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June 11 **Wasena Park Shelter** by the playground

9:00 AM Walk-a-thon for Playground

11:00 AM Worship

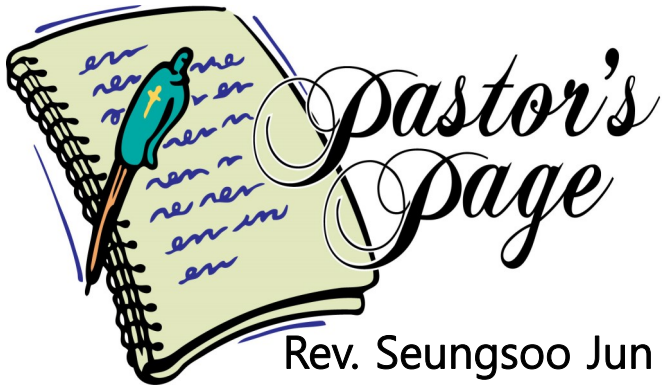
12:00 Noon Lunch

Hamburgers and hotdogs provided by our United Methodist Men. Please bring a dessert if your last name begins S—Z.

All others please bring side dishes.

Bring a lawn chair or blanket to sit on.





Summer is about to begin!



I am still trying to adjust to this culture change. In Korea our official summer begins in late July. That was the reason our Korea team had to be there starting the last week of July through the second week of August. On the contrary here, starting with the Memorial Day holiday and the kids getting out of school, summer begins much earlier for me.

The three-month long summer mode, even though we may not enjoy the full three months on vacation, is much-needed time. It is a time for us to slow down and get connected with the things and loved ones who became distant in the whirlwind of busyness. It can be a time where we travel and expand our horizons. Most of all, it can be a time to reconnect with God.

While traveling during summer we might feel like we are disconnected, but if we hold each other accountable during the summer, I firmly believe that our relationship with God can be strengthened. So here are some suggestions to be accountable during the summer time.

1. **Daily Reading & Devotion:** We want to hold you accountable in the practice of reading the Word. Please subscribe to the daily devotion and keep up with the One-Year-Bible-Reading Challenge. Haven't started from the beginning of the year? Don't worry; you may always join the reading. In June, we will read Job and Psalms, which is an excellent way to start.
2. **Sunday Worship:** I would like to ask you to visit the churches in the areas where you are traveling. Be part of the community there. Worshiping in a new environment can refresh our souls. Bring us any ideas or even a bulletin, so we might use it as a resource to improve our bulletin in the future. If you don't have a church to visit, make sure you connect with us through our online service. Even though you worshiped somewhere else, find a time to listen to the sermons. They can all be found at www.rcumc.org
3. **Reconnect with one another:** This is a very good time to get together. You may invite other families to your place, or ask them to go out. You may also help us visit our home bound members. Reconnect with them outside the church. You might also want to join some church events, like our Jonah trip to find a time to reconnect with our members.
4. **Develop a Christian Booklist:** Summer is a great time to read. You may find wonderful books at your finger tips. Especially, a good book about faith can enhance our understanding of God and the church. I would like to introduce three books.
 - a. "The Shack" by William Paul Young
 - b. "Simply Christian" by N.T. Wright
 - c. "Not a Fan: Becoming a Completely Committed Follower of Jesus" by Kyle Idleman

I hope these suggestions might help you reconnect and recharge in our Lord. Have a beautiful summer!

