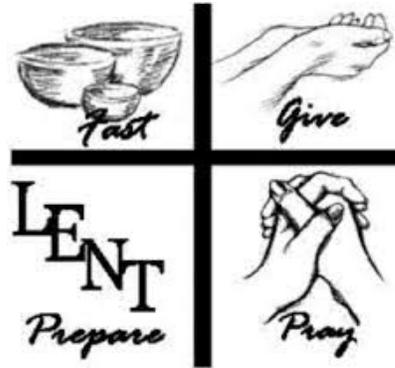




# The Nugget

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Lent is a time to examine with great depth the capacity of love. We are in the main current stream of Lent and its rapid journey to Easter. Bishop Schnase in the text, *Five Practices of Fruitful Living*, argues "those who offer Christ realize that the journey begins with a personal relationship, leads to a comfortable invitation to a ministry of the church, and results in an embracing of the spiritual life."

How is Ivey and its multiple partners in ministry developing new ways to connect with God's people? How are we embracing the strength to ask someone to a function or to worship? How are we engaging a deeper wider spiritual life? These questions are good for Lent? for Love? and yes, maybe for life? A Point to Ponder!

Pax Christi,  
Pastor Jim  
Phil 4.13



### Lenten Soup Supper

St. Ann’s Catholic Church (across the street) is hosting a Lenten Soup supper which will feature Pastor Jim! The event will take place on Wednesday evening, March 2<sup>nd</sup> from 6p.m. to 7:30pm. Pastor Jim will be speaking about the history of Ivey Memorial and how our congregation serves as the presence of Jesus Christ in Colonial Heights. St. Ann Parish has extended an invitation for us to dine with them and to hear Pastor Jim speak. There is no cost for this event, but any crock pots of soup will always be welcome. Please contact our church office if you plan to attend so we can give St. Ann’s an idea of how many extra tables to have ready.

### Bazaar Happenings

We are off to a good start. We had 7 people for workshop our first day back. It was nice to see Merlene Parham again. We have missed her. It was so wonderful to welcome a new comer Mary Anne Bellamy. Just ask her how much fun she had I am sure she will tell you she felt good when she left. It was like seeing your friends the first day of school after summer break. Despite all the catching up we had to do, telling a few jokes, and of course eating lunch we managed to clean the closet and reorganize. Now we are ready to get down to business, share ideas and get to crafting. Remember every second and fourth Tuesday of the month we meet in the small fellowship hall. Please come and join us.

### Ivey CDC News

Daycare will be having a spring catalogue fundraiser during the month of march. All of our funds will go towards the summer camp scholarship program 2016. Ivey CDC is trying to send 5 children to camp who would not be able to come otherwise because of the cost. All of the proceeds that we gain from this catalog sale will go towards this new program, our goal is to raise enough money during the fundraiser and the spring fling to give 5 children a great summer camp experience. Order forms will be left with the church office, you can also call or stop by the daycare office Please consider being the reason a child smiles this summer.

### Ivey UMW News

The Ivey UMW met on January 6, 2016 at 7pm. We were lead in devotion of Epiphany scripture by Carene Edwards. In keeping with our stated purpose of mission, year-end funds were disbursed as follows:

The James House \$50	Jackson Field Homes \$25	Pathways \$100	Ferrum College \$25	Red Bird Mission \$50	Our Daily Bread Food Pantry \$100	Henry Fork Service Center \$50	Camp Rainbow \$25	Grace Inside \$50	Wesley Community Service Center \$100
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We will continue our Social Action priority for Domestic Violence for 2016 (i.e. The James House). Hopefully, we will be successful at our April 9, 2016 Yard-Bake Sale as we plan to have funds for our Ivey Youth (All Stars—Passport Kids trip) and other endeavors. Sign up for UM Day at General Assembly was discussed followed by the UMW Benediction.

