

## SCOUT NEWS:

### Pack 25 News:

The Cub Scouts are about to graduate! We are winding down our year and getting ready to move the boys ahead to their next rank. We will have a graduation ceremony for them at our May pack meeting where they will receive a new neckerchief for their advanced rank. Afterwards we will have cake and celebrate!! Feel free to join us! The Cub Scouts will stay active this summer with at least four (4) fun activities for them and they will resume their weekly meetings at the start of the new school year.

Many thanks again to everyone who has so generously supported our Scouting program this year. It's wonderful to have a great church with members who care so much about the boys. Martin and Tammy Westfall, who are currently our Bear leaders will take on the Cubmaster's duties along with their den duties next year. We are blessed that they have stepped up and into this position. Martin and Tammy's son Ben is their third son that has gone through Pack 25 so they are very knowledgeable in Cub Scouts and have so much to offer! Please welcome them in and pray for them as they begin in their new responsibilities. God Bless you all! Kim Bowen

### Troop 25 News:

The Boy Scouts in Troop 25 will be holding a CAR WASH to raise funds for their Summer Activity. It will be at Advance Auto Parts on Rt. 60 (across from Kmart) on **May 14th** from 9 AM until 3PM. Please bring your buggies in and get a first class wash, and help a good cause at the same time. Thanks for your support!

Don Robertson

*Have your own personal  
encounter with the biblical story!*

- Jerusalem • Bethlehem • Galilee • Nazareth
- Megiddo • Capernaum • River Jordan

Join Pastor Dave and friends from Cross Roads on a 10-Day trip to the Holy Land. Please contact Dave or René for brochures or to answer questions about the trip agenda, safety, preparations, etc. 304.654.2150

Departure from Charleston, WV on 1/10/12  
Visit [www.co.travelwithus.com](http://www.co.travelwithus.com) for trip details.

Tour: HL12A  
Group Leaders #52393  
Discounts apply for early  
registration!



### IMPORTANT DATES FOR:



- 1- Spring Musical (11:15), C.O.M.E. and District Conference, Financial Peace Univ.
- 2- Auto Immune Support Group Luncheon Called Administrative Council Meeting Miriam Circle—home of P. Burcham
- 3- ACDS Graduation; Church Vitality Team Mtg.
- 4- September Club Luncheon; Dinner & Study
- 5- Leadership Development Committee Mtg.
- 7- United Methodist Men's Breakfast UM Women's Mother's Day Dinner, FH
- 8- **MOTHER'S DAY;** Spring Musical (9:15); Financial Peace Univ.
- 9- Missions Committee
- 10- CSI Committee
- 11- Dinner & Study
- 12- Susanna Circle; Rebecca Circle;
- 14- Scout sponsored CAR WASH
- 15- Trustees Meeting; Financial Peace Univ.
- 16- Scout Leader's Meeting
- 17- Summer Parent's Meeting (CC)
- 18- Faith Lessons
- 19- Scout Pack Graduation
- 22- **Heritage Sunday & Graduation Sunday** Mission Fund Raiser
- 25- Faith Lessons
- 26- CC Pre-K Graduation
- 29- SPRC Meeting; East Huntington Cooperative Parish Sing
- 30- MEMORIAL DAY—OFFICES CLOSED
- 31- Child Care Board Meeting

### Looking Ahead . . .

**Every**— (unless noted otherwise)

Tuesday: Chancel Choir

Wednesday: Faith Lessons

Thursday: Boy Scout Troop Meeting

*\*\*If you have dates/information for the Bulletin or Newsletter, you may E-mail them to the church: [crossroadsumc@comcast.net](mailto:crossroadsumc@comcast.net).*

### K-5 kids

Sunday School upcoming topics include Noah and the Flood, and Psalm 23. We ALWAYS need extra hands and brains, so if you can spare either, please contact Jen to volunteer.