In Christ,

RJ

Volunteers for June

	June 4	June 11	June 18	June 25
Acolytes	Bryce Tackett Emily Shockley	Church in the Park	Softball Team	tbd
Altar Flowers	Jim & Martha Nicholas	Luci Wright	Jay Inge	Seungsoo & Woori Jun
Children's Time	Jacqueie King	Patsy Wingfield	Softball Team	Martha Nicholas
Early Greeters		n/a	Softball Team	tbd
Facility Security	Mark Seiler	Greg Huffman	Ken Arritt	Tim McConchie
Fellowship Time	Louise Miller	n/a	Kathi Hufnagel	Sharon Alexie
Finance Office	Mark Seiler	Rob Vaughan	Mark Seiler	Julie Wheeler
Late Greeters		n/a	Softball Team	tbd
Liturgists	Martha Nicholas	Katherine Vaughan	Softball Team	Sandi Addison
Nursery	Kathy Arritt Julie Barrette Julie Realmuto Keira Realmuto	n/a	LaDonna Foley Kelly Silva Landon Smith Whitney Smith	Michelle Adkins Will Adkins Katherine Vaughan Melinda Yeatts
Nursery Usher	Georgia Seiler	n/a	Softball Team	tbd
Raleigh Ct Health Volunteers	Rachel Downing Meredith McGimsey	n/a	Cindy Hayth Bonnie Clark	Rachel Downing Dalia Downing Susan Loveman
Technology				
First Light 8:30 AM	Rob Vaughan Charlie Hubbard Christine Hubbard	No tech team Church in the Park	Katherine Vaughan Christine Hubbard Charlie Hubbard	No 1st light service
Traditional 11:00 AM	Jason Murray John Pero Frank Walkiewicz		Andy Thornton Sarah Stephens Frank Walkiewicz	Jason Murray Frank Walkiewicz Patrick Vaughan
Transportation	Carl Cress	Carl Cress	Carl Cress	Carl Cress
Ushers	Tim McConchie Mark Seiler Brad Stephens Sarah Stephens Bill Taylor Carla Taylor	Greg Huffman Stew Hubbell David Tanner Trace King	Softball Team	Roy Miller Debbie Reid Robert Reid Julie Wheeler Mitch Wheeler

We  our volunteers!

June 5 at 7PM our **Round Table Class** is specifically invited to join us in prayer. EVERYONE is always invited every Monday! We meet in the parlor.



Read below to learn how each week will have a different focus.
Please make plans to join us!

1st Monday of the month: Reverend Jun will lead prayer for spiritual revival and God's guidance for our church. (A different small group will be invited to attend each first Monday.)

2nd Monday of the month: Prayer for spiritual renewal and renewal of faith will be prayed for each church member by name.

3rd Monday of the month: Walking prayers thru our church or a neighborhood prayer walk.

4th Monday of the month: Prayer for healing, special needs, grieving, and for our church, community and our world.

5th Monday of the month: May, July, October 2017. Form of prayer to be decided.

Beginner's Yoga

All are welcome to attend the Beginner's Yoga Class on Tuesday evenings at 5:45 in the Fellowship Hall. Extra yoga mats and props are available. Advanced notice of attendance is not necessary.

The rate is \$10.00 per class or a class card may be purchased for a discounted rate of \$36.00 for four classes (to be used within two months).

Gift certificates are available.

For more information, call Rebecca Talbot, Certified Integral Yoga Instructor, (540) 342-0545 or join the Facebook Group, *Roanoke Hatha Yoga*.



RALEIGH COURT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Open Table

A COMMUNITY MEAL OPEN TO ALL

6:30 PM

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 28



MUSIC ADVENTURE CAMP
August 7-11, 9:00 AM—12 Noon
Singing ~ Instruments ~ Handbells ~
Chimes ~ Fun

If your child is 5 years old though 6th grade and they like music, sign up now for our Music Camp that will be happening on August 7-11 in the mornings, 9AM-12 Noon. This will be an exciting week of exploring music! There will be singing, percussion instruments, choirchimes and handbells, traditional and contemporary Christian music, and lots of fun music games. The week ends with a short musical concert by the children.

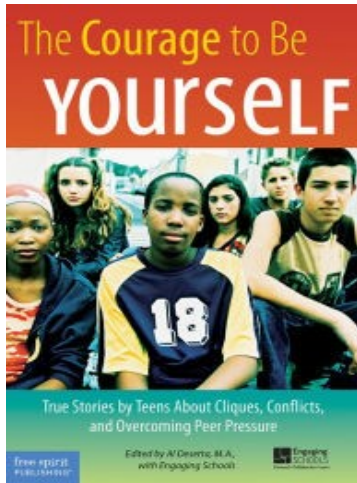
Cost is \$50 per child.

Visit the church's website for more information and to register.

We have a great time every year so sign up now and spread the word!

United Methodist Women

RCUMC Circles



Reading Program

This is a challenging time to raise children. The book **The Courage To Be Yourself: True Stories by Teens About Cliques, Conflicts, and Overcoming Peer Pressure** in the UMW Reading Program offers some insights for teens, parents and grandparents. The stories are first-hand accounts and deal with a variety of issues in which teens learn that they can control how they see themselves. In a time when peer acceptance is everything, self-control is very important. The book is available in the church library and can be checked out by anyone.

