

The Communicator



Beaver Ridge United Methodist Church

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Latitudes and Attitudes

Vacation is a wonderful thing. I am thankful for my job and love my work, but it is always good to get away and have a change of scenery. My favorite getaway place is the beach. The rhythm of the waves, the vastness of the ocean and the predictability of high tide and low tide all help me let go of things that are weighing me down. Things that seem like a big deal and overwhelming at home suddenly seem small and unimportant when watching a sandpiper run back and forth from the waves. I stare out over the water and try to imagine those first explorers who had a hunch that the world didn't just drop off at a right angle. I strain my eyes trying to see any hint of dorsal fin or mast that breaks the carpet of saltwater. What's out there?

Who is out there? I imagine someone on the other side of the earth standing on a shore looking back at me. If you follow the latitude line from North Myrtle Beach across the ocean, you end up in Casablanca, Morocco on the African continent. What do I really know about Casablanca beyond the Humphrey Bogart movie? What does the Moroccan citizen really know about South Carolina and what makes it different from North Carolina?

As we talk about the world getting smaller and smaller, "global this" and "global that", I am not convinced that we are smarter about our world. With constant news and in-

stant information, it seems that we do not take time to research, to learn, to wonder. We trust snippets of news and parts of headlines and think we know all about a situation, a country, a religion, a people. Seldom do we take time to wonder, 'who is out there?' As I stood on the sands of North Myrtle Beach and looked inland and imagined that latitude line heading west, I wondered about all the places it crosses in America and then back through Asia and Africa. We are all equidistant from the equator, but yet have different dialects, skin colors, and languages. We are different in many ways, but the same in more ways. We all want to feed our children. We all want to be happy. We all want to feel that we are connected to the people we love.

As Christians, we believe we are all God's children. That unity far outweighs any differences. Find Beaver Ridge UMC on a map and then take your finger and continue around the world. Take a moment to offer a prayer of thanksgiving for our brothers and sisters who share the same latitude, who share the same God, and who share the same holy meal.

See you Sunday,

Catherine



Celebrate Our Preschool!

Did you know that Beaver Ridge Preschool has been in existence since 1963? At our Wednesday Night Gathering on October 27th, we want to celebrate this wonderful program by honoring ALL of our Preschool directors and teachers, **past and present!** Our present preschool staff will serve our meal

at 5:45 p.m. and a program including recognition of present and past directors, teachers and students will begin at 6:40. Former staff should RSVP to 531-2052 or 690-1060 or e-mail lhopper@beaverridgeumc.com (please include years of service to program).

Church Sign Volunteers Needed

If you would be willing to place messages on our church sign for one month during the year, please see Tom Becker (927-2027 or tombecker@comcast.net).

New Grandbaby

Congratulations to Barry & Joyce Spencer on the birth of their grandson, **Jacob Lee Spencer**, on September 20, 2010. Parents are Larry & Jami Spencer.

IN MEMORIAM

Eleanor Eckert
September 15, 2010

Church Property

The BRUMC Board of Trustees is preparing to start an inventory process of all rooms in each building for insurance purposes. In order for us to get an accurate assessment of everything, we would ask that you not move items from one area to another without notifying someone prior to that move. Also, no equipment, supplies, or other items should be removed from the church without prior approval by the Board of Trustees.

Thank you for your cooperation as we all strive to be good stewards of the property in our trust.

Our Beaver Ridge Preschool children enjoy a visit and lesson on fire safety from the Karns Volunteer Fire Department.



Babysitter List Available

Did you know our church has put together a list of babysitters and their qualifications for members' use? Please help our teenagers as they help you. The church office has an updated list or call Tammy Massey, 216-0951.

Fall Festival

Our Annual Fall Festival will be held on **Sunday, October 31st from 4:30–6:30**. Families are invited to decorate their car/truck/van for trunk or treating. We will have food, games, a huge inflatable, marshmallows for roasting and much more. Mark your calendars and plan to attend this fun family event!

