



WESLEY FAMILY NEWS

July/August 2010

Wesley United Methodist Church 8412 Richmond Avenue, Alexandria, VA 22309-2328

Getting to Know Our New Pastor

Janet grew up in New Hampshire and her relationship with God was shaped through her family's travel to serve on medical mission in underdeveloped countries. She graduated from nursing school at the University of Vermont in 1980 and began serving in the United States Air Force. She met her husband, Paul, while assigned to Keesler Medical Hospital in Biloxi, Ms. Janet and Paul have been married for 28 years and have four sons, Eric, 25, Ives, 23, Jay, 20 and Daniel, 15. They enjoy playing music, and spending time together at the beach or on the ski slopes. 0

Janet describes her call to ministry as her response to the abundant grace that God pours into her life through Jesus Christ. She attended Wesley Theological Seminary and received a Masters of Divinity in 2006. She is an ordained elder in full connection. She served for four years at Silverbrook UMC, and was an Associate Pastor for four years at Burke UMC. She is active in the Stephen Ministry Network, a coalition of Northern Virginia churches that seek to empower those who are called to one on one ministry with others. She is active in the Walk to Emmaus, 4th day communities. She is a graduate of the Shalem Clergy Leadership and Spiritual Deepening Program. She serves on the Alexandria District Committee on Church Building and Location and is the Coordinator for Spiritual Care with the Committee on Disaster Relief.

Janet enjoys Celtic spirituality, visual arts, bike riding and good conversation. She is pleased to be appointed to Wesley UMC and looks forward to growing in faith with you.



Current Special Needs:

UCM---tomato sauce, pasta, rice, beans, canned vegetables and fruits,
 Enfamil with iron, canned tuna, juice boxes, small-sized snacks and large
 size diapers

Rising Hope---microwaveable macaroni and cheese, Vienna sausage, spam,
 tuna, pasta, tomato sauces, peanut butter, jelly, single-serving canned fruit,
 cup-of-noodles, rice baby cereal, baby formula, baby food, and diapers all
 sizes

Do we have your Current mailing and/or email address?

If not, please contact the church office to make any changes.

Wesley Family News is a monthly publication of the Wesley United Methodist Church staff in Alexandria, VA . It is published to convey information with the members and friends of the church about The Virginia Annual Conference, The Alexandria District and the program offerings of Wesley as a connectional member of the United Methodist Church.

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Message from Pastor Janet...*Pastor Janet's
Message***Joy in the Journey**

In the first letter to the Corinthian church, Paul uses the word “apostle” describing it as a gift of the Spirit. (12:28) *The apostle is one who is sent out. The apostle carries a message.* Just as our heavenly Father sent Jesus into the world to share the message of God’s transforming love, the apostle is sent by the power of the Holy Spirit to share the gospel of Jesus Christ, in word and in deed.

One of the first apostles in scripture is the woman at the well, who returned to her village and shared all she learned from Jesus, then, invited them to come to meet Jesus for themselves. (John 4) I wonder if the reason she had no name is because she could be any one of us.

Apostleship is not something we do on our own, it is empowered by the Holy Spirit within the body of Christ. Wesley UMC is sending youth and adults on mission this summer, to be apostles in Kentucky. Sending a team to serve requires spiritual gifts like prayer, giving, teaching, and shepherding. The whole body is involved in the sending of apostles. A missional church is one that understands that God is already at work in the world and encounters Christ in meaningful ways through service. Maybe you don’t have the opportunity to travel this summer, yet, each and every day, you can point out for others where you notice God’s redeeming grace at home, at work, in the community. How are you being sent this summer?

Itineracy is a form of the gift of apostleship. I am excited about learning how God has been and will continue to be at work here at Wesley UMC. I trust that I will be richly blessed encountering Christ within each of you. I am looking forward to sharing joy in this journey!

Cheering Each Other On...

Member Care Ministry

*Though we might feel we have nothing to give,
we can give encouragement.*

The Member Care vision is to assure that every member of the congregation feels cared for not only in times of joy, but also in times of illness or crisis. Therefore we invite you to share your special joys and concerns with the church office via email wesleychurch@verizon.net or by phone (703) 780-5019 so that we can better care for our members.

If you would like to be a member of the Member Care Ministry, please contact Mary Pryor at (703) 619-9204 or mepryor@verizon.net.



Parsonage Clean Up Thank You

Thank you to all of the people who turned out for the parsonage clean-up project on Saturday, June 26th. Many shrubs were pruned, gutters cleaned and weeds pulled.

