Special Events During Lent, Holy Week, and Easter

March 5, 12, 19, & 26
Tuesday Morning Prayer Breakfasts at 7:30 a.m.

March 6, 13, 20, & 27
Lenten Dinners @ 6:00 p.m. -- make reservations; $5 per person, $15 per family

March 24
Palm Sunday Worship Celebration -- there will be lots of music and a palm branch proccessional.

March 27 - 29
Stations of the Cross in the courtyard

March 28
Maundy Thursday Service with Holy Communion, 7:00 p.m.

March 29
Good Friday Prayer Vigil -- 12:00 a.m. through 3:00 p.m.; Prayer Tent at Bruce Road entrance, Aldersgate; Good Friday Service at Grace Harbor

March 31
Easter Worship Services: 6:30 a.m. Sunrise at Aldersgate; 8:00, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m. at Aldersgate; 11:00 a.m. at Grace Harbor

We hope to see you at many of these services and events!
Tuesday Morning Prayer at Aldersgate
7:00 — Private Prayer in the Chapel
7:30 – 8:00 — Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall
8:30 – 9:00 — Community Prayer in the Chapel

Gifts in Honor of...
In Honor of Bob Ropp
Mr. & Mrs. Steven Liebler

In Honor of Malcolm Yape
Sue Coupe

Our Love and Sympathies to...
Kathy Williamson on the death of her mother,
John Thomas on the death of his father;
the family of Jean Dyer;
Terry Wilson on the death of his brother;
Myra Martin on the death of her brother;
the Martin family on the death of former Aldersgate Pastor, The Rev.
Dr. Earl D. Martin.

Obituary for Rev. Earl Martin
The Rev. Dr. Earl Devine Martin died on Friday, February 22, 2013. A Service of Death and Resurrection was held at Heritage UMC in Lynchburg on February 25. Rev. Martin served churches on the Boonsboro Circuit, Providence-Whites Circuit, West Campbell Circuit, Mt. Hermon, New Bethel on the Lynchburg District. He also served Bellamy in Gloucester, Aldersgate in Chesapeake and Brookneal in retirement. In addition to serving as a pastor, Earl spent 12 years as an Associate Professor at Methodist College in Fayetteville, NC.

To My Aldersgate Family,
The family of Reverend John R. Scarborough would like to express our appreciation for all the kindness shown during the sickness and during the time of his passing. His life and legacy are precious to us. Through your acts of kindness, you have shown this to be true for you as well. Your many gifts, whether of a material nature, your time spent, your comfort given, your laughter or just your presence has given us strength to endure. We will carry his legacy in our hearts eternally. You are a family of love; you too are our family who has shown us love in abundance. Thank you. God continue to bless and keep all.

Blessed By The Best,
Bobby Ray Scarborough

Gifts in Memory of...
In Memory of Bob Southard’s mother
Mary Sue Floyd
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Steorts

In Memory of Will King
Mary Sue Floyd
Mr. & Mrs. Clyde Tysor
Kimberly Dills
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Steorts
Sue Coupe
Mr. & Mrs. Ernest Styrion

In Memory of Barbara Johnson
Mr. & Mrs. John Stone

In Memory of Eloise Blake
Mr. & Mrs. John Stone

In Memory of Bobby Scarborough’s father
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Steorts

In Memory of Bob Southard’s mother
Kimberly Dills

In Memory of John Thomas’ father
Mr. & Mrs. Morris Gardner
Mr. & Mrs. Michael Strickland
Buck & Betty Tysor
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Steorts
Mary Sue Floyd
Mr. & Mrs. Michael Ratcliffe
Lynn Petterson

In Memory of Jean Dyer
Bob Dyer
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Steorts
Bill Jackson
Mary Sue Floyd
Ann Hall
Mr. & Mrs. Michael Strickland
Mr. & Mrs. Morris Gardner

In Memory of Michael Fitschen
Kimberly Dills

In Memory of Kathy Williamson’s mother
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SPRING FORWARD into Daylight Savings Time
Set your clocks ahead one hour for March 10, 2013

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Chancel Choir News

On behalf of the choir, as their director, I am inviting any singers (shower vocalists included) and those who do not feel they sing well enough, to join us on Wednesday evenings for 7:30 p.m. rehearsals. It is not all work, but it is like other regular church jobs, it takes COMMITMENT. There is no paid vacation, just the joy of singing, fellowship and praising God with song. Pray about it and give me a call at 484-1077 so I can have a folder of music ready when you come. Thanks,

Morris Gardner

Recycling Opportunity Now you can pass along your used or unwanted greeting cards to aid the St. Jude’s Ranch Recycled Greeting Card Program. This is a teen-run business to help raise funds for St. Jude’s. Please place the front portion of any type of greeting card (Christmas, Thank You, Birthday, Sympathy, Get Well, etc.) in the bin marked “St. Jude’s” in the hallway. Church volunteers will assemble and mail them off to St. Jude’s in June. If you have any questions, please contact Pattie Cartwright at modmate@aol.com or 582-0626.

