

**IVY CREEK
WEEKLY READER**

**Publication Date:
3/25/2010**

CHURCH CALENDAR

Study Opportunities for 3/28/10

- Miss Leigh Anne's Children's Class
- Three Simple Rules Group in Pastor's Study
- The Study of the Practice of the Presence of God in the Conference Room
- Handchimers Practice at 10 AM
- No Sunday Evening Bible Study

Our Weekly Offering

Weekly income needed to meet the operating budget is \$3927.08

Our Weekly Offering for 3/21/10
\$4347.00

Attendance for 3/21/10
8:30 AM — 40 / 11:00 AM — 68

**Lay Reading for March 28th
Philippians 2: 5-11**

Will meet again on April 11th

**Friends of the Library 45th Annual
Book Sale**

April 3-11 - 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. at the Gordon Avenue Branch Library - 1500 Gordon Ave., Charlottesville.

Earlsville Arts and Craft Show
Saturday, March 27th — 9:00 to 3:00 at the
Earlsville Volunteer Fire Station

- March 25 No Thursday Bible Study. Will meet next on April 8th @ 10 AM
- March 26 Emmaus Group Early AM Mtg.
- March 27 Parking Lot Maintenance—Lot of Hands Needed beginning at 9 AM
Keith Heck's BDay
- March 28 Worship and Study - Palm Sunday
Mason Bunyea's BDay
Charles Flammia's BDay
- March 29 Church Council @ 6:30 PM
- March 30 Laura & Ted Knotts' Anniversary
- April 1 Maundy Thursday Service - 7PM
James Huckstep's BDay
- April 2 Dick Crandall's BDay
Carol and Jim Thornton's Anniv.
Emmaus Group Mtg., Early AM
- April 3 Stephanie Myers' BDay
- April 4 RESSURECTION SUNDAY
Worship and Study beginning with Sunrise Service at 6 AM
- April 6 Scout Leaders meet @ 7 PM
Patty Milici's BDay
- April 7 Choir Practice @ 6:30 PM
Lily Bunyea's BDay
- April 8 Liz Beddow's BDay
Thursday Bible Study @ 10 AM
- April 9 Brandon Bunyea's BDay
Emmaus Group Mtg., Early AM
- April 12 Sue Porter's BDay
- April 13 Scouts Mtg. @ 7 PM
Missions Mtg. @ 7 PM
- April 14 Sarah's Circle @ 11:30 AM
Choir Practice @ 6:30 AM
- April 17 Cello Club Meeting
- April 18 Rhiannon Pattison's BDay
- April 19 Stacy Martin's BDay
- April 20 Trustees Mtg. @ 6:30 PM
Education Team Mtg. @ 7 PM

Prayer List

Brandon Bunyea	Elizabeth Joyce
Helen Kandle	Jack Kilgus
Madeline Haga	Bill Haupt
Lindsey & Scott Hayes	Micki Huffman
Steve Herndon	Lorie Hunt
Lennie Leake	Tucker Smith
Carol Thornton	Nick Washburn
Patricia Wilczek	
Nita Reigle and Family	
Foster Hunt - Serving in Afghanistan	
James King - Serving in Afghanistan	

To add or delete a name to our Prayer List, please use a Prayer Card found in the pew rack; complete and drop in offering plate.

PRAYER CHAIN REQUESTS

Please notify Norma Mills of all Prayer Chain requests. Her contact information, 978-3886 or rodandnorma@cs.com.



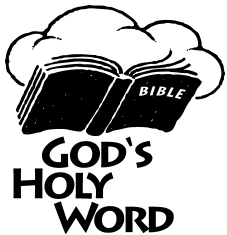
**Evelyn will be on vacation
April 12 through April 21st**

Needed: People to answer the telephone on the following dates:

Monday, April 12

Wednesday, April 14

Monday, April 19



Remember to bring your Bible to church each time you come to worship, study, or for a meeting.

