

Is your student away at school? Make sure to update the office with your student's school year mailing address.

College Ministry is collecting names/addresses of FUMC members attending college or serving in our military. FUMC likes to stay in touch while they are away. Submit information to the church office or notify Sandy Leister at sleister2@verizon.net or 717-319-6666.

Mission Central is partnering with Sierra Leone Initiative during Ebola crisis. You can be a part of this important partnership. Information available at the mission table in the narthex.

New to First Church? You and your family are invited to a "Meet & Greet" luncheon in Fellowship Hall on October 5 following the 10:45 am service. Meet the pastors, ask questions and enjoy a relaxing lunch. Questions? Contact Tina Eaton at adultministry@fumchurch.com or call 766-4611 for more information.

Our congregation's **Firstlink Prayer Letter** goes out weekly via e-mail. Please notify Janice Bowen (wecare@fumchurch.com or 766-4611) if you have a prayer concern, a praise, a prayer update, or if you would like to be added to the e-mailing list.

CHILDREN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please help! First Service Crib/Toddler Room – We still need Partners in Ministry for most Sunday mornings! Please check for openings at the Children's Display area or contact Dawn Fisher or Sarah Jones.

Fall Children's Department Help – There are many opportunities available! Please have a look at the Children's Display area or contact Dawn Fisher or Sarah Jones, even if you can help just one Sunday a month!

Wonderful Wednesday- Fall semester begins October 22nd. Children will be *Agents In Action* learning how to live as God's disciples! Registration forms are located in the Children's Department bulletin board area. Please register by October 10th. Any questions please see Dawn Fisher or Sarah Jones.

YOUTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday evening 3G youth fellowship time! Join us tonight as we partner with Anchor and share in a time of worship followed by small group conversation. Come as early as 6:00 to catch the start of the service. Our end time will remain the same: 8:15

Welcome 6th graders! We are so glad to have you as part of the youth department! Make sure to fill out a Medical Authorization form and youth covenant and then get ready for the great year ahead of you! We are excited to spend time with you and get to know you more.

Parents – the second parents meeting scheduled for September 28 will be moved to October 5. Sorry for this change, but thank you for your flexibility. Come early to pick up your students on October 5 and join Lisa for a meeting with the parents at 7:15 in the green chair section of the sanctuary.

Explore the Bible on your own and develop a habit of reading God's Word. Join us the 2nd and 4th Wednesday's at the Panera Bread on the Carlisle Pike from 7:00-8:30 as we explore the book of Hebrews. Study guides are located in the youth form area. Even if you aren't studying on your own, come join us for this time of fellowship and learning. Next meeting: September 24

Dates to keep in mind: October 26, Battleball; Nov 14 & 15, Confirmation Retreat; November 26-27, Sleep Out for the Homeless; December 5-7, Winter Retreat; December 13, Cookie Walk.

Monday Night Football – Don't watch the game alone! Come hang out, snack on food (bring a snack to share), and share in a time of devotion. Join us from 8:00pm-10:00pm (come for part or all). This week's location: TBD. Please sign up at timetosignup.com/kidscount to offer to host an evening or to be a second adult.

See You at the Pole is on Wednesday, September 24. Find out if your school is planning to pray around the pole that morning. If not, help to organize the opportunity for your friends at your school. See Lisa if you would like a poster to advertise.

The youth form area is located across from the elevator in the basement. Look here for important forms and information for youth related activities.



The Altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of Helen Glessner, placed by husband, Charles.

Hospitalized: Shirley Russell is in Harrisburg Hospital

Special Circumstances: Betty Etter is at Messiah Village—Wagner Building; Naomi Kuntz is at LifeCare.

Join us this Thursday, the 25th, for a Hosses Community Day. Always a fun time! The Bell Choirs thank you.

Calling all kids in grades 3-6 - If you're interested in becoming an acolyte, please contact Colin Knott at 691-1183 or wereknotthome@verizon.net. A training session will be held during October.

Children's Department Help – There are still opportunities to become Partners in Ministry for our children one Sunday per month: **8:00am** 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 5th Sundays crib/toddler adult, **9:15am** 2nd Sunday greeter **9:15am** 3rd Sunday crib/toddler adult and **10:30am** 5th Sunday crib/toddler adult. Please sign up at the Children's Display area or contact Sarah Jones or Dawn Fisher.

Do you have an over abundance of vegetables from your garden? New Hope Ministries welcomes your donations....tomatoes, zucchini, squash, cucumbers or potatoes. You may deliver them directly to New Hope 5228 E. Trindle Road. Thanks in advance for your kind donations, Debbie and Don Karns

Strengthening Families Program - begins September 30, at Grace United Methodist Church. More information in the August and September newsletters or contact the church office.

Thank you to all who supported the collegiate organized "Anchor" Worship and all who worshiped alongside us this summer – What will happen with Anchor now that the summer is over? Our next scheduled Sunday evening Anchor worship will be on September 21 beginning at 6:00pm. Look for Anchor to happen once a month starting at 6:00pm during the school year.