Candy Donations Needed

Families from all over our community enjoy the games, hayrides and a safe place to trick or treat with their children each year at our Fall Festival's trunk or treating event. Please help by donating bags of individually wrapped candy. Candy may be left on the table outside the church library.



Calling All Children for Trick or Treat

Children, we have a wonderful opportunity for you! The residents of Autumn Care (the assisted living facility by the church) are preparing special treat bags for you and would love for you to dress in your costumes and come trick or treating. We will meet at the church on **Wednesday, October 27 at 4:30**. We will go trick or treat and be back at the church in time for the Wednesday night dinner.

Wonderful Wednesdays in October

Session 2 – September 29 – October 27* (Dinner 5:45 – 6:30; Programs 6:40 – 7:30)

Many thanks for your support of our Wednesday night dinner and programs and to all those who have provided wonderful meals. As we look ahead to October, please mark your calendars for the following dates and events:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Dinner</u>	<u>Program(s)</u>
9-29	Menu: Pulled Pork & BBQ Ribs, Baked Beans, Cole Slaw & Potato Salad Prepared by: Jesus in the Park Ministries	Adults: Bible Study (Rev. Nance) Book Study, (Charlene Asbury) Chancel Choir Practice (Jean Osborne) Youth: Mid-Week Youth Praise Service (Lori Hopper) GAP: Activities for those in grades 4 & 5 (Erica Zuckerman)
10-6	Menu: Strombolis, Salad and Dessert	K-3: Caretakers of God's Creation (Rev. Manning) Nursery: Available for infants through pre-k
10-20	Menu: Baked Chicken & Dressing, Vegetable and Dessert Prepared by: Lynn Johnson	
10-27	Menu: Soup, Grilled Cheese & Dessert Prepared by: BRUMC Preschool	Group Gathering — Celebration of the BRUMC Preschool Program

***No dinner on October 13 due to Knox County Fall Break and Preparation for Mystery Dinner Theater**

So that food can be ordered and prepared, please be sure to turn in your reservation for each of these events. The cost for all meals is \$5/adult and \$3/child (no family pays more than \$16).

Hunger Hike

The 20th Annual Hunger Hike will be held at Lakeshore Park on Sunday, October 3rd at 2:30 p.m. (**1:30 DEPARTURE TIME from Beaver Ridge**). EVERYONE is invited and can help raise awareness and funds for hunger issues in our community by collecting donations and sponsorships and participating in the 2.25 mile walk. One hundred percent of donations collected by walkers from Beaver Ridge will go directly to the Beaver Ridge Food Pantry. On the day of the hike, prizes are awarded for the most money raised, recognition of the largest group and largest youth group hiking. PLUS, there are lots of great door prizes! All hikers raising at least \$15 will also receive a free Hunger Hike t-shirt.

Please make plans to participate in this year's hike and help us win the award for largest group, but most importantly to raise money for those in need of food assistance in our community. See Lori Hopper for sponsorship forms or more information.

Pumpkin Patch

Can you give two hours or more to work in the "Pumpkin Patch" this year?" The pumpkins will arrive on Saturday, October 16th around 5:00 p.m. We need people to unload and set up the "store". Yes, we know the annual Mystery Dinner Theater begins that night at 6:30 which leaves a very short time to unload the pumpkins—the more hands the faster! The pumpkins will be on sale from October 16th through the 31st.

We've set up a schedule for two-hour shifts. Please sign up at the missions bulletin board outside the church office or call Sherry Scott (859-9671) or Charlene Asbury (691-8792). All profits from this sale will benefit our Food Pantry.



Food Pantry Altar Call

This month our food pantry begins opening on the first Monday night of the month from 7:00–8:00 in addition to our regular Monday hours from 1:00–2:00. We need your donations. Our monthly altar call for food will be **Sunday, October 17**. We will be collecting the following:

**canned soup (any variety)
saltine crackers
canned pasta with meat sauce**

Family Promise

Many thanks to those who helped out during our recent Family Promise rotation at Ebenezer UMC. Serving God's call was: Catherine and Brad Nance, Rebecca Young, Phyllis Martinelli, Erick Loveland, and Robin Manning. Our next rotation will be the week of Dec. 12th. We already have commitments from Mary Hunt, Barbara Stevens and Penny Williams.

