SERVE

Open Meetings 4th Monday of each month
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MERCI Work Team on January 28

RUMC's MERCI team will be working on January 28 at Wesley House in Durham. We will be installing floor tile, painting a new bathroom, and installing a new door. Our work will begin at 9:00, and we will work until 2:00, followed by lunch at Federal Place. For more information about MERCI or about this work date, please contact Ron Cromartie at merci@resurrectionumc.org or 919-489-0998.

ZOE Ministry– Next Sunday

On January 22, Rev. Greg Jenks, the United Methodist minister who founded ZOE Ministry will be at RUMC during worship to share with us about this ministry opportunity. ZOE's Orphan Empowerment Program gives orphans the resources and support they need to break the cycle of poverty and dependency forever. It is an all too common sight across Africa, children caring for children because their parents have died of HIV/AIDS, disease, war, famine, and other causes. They face lives of loneliness, hardship, and hunger. Many of the children end up begging for food, living on the streets, or worse. ZOE Ministry works to break this cycle of poverty and give these children hope. ZOE goes into communities where the orphans are already living and brings them together in supportive groups, connects them with local churches, and offers them resources and training which empower them to pull themselves out of poverty in 2-3 years.

Please put this date on your calendar, and be sure to come hear more about this ministry and how RUMC can support this important work. Visit www.zoeministry.org to learn more!

ZOE Ministry
Empowering Orphans in Africa

The Work of Christmas

This is the title of a poem written by Howard Thurman, an African-American theologian, educator, and civil rights leader. The poem reads:

When the song of the angels is stilled,
when the star in the sky is gone,
when the kings and princes are home,
when the shepherds are back with their flocks,
the work of Christmas begins: to find the lost…to heal the broken…to feed the hungry,
to release the prisoner…to rebuild the nations…to bring peace among the people,
to make music in the heart.

Now that we have Christmas all "packed away," it is indeed time for the real work of Christmas to begin! A new ministry opportunity presents itself in the form of a wish expressed by some of the women at the Francis Street House (part of the Freedom House network) to attend Sunday worship at RUMC. Depending on how many of the women signed up to come, one might be able to pick them up in one's personal vehicle. If you would like to learn more about this, or other ministry possibilities at Francis Street House, contact Susan Cafferty at susanharshcafferty@yahoo.com or 919-401-9492.

Missions Madness!

Mark your calendar now for our first-ever Missions Madness fundraiser—set for Saturday, February 25 at 6:00 pm. We are looking for 5-6 "coaches" to host a group for dinner in their homes. We would like to have at least one house each for Duke, Carolina, and State, plus "A House Divided" dinner at the church and a Ms. Cellaneous house for all other loyalties! We will provide the "team members"—to enjoy the meal and make donations for missions. Then, all groups will come to church for dessert and the "tournament" (team which raises the most money will be declared the champions). Sound like fun?! If you would be willing to host a team in your home, contact JoAnna Ezuka at caffertyjoanna@yahoo.com.

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The Week of January 15, 2012 **Human Relations Day**

We Welcome You

Please contact Dr. Simpson if you would like to join the church or if you would like to find out more about becoming a member of this wonderful, blessed community of faith. Come and unite with our family.

Ministry Areas

Resurrection UMC is organized into four ministry areas to address the spiritual and practical needs of our church and community.

- **GATHER** brings us together through fellowship events and provides congregational care.
- **PROCLAIM** coordinates worship experiences and communicates the ministry of the church
- **GROW** nurtures our congregation's spiritual growth through prayer, classes, and small group opportunities for all stages of life.
- **SERVE** focuses on meeting the needs of the local and global community and sharing the message of God's love and grace.

See inside for contacts, meeting information, current activities, and how to become involved.

Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see."
John 1:46

Lectionary Readings
in Preparation for January 22

Jonah 3:1-5, 10
Psalm 62:5-12
I Corinthians 7:29-31
Mark 1:14-20

Pastor's Corner

We will begin Confirmation classes on February 19. These classes are for those in 6th grade or older who seek to learn more about the Christian faith, the United Methodist church, and RUMC in preparation for making a membership commitment. Please contact the church office if you are interested in participating.
Shalom,
Dr. Simpson

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sun 01/15	Mon 01/16	Tues 01/17	Wed 01/18	Thurs 01/19	Fri 01/20	Sat 01/21	Sun 01/22
Sunday School 9:00 am **Worship** 10:15 am **RUMY** 5:00 pm	**Worship 15/501** 10:30 am **GROW** 7:00 pm	**Disciple III** 7:00 pm	**Open Table 15/501 Lunch** 12:00 pm **Handbell Choir** 6:15 pm **RUMC Choir** 7:15 pm	**Disciple III** 10:00 am **Trustees** 7:00 pm		**Open Table Walk for the Homeless** 1:00 pm	**Sunday School** 9:00 am **Worship** 10:15 am **RUMY** 5:00 pm **CrossTrainers** 5:00 pm

GATHER

Open Meetings 1st Monday of each month
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RUMY

RUMY will meet tonight at 5:00 for fun, food, fellowship, and growing together as we learn more about God's love for us. RUMY is Resurrection United Methodist Youth. All youth in grades 6-12 are invited, and friends are always welcome. Join us tonight, 5-7pm, for fun, food and fellowship.

