is an after-church gathering of, and for, anyone who wants to know more about grief's journey. The sessions are "stand alone," to join anytime and as often as you wish, to explore the many faces of grief and to share with each other our time, our experiences, our presence and our prayers. If you have any questions, **contact Rev. John at 703-887-7305 or at johnconway@vaumc.org**.

May One Thing Ministry

This month will benefit the **All God's Children Camp** that CFUMC steps up to sponsor. This is a week long summer camp for children of incarcerated parents. The need is to cover 20 camper supplies. If you are interested in donating, there will be a bulletin board in the Welcome Center with tags on it to take home listing the times or items for you to purchase. That way we will get exactly the number of items we need!

Here is the list of items needed:

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| Blankets | Beach towels | Shower Caddy to include toothpaste, toothbrush, washcloth |
| Pillows | Rain Ponchos | comb, and deodorant |
| twin sheet sets | Water bottles | |
| Mesh laundry bags | | |

There is also a need for Mentors for the campers for all three weeks of camp.

9 males and 9 females for June 9-14

6 males and 7 females for June 16-21

7 males and 5 females for August 11-16

If you are interested in being a mentor to provide supervision, companionship and compassion to these children, **contact Lori Smith at 571-245-9591, agcc@vaumc.org or carolynmcgee@cvillefirstumc.org**