How can you help? Fix a meal, read stories to young ones, color pictures, work puzzles, help with homework, spend the night, talk and/or listen to the parents.

If you have any questions or want to volunteer, please see Rebecca Young (769-4662) or Charlotte DeLozier (680-7032 or cdelozier@cbww.com).

Friends of Holston United Methodist Home

An excellent ministry in the Holston Conference is the Holston United Methodist Home for Children in Greeneville, TN. Holston Home has a rich tradition of meeting the needs of children either through foster care, adoption placement or on campus living.

Each year there is a Friends of Holston dinner to raise awareness and funds for continued ministry. This year the dinner and silent auction is on **October 21** at First Farragut UMC. The guest speaker is Bob Kesling, "Voice of the Vols." Silent auction begins at 6:00, seating for dinner at 6:30, and dinner is served at 7:00. Reservations are **due by October 6**. (If you would like to attend this wonderful event, please sign the guest list located outside of Glenna's office.)

Weekend Mission Opportunity

A mission trip to Morgan-Scott Project in Deerlodge, TN is planned for October 1 & 2. Some people will be going on Thursday evening to get settled in. Others are planning to participate on Friday and/or Saturday. It is only an hour away! There are various jobs to be accomplished. We will be doing construction (ramp), sorting clothes for the Thrift Store, etc. **Sign up now**. We need a head count. There is a sheet on the bulletin board outside the office or send an email to cdelozier@cbww.com.

Thanksgiving Dinner

Beaver Ridge will again host a free Thanksgiving dinner on Thursday, Nov. 25th from noon until 2:00 p.m. We will need lots of cooks and volunteers to assist with this. More information will be coming soon. If you are interested in helping in any way this year, please contact Pam Crane (310-6707) and Jan Shoupe (483-1390).

Mystery Dinner Theater—Get Your Tickets!

The MISSIONaires will present a hilarious Mystery Dinner offering *The Costume Party Caper* on October 16th at 6:30 p.m. in our Family Life Center.

Albert Clayton hosts a dinner party to show off his latest acquisition, The Pope Diamond. The diamond is the largest in the world. Included on the guest list are the very British Lord and Lady Atherton, the staid Prunella Puddington, the snobbish Bradford Gardiners, and Calvin McGinnes, a rake if ever there was one! The diamond turns up missing, causing Chief Percy Witherspoon to begin an investigation. Along with the theft, the Chief soon has a murder to investigate as well.

Come and see if you can solve the mystery before the detective. Compete with other tables to see who can win the evening's prize! Tickets are \$20 per person including dinner. If you've been to a show like this before, you know what great fun they are! If you haven't attended one of our mystery dinner theaters yet, you are in for a treat! Tables of 8 may be reserved. Call Charlene Asbury at 691-8792 for reservations.



United Methodist Women On the Go!

Fall is such a busy time for many of us and the United Methodist Women are no exception!

Our unit meeting on September 26 was hosted by Dorcas Circle and included a program presented by Kayce Castinir, sister of our own Karah Loveland. Kayce's presentation on immigration certainly gave us a lot to think about. Thanks, Kayce!

UMW Calendar

- ◆ Monday, October 4, 10:00 a.m. - Dorcas Circle will meet in the church library.
- ◆ Monday, October 4, 7:00 p.m. - Sarah Circle will be hosted by Kесе Dohoney, 7109 Regency Road. A program will be presented by Carrie Hopper.
- ◆ Saturday, October 30 - Oak Ridge District Annual Meeting, to be held at Kern UMC in Oak Ridge.
- ◆ Wednesday, November 3 - Oak Ridge District Mission Trip to Jubilee Project in Sneedville.
- ◆ Sunday, December 5, immediately following the 11:00 a.m. service in the FLC lobby - Unit Meeting/Christmas Party.