Parents of Sunday School students should talk to their children about our new Rules and Rewards program. Be sure to ask how many "strikes" your son or daughter has this week! For more information on any of our Children's programs, contact Jen Parsons: [parsons.jenr@gmail.com](mailto:parsons.jenr@gmail.com) 217-417-8087

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# The Good News Letter

May 2011

Make special plans now to join us on May 22nd as we celebrate *Heritage Sunday* with a special time of worship. We will ALL gather for worship outside at 10:00 that morning to sing, pray and celebrate our life together through Cross Roads UMC. To help prepare for that day we are inviting you to share pictures and articles that help to tell the story of this congregation's history. You can bring those at any time before the 22nd—the sooner the better. Please put your name on pictures as well as dates and information about the picture. Bring a friend and plan to spend the morning in worship and fellowship. After the worship service the Missions Committee will be selling sub sandwiches as a fund raiser for the summer missions trip.

### New Sunday School Class

*Balancing Life's Demands* is starting on May 1st at 10:15 a.m. in the Youth Room on the 3rd floor. There will be a short video and then group discussion. Study guides will be \$6.00 and the facilitators will vary. The study will last for **10** weeks. Come and join us! In *Balancing Life's Demands* you will learn how to put "first things first" and find peace in the midst of pressure and adversity. No clichés or quick fixes, just practical biblical insights to help you order your personal world. This series includes the following messages:

- The Peace and Power of a Prioritized Life
- How to Put First Things First
- How to Keep First Things First
- Warning: Personal Discipline Can be Hazardous to Your Health
- How to Escape the "Rat Race"...Forever!

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## Financial News

### Church Budget

February Balance	\$13.53
March Receipts	\$31,114.64
March Expenses	\$31,116.65
March Balance	11.52

### Childcare Ministries

February Balance	\$6,658.29
March Receipts	\$87,913.65
March Expenses	\$84,368.61
March Balance	\$10,203.33

### Conference

Annual Budget 2011	\$60,685
Sent YTD as of 3/31/11	\$9,917.00

## The Cross Roads United Methodist Men

Next Men's Breakfast—May 7th, 8:30 a.m.

from our MISSIONS COMMITTEE:

The Committee on Missions is collecting books, CD's, DVD's, jigsaw puzzles, tapes, board games, etc. for our May fundraiser. These items will be for sale (at a very reasonable price!) on Heritage Sunday, May 22nd. Please check your drawers and closets for any appropriate donations. There will be collection boxes at church in the upstairs hallway and in the gym.

### THE SUMMER MISSION TRIP

Six adults and ten youth will be traveling to Bear Branch, KY for our youth summer mission project. We will be staying at Big Creek Missions Center, a community focused, Christ centered mission center serving rural Kentucky counties. The group will have the opportunity to serve in children's, community and construction ministries. Please keep this group in your prayers as well as the volunteers who work in the center.

Hey Contemporary People!

Be sure and come out on May 8 to hear the Praise Band and Chancel Choir combine to do a fantastic musical called "How Great is Our God." You will truly be blessed to hear the music and testimonies in this production. We also have a local band coming on June 5 to lead our contemporary worship while several of our band members are away. They are called the Karen Spurlock Band and it should be a wonderful time of worship. God is good all the time!! See you next Sunday!

Gail Phillips, Director of Contemporary Worship

## CSI (Cross Roads Senior Intercession)

Our committee is meeting again Tuesday, May 10th at 6:00pm. We meet downstairs in the Family Ministry Conference room. This group tries to reach out to members who have a variety of needs. We try to be an example to each other by offering a hand when another member has been unable to come to church, has had an illness, death in the family, or is a "Shut In". FIRST & FOREMOST— these loved ones are in our prayers. Other means of assistance include taking meals, calls, and making visits. This is a *ministry* that encourages involvement and discipleship. PLEASE KNOW THAT YOU ARE INVITED TO BE A PART OF THIS EXCITING ENDEAVOR. Please come and join us as we extend the "Peace of Christ" to others.