Lance Tracey, Trustee Chair

Exodus 18:18-23

"You and these people who come to you will only wear yourselves out. The work is too heavy for you; you cannot handle it alone. Listen now to me and I will give you some advice, and may God be with you. You must be the people's representative before God and bring their disputes to him. Teach them the decrees and laws, and show them the way to live and the duties they are to perform. But select capable men from all the people--men who fear God, trustworthy men who hate dishonest gain--and appoint them as officials over thousands, hundreds, fifties and tens. Have them serve as judges for the people at all times, but have them bring every difficult case to you; the simple cases they can decide themselves. That will make your load lighter, because they will share it with you. If you do this and God so commands, you will be able to stand the strain, and all these people will go home satisfied."



With Sincere Sympathy

Our heartfelt condolences are extended to the friends and family of Kay Tomlinson on the loss of her sister. Our prayers are also with Ben Clark and his family on the loss of his father Walt Clark



Vacation Bible School is only successful with the support of many people. We are grateful to all of the volunteers who worked on VBS and to all the people that donated food and supplies. Thank you for making "Galactic Blast" a success!

Brenda Denham

Thank You from Marge Doeppner

Dear Friends and Loved Ones of Wesley Church,

Thank you, thank you, for the lovely picture of Wesley church and your kind notes of love and friendship. I will always cherish my years at Wesley.

Treasured Memories

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| 1. Organized and directed first pre-school (day school) made home visits | 5. On Worship Committee |
| 2. Sang in choir | 6. Our two sons joined Wesley |
| 3. Played in Bell Choir | 7. Tom ushered for years |
| 4. Taught Sunday School | He enjoyed it and I was always so proud of him. |

Again, thank you for your gift of kindness as well as all of the love and support I have received from Wesley though the years. My love will always be with you.

Marjorie Doeppner
June 28, 2010

July 2010

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | | | 7:30p Harmonica Club @ LL 8:30p AA @ FH #1 8:30p Ends: VBS | 1 | 2 3 1p Boy Scout Picnic 993 @ Fellowship Hall 6p All Nations Prayer Meeting @ Sanctuary |
| Independence Day 4 9a Christian Ed 10a Worship 11a UMYF 12p All Nations | 5 7p BS Troop 993 @ Fellowship Hall | 6 7p Women's Step Group AA @ FH #1 | 7 7p UMYF @ Youth Room | 8 7:30p Harmonica Club @ LL 8:30p AA @ FH #1 | 9 | 10 6p All Nations Prayer Meeting @ Sanctuary |
| 11 9a Christian Ed 10a Worship 11a Reception for New Pastor @ FH 11a UMYF 12p All Nations | 12 7p BS Troop 993 @ Fellowship Hall | 13 10a ROCK @ Fellowship Hall/Elks 7p Women's Step | 14 7p UMYF @ Youth Room | 15 7p Trustee Meeting @ Parlor 7:30p Harmonica Club @ LL | 16 | 17 6p All Nations Prayer Meeting @ Sanctuary |
| Starts: Youth Mission Trip @ Appalachia region of Tennessee | | | | | | |
| 18 9a Christian Ed 10a Worship 11a UMYF 12p All Nations | 19 7p BS Troop 993 @ FH | 20 7p Women's Step Group AA @ FH #1 | 21 5p Staff Meeting @ Parlor 7p UMYF @ Youth Room | 22 7:30p Harmonica Club @ LL 8:30p AA @ FH #1 | 23 | 24 6p All Nations Prayer Meeting @ Sanctuary |
| 25 9a Christian Ed 10a Worship 11a UMYF 12p All Nations | 26 7p BS Troop 993 @ Fellowship Hall | 27 7p Women's Step Group AA @ FH #1 7:30p BS 993 Committee Mtg @ Fellowship Hall | 28 7p UMYF @ Youth Room | 29 7:30p Harmonica Club @ LL 8:30p AA @ FH #1 | 30 | 31 6p All Nations Prayer Meeting @ Sanctuary |

