

Our Vision:

To make God's love visible in the Henry Fork community by being a positive Christian presence.



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LISA'S LINES—In whom do you believe?

2018 is proving to be a time of uncertainty: the stock market is up and down, school shootings continue, there is violence in the world and in our communities. How do we as Christians live in a world filled with uncertainty?

The certainty for me is the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Through the resurrection, Christ defeated death and rose to live again. The certainty of my life ultimately is that I will live with Jesus, both in this world and after death. That knowledge allows me to live life to the fullest, to share that good news with others, and to deepen my relationship with God.

Willie James Jennings, writing in the 2018 Upper Room Disciplines, states, "First we rise to the day giving thanks to the Lord... Second, we speak to ourselves of what the Lord has done for us and for others. We live always in the testimonies to God's goodness, and we remember those testimonies of God's redeeming action." I also find comfort and strength in the hymn, *I Know whom I Have Believed*. The verses tell of God's work in and through our lives, and the chorus says it all, "But I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able to keep that which I've committed unto him against that day."

Because I know that Christ is able to handle everything the world throws at me and I throw at the world, I can live in God's love and grace for me and for all. God's love then calls us to respond and to be in ministry to the community and world around us. As we respond to God's love, we feed the hungry, care for the sick and those in prison, and share God's love with the children, youth, and adults in our community.

Henry Fork Service Center continues to share God's love with children and youth, with over 60 students in the Afterschool program. As we share the Easter story, and prepare to share with our families at the Easter celebration, our students are learning about the crucifixion, death, and resurrection. Our younger students are preparing to sing *Halle, Halle, Hallelujah* and our older elementary students are learning *Lord, I Lift your Name on High*. The Middle School students are preparing a mime to *The Stand*, and exploring what it means to them to stand up for others.

Thank you for your ongoing support for the Henry Fork Service Center. As we share the good news of Easter and God's love for us, you make that sharing possible. Through your gifts of cleaning supplies, paper supplies, school and craft supplies, we have what we need for our student to participate in many different activities. Your financial gifts paid off the mortgage, and keep the program and campus up and running. Thank you for giving to Henry Fork Center in so many different ways! Lisa Nichols, Director

NEEDED: SUMMER CAMPERSHIPS

Henry Fork Service Center is seeking camperships for our students for the summer program. The purpose of Camperships is twofold:

1) Provide scholarships for students to attend overnight camp at either Children's Bible Camp at Indian Cave Camp, Phoebe Needles, or other overnight camp. Henry Fork Center usually pays 1/2 the cost of camp and the parents of our students pay the other half.

2) Enable students to participate in enrichment activities outside the HFSC campus. Activities include canoeing at Fairystone State Park, paddle boarding and tubing at Franklin County Parks, monthly field trips and end of the year trips to area attractions and Washington DC.

Your campership of \$50 will ensure that our students have experiences of lifetimes away from the HFSC campus. You can make your gift in honor or memory of a friend or family member, and know that an HFSC student will reap the benefits. Thank you for your support of our summer program.



Find out more about the ministries of the Henry Fork Service Center at www.henryforkcenter.org, henryforkcenter@cs.com, or 540-483-2819. We look forward to hearing from you!

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Our Mission is to share God's love with the children, youth and adults in the Henry Fork community by nurturing and transforming the mind, body, and spirit.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION 2018

Our building buzzes each afternoon with excitement as the children arrive ready to learn about Christ! It is a joy to hear and see their eagerness for the Bible stories, crafts, music, and other activities.

This Winter and Spring, our focus is on the prophets. We are looking into Zechariah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, and even Daniel. We will take a brief break from the prophets and just before the children's Spring Break look into what makes the Easter holiday so special, finishing with our Easter Celebration on April 3rd. After Easter, we will finish the year strong with Isaiah, Malachi, and Micah.

The children have heard of prophets before and even heard some of the names in passing. It has been so much fun for our staff to watch as the children learn that the prophets weren't "just men who saw stuff". They actually had an important purpose that has helped shape our Bible history!

Jessica Hunt, Program Director

The Henry Fork Service Center lost one of its biggest cheerleaders and supporters on December 10, 2017. Eugene F. Moorefield (Gene) passed away after an accident near his home in Danville, VA. Gene served on the Board of Directors from 1987–2012, beginning as Danville District UMM Representative. Gene served as Chair of the Board from 1992-2011,

Gene and Mary will both be remembered for their tireless efforts with Campbell's labels and overseeing the construction of the annex to the Charlotte Seegars Building, the garage structure, and the Pennel Educational and Activity Buildings. Their passion for children and the ministry of Henry Fork Service Center will be greatly missed.



Pictures: Above—Paige and Brianne work on planters, Right—Redwood UMC Treasurer Russ Crozier gives Director Lisa Nichols a Christmas offering check. Above right— Gene M. with students.

Henry Fork Center Pays Off the Mortgage!

Henry Fork Service Center paid off the mortgage owed on the Pennel and Activity Buildings in February, 2018. Churches and individuals, including Redwood UMC, St. Luke's UMC, Fairview UMC, Lynnhaven UMC, and Bethlehem UMC, Moneta shared in the effort. We appreciate their giving to Henry Fork Center through Advent and Christmas offerings. Next item on the list: a gently used 14 passenger bus/van for student transportation!



Items we can use:
Bottled water
Postage stamps
Toilet paper
Non Bleach cleaning supplies
8 oz. paper cups
10" paper plates
Colored pencils
Summer Camperships