

# Trinity Lane

The Newsletter of Round Hill United Methodist Church

January 2009

**C** At Round Hill,  
Christ  
is taught, preached, and lived.

**R** We accept the  
Responsibility  
to witness to others

**O** with  
Open  
hearts, minds and doors.

**S** We  
Support the Church  
through our prayers, presence,  
gifts and service

**S** as we  
Share Christ  
through loving fellowship.

**Charlene Kammerer**  
Resident Bishop

**David Forrest**  
District  
Superintendent

**Jay Kelchner**  
Pastor

**Jed Markwood**  
Director of Youth and  
Young Adult Ministry

**Barbara Gray**  
Music Director

**Jordan Markwood**  
Worship Arts  
Coordinator

**Debbie Haymaker**  
Secretary



Happy New Year! As I look back at 2008, I am amazed at what God has done. The bar has been raised and the people of Round Hill have been stepping up to the challenge of becoming a more fruitful congregation.

Truly the Lord is in this place. In October we celebrated what God is doing and we made our personal commitments to God in an act of worship. Do you remember Consecration Sunday? What a great day of remembering, acting and then, celebrating. On that day, 88% of you in attendance said you would step up in your prayer life for the sake of your church. 66% said that you would be more present in body and spirit. 61% said you would step up in your giving in 2009 and 57% indicated that you intended to increase your service to the church in the coming year. Well friends, now is the time to respond. When we live up to our covenant with God we will be blessed beyond measure. And because of your history of unfailing diligence to the tasks before us, I am really excited to see what God is going to do in 2009.

*“Being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus” —  
Philippians 1:6.*

To get us started we will begin the year by facing the reality that sometimes, even for Christians, life can be difficult. I will be preaching an eight-week series entitled: **Overcoming Life's Struggles**. Using the Sermon on the Mount as a backdrop for discussion and illustration, we will seek to reprioritize our lives so that we can recapture the peace and joy that God intends for his children. Two Bible study opportunities will be offered to support the sermon series theme. The first will ask the question, “Are you living up to your God-given potential as a people of faith?” The second one, for women only, begins with the premise that “It’s Tough Being a Woman.” These small group classes are offered on Wednesday and Thursday evenings respectively and are designed to give us a mid-week boost as we seek renewed energy in the face of life’s challenges.

May God bless you real good  
in the coming year.  
See you in church, Jay

## BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

### *Five Practices of Fruitful Congregations (Christians)*

Are you living up to your God-given potential as people of faith? This study is designed to help us become more faithful and fruitful in fulfilling God’s purposes for our life - both personally and within the corporate setting of his Church. Come and help form the future for Round Hill UMC as we explore the concepts of: Radical Hospitality, Passionate Worship, Intentional Faith Development, Risk-taking Mission and Service, and Extravagant Generosity!

6 Wednesday Evenings  
January 14 2009—February 18, 2009  
6:30—8:00 p.m.

### *Esther: It's Tough Being a Woman*

This study is an in-depth and very personal examination of this great story of threat and deliverance. She peels back the layers of history and shows how very contemporary and applicable the story of Esther is to our lives. If you’ve ever felt inadequate, threatened, or pushed into situations that seemed overpowering, this is the study for you. Just as it was tough being a woman in Esther’s day, it’s tough today. This portion of God’s Word contains treasures to aid us in our hurried, harried, and pressured lives.

6 Thursday Evenings  
January 15 2009—February 19, 2009  
6:30—8:00 p.m.

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Winchester, VA 22603

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The Christmas Pageant highlighted the symbols of our faith as the children told the story of the Nativity.

### ROUND HILL OFFICER TRAINING

Wednesday, January 7  
 Officer's and Chairperson's are encouraged to take advantage of this training. Some points of interest to be discussed:

- 2009 Calendar scheduling
- How to communicate effectively with church staff to coordinate events and meetings in a timely manner.
- Incorporating the Ministry Goals into 2009 planning.

### 2009 Ministry Goals

As active witnesses of Jesus Christ we will...

1. Reach new people for Christ.
2. Nurture and enhance the ministries of children, youth, and young adults.
3. Provide diversified small group opportunities.
4. Seek ways to encourage authentic and life changing worship experiences.
5. Be His hands and feet through mission and service.



### Prayer Chain

If you have a joy, sorrow or special concern, we would like to pray for you. Contact our Prayer Chain Coordinators, Betty Webber, at 667-4624 or Nancy Kern, at 662-5313

### DISTRICT LEADERSHIP TRAINING

Saturday, January 3  
 (Snow date—January 10)  
 8:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.  
 Shenandoah University

January Mission Effort  
 Will Benefit  
 The Shelter  
 For Abused Women

Collection containers are located in the Fellowship Hall and in the Vestibule



The Advent Celebration brought out our creative side.



## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS OF ROUND HILL CHURCH



Jean Clabaugh  
 November 2, 2008



Elizabeth Kerns  
 and her son Stephan  
 November 30, 2008



Brian & Kelley Henry  
 and their sons, Austin & Aiden  
 December 14, 2008

### Congratulations On Your Marriage

Valerie McGaffick  
 and  
 Gary Yonley



### DON'T MISS THESE TASTY OPPORTUNITIES TO MEET AND GREET IN FELLOWSHIP

**FELLOWSHIP DINNER**  
 Tuesday, January 13  
 6:00—7:00 p.m.

**DONUT SOCIAL**  
 Sunday, January 25  
 9:30—9:50 a.m.

| SUN  | MON                         | TUE   | WED                                   | THU   | FRI | SAT                                      |
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| <br>Happy New Year   |                             |   |                                       | 1<br>YAM / CrossLink 7-9 PM                     | 2   | 3<br>District Officer Training 8 AM-4 PM |
| 4<br>Epiphany Of The Lord<br>Youth Family Dinner 5 PM                  | 5<br>Church Council 6:30 PM | 6<br>Trustees 6:30 PM<br>Choir 7 PM<br>YAM 7-9 PM Open Rec @BSUMC       | 7<br>Round Hill Officer Training 7 PM | 8<br>Golden Shepherds 11 AM—3 PM<br>YAM 7-9 PM  | 9   | 10                                       |
| 11<br>Baptism Of The Lord<br>Mission Moment<br>Youth Mtg. 5 PM         | 12<br>Education 6:30 PM     | 13<br>Fellowship Dinner 6 PM<br>Choir 7PM<br>YAM 7-9 PM Open Rec @BSUMC | 14<br>Bible Study 7 PM                | 15<br>Women's Bible Study 6:30 PM<br>YAM 7-9 PM | 16  | 17<br>UMM 6 AM                           |
| 18<br>Sunday School Spotlight<br>Youth 5 PM                            | 19                          | 20<br>Choir 7PM<br>YAM 7-9 PM Open Rec @BSUMC                           | 21<br>Bible Study 7 PM                | 22<br>Women's Bible Study 6:30 PM<br>YAM 7-9 PM | 23  | 24                                       |
| 25<br>Blood Pressure Checks<br>Donut Social 9:30-9:50 AM<br>Youth 5 PM | 26                          | 27<br>Choir 7:00PM<br>YAM 7-9 PM Open Rec @BSUMC                        | 28<br>Bible Study 7 PM                | 29<br>Women's Bible Study 6:30 PM<br>YAM 7-9 PM | 30  | 31<br>                                   |

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 roundhillworship.com

**Sunday Worship Service**  
 Non-traditional 8:30 a.m.  
 Traditional 11:00 a.m.

**Sunday School**  
 9:45 a.m.

Office Hours: M-W-F  
 9:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

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