Frances Allen Circle

The Frances Allen Circle will meet Tuesday, June 6 at Jersey Lily's 1650 Braeburn Dr. Salem 11:30AM. We will meet at the church at 11AM to carpool to Jersey Lily's. All are welcome to join us for lunch and fellowship as we discuss our summer/fall mission interests.

Questions or more information contact any of the circle members or Bonnie Dickerson [540-774-1870](tel:540-774-1870) or 309-0141 c or s3b4dkrsn@verizon.net

Sunday Evening Fellowship

The next meeting of our fellowship will be Sunday, June 11, 2017, at 6:30 PM at Frank's Restaurant on Brambleton Avenue.

Remember to help with Kits for Conference! Questions? Call or ask Louise Miller or Luci Wright

All women are welcome to join our community of women whose purpose is to know God and to participate in mission work for women, children and youth.

To join our fellowship, contact Janice Phillips at 725-1358.




United Methodist Women Calendar

June 3 UMW Day at Ferrum College (registration required)

June 7 Conference UMW Breakfast, Hampton, VA

July 28-30 Mission Encounter 2017 Bon Air UMC, Richmond, VA

Weekly Prayer Focus	The Lord's Day	Monday
<p>Thank God for the freedom we have in America and remember all those who have lost their lives fighting for our freedom.</p>	<p>June 2017</p> 	
<p>Bow your head and close your eyes each day, and ask Jesus Christ to forgive you of your sins.</p>	<p>4 Job 11-13</p> <p>Graduation Sunday 8:30 AM First Light Worship 9:00 AM Coffee Fellowship 9:40 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship</p>	<p>5 Job 14-16</p> <p>2:00 PM Staff Meeting 6:30 PM Praise Band 7:00 PM Prayer Ministry 7:00 PM Boy Scouts</p>
<p>Count your blessings and praise God for all that he gives you every single day.</p>	<p>11 Job 35-37</p> <p>9:00 Walkathon for Playground 11:00 AM Church in the Park at Wasena Park with Potluck Picnic 6:30 PM Sunday Evening Fellowship at Frank's on Brambleton Ave.</p>	<p>12 Job 38-39</p> <p>2:00 PM Staff Meeting 6:30 PM Praise Band 7:00 PM Prayer Ministry</p>
<p>Praise your Heavenly Father for His undying love and thank Him for your earthly father.</p>	<p>18 Psalms 26-31 FATHER'S DAY</p> <p>8:30 AM First Light Worship 9:00 AM Coffee Fellowship 9:40 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Worship 4:00 PM Organ Recital</p>	<p>19 Psalms 32-35</p> <p>2:00 PM Staff Meeting 6:30 PM Praise Band 7:00 PM Prayer Ministry</p>
<p>Pray that each of our church members will experience spiritual renewal and renewal of faith as they worship and seek God.</p>	<p>25 Psalms 66-69</p> <p>9:00 AM Coffee Fellowship 9:40 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Youth leave for Mission Trip 11:00 AM Worship</p>	<p>26 Psalms 70-73</p> <p>2:00 PM Staff Meeting 5:30 PM Next Generation Meeting 6:30 PM Praise Band 7:00 PM Prayer Ministry</p>

Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Job 1-4 12:00 PM Narcotics Anonymous	2 Job 5-7 8:00 PM Narcotics Anonymous	3 Job 8-10 9:00 AM Youth Outing -Safari Park
6 Job 17-20 11:00 Frances Allen Circle meets at RCUMC to carpool to Jersey Lily's 5:45 PM Yoga Class 8:00 PM Narcotics Anonymous 8:30 PM Softball	7 Job 21-23 7:00 AM Scrambled 6:00 PM Girl Scouts 6:30 PM Choir Party at LeBrunns	8 Job 24-28 10:00 AM Prayer Shawl 12:00 PM Narcotics Anonymous	9 Job 29-31 8:00 PM Narcotics Anonymous	10 Job 32-34
13 Job 40-42 5:45 PM Yoga Class 7:30 PM Softball 8:00 PM Narcotics Anonymous	14 Psalms 1-8 6:00 PM Girl Scouts	15 Psalms 9-16 12:00 PM Narcotics Anonymous	16 Psalms 17-20 Annual Conference 8:00 PM Narcotics Anonymous	17 Psalms 21-25 Annual Conference
20 Psalms 36-39 5:45 PM Yoga Class 6:30 Softball 8:00 PM Narcotics Anonymous	21 Psalms 40-45 7:00 AM Scrambled 6:00 PM Girl Scouts Columns Deadline	22 Psalms 46-50 10:00 AM Prayer Shawl 12:00 PM Narcotics Anonymous	23 Psalms 51-57 6:00 Family Picnic Night 8:00 PM Narcotics Anonymous	24 Psalms 58-65
27 Psalms 74-77 7:00 AM Men's Bible Study Breakfast at Oak Grove Famous Anthony's 5:45 PM Yoga Class 6:30 PM Softball 8:00 PM Narcotics Anonymous	28 Psalms 78-79 6:00 PM Girl Scouts 6:30 PM Open Table	29 Psalms 80-85 12:00 PM Narcotics Anonymous	30 Psalms 86-89 8:00 PM Narcotics Anonymous	



