

BELL'S MESSENGER



The Newsletter of
**Old Union United Methodist Church
& Surrounding Community**



February 2013

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New Pastor in July

At a special called meeting of both Old Union's and Fairview's Administrative Boards and Pastor Parish Relations Committees on Sunday, January 13th at Fairview, Keith Auman made an announcement that due to continued health issues he will not be able to return to Old Union and Fairview in July as once hoped. The Pastor Parish Relations Committee will be having meetings with the District Superintendent to discuss our options. As soon as we know more information on everything we will let everyone know.

Winter Weather Closing

When there is winter weather in the future and the decision is made to not have any or part of church service or event, it will be announced on both Fox 8 WGHP and WFMY News 2. We will have snow codes for both stations very shortly as was voted on in the last Board Meeting.

Porch on Side of Fellowship Hall

At the last called Board Meeting after church in December the Board decided to build a 10x17 porch with roof on side of Fellowship Hall. It will cover both doors and there will be 2 lights installed. Construction will be starting shortly. While construction is going on you can still access the Fellowship Hall through the door under the shelter.

Meals After Church

We will continue our tradition this year as we have the last few years. A group or Sunday School class in the church will take one Sunday a month to fix a meal after church for a Fund Raiser.

February 17th: The Senior Adult Class will be doing a meal. Menu: Spaghetti, Tossed Salad, Bread, Dessert and Drink. Price: Donation of Non Perishable Food Items.

April 21st: The Adult Class will be doing a meal. Menu will be announced.

The Month of March we will not have anyone since the United Methodist Men will have a Country Breakfast on Saturday, March 9th and Easter is Sunday, March 31st.

Christian Band "The Morning" In Concert

The Christian Band "The Morning" will be in Concert as the Youth Ministries meeting for February on Sunday, February 10th at 6 pm in the Sanctuary. This event is geared toward school age children. We would like to invite the whole community to this special event. A love offering will also be taken up. There will be refreshments following in the Fellowship Hall. There is a contest of the Youth Ministry of how many children ages 6 to 18 they can get to come.



Country Breakfast for 2013

The Country Breakfasts for 2013 are going to be:

Saturday, March 9th (Flyers are in the back as you come in the door)

Saturday, May 18th

Saturday, September 21st

Church Bowling Outing

We are going to continue another tradition, anyone in the church that would like to go bowling we will be getting a group together to go on Sunday, February 24th. We will be going to High Point Bowling Center on Fairfield Road in High Point. On Sundays it is a \$1 for Shoes and \$1 per game all day. The Lanes are not reserved they are first come basis. More details will be following soon about plans for dinner that day.

History of Old Union UMC

Trivia Question

January's Question: What was the name of the woman who gave \$50,000.00 to beautify the church in 1997? Hint: Her picture is in the hall in the case.

Answer: Mary Welborn

February's Question: How many years where we on a charge with Worthville UMC? And who was the first pastor of the Old Union-Worthville Charge?

(Answer will be in the March Bell's Messenger)

United Methodist Women

The United Methodist Women met Tuesday, January 8th at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall and Jennie Frazier was the hostess. We decided to give \$250.00 toward Vacation Bible School as we have in years past. We decided the final menu to feed the Bame's after the funeral of Ted Bame.

The February meeting will be Tuesday, February 5th at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Kelli Smith will be the hostess and as always all ladies are welcome.

United Methodist Men

The United Methodist Men met Sunday, January 13th at 7 am in the Fellowship Hall. The dates for our Country Breakfasts this year are March 9th, May 18th and September 21st. Please put these dates on your 2013 calendars. Also Easter Sunrise Service and breakfast will be at Old Union for 2013 on March 31st.

The next meeting will be Sunday, February 10th at 7 am in the Fellowship Hall. All men of the church are welcome to attend.

United Methodist Youth Ministry

The United Methodist Youth Ministry met Friday night January 11th at 7 pm as a sleep over in the Fellowship Hall. We had Chili Beans and Campers Stew to eat and plenty of snacks. We all had an enjoyable time of fun and Fellowship.

We did decide a few upcoming things we plan to do this year. We are going to clean up the church the month of August since there were no one signed up. One Sunday before long we will have Youth Ministry Sunday where we will do everything in the worship service except Preach and play the piano. We will be having slave for a day in the Spring, more details will come on that soon.

We are continuing to sell the Rada Knives etc. If you would like to purchase see any of the Youth Ministry members.

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The Young Adult Class would like to thank everyone that stayed after church on Sunday, January 27th for our Hot Dog Meal. We made \$241.00. Again thank you to everyone that stayed.

Worship Nursery

A Worship Nursery will be starting soon for ages 4 and under. Please see Doris Abee for more information.

Church Directories

There has been a slight delay on the Church Directories. We should have them soon.

Missing You Mission

Please remember that if there is any person that you have noticed that is not at church and would like a card sent to them, please write their name on paper provided in the pews and give them to Linda Byrd or place them in the offering plate.

Dustin's Address

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Scheduled Board Meetings 2013

Sunday, April 7th at 2 pm
Sunday, July 14th at 2 pm
Sunday, October 20th at 2 pm

Shut Ins Addresses

Mabel Farlow
5080 Walker Mill Road
Sophia, NC 27350

Church Cleaning Schedule

February: D.W. & Debbie Coggins
March: Fonda & Nellie Johnson

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Please forgive me if your Birthday or Anniversary has not been included in the Newsletter. I only publish the ones that I have been given. If you would like yours to be included please give all your family's birthdays and anniversary on an index card or piece of paper. Thanks.

Birthdays

February:
2/1: Seth Smith
2/2: Katlyn Johnson
2/3: Geneva Godbey
2/4: Carsie Hill
2/11: Ricky Frazier
2/18: Mary Farlow
2/20: Tamara Frazier

March:
3/5: Tamara Owens
3/12: Adam Byrd
3/19: Drake Spillman

Anniversaries

March:

3/9: Adam & Holly Byrd

Newsletter Submissions

Please have all newsletter submissions for the March edition of the Bell's Messenger to me by Sunday, February 24th. Remember my email is jws13@northstate.net .

Before Trees where cut



After Trees where Cut



Special Thanks to the ones who did cut the trees and helped clean up.

Happy Valentine's Day