August 2010

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| <p>1 9a Christian Ed 10a Worship 11a UMYF 12p All Nations 1:30p GS 849 FH</p> | <p>2 7p BS Troop 993 @ Fellowship Hall</p> | <p>3 7p Women's Step Group AA @ FH #1</p> | <p>4 7p UMYF @ Youth Room</p> | <p>5 7:30p Harmonica Club @ LL 8:30p AA @ FH #1</p> | <p>6 6p All Nations Prayer Meeting @ Sanctuary</p> | <p>7 6p All Nations Prayer Meeting @ Sanctuary</p> |
| <p>8 9a Christian Ed 10a Worship 11a UMYF 12p All Nations Special Event @ Fellowship Hall 1:30p GS 849 FH</p> | <p>9 7p BS Troop 993 @ Fellowship Hall</p> | <p>10 10a ROCK @ Fellowship Hall/Elks 7p Women's Step Group AA @ FH #1 7:30p Admin Council</p> | <p>11 7p UMYF @ Youth Room</p> | <p>12 7:30p Harmonica Club @ LL 8:30p AA @ FH #1</p> | <p>13 6p All Nations Prayer Meeting @ Sanctuary</p> | <p>14 4p MZCA Picnic @ Church Grounds 6p All Nations Prayer Meeting @ Sanctuary</p> |
| <p>15 9a Christian Ed 10a Worship 11a UMYF 12p All Nations 1:30p GS 849 FH</p> | <p>16 7p BS Troop 993 @ Fellowship Hall</p> | <p>17 7p Women's Step Group AA @ FH #1</p> | <p>18 5p Staff Meeting @ Parlor 7p UMYF @ Youth Room</p> | <p>19 7p Trustee Meeting @ Parlor 7:30p Harmonica Club @ LL 8:30p AA @ FH #1</p> | <p>20 4p MZCA Picnic @ Church Grounds 6p All Nations Prayer Meeting @ Sanctuary</p> | <p>21 4p MZCA Picnic @ Church Grounds 6p All Nations Prayer Meeting @ Sanctuary</p> |
| <p>22 9a Christian Ed 10a Worship 11a UMYF 12p All Nations 1:30p GS 849 FH</p> | <p>23 7p Trinity Circle Meeting @ Parlor 7p BS Troop 993 @ Fellowship Hall</p> | <p>24 7p Women's Step Group AA @ FH #1 7:30p BS 993 Committee Mtg @ Fellowship Hall</p> | <p>25 7p UMYF @ Youth Room</p> | <p>26 7:30p Harmonica Club @ LL 8:30p AA @ FH #1</p> | <p>27 9a Robert Locke Wedding @ Parking Lot 6p All Nations Prayer Meeting @ Sanctuary</p> | <p>28 9a Robert Locke Wedding @ Parking Lot 6p All Nations Prayer Meeting @ Sanctuary</p> |
| <p>29 9a Christian Ed 10a Worship 11a UMYF 12p All Nations 1:30p GS 849 FH</p> | <p>30 7p BS Troop 993 @ Fellowship Hall</p> | <p>31 7p Women's Step Group AA @ FH #1</p> | | | | |

Summer Sermons

Spiritual Health : Growing Deeper in Relationship with

July 18 A Grateful Heart

July 25 Praying with Expectation: Listening for God

August 1 Simplicity

August 8 Stability

August 15 Conversion of Life

August 22 Sabbath

August 29 Servanthood

Vacation time

Someone has said, "Vacation is what you take when you can't take what you've been taking any longer."

There are good reasons to take a vacation every year: spending time with friends and loved ones, experiencing physical and mental refreshment, enjoying changes in scenery and routine, and preparing for another year of productivity.

Please enjoy your vacation! Try to be faithful to the Lord by attending church while you're away, if you have the opportunity.

Just remember that during vacations and weekend getaways, you're especially missed by your friends at church. The work of the church suffers because no one can fill your place of responsibility quite like you.

God's work goes on all summer long. Your presence and gifts are needed to enable the church to be strong and vigorous throughout the entire year. When you're away, please bring or send your offering before you go.

Have a wonderful summer!

Wesley Preschool & Kindergarten

Summer Camp

July 26-30

9am-12pm

\$25.00 registration/supply fee
\$75.00 for the week
Mon-Fri

“We’re in Lord’s Army!”

“Military Boot Camp”



Army
Air Force
Navy
Marines
Coast Guard



Crafts
Making helmets with night vision
God’s Armor
Parachutes
Jets



Learning about the Bibles heroes

David and Goliath

Joshua and the walls of Jericho



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Reminders

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| July 4th | Independence Day |
| July 4th | Pastor Janet Salbert's First Sunday |
| July 11th | Official Welcome for Pastor Salbert Welcome potluck for the Salbert family |
| August 21 | MZCA Picnic (All church Members are invited to Attend) |
| September 6 | Labor Day |
| September 7 | School Begins |
| September 12 | Rally Day |

