Harrisburg Happenings

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Thank you to everyone who helped make this year's Youth Spaghetti Dinner and Dessert Auction a great success! We hope everyone who came out had a fun time! Thanks to your support of this event, and your generous donations, the net amount raised to support our youth in their missions trips and events was \$1,700.00! (A new record!) Thank you again for supporting your HUMC



Stepping Stones Preschool Registration open for the 2016/17 School Year.

Please share with your friends and neighbor that HUMC has a preschool program for ages 3 & 4 year olds. Visit the website, make an appointment to tour the school. We'd love to have your little ones be part of this amazing program. For questions or appointments call our Preschool Director: Lisa Wallace at 704-455-3544 or Lisa.steppingstones @gmail.com

Safe Sanctuary Annual Refresher Class

This class is for all Adults **who have been** Safe Sanctuary trained. This is a required refresher class designed to continually understanding, and focus on the policies and purpose of the Safe Sanctuary Program.



The class is 30 minute and will be offered annually. The class gives us the opportunity to check in, answer questions, to renew our commitment, to communicate policy changes and look at areas of weakness. Working with our children and youth is one of the critical areas of our church and it is a privilege to be able to be a part of ministry to these two groups. We must make every effort to protect these two vulnerable groups.

Refresher training will be offered Sunday mornings, February 21, and/or 28 at 9:45 am in the Sanctuary. If you are a Safe Sanctuary Trained, plan to attend one of these meetings. If you have any questions, please email Richard Smith at rsmith@harrisburgumc.org.



CONNECTIONS

Ways to Worship, Grow and Love at HUMC Sunday, March 13, 2-4 PM

It is time for our next CONNECTIONS event. Ever wonder what's behind that door in sanctuary or what goes on in the audio/visual booth? Just exactly what is SPR and what the heck do they do? Have you ever visited our awesome nursery or wondered about the Sensory

Room? Just what is Godly Play anyway? Wonder how to join in our music ministries? How do you become an usher, communion server, or scripture reader? Have you ever thought about joining a small group, United Methodist Men, United Methodist Women, or an adult education class? Do you wonder when they meet, what are they studying, and how do you join an ongoing group? All will be revealed to you.

Our CONNECTIONS event will be held on Sunday, March 13, 2 - 4 PM. It is for all our guests anyone who worships here or visits here, and wants to know more about connecting with the HUMC family and finding ways to be in service to God. Please contact the church office (704-455-2311 or administration@harrisburgumc.org) if you plan on attending, and also let us know if you will child care.



Mark you calendars for our family Easter event! It is designed for parents and their children (of all ages) to experience Easter and the events leading up to it together. You will:

travel to Jerusalem for Palm Sunday

sit down for the Last Supper pray in the Garden of Gethsemane

discover the sacrifice of Good Friday

celebrate freedom from their sins at the empty tomb that first Easter morning

This two-hour experience will be on Palm Sunday, March 20. It will take you approx 2 hours, but is available from 2pm-5pm. This is an excellent opportunity for you to experience Jesus' love for us all, so bring your friends and neighbors as well! For questions you can contact Denise Spittle at denisespittle@gmail.com or 704-576-1243. If you need nursery care, please contact Shanna Green at 704-516-4573.



A Food Drive Challenge – Charlotte vs Denver Brought to you by the people of The United Methodist Church

Hey Carolinas! We Beat Denver!

The total number of food items collected by the Western North Carolina Conference during the food drive was 584,410 along with 45,000 pounds of potatoes given by the Society of St. Andrew to the cause.

The North Carolina Conference collected 52,481 items from 75 churches and organizations, along with 132,000 pounds of potatoes from two gleaning events.

Between the two conferences, we collected a total of 636,891 items and 177,000 pounds of potatoes.

The challengers from Denver collected 360,664 items during the same time period from over 140 sites in Colorado and several western states.



It's Trike-a-Thon time

Stepping Stones Preschool is gearing up for this years Sam Wallace Trike-a-Thon. All proceeds will go to The Sam Wallace Memorial Fund, to be awarded to the family of a child who is experiencing chronic health issues. All the Stepping Stones Preschool participate in the Trike-a-thon. Riding their bikes, hot wheels or scooters through the course, which includes a car wash, a gas station, a restaurant. You can sponsor an individual child or your can donate through the church website www.harrisburgumc.org and click on the "donate" button under the Trike-a-Thon logo. You can also mail your donations to: Stepping Stones Preschool, PO Box 970, Harrisburg, NC 28075

Children helping Children