God Bless You, *BJ Childers*

### Benefit Concert

David Russell will do a benefit piano concert at Cross Roads UMC on Friday, May 20th at 6:00 pm. A love offering will be received, with funds going to help with United Methodist relief efforts in Japan.



## Graduates



It is again time to honor our church members who are graduating from high school or college. Please help us by contacting the church office with names and degree information by May 15th so we can honor these people on May 22nd.



(notes) from Annabel

SPRING IS HERE!!! Yeah!

May there be a newness in our worship! May there be a newness in our singing and in our giving. Our Great God honors each of us by rejoicing over us with love and singing, so says Zeph. 3:17. He wants us to honor Him and also each other (Peter 2:17). I am very thankful for our choir and our praise team as they honor all of us by working hard to present a spring musical to God. We are honored to participate and also to LISTEN IN to the praises. Please join us by listening in on May 1<sup>st</sup> at the 11:15 am service and/or on May 8<sup>th</sup> at the 9:15 am worship service. You will be blessed!

Sing'cerely:  
Annabel

## May Birthdays

- 1 — Sean Lucas
- 4 — Dean Dippolito
- Cathy delosSantos
- 5 — Johnathan Swann
- 6 — Max Salmons
- 7 — Carolyn Brown
- Sue Lucas
- 8 — Bob Mantzel
- 10 — Myra Davis
- 11 — Mike Wright
- 12 — Susan Fields
- Ann Shannon
- 16 — Kimberly Pratt
- 18 — Jared Kushner
- 19 — Candice Wright

- 20 — Don Phillips
- 21 — Christi Kushner
- 23 — Bill DeMoss
- 24 — Mike DeMoss
- 27 — Betty Ellis
- Nicki Osburn
- 28 — Dottie Thompson
- 29 — Kayla Shockley
- Audray Sullivan
- Kathy Thornton
- Dan Woods
- 31 — Jill Freeman
- Linda Mahaffey



Contact the church office with any additions or corrections to birthday list.

## East Huntington Cooperative Parish 5th Sunday Sing — May 29th Hosted by CRUMC

6:00p.m. in the Sanctuary—Join Us!



LET EVERYTHING THAT HAS BREATH PRAISE THE LORD.  
Ps. 150:6

## UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

UMW is having a Mother's Day Dinner on May 7th at 6:00pm. Our pastor is having our program. Meat and drinks will be provided; we ask that everyone bring a casserole or vegetable dish or dessert. We will be having an ingathering of baby items such as formula, diapers, clothing, bath and body care, etc. This ingathering will be for Johnson Memorial UMC Common Ground Program.

The United Methodist Women **Mission Encounter Event** this year will be at Ebenezer Outreach May 14th and 15th. If anyone is interested in helping out at the mission, please contact Sue Dostal or Sue Workman for more information.

In Christ's name, Sue Workman  
President

### UMW Circle Meetings Susanna

Second Thursday of month  
Main Fl. Conference Rm. 1:00p.m.  
Anita Looney: Leader 525.2450

### Rebecca

Second Thursday of month  
Conference Room, 7:00p.m.  
Sue Workman: Leader 736.2865

### Miriam

First Monday of Month  
Home of Paula Burcham

## It's time to think about summer camp. . .

### Asbury Woods —

Day Camp (completed grades 1-3) July 10-14, 2011  
Registration \$85

Pre-Teen Camp (completed grades 4-7) July 10-14, 2011  
Registration \$140

Mid—High Summer Camp (Completed Grades 7-12)  
July 17-22, 2011, Registration \$170.00

### Spring Heights Camp — Spencer, WV

#### Campers completing

- Grade 3-8; June 19-24; \$250.00
- Grades 3-12; June 26-July 1; \$250.00
- Grades K-2; July 10-12; \$125.00
- Grades K-2; July 13-15; \$125.00
- Grades 2-8; July 17-22; \$250.00.

Registration forms in the church office.  
[www.springheights.org](http://www.springheights.org)