Watch for details of all events in upcoming newsletters!

All women of the church are welcome to attend either circle, but did you know that you don't have to be a circle member to be a UMW member?

United Methodist Women is the largest denominational faith organization for women with approximately 800,000 members whose purpose is:

- To know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ
- To develop a creative supportive fellowship and
- To expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.

Did you know that UMW is also into social networking? We Facebook! We Twitter! Check us out!

www.unitedmethodistwomen.org
 www.twitter.com/UMWWomen
 www.youtube.com/user/umwomen
 www.facebook.com
 www.flickr.com

Innisbrook Gift Wrap On Sale Soon!

The youth group will begin their gift wrap fundraiser on October 6th. Please support our youth by purchasing high quality gifts and gift wrap items from Innisbrook. We keep fifty percent of all sales and all money raised will help our youth participate in future mission activities. Orders will be delivered before Christmas.

Senior Beavers

On October 12th the Senior Beavers will be taking a trip to the Charles Hall Museum in Tellico Plains. We will have lunch there and then take a drive up the Cherohala Skyway for a few miles to view the fall colors. The colors should be very good at that time. You should call Eula (690-2085) as soon as you can to reserve a seat. We will leave the church at 9:00 a.m.

Eat, Pray, Love Women's Fellowship

The next Eat, Pray, Love Gathering will be held Friday, October 8th. This month we will go to the Pinnacle at Turkey Creek to see the movie "You Again" and then to Teresa Gillenwaters' house for coffee and smores around the fire (time TBA). RSVP: Teresa Gillenwaters—Call or send text message to cell phone, 806-9220.



Our handbell choir will start practicing again on October 10. Practices will be held on Sundays from 5:30-6:30 pm. If you have played in the past, we need you back! If you've never played before, we need you to come and try it! We will be working on some music for Christmas, so even if you are not sure you can commit for a long time, maybe you could just try it until then. Questions? Call Phyllis Martinelli at 556-0758.

Join the Chancel Choir!

You have been to concerts. You have listened to church choirs. You have been thrilled, blessed, inspired just by listening!

For a moment, imagine that same feeling multiplied times two. You see, by participating, by actually singing, you can experience that same feeling...that thrill, that blessing, that inspiration...except it can be twice as powerful! Ask anyone who has sung in a chorus or church choir, and he or she will say, yes, it's a greater thrill to sing than it is to listen.

Our choir rehearsal room has empty seats. Will you sit in one of them? We have extra copies of anthems. Will you hold one? There is no audition. Just arrive at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesdays for rehearsal. Or call our choir director, Jean Osborne (384-6499). Try us out. The thrill and blessing of singing is waiting for you! Oh, one more thing: we need you!!

Got Games?

Do you have a video game system and games cluttering up your closet or that your kids no longer use? How about ping pong balls & paddles or pool cues? The youth group would be happy to take these items off your hands to use in the youth area. Contact Lori Hopper.

Alpha & Omega Youth



Beaver Ridge Youth
Bike Ride on the
Virginia Creeper Trail.

The youth area is open every Wednesday after school until dinner begins at 5:45 p.m. Snacks are available but bring \$1.25 for a drink from the Coke machine. There is no organized program on Wed. afternoons. It's chill time to shoot some pool, play ping-pong, do homework or just hangout with friends. Stick around for dinner, then head on back to the youth room for **Worship on Wednesday from 6:40-7:30pm.**

Every Monday at 7:15 a.m. — Breakfast & Bible Study with Catherine in the Education building.

HERE'S WHAT'S HAPPENING IN ALPHA & OMEGA:

Sunday, October 3 - Hunger Hike. We will leave the church at 1:30 p.m. for the 2.25 mile walk at Lakeshore Park. Keep collecting sponsorships and donations! All donations go directly to the Beaver Ridge Food Pantry. Participants raising at least \$15 will receive a free t-shirt at the hike. We will return to the church by 4:00. Bring your friends and family and help us win the award for largest group participation!

