

Outreach Ministry

First United Methodist Church supports a variety of ministries. The proceeds from the Chocolate Festival will go to support these ministries.

Backyard Mission

Basic Housing Rehab ministry for Senior homeowners and single parents.

Bread and Blessings

Monday Soup Kitchen

Christmas Gift Ministry

Provides gifts for preschool scholarship children and their siblings plus other selected groups.

Holy Comforter Food Pantry

A cooperative ministry with the Catholic Church to distribute food every Wednesday.

Loaves and Fishes Food Pantry

Distributed food to community people in need each Tuesday evening and Saturday morning.

Local Elementary School

Providing backpacks, school supplies, home kits, clothing, snacks, Christmas gifts and tutoring.

Men Who Shop

Supplemental Food Ministry supporting families, non-profits, and special appeals.

Project Transformation

An eight-week summer enrichment day camp for at risk children.

PACEM

Faith Community Homeless Shelter operating out of local churches on a rotating basis beginning in November.

School Aid

Helps to provide snacks, school supplies, coats, and emergency clothing for at risk school children.

Appalachia Service Project

Youth and adult ministry that helps to restore substandard housing in the Appalachia region.

International Mission Trips

Trips to Angola, Belize, and Lithuania to provide support to communities and churches in poverty-stricken areas.

First United Methodist Church

First United Methodist Church, located in downtown Charlottesville, has the community in its heart. The people of First Church have been called to do inner city ministry, not alone, but in partnership with local nonprofit agencies and social service related groups. Our goal is not to duplicate services but to help fill many of the voids that exist for the last, least, and lost. This is an awesome responsibility and requires many hands, feet, eyes, ears, and hearts. We ask you to join us in our efforts to serve the community of downtown Charlottesville.

Mission

Changing lives through Jesus Christ.

For more information

on the Chocolate Festival and Outreach Ministries at First United Methodist Church, please contact Evelyn Jones, 434 293-4394 or yanceygirl@ntelos.net.



Saturday, October 20, 2007
10 .a.m. - 4 p.m.
Lee Park
Charlottesville, Virginia

Sponsored by
First United Methodist Church
Outreach Ministries

The Chocolate Festival is a day of pure chocolate indulgence with tastings, imported chocolates, chocolate fondue and contests. Foodies will be able to find out more about chocolate, its origins, cocoa beans, how it is made and also the purchase of homemade, high-quality chocolate creations. Children's activities will be held throughout the day.

Proceeds will help the 21 Outreach Ministries of First United Methodist Church, which include PACEM, Weekday Soup Kitchen, Project Transformation, two food pantries, adoption of a local elementary school, Appalachia Service Project and international mission trips to Angola, Lithuania and Belize.

Each outreach ministry will be represented at the festival selling a variety of confectioneries as well as homemade, gourmet candies that have been donated.

Mission

The Chocolate Festival was created to serve as a conduit for ministries of First United Methodist Church to join forces on a large playing field with the ability to generate revenue that will benefit particular local ministries and to support international ministries.

Festival Activities

In addition to live music and a food court, there will be a variety of activities, contests and events throughout the day.

Chocolate Chase

A 5K run/2 mile walk is scheduled to start at 8 a.m. First 125 registered runners/walkers will receive a T-shirt. Grab bag prizes and awards to top three overall runners will be given.

Registration fee is \$20 until October 7, and \$25 thereafter. Registration fee goes to supporting the outreach ministries of First United Methodist Church.

Children's Activities

The following activities will be available at the festival for children:

- Face Painting
- Moonwalk
- Chocolate Pudding Finger Painting
- Bubble Contest

Contests

Amateur and Professional chocolatiers will have the opportunity to have their chocolate creations judged. Prizes will be awarded.

In addition, festival attendees can enter a variety of contests:

- Guess the number of M&M's in the jar
- Amateur and Professional Baking Contest
- Candy Wrapper Design Contest
- Art Creation on a Chocolate Theme

Sales Booths

Participating Outreach Ministries will be represented by a sales booth at the festival. Each booth will be selling a specific chocolate confection. Some of the items on hand will be:

- Homemade fudge
- Cookie bouquets
- Ice Cream Creations
- Cakes
- Chocolate Truffles
- Gift Baskets with a variety of chocolate confections

Food Court

If attendees need more than chocolate, food and drinks will be on sale throughout the day.

Along with the traditional lunch items, mouth-watering barbecue ribs will be on sale by the outreach ministry, Men Who Shop. You may contact the church office at 296-6193 to place your order. The cost is \$25 per rack.

Music

Bluegrass, Jazz and Contemporary Christian Music will be featured at the festival.

Registration Forms for the Chocolate Chase, Baking Contests and Art Contest will be located in the gathering space, the landing outside the Fellowship Hall, and on the web at www.cvillefirstunitedmethodist.org.