Save the Date!

We've having a baby shower for Beth Turney & Jeremy Wingard's baby boy on Sunday, Feb. 12 at 3 pm at the church. Christy Simpson (ChristyCSimpson@aol.com) & Elizabeth Cox (escox@alumni.clemson.edu) have started planning, but if you'd like to contribute food, plan a game, etc., please let one of them know! Beth & Jeremy are registered at Babies R Us.

Care Works

The Care Works contact for January is Marianna Jaeger, who can be reached at 919-489-8646 or mjaeger1@nc.rr.com. Care Works provides meals and assistance for those who are ill, hospitalized, or have other needs.

4th Sunday Potluck-Next Sunday

Join your RUMC family on January 22 for our first potluck of 2012. Greg Jenks, founder of ZOE Ministry will be our speaker that morning, and he will join us for lunch. Bring your favorite potluck foods, enjoy a time of fellowship with your church friends, and take the opportunity to visit with Greg and discuss ZOE Ministry!

Senior Adult Lunch January 18

All seniors(50 and over) are cordially invited to our monthly birthday celebration at Bob Evans Restaurant at 10:30am on Wednesday, January 18th for a late breakfast. We will be celebrating Esther Smith's birthday.

Let's have some fun! Everyone bring a picture of yourself as a baby, a toddler, a child 5-12 years old, a teenager, and a young adult. If you don't have one in all these categories, bring what you have. Also, if you have a story you would like to share about your "younger life," we would all like to hear it!

If you have any questions or suggestions, please contact Frances White at 490-2922.

PROCLAIM

Open Meetings 2nd Monday of each month
Diane Bowman | proclaim@resurrectionumc.org

Nursery Coordinator Needed

A volunteer is needed to schedule those who serve in the children's church and late nursery each week. This requires a very minimal time commitment to produce a calendar of volunteers. Training is provided. Please contact Joy Moffett at joyfulness78@hotmail.com or 919-572-0649.

Worship Coordinators Needed—Again!

After filling the 4th Sunday slot, we now need two Worship Coordinators for the first Sunday of each month. Training will be provided for these volunteers who help prepare the church for worship and keep things running smoothly during the service. Please contact Diane Bowman at 919-267-9391 for more information.

GROW

Open Meetings 3rd Monday of each month
Valerie Abbott | grow@resurrectionumc.org

Children and Youth Sunday School

Kindergarten-2nd Grade—*Room 105*. This class uses the Live B.I.G. curriculum to teach children about the love of God through Jesus.
3rd–5th Grade—*Room 108*. The curriculum for this class is Learning to Use My Bible/Making a World of Difference to help kids live in faith and service.
Youth Sunday School—*6th-12th grade (Rm 102)* Youth are studying selected scripture readings.

CrossTrainers Will NOT Meet Tonight

CrossTrainers will not meet tonight due to the MLK holiday. We will resume meeting on January 22. CrossTrainers is our children's ministry time on Sunday evenings for children in kindergarten through 5th grade.

RUMC Preschool Announces Registration

Registration for the 2012-2013 preschool year will be open for currently enrolled students and for RUMC members beginning on January 23, 2012. Registration forms will be available online at www.resurrectionumc.org or can be picked up at church. Registration for the public will occur sometime in February.

Adult Sunday School

Damascus Road Class—*Meets in back room of the Sanctuary*. This class is doing a study of the book Winning Your Spiritual Battles by Max Lucado. Newcomers are invited to join us at any time!
FaithLink Class—*Meets in Room 103*. This class will begin a study of Three Simple Rules for Christian Living. We will look at John Wesley's "Three General Rules" which invite us all to more faithful living as Christian disciples.
Galatians 3 Sunday School Class— The Galatians class invites everyone to join them for their study of the book, THE WAY TO HEAVEN, which is about John Wesley's (founder of Methodism) practical theology and how it applies to daily living in our world with a focus on Wesley's understanding of grace.

Sojourner's Ministry

A planning meeting for the Sojourner's Ministry is scheduled for Tuesday, January 24 at 5:30 at Rick's Diner in Shannon Plaza, so that we can discuss the social justice issue that we would like to present to the congregation. Bring your ideas! This meeting time will also those in the Tuesday night Disciple class to attend their study following our meeting. For more information, please contact Diana Bass at DBass@unch.unc.edu.