Friday, October 8 - Community Outreach—Serving the KHS Football Team. Meet at the church immediately after school to help serve dinner to the Karns Beavers football team before their game against the Oak Ridge Wildcats.

Sunday, October 10 - Alpha & Omega Youth. 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Innisbrook Gift Wrap Sales begin October 6. Raise money for future mission work and retreats!

No youth activities on Wed., October 13. Have an awesome Fall Break!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Sunday, October 17 - Hiking at Frozen Head State Park. *Please note: This trip was previously scheduled for Oct 24.* We will depart immediately following the 11:00am service. Pack a picnic lunch to enjoy once we arrive at Frozen Head. Then we will hike to beautiful DeBord Falls. Sign up now!

Sunday, October 24 - Alpha & Omega Youth. 6:00-8:00 p.m., led by our very own youth praise band! You don't wanna miss it!

Sunday, November 7 - District Festival of Gifts & Talents.

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The church newsletter is mailed bi-monthly. You will receive one by the 15th and 30th of each month. All articles/calendar dates to be included in the next issue are due by October 7th. Please e-mail information to: blloyd@beaverridgeumc.com

Adult Computer Classes Available to Church/Community

Did you know we have a computer lab in our Education building? We are excited to offer classes for adults and teens who would like to learn either basic computer skills or would like more advanced training in using Microsoft Office, surfing the Internet and e-mail. These classes are offered to both BRUMC members and members of our community.

In October, we are starting with a one day/week class and in November we will add an evening class/week. Here are the beginning dates and the teacher contact names and numbers:

Tuesday, October 5, -- 3:30

Basic Computer Training – Taught by David Stanley (769-8657)

Thursday, November 4 – 6:30

Computer Class – Taught by Gloria Blackstone (207-9335)

If you are interested in these classes, please contact the teacher to sign up. This will allow you to share your computer experience and determine your needs for teacher help. If you work predominantly on a laptop, you will probably want to bring it to class.

Memorials & Special Gifts

IN MEMORY OF: *Bill Hawkins' birthday*

GIVEN BY: Jim & B. J. Cox, Steve & Margie McDonald, Walter & Dollie Easterday, Clara K. Walters, Hawkins Partners, Inc., Audria Ruth & Grandma Burdette

IN MEMORY OF: *May Bacon*

GIVEN BY: Jack & Gerda Kiser, Maggie Bloomer

IN MEMORY OF: *Mary Thompson*

GIVEN BY: Jim & B. J. Cox

IN MEMORY OF: *Gladys Gage*

GIVEN BY: Jim & B. J. Cox, Jim Littleton & Family, Charlene & Larry Sparks, Amber Sparks, Brian & Joey Sparks, Jack & Gerda Kiser, B. E. & Geraldine Parrott, Ralph & Betty Lois Williams, Jim & Peggy Lewis, Howard & Linda Gerth

IN MEMORY OF: *Sylvia Stewart*

GIVEN BY: Jim & B. J. Cox, Robin & Glenna Manning

IN MEMORY OF: *Eleanor Eckert*

GIVEN BY: Dorcas Circle, Senior Beavers, Norma J. Walden, Eula Love, Maggie Bloomer, Robin & Glenna Manning, Tennessee Technology Center, Virgil & Marjorie Miller, Phillip & Nancy Bryant, David & Pamela Merritt

IN HONOR OF: *Pam Crane & Jane Damiano* — for their work with Angel Food Ministry

GIVEN BY: Joe & Launa Pennell



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On October's Calendar...