Kits for Conference for March and April: Layette Kits

- 6 cloth diapers
- 2 baby washcloths
- 2 undershirts or 2 one-piece body suits
- 2 gowns or sleepers
- 2 diaper pins
- 1 sweater (open in front)
- 2 receiving blankets

Bundle the items inside one of the receiving blankets and secure with the diaper pins.

Wesley Heritage Tour in England!

275th Anniversary of Aldersgate
May 22-30, 2013

Join Pastor Dave on May 24, 2013 for the Evensong at St. Paul’s Cathedral, hearing the choir sing the same words as those Father John heard in 1738, “Out of the deep have I called unto thee, O Lord.” Then walk to Aldersgate Street for a time of thanksgiving and remembrance at the Aldersgate Flame Monument. The day concludes with prayers at Susanna Wesley’s grave and a service of praise and celebration at City Road Chapel. In addition to London, our tour will include visits to Epworth, Bristol, Gloucester, and Oxford. For a detailed itinerary see brochures outside Pastor Dave’s office, or contact him at daviddrinkard@ncum.org.

Troop & Crew 212

Venture Crew flower vouchers are on sale through March 13th. Troop 212 will deliver mulch March 15-16. Crew members will spread it for you for a suggested donation of $1 per bag. Contact Pattie Cartwright for more information: modmate@aol.com or by phone at 673-8508 & 582-0626.

Aldersgate Stewardship

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New Staff Member for New Creation

Come welcome Mrs. Leslie Piper as our new Finance Director. She is a KinderPrep mom with extensive accounting experience. Her office hours are Monday through Wednesday mornings.
District Lay Servant Training

Friday, April 26, 2013, 6:00 - 9:30 p.m. and
Saturday, April 27, 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Nimmo UMC, 2200 Princess Anne Rd., VaB.

Basic Course and Advanced Courses

Cost: $12 – Does not cover any books needed

Saturday breakfast – Compliments of
Nimmo United Methodist Men

For further information or questions . . .
Contact: Barbara St. Jean, 757-650-1577 or
bstjean@cox.net online

LEADING COMMUNICATING CARING

March 10th is Girl Scout Sunday

Save the Date Chick-fil-A
KinderPrep Spirit Night

Thursday, March 21st
5:00 – 8:00 p.m.
Chesapeake Square Chick-fil-A

Mark Your Calendars!
The Carnival is coming to New Creation’s
Vacation Bible School at the Aldersgate Campus!

Come one! Come all! To the
Everywhere FUN FAIR!

We will be experiencing the love of Jesus, meeting friends from the
Bible and reaching out to our neighbors from Japan, Zimbabwe, the United
Kingdom, Australia, and Mexico.

When: June 24-28 from 6:00 -- 8:30 p.m.

There are many opportunities to serve both before and during VBS. This is a church-wide
ministry and we would love to have everyone’s involvement. The decorating team is forming
now. Join us from 4-6 p.m. each Sunday evening in March and April (except Easter Sunday) to
start planning and making decorations. We will meet upstairs; however, actual room location will
be announced. Can’t come every Sunday? No problem. Come as you are able and get a sneak
peek into our exciting VBS week.

Additional opportunities to volunteer include the following:

publicity coordinator ▲ craft packet preparers ▲ station leaders ▲ station helpers ▲ registration helper
▲ Friendtastic Faith Guides (guide and direct the children from activity to activity)

Questions? Want to sign up to volunteer? E-mail Lacy Gomoke, VBS Coordinator, at
lagomoke@yahoo.com or call 757-484-9320.
United Methodist Women
Susannah Wesley Circle News

From the Susannah Wesley Circle we would like to thank all those who supported our recent Undie Sunday. In a letter from the HER Shelter’s director, she expresses their gratitude for the generous donation and states clearly how the support of the community is appreciated by the mothers and children who are housed at the shelter.

The Susannah Wesley Circle of the UMW meets the third Tuesday of each month. The next meeting of the Susannah Wesley Circle will be Tuesday, March 19 at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Valerie Heard.

In a rut?

Need some excitement?

Volunteer in Children’s Church!

Have fun singing, dancing, crafting, playing games, and learning about God’s love with our children. We are looking for a lead teacher for the second Sunday of the month and assistants for the first, second, and third Sundays of the month. Men, women, and youth (ages 14 and up) are encouraged to assist. Don’t want to commit to a particular Sunday? No Problem! Be a back-up helper and help throughout the year as needed based on when it is convenient for you.

