# This week's announcements

**Prayers and Sympathies** – Our prayers and sympathies are extended to the Gene Taylor family. Gene passed away at his home on Monday, April 5.

**Special Thanks** to Tom Cockrell for bringing the morning message.

**Financial Records for 2009 –** It is time for all groups within the church to turn their 2009 financial records into the church office for the annual audit. Please clearly write the name of the group on your records. If you have questions as to what to turn in, please call the church office (436-9312) or contact Trudy Stickley (evenings-436-8688).

**Youth for Christ** will meet today, immediately after the 11 a.m. service. Parents you should plan to pick your children up at 2 p.m. at the park.

**Soup & Pie Sale** -Relay for Life will be selling soup and pie on April 18, after both services. Quart jars of soup will be $5 each, and slices of pie will be $1 each to take home and enjoy. All proceeds benefit American Cancer Society. Luminaries are also available too. Prices are $5 each. Contact JJ Funkhouser (465-9519) or any Relay for Life team member.

**Newsletter Articles** are due on Monday, April 19, by 9 a.m.

**Hearts & Hands-**On Tuesday, April 20, at 7:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall, Tammy Campbell and Chris Calloway from LifeNetHealth will be our guest speakers. They will share facts and figures about folks in Virginia that are waiting on a transplant, how to sign up to be an organ donor, and what roles the community can play to help to share this mission. EVERYONE is invited to attend.

**Invitation to the New Testament**-The pastor's next Bible Study will be *"Invitation to the New Testament,"* which will be held on Thursdays, 1-3 p.m., beginning April 22. Using Matthew's Gospel as a starting point, this study explores how the New Testament writers and the early Christian community wrestled with the coming of Jesus – his life, actions, mission, death, and resurrection – and the implications of his arrival for their lives and their communities of faith.

**Lend-a-Hand Day** - The Sr. High Youth is looking for church members who may need some extra work done around their homes in order to prepare for spring and summer. Lend-a-Hand Day will be held on April 25, and we will arrive at your home at approximately 1 p.m. If you are interested in having the youth help you prep your house for the beautiful weather, please contact Erin Hubbard at eehubbard@hotmail.com or (540) 533-6889 (leave a message).

**Compassion Sunday**-The Sr. High Youth is organizing a Compassion Sunday for our church on April 25. There will be a presentation held during the S. S. hour in the fellowship hall, as well as a brief presentation during the 11 a.m. worship service. This is a national event that helps us grow in our understanding of God's very special love for the poor and is an opportunity for each of us to intervene in the life of at least one child in poverty. Please pray for the Sr. High as they organize this event, and pray to see if you are being led to sponsor a child - you will give them a future and a hope through the loving-intervention of a Christ-centered program run by a local church in their neighborhood. For more information, go to www.compassionsunday.com or talk to Erin Hubbard.

**Graduates-** We would like to honor our high school graduates and recognize those who are graduating from college in our congregation. Please contact the church office (436-9312) to submit names of graduates and where they are graduating from.

**Spring Cleaning? Got too Much Stuff?** Why not donate it to the Russia Mission Annual Yard Sale? Please leave your donations at the church garage. Yard Sale will be held in May, stay tuned for the date.

**Food Pantry** - Monetary donations to local food pantries are welcome. You may use the food pantry envelopes provided in the pew racks and place them in the offering plate. During the month of March, the Bread of Life food pantry distributed 5,058 pounds of food to 88 families, consisting of 229 people.

**Concert** -The Lakewood High School Symphonic Mixed Choir, under the direction of Dr. Lisa Hanson, will present a concert on Thursday, April 15, at 7:30 p.m. at the Strasburg United Methodist Church. In 2007 the choir was asked to perform the Rutter *Requiem* at Carnegie Hall, and has previously performed at the Rockefeller Chapel in Chicago, Riverside Church in New York, City, Bruton Parish in Williamsburg, and the Washington National Cathedral in Washington, DC.