The Ivey UMW met on February 3, 2016 for our regular monthly meeting. Rookie Hale led devotion with prayer and article by Billy Graham. Cards of Inspiration and love were written to five United Methodist Missionaries in such far-away places as Liberia, Belize, Zambia, Ecuador to right here in Virginia. Three UMW planned to travel to Richmond the next day for UM Day at General Assembly. Spring Retreat will be at Courtland UMC on Saturday, April 16, 2016 with the Rev. Myrtle Hatcher as Retreat Leader. Mission Emphasis: Wesley Community Service Center. All ladies of Ivey are invited to join us, we would love to be with you on this special day. Please let Carene or Rookie know if you would like to go. Deadline to register is April 10, 2016. ATTENTION: YARD-BAKE SALE NEWS ALL LADIES OF IVEY: we call for your continued support again this year. We love you and appreciate all you do for Ivey UMW. Please call us if you need pick-up for items for our April 9, 2016 yard-bake sale. Now is a great time to clean out those closets! Call Rookie at 748-9860, or Carene at 526-2946. Chester UMC will be outside (front parking lot) again this year. The meeting

## All Stars Schedule

- Mar. 6:** 5—7pm regular meeting—dinner volunteer needed
- Mar. 13:** fundraiser luncheon
- Mar. 20:** 5—7pm regular meeting — dinner volunteer needed
- Mar. 27:** Easter — No Meeting — Jesus has RISEN!

## Youth Group Schedule

- Mar. 6:** 5—7pm regular meeting – Suzanne leading lesson, Angie providing dinner
- Mar. 13:** 4pm youth council, 5pm youth group, Matoaca Christian Fellowship will be joining us, Eva leading lesson, Fred providing dinner
- Mar. 20:** 5—7pm regular meeting — dinner volunteer needed
- Mar. 27:** Easter — No Meeting — Jesus has RISEN!

**Contact Eva Booth with any questions. 804-586-5044, emrbPOOH@yahoo.com**

## Our Social Creed

We believe in God, Creator of the world; and in Jesus Christ, the Redeemer of creation. We believe in the Holy Spirit, through whom we acknowledge God's gifts, and we repent of our sin in misusing these gifts to idolatrous ends. We affirm the natural world as God's handiwork and dedicate ourselves to its preservation, enhancement, and faithful use by humankind. We joyfully receive for ourselves and others the blessing of community, sexuality, marriage, and the family. We commit ourselves to the rights of men, women, children, youth, young adults, the aging, and people with disabilities; to improvement of the quality of life; and to the rights and dignity of all persons. We believe in the right and duty of person to work for the glory of God and the good of themselves and others and in the protection of their welfare in so doing; in the rights to property as a trust from God, collective bargaining, and responsible consumption; and in the elimination of economic and social distress. We dedicate ourselves to peace throughout the world, to the rule of justice and law among nations, and to individual freedom for all people of the world. We believe in the present and final triumph of God's Word in human affairs and gladly accept our commission to manifest the life of the gospel in the world. **Amen.**