Assisting in Worship for March 28th

Acolytes:

8:30 AM	Andrew Rosson
11:00 AM	Benedict Burgess

Readers:

8:30 AM	Michelle Dalton-Hunt
11:00 AM	Wayne Beddow

Greeters:

8:30 AM	Patricia Woodard
11:00 AM	Liz Beddow

Ushers:

8:30 AM	Lyman Morris Claude Sandy
11:00 AM	Tim Webb Betsy Haugh

Nursery:

8:30 AM	Beth Cantrell
11:00 AM	Anda Webb

Tellers:

Bev Head and Scott Stone

Kroger Fundraiser News

Kroger has donated another \$288 to our Missions Team because of our participation in their gift card fundraiser program. This is great news because the Missions Team has big plans for this year (mission trip, renewal of relationship with missionaries, Stop Hunger Now food packing event, etc.) which will require large expenditures.

May I gently remind all Kroger shoppers to keep using your Ivy Creek gift cards. In the past five months, only nine different gift cards have been used (**BIG** Thank you to those nine people!). Thirty-four cards were originally issued. If only nine people can raise \$288 for our missions, just imagine how much 34 people can raise!

SEASON OF LENT - Meditation

“Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me” (Ps 50:12).

THE CARPENTER

An elderly carpenter was ready to retire. He told his employer-contractor of his plans to leave the house-building business and live a more leisurely life with his wife enjoying his extended family. He would miss the paycheck, but he needed to retire. They could get by.

The contractor was sorry to see his good worker go and ask if he could build just one more house as a personal favor. The carpenter said yes, but in time it was easy to see that his heart was not in his work. He resorted to shoddy workmanship and used inferior materials. It was an unfortunate way to end his career. When the carpenter finished his work and the builder came to inspect the house, the contractor handed the front-door key to the carpenter. "This is your house," he said, "my gift to you." What a shock! What a shame! If he had only known he was building his own house, he would have done it all so differently. Now he had to live in the home he had built none too well.

So it is with us. We build our lives in a distracted way, reacting rather than acting, willing to put up less than the best. At important points we do not give the job our best effort. Then with a shock we look at the situation we have created and find that we are now living in the house we have built. If we had realized that, we would have done it differently.

Think of yourself as the carpenter. Think about your house. Each day you hammer a nail, place a board, or erect a wall. Build wisely. It is the only life you will ever build. Even if you live it for only one day more, that day deserves to be lived graciously and with dignity. The plaque on the wall says, "Life is a do-it-yourself project." Who could say it more clearly? Your life today is the result of your attitudes and choices in the past. Your life tomorrow will be the result of your attitudes and the choices you make today.



Dear Friends in Christ.... I wanted to thank you for all your kind expressions of concern and care which have been offered to Jim and myself recently. Your prayers, cards, e-mails, calls, flowers, kind words, "goodies"... ALL have been so appreciated. I am sure that heaven has been 'bombed' with prayers on my behalf, because I have such a sense of peace about this upcoming surgery. I am in good hands - with Ivy Creek's prayers....with a trusted physician.... and the knowledge that I am in the hands of the Good Shepherd through everything. Bless each of you for your thoughtfulness.

In Christ.... Carol Thornton

Christian Arts Academy

Christian Arts Academy is coming back to Ivy Creek UMC, August 2-6, 2010 with Emily Rosson leading the team. We praise God for this ministry and look forward to ministering to God's children and youth.

If you are interested in helping in any way, please call the church office at 973-4793 or send an email to the church office at ivycreekumc@gmail.com indicating your area of interest.

Just a reminder that we will not be serving a dinner meal this year but do still plan to have the closing night picnic. So, if food is your thing then please sign up to help with this event.

Please keep this ministry and Emily in your prayers as plans begin to unfold that they will be what God has in His plan for this ministry.

REMINDER

Maundy Thursday service

April 1, 2010

7:00 PM



Sunrise Service

Sunday, April 4

6:30 AM