E-mail Lacy Gomoke at lagomoke@yahoo.com or contact by phone at 757-484-9320 for more information and to join the fun!
SKY is supporting the Patriots’ Inn at Naval Medical Center Portsmouth. We are supplying undergarments that will be modified with “hook-and-loop” seams to make dressing and undressing easier. Our next movie event (and recent Valentine Luncheon) will be a collection time for donations to this cause.

On the Horizon . . .

Movie and Snacks on Thursday, March 7 at 1:30 p.m. in the Youth Lounge!
Support the Patriots’ Inn project with your donations. The movie we will watch is What If? Fifteen years ago Ben turned away from his college sweetheart and the call he had to be a preacher. Suddenly, this executive businessman finds out what can happen when God gives you a second chance!

Thursday, March 21 -- Return to the Hampton History Museum for the second part of An American Turning Point: The Civil War in Virginia -- Surviving War. This traveling exhibit will focus on war at the home front. We will gather in the back parking lot at 9:45 a.m. and leave at 10:00. After touring the exhibit we will lunch at the Grey Goose. Cost for transportation and museum admission is $10 per person. Bring money for your lunch!

SKY’s continuing ministry of Meals on Wheels is delivered by teams of SKY friends on the first Wednesday of each month. If you are interested in joining the delivery team, contact Dea Atkinson (483-2660).

Wondering what SKY is all about?
Neither membership nor meetings are involved. We are Seniors Keeping Young through Missions and Fellowship. Events are planned with senior adults in mind (age 55 and older who desire to serve others and make friends through activities that glorify our God), but all ages are welcome to participate. This is your invitation! There's no organization to formally join -- participate when and however you can. Sign up at the SKY table in the commons or in the bulletin sign-up sheet for the next event you find interesting! You'll be glad you did! We are anxious to welcome you.

SKY Board Members: Dea Atkinson, Tracy Grandon, Sandy Stapleton, Gail Thomas, Buck & Betty Tysor, Tommy and Rita Vaughan.

Sign up for SKY activities and events at the SKY table in the commons. When making payments for events, please use our new system of placing your payment in a SKY envelope, also on the SKY table.

Interested in receiving news of SKY events by e-mail? Send a message asking to become a Friend of SKY to Gail Thomas at gailct@verizon.net to be added to the list!
GriefShare is a group of caring individuals who walk with you in your time of grief. It hurts to lose someone. You need not face it alone!

GriefShare meets from 7 - 8:30 p.m. each Tuesday night in Room 16. Anyone is welcome to join us as we go through the journey of grief.

Youth Easter Flower Sale
A variety of flowers (hydrangeas, mums, and a minimal number of Easter lilies) will be purchased so that Easter is available to all, even those with allergies! Give in honor or memory of loved ones, which will be noted in the Easter flower insert. Donations of $15 per flower, please. Flowers may be removed after the 11:00 service Easter morning. Call the office to order. Make checks payable to Aldersgate with a memo line of “Easter Flowers.” Checks must accompany order.

Aldersgate’s Next Blood Drive Saturday, April 13
7:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Special Note: This will be our 75th Blood Drive at Aldersgate since April 2000. Let’s Make it a Big One!

Child care provided; refreshments served

Aldersgate Campus of New Creation UMC
Come Give the Gift of Life!
BLOOD - SAVE A LIFE - GIVE BLOOD - SAVE A LIFE - GIVE
Making appointments helps improve donor flow!

Three easy ways to make an appointment:
• Log onto web site www.redcrossblood.org and key in zip code 23321
• E-mail Jim Stricker at Stricker321@aol.com
• Call Jim at Stricker at 441-6717

Walk-In Donors are always welcome. The least-busiest time slots are usually after 10:00 a.m.
We are planning to collect Whole Blood Units and Double Red Cell Units during this Blood Drive.
Our Missions Committee is very interested in combining Blood Drives with other church activities. For more information, please contact Jim Stricker.

Need for Ushers The ushers begin their rotation year each March with each crew advancing one month. One more usher is still needed! Ushers assist members of the congregation and our pastors during services. Team members are generally on duty one Sunday per month. Please contact Jay Jones (405-3642) to volunteer for this ministry.

The next Selah Service @ Grace Harbor will be Wednesdays, March 13th & 27th @ 7:00 p.m.

This Publication is now being made available in a digital version on our church website for convenience of recipients and for purposes of good stewardship of resources. The website’s URL is http://ncum.org
If you would prefer to switch to reading this publication as provided online rather than on paper, please send a message to aldersgate@ncum.org.
Lenten Sermon Series

Final Words from the Cross

Were you there? To Jesus, we all were! Hear His final words before the Resurrection.