FRIDAY-SATURDAY, OCT. 1-2:

Morgan-Scott Mission Trip

SATURDAY, OCT. 2:

9:30-2:30 pm—Church Leaders attend
Stewardship Seminar (First UMC, Farragut)

SUNDAY, OCT. 3:

1:30 pm—Leave church for 2:30 pm Hunger
Hike at Lakeshore Park
No Regular Alpha & Omega Youth
5 pm—YAC (Loveland's)
6:30-8:30 pm—Mystery Theater Practice

MONDAY, OCT. 4:

7:15 am—Youth Breakfast (Ed. Bldg.)
10 am—Dorcas Circle (Library)
6-8 pm—Line Dancing
7 pm—Sarah Circle (Kese Dohoney's)

TUESDAY, OCT. 5:

10 am—Craft Group (Library)
1:30-2:30 pm—Women's Bible Study (Library)
3:30 pm—Basic Computer Training (Ed. Bldg.)
5:45 pm—Aerobics
7 pm—Boy/Cub Scouts
8:30-10 pm—Young Men's Basketball

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 6:

Innisbrook Gift Wrap Sale by Youth begins
1:30-2:30 pm—Women's Bible Study (Library)
3:30 pm—Youth Hang Time
4:45 pm—Youth Band Practice
5:45 pm—Wed. Night Dinner
6:40-7:30 pm—Wed. Night Programs
7:30 pm—Praise Band Rehearsal
8:30-10 pm—Young Men's Basketball

THURSDAY, OCT. 7:

Deadline for articles for Oct. 15 newsletter
5:45 pm—Aerobics
7-9 pm—Adult Open Gym

FRIDAY, OCT. 8:

4 pm—Youth serve meal to KHS Football Team
6:30-8 pm—Girl Scouts (Ed. Bldg.)
Time TBA—Eat, Pray Love Fellowship Group —
Movie (the Pinnacle at Turkey Creek), Coffee &
Smores (Teresa Gillenwaters')

SUNDAY, OCT. 10:

5 pm—YAC (Loveland's)
5:30-6:30 pm—Handbell Practice
6-8 pm—Alpha & Omega Youth
6:30-8:30 pm—Mystery Theater Practice

MONDAY, OCT. 11: *Columbus Day*

7:15 am—Youth Breakfast (Ed. Bldg.)
6-8 pm—Line Dancing

TUESDAY, OCT. 12:

9 am—Senior Beavers Outing
1:30-2:30 pm—Women's Bible Study (Library)
5:45 pm—Aerobics
7 pm—Boy/Cub Scouts.
8:30-10 pm—Young Men's Basketball

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 13:

1:30-2:30 pm—Women's Bible Study (Library)
No Wednesday Night Dinner/Activities
7:30 pm—Praise Band Rehearsal
8:30-10 pm—Young Men's Basketball

THURSDAY, OCT. 14:

5:45 pm—Aerobics
7-9 pm—Open Gym

FRIDAY, OCT. 15:

Time TBA—Mystery Theater Dress Rehearsal &
Set Up (FLC)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16:

10 am-12 noon—Angel Food Orders Received
5 pm—Unload Pumpkins for Pumpkin Patch
6:30 pm—Mystery Dinner Theater (FLC)

October Birthdays

Marianne Perkins	10/3
Melissa Thomas	10/3
Marty Sonnenfeldt	10/4
Joe Hunt	10/5
Allison Stewart	10/6
Teresa Bryant	10/7
Dave Carroll	10/7
Gladys Houser	10/7
Kara Henderlight	10/8
Devon Graham	10/10
John Briegel	10/12
Maggie Smalley	10/15
Sandra Evans	10/16
Ricky Dailey	10/17
John Hackworth	10/17
Tim Diggs	10/18
Jimmy Pickel	10/18
Charlene Asbury	10/19
Courtney Graham	10/20
Andrea Lloyd	10/20
Curtis Walker	10/20
Siane Canaan	10/21
Molly Hester	10/21
Robin Manning	10/21
Joyce Spencer	10/21
Margaret Melton	10/22
Evelyn Calton	10/24
Dave Harris	10/25
Mark Ray	10/25
Matt Smalley	10/25
Grayson Kraus	10/28
David Williams	10/31