These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates. — Deuteronomy 6:6-9

Family Picnic Night

Friday, June 23 at 6:00 pm

Raleigh Court Park (behind Woodrow Wilson Middle School)

Join your church family for an evening of fun! Pack your own picnic dinner. After we eat, we'll play games together! Don't forget the bug spray and the sunscreen! Invite your friends and neighbors. Everyone is welcome.



Youth Events

Safari Park

Saturday, June 3

9:00 am - mid afternoon

This event will be the official welcome and entry for our rising 6th graders. Pack your own lunch. Cost: \$15/person

Graduation Sunday

June 4

During the 11:00 am traditional service we will recognize our high school graduates: Caroline McGimsey, Claire Snyder, Patrick Vaughan, and Vince Wheeler. Congratulations on your accomplishments and good luck to you in the future!

Vacation Bible School

July 16-20

5:30-8:00 pm

3 years old - 5th Grade

Register online. Speak to Julie Realmuto if you would like to volunteer!



Next Generation Committee Meeting

Monday, June 26 at 5:30 pm

Playground Walk-A-Thon

Sunday, June 11 at 9:00 am
(before Church in the Park)



The Next Generation Committee is currently raising funds to build a new playground. Help support our efforts by contributing to our Walk-A-Thon! Come out and walk with us on Sunday, June 11. We'll meet at Wasena Park at 9:00 am and walk through Vic Thomas Park together. Can't join us that day? Sponsor one of our walkers by making a financial donation to support their walk!

Your contribution will help purchase a new piece of playground equipment (pictured above), rubberized mulch, new fencing, and more.

*Prayer Shawl
Ministry*



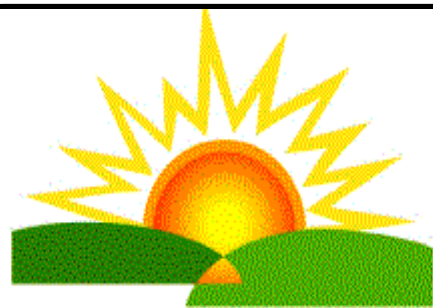
The Prayer Shawl
Knitting Group will
meet
**Thursday, June 8th
and 22nd** at 10 AM
at the church. All
are welcome to

join us as we knit and crochet.

Don't know how to knit?

We can teach you.

For more information or questions, please contact
Carolyn Cotton at 772-4825 or email her at
cb cotton@cox.net.



First Light

Did you know that we have a casual worship
service? It is called First Light and we meet on
the first and the third Sunday of every month
at 8:30 AM.

Hope you will join us June 4th & 18th

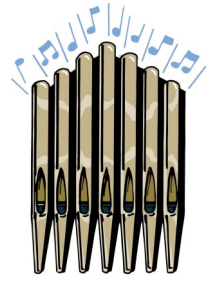
MUSIC NOTES

Organ Recital by Debra LeBrun

June 18, 4:00 PM

Raleigh Court United Methodist Church

Roanoke Chapter AGO



Debra will present a recital of organ music that brings back memories for her, featuring pieces that she learned early on in her career as an organist that continue to be favorites!

Admission is free but donations will be accepted to support the Roanoke Chapter of the American Guild of Organists.

Welcome to our New First Light Worship Leader, Mark Moyer!