## ~Lay Ministry~

**Greeter:** Jim & Tina Maddox
**Nursery:** Fred Frenzel & Becky Moser
**Youth Participant:** Ethan Funk
**Ushers:** Scott Currie, Ellen Kern, Gary Kronk, Phyllis Umberger
**Parking Lot Greeter:** Bill & Judy Menges
**Children's Church:** Elizabeth Davis

# Worship

† Worship through Music

† Expressions of Love

† Welcome & Announcements

† Children's Message*

† Testimonies/Joys/Concerns

† Prayers

† Gifts of Music

† Scripture Reading

**Matthew 14:25-31**

† The Message

**"Focus on Who?"**

† Communion

† Music – Sending forth

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*Children will leave for Children's Church

**Offering baskets are located at back of sanctuary.**

## ~Get Connected~

**I would like to learn more about**:

- ☐ Adult Sunday School classes:
- ☐ Missions
- ☐ Prayer Ministries
- ☐ Small Groups
- ☐ Bible Studies
- ☐ Women's groups
- ☐ Men's groups
- ☐ Children/Youth programs
- ☐ Other

**Serving Opportunities**

- ☐ Teaching & Small Group Ministries:
  ___ Children ___Youth ___Adults
- ☐ Usher, Greeter, Nursery, Children's Church
- ☐ Serve on Worship Planning Team
- ☐ Praise Team (vocal or instrumental)
- ☐ Tech. Team (sound, lights, video)
- ☐ Set up/Tear down

**General Information About**

- ☐ Becoming a member
- ☐ Getting on newsletter mailing list
- ☐ Getting married
- ☐ Getting baptized
- ☐ I am unsure where to connect; please contact me
- ☐ Praise & Worship song request:

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Name: _____

Address:_____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

***(Tear at perforation and place in the offering plate.)***

## ~Calendar~

**Today, April 11, 2010**
8:30—Worship
9:45—Sunday School
11:00—Worship
12:00—Young Seekers
12:00—Youth for Christ
**Tuesday, April 13**
6:30—Prayer Group (S)
**Wednesday, April 14**
6:30—Casual Fell. (P)
6:30—Hit the Books (FH)
7:30—Master's Choir (S)
**Thursday, April 15**
**Joy Seekers will not meet.**
8:00—Sight & Sound Trip
12:30—Clergy Peer Group (P)
6:30—Maddox Bible Study
7:30—Living Waters (P)
4:00—Men's Emmaus Walk Begins

## ~Stewardship~

**April 4 2010**

Sunday school: (80) $77
Worship: (*110,**109) $6.350.30
Bldg. Fund.: $100
Food Pantry: $144
Volunteer Farm: $30
Camp Scholarships: $1,200
Lend-a-Hand: $655
Russia Mission: $75

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## ~Remember In Prayer~

Military families
our military
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Daryl Mumaw
Mil Wallen
Ken Hoffman
Gene Taylor family
Ben Mace
Helen Borden
Jerry Reynolds
Peggy Smith
Robert Funkhouser
Norman Ford
Derek Buckley
Jack Painter
Kent George
Jeff Johnston
Russell Racey
Laurie Heilman
Billy
Valerie
Caton family
Raymond Seal
21 yr. old flood victim
Buddy Hudgins
Doris Sutherland
George Foltz
Bertha Wieber
Nancy Easto's daughter & granddaughter-travel
Elaine Wilkins
Elaine Mowery
Annie Wilkins

**Nursing Homes/Hosp.**

Consulate Health Care:
Judy Kern
Hilda Wolfe

Dutch Haven:
Mary Anna Lichliter
Joe Blackburn
Jeff Jeffery

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*"They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer."*
*-Acts 2:42*

# April 11, 2010
# "Focus on Who?"

*With **Open Hearts, Open Minds** and **Open Doors**, we will nurture one another in the Christian faith.*

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