3/3 Behold Your Son...Behold Your Mother
3/10 My God, My God, Why Have You Forsaken Me
3/17 I Thirst
3/24 Palm Sunday

It Is Finished...Into Your Hands I Commit My Spirit

March 31, 2013

6:30 a.m. Sunrise at Aldersgate
8, 9:30, and 11:00 a.m. at Aldersgate
11:00 a.m. at Grace Harbor

Easter Worship Services

Because He Lives!

Aldersgate Campus (757) 484-8217
Grace Harbor Campus (757) 686-1888
Aldersgate KinderPrep: 673-4602
Website: ncum.org

Va. Conference Bishop .................... Young Jin Cho
District Superintendent .................... Brad Phillips
Aldersgate Campus Pastors ............. David Drinkard
.................................................. Eric Song
Grace Harbor Campus Pastor ........... Marc Rickabaugh
Lay Leaders.............................. Myra Martin, Dave LeGrand
Church Council Chairperson ........... Bob Spencer
Director of Youth.......................... Bill Canady
Assistant Director of Youth .............. Andrea Cipcic
Assistant Director of Youth .............. Mark Anderson
KinderPrep Director......................... Carla Bell
Finance Director.......................... Leslie Piper
Nursery Director.......................... Debbie Canady
Music Director........................... Morris Gardner
Organist .................................... Nancy Gardner
Worship Leader............................ Mary Davis
Handbell Choir Director.................. Sue Davidson
Children’s Choir Director............... Kim Barbish
Secretary ................................. Debbie Armistead
Missionary .............................. Luz Pereira Garcia - Brazil
Missionary ............................... Lisa Nichols - Rocky Mt. Va.
Ministers ................................. Every Member

Do you have information that needs to be announced in the May/June issue of this publication?

Submit articles by April 12, 2013 to aldersgate@ncum.org with MONTHLY GATEWAY as the subject.

Caregivers
Caring for caregivers

Meets 3rd Tuesday of each month all year!

Aldersgate campus
Room 16
7:00 — 8:30 p.m.

If you have questions about this ministry, call the church office: 484-8217.
Carolina Cross Connection 2013

We are thrilled that we have a very large group going to Carolina Cross Connection this year. We had so much interest this year that we had to cut off the sign ups at 28. Our youth and adults will be spending the week of June 30-July 6 at CCC doing mission work and fellowshipping and worshiping with youth groups from other churches. Because we have such a large group going to CCC this year we will be doing some extra fundraising to cover the extra expense. We also need at least one more female adult to go with us to CCC. If you have never been before, this is a great opportunity to spend time not only doing some much needed mission work, but also spend time with our youth and great youth from other churches.

Youth Week 2013

Preparations are already underway for Youth Week 2013! This year youth week will be July 21-28. We are thrilled that Joe Webb will be joining us again as our speaker. We also have a (somewhat) new band lined up to lead us in worship. Some of the band members are from Every Day But Thursday (the band that has been with us for a couple of years in the past) and some of the band members are new. We’re really looking forward to having them and Joe with us this summer. We ask that you will start thinking now about how you can support Youth Week this summer. It takes a lot of parents and other volunteers to make Youth Week a success!

We know it is several months off, but if you can think of any Mission Projects that we can do during Youth Week, please let us know. We have been blessed in the past to have more Youth then needed for the projects we plan.

Upcoming Youth Events:

3/3 Scavenger Hunt
3/10 Craft Night
3/17 Minute To Win It
3/24 Random Acts of Kindness

Bill Canady: Youth Director
Mark Anderson & Andrea Cipcic: Assistant Youth Directors
How Can I Help?

Okay, You know there are those times you have been sitting at home or at the church and asking “How Can I Help?” This could be with our wonderful Youth Group, The Younger Children or many other groups or missions our Church Family gets involved in. The Church answer is pray about it and it will come to you. Now if that doesn’t work here are a few suggestions.

Sunday School Teacher or second person in the classroom.

Youth Chaperone or volunteer.

Childrens Church leader or second person in the room.

Building & Grounds volunteer.

These are just a few of the many things that happen at the church that you could help with. These are things that will take little of your time and your benefit will be seeing what a difference one person can make, whether you are helping out young people or beautifying our church. That one person can be you.

I used to go to church because Debbie went and for no other reason. I came to Aldersgate for the same reason when we transferred from Debbie’s Church. I was asked to do a couple simple things at first and then I realized I didn’t have to wait for someone to ask me, Even I could help in some way. I was very hesitant on going on my first Youth Retreat and was coaxed by Gary Tysor to go and that was the start of what ended up with me being the Youth Director. What a blessing it has been, and to think if I had said no all the wonderful times and relationships I would have missed out on. I am thankful I said yes over 10 years ago and I could only wish all of you the same joy I have found because I did.

Thank You, Mr. Bill

Hebrews 13:16

Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

HAPPY EASTER