We are very excited to welcome our new First Light Worship Leader, Mark Moyer, who began working here in May. Mark comes to our church with many years of experience in Music Ministry, both traditional and contemporary worship. You may have already seen him singing in our Chancel Choir the past few Sundays! Mark is the husband of RCUMC member Sharon Alexie. He has already started reorganizing the First Light Praise

Band, combining both the youth and adults together, in preparation for the First Light Service to become a weekly service. The First Light praise band will lead worship at the First Light services on June 4th and June 18th at 8:30 AM and they will also lead the Church in the Park service on June 11th at 11:00 AM, so come meet Mark and check out the exciting things that are happening in this ministry! If you are interested in becoming part of our First Light praise band or in helping out with our First Light service in any way, please contact Mark at markm@rcumc.org.

Summer Choir

The Chancel choir will take a break for the summer, but we will have a summer choir for one Sunday each month. This will give our regular choir members a chance to keep the dust off their vocal chords, and it will provide an opportunity for anyone else who enjoys singing to join us for these one-time commitments. The dates will be:

Wednesday, July 12 – Rehearsal 7:00 – 7:45; Sunday, July 16 – Sing for Worship
Wednesday, August 2 – Rehearsal 7:00 – 7:45; Sunday, August 6 – Sing for Worship



If you are interested in providing special music for a worship service during the summer please contact Debra at debra@rcumc.org or 344-6011, ext. 103.

Instrumentalists, vocalists, soloists, duets—All are welcome!

Executive Council News Corner



Bedding and Health Kits for Conference

Deadline - June 11

You may sign up in the Gathering Area for the supplies or money you wish to donate or call the church office to have your donation added to the list.



Bedding Kit

The supplies in the Bedding Kit provide an important source of comfort for displaced persons.

Bedding Kit Contents

- 2 flat sheets (double-sized, flat only, no fitted)
- 2 pillows
- 2 pillowcases
- Processing & Shipping Costs: Please enclose an envelope containing at least \$1 for each kit you send. This donation enables kits to be sent to areas in need.

Important Notes

- All items must be new.
- Do not wash any of the items as they will then be considered used.
- Linens may be of different colors.
- Items may be removed from packaging.

All emergency kits are carefully planned to make them usable in the greatest number of situations. Due to the fact that strict rules often govern product entry into international countries, **IT IS IMPORTANT THAT KITS CONTAIN ONLY THE REQUESTED ITEMS**, nothing more.

Do not include any personal notes, money, or additional material in the kits. These things must be painstakingly removed and will delay the shipment.

Health Kit

Health kits provide basic necessities to people who have been forced to leave their homes because of human conflict or natural disaster. Health kits are also used as learning tools in personal hygiene, literacy, nutrition, and cooking classes.

Health Kit Materials

- 1 hand towel (15 x 25 inches to 17 x 27 inches – kitchen, cleaning, and microfiber towels not acceptable)
- 1 washcloth
- 1 comb - Comb needs to be sturdy and longer than 6 inches long (No pocket combs or picks please)
- 1 metal nail file or nail clippers (No emery boards, please)
- 1 bath-size soap - 3 oz. and larger sizes only (No Ivory or Jergens soap due to moisture content. Do not remove from original packaging)
- 1 toothbrush - Adult size only (Do not remove from original packaging)
- 6 adhesive bandages - ¾ inch to 1 inch-size Common household Band-Aids
- 1 plastic bag - One-gallon size sealable bag only
- \$1.00 to purchase toothpaste

The Next Executive Council meeting is on Tuesday, July 11, 2017 at 5:30 PM.



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*We renew our vows
 to uphold Christ's
 holy church by
 our prayers,
 our presence, our gifts,
 our service and our witness.*

June Birthdays

- 6/2 Debra LeBrun
- 6/2 Julie Wheeler
- 6/6 Whitney Smith
- 6/6 Julia Vaughan
- 6/7 Bob Wingfield
- 6/11 Norma Sisson
- 6/12 Ginny Smith
- 6/13 Rob Vaughan
- 6/14 Tyler Sykes
- 6/15 Brad Stephens
- 6/19 Stephanie Dickenson
- 6/19 Daphne Huffman
- 6/20 Allison Coleman
- 6/21 Steve Wright
- 6/23 Kathy Arritt
- 6/23 John Shockley
- 6/28 Janice Longworth
- 6/30 Laura Pence



	May 7	May 14	May 21	May 28
Worship	243	238	219	157
Sunday Groups	77	71	66	49
Wed. Groups	5/3 53	5/10 60	5/17 55	n/a
Giving	\$10,301	\$18,588	\$7,258	\$4,396