## UMW General Assembly Day

United Methodist Day at the General Assembly is one of the signature events of the Virginia Conference. From its inception 24 years ago as a district UMW event to its merger with the Conference Board of Church and Society making it a conference wide event, UM Day has provided countless United Methodists in Virginia with an opportunity to gather at our state capitol to observe our legislators at work and to meet with them and/or their aides to share concerns about pending legislation which effects the well-being of all Virginians. Initially, the Conference Legislative Network provided monitors who made regular visits to the G.A. and alerted fellow Methodists of upcoming important votes. As these monitors aged, they were no longer able to make the trip to Richmond. At their request, an effort was made to find other to assume their duties. A partnership was formed with and interfaith group based in Richmond, whose work was parallel to ours. Meeting with the CEO of the Virginia Interfaith Center for Public Policy, it became evident that a partnership with that organization and ours would be mutually beneficial. UMW members: Debbie Reckart, Nicole Blair, and Rookie Hale attended this years' UM Day at the G.A. on February 4, 2016. Arriving at Bone Aire UMC at 7am, we enjoyed a delicious breakfast while listening to Bishop Young Jin Cho. After arriving at the G.A., some groups met with their legislators to discuss upcoming votes on important issues and bills pending before the G.A. The Ivey group sat in on a committee meeting concerning health matters. There were three main issues chosen to advocate support for on this important day. 1.) Issue Area: Driving Privileges for Immigrants. Position: We support SB390 that would allow the DMV to create a system for immigrants getting driving privileges. Key Thought: We believe all Virginians should be held accountable to the same standards of road safety by supporting temporary driving privileges. 2.) Issue Area: Raising the Felony Threshold. Position: We support the Commonwealth of Virginia raising its \$200 felony threshold to \$500, while we strongly prefer raising it to \$1500. Key Thought: A higher threshold is long overdue since last changed in 1980. Surrounding states have made incremental changes without negative impact on retailers. 3.) Issue Area: Closing Virginia's Health Care Coverage Gap. Position: We support the part of the Governor's budget that will allow the Commonwealth of Virginia to close its health care coverage gap and help up to 400,000 uninsured Virginians have access to health care through pulling down available Federal funds. Key Thought: The Affordable Care Act established a Health Insurance Marketplace for people and small businesses to purchase insurance. Financial help is offered to families of 3 earning more than \$20,090 or individuals earning more than \$11,770. In most states if someone earns less, they can still get health insurance because the state has expanded its Medicaid coverage or received a waiver to use these funds to provide comprehensive coverage. Though 31 states and D.C, have greatly improved access through use of Federal Medicaid dollars, Virginia has not. Moreover, Virginia's current Medicaid eligibility is among the stingiest in the US.

Rookie Hale—Co-President of UMW



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**Jackie Wilkinson's 80th Birthday Party!**

Jackie Wilkinson's children would like to invite her Ivey family to come help us celebrate her 80th birthday!!! Her Ivey family is and has been such an important part of her life for 50 years. The celebration will be on Saturday, March 12th from noon - 3:00 in Ivey's small fellowship hall. It's an open house so please drop by and share a happy memory with her. There will be finger foods and a birthday cake. She has requested NO GIFTS please! We hope to see you all there!

**All Stars & Youth Group Events**

**FUNDRAISER LUNCHEON** - The All Stars will host a luncheon after church on Sunday, March 13 in the Fellowship Hall. Cost is by donation and all proceed go towards our Passport Kids Mission trip. Come enjoy lunch and support our children at the same time!

**Easter Sunrise Service**

Plan to enjoy our sunrise service at 7am with refreshments to follow!

There will also be an Easter Egg Hunt before the 9am service!

**SPRING DINNER** - The youth will host a fundraiser dinner on Saturday, April 23. Mark your calendars now! More information coming soon!

**Want To Invest In Our Future?**

If you would like to volunteer some time we would love to have you! If you have a lesson you would like to lead with our youth and/or our children we would love to reap the benefits of your knowledge. We are also always looking for volunteers to serve us dinner. If you would like to volunteer or just get some more information, contact Eva Booth at 804-586-5044 or [emrbPOOH@yahoo.com](mailto:emrbPOOH@yahoo.com). Thanks and God bless!

**Worship Leader's Schedule**

	<b>8:30 Greeters</b>	<b>8:30 Readers</b>	<b>8:30 Acolytes</b>	<b>11:00 Greeters</b>	<b>11:00 Readers</b>	<b>11:00 Acolytes</b>
<b>Mar. 6</b>	Beth Honea	Jimiya Harris	Jimiya Harris	Jo Robinson & Marlene Wheelhouse	Chris Ganoë	Ean Smith
<b>Mar. 13</b>	Clay & Carene Edwards	Iris Hoye	Iris Hoye	Bob & Carolyn Galusha	Janice Ganoë	Gabriel Sparks
<b>Mar. 20</b>	Beth Honea	Craig Purcell	Caden Purcell	Sarah Zammett	Houston Baker	Ean Smith
<b>Mar. 27</b>	Clay & Carene Edwards	George Robertson	Cameren Farmer	Kelle Neblett	Kelle Neblett	Gabriel Sparks

**Counters:** Bruce & Donna Brockwell/Janice Ganoë

**Communion Servers:** **8:30** Howard & Suzanne Johnson  
**11:00** Jo Robinson