

# Vian UMC Monthly News

February 2012

## Circle of Care

February 12th is Circle of Care Sunday. The CoC is one of the ministries supported by the local church. This organization is very near and dear to my heart. I have met some amazing young men and their leaders. Please join us in support of this special ministry. A special offering will be taken.

## Upcoming Events

**Saturday February 4th**  
8am-4pm Leadership Planning & Vision Retreat

**WDW—Worship on Wednesday**  
Begins February 8th after school. Worship begins at 6:30

**Feb 8th Women of Faith** all day at Cookson UMC. Pot luck lunch. All are invited!

**Sunday February 12th**  
Circle of Care Sunday with a special guest speaker

Thank you to the ladies who emptied all the kitchen cabinets, disinfected, restocked and cleaned all of the linens. You are the hands & feet of Christ!.

## Ash Wednesday

February 22nd  
Service at 6:00pm



## Leadership: Planning and Vision Retreat

Please join us as we plan for the coming year at Vian UMC! Saturday February 4 from 8am—4pm we will gather for fellowship and planning the future of our church. What areas of focus shall we point to? Where do we excel? What does the community need from us? If we are to “be the body of Christ”, how do we reach the lost and un-churched of our community?

Everyone is strongly encouraged to attend this one day retreat. As leaders of the church, your thoughts, ideas, dreams and visions are vital.

Please call the church office at 773-5335 and register to attend. A light breakfast and lunch will be provided. .

Love and blessings to all,

*Paster Marcia*

And Jabez called on the God of Israel saying, “Oh, that you would bless me indeed, and enlarge my territory, that Your hand would be with me, and that You would keep me from evil, and that I would not cause pain!” So God granted him what he requested. IChronicles 4:10

## Prayer Cards

There are now prayer request cards in the back of each pew. Realizing that there are times that we don't wish to announce our concerns and needs in a public forum, this gives you the opportunity to share your needs. Please be assured that your requests will remain confidential and that I am blessed to be able to agree with you in prayer. You may place the cards in the offering tray .

## Singing Sunday

Do you sing? Play an instrument? Can you hum??? Well all of those are welcome Sunday February 19th during Worship service. Let's combine our voices and have an old-fashioned Singing Sunday!

Please sign up on the bulletin board so we can plan. Be sure to put what you'll be doing so we don't duplicate. **LET'S ALL MAKE A JOYFUL NOISE UNTO THE LORD!**

**Potluck Dinner immediately following Singing Sunday. Bring your favorite dish to share!**



## W.O.W.

Beginning Wednesday Feb 8th, we will be holding a WDW “Worship on Wednesday” service. The service will be informal, relaxed and open to all. Contemporary music styles will be presented. A pot-luck meal will be held at 5:30pm and Worship will begin at 6:00pm.

Join us and bring some friends!



## Communication is Vital to the church!

If you know of someone who would like to receive the monthly newsletter, please drop their name and address off at the church office. Please feel free to submit articles, birthdays, anniversaries or other items of interest for both the newsletter and the website. Don't forget to check out the daily postings at [www.vianumc.com](http://www.vianumc.com)

## Prayer Cloth Ministry

God placed it on my heart a few weeks ago that we needed a prayer cloth ministry here at Vian. On Sunday February 5th, everyone will have the opportunity to pray over the cloths after the service and then help distribute those cloths to shut ins, friends in need, nursing homes, etc.

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This story can fit 150-200 words.

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## Organization

### Business Name

Primary Business Address

Address Line 2

Address Line 3

Address Line 4

Phone: 555-555-5555

Fax: 555-555-5555

E-mail: someone@example.com

This would be a good place to insert a short paragraph about your organization. It might include the purpose of the organization, its mission, founding date, and a brief history. You could also include a brief list of the types of products, services, or programs your organization offers, the geographic area covered (for example, western U.S. or European markets), and a profile of the types of customers or members served.

It would also be useful to include a contact name for readers who want more information about the organization.

### Business Tagline or Motto

We're on the Web!  
example.com

## Back Page Story Headline

This story can fit 175-225 words.

If your newsletter is folded and mailed, this story will appear on the back. So, it's a good idea to make it easy to read at a glance.

A question and answer session is a good way to quickly capture the attention of readers. You can either compile questions that you've received since the last edition or you can summarize some generic questions that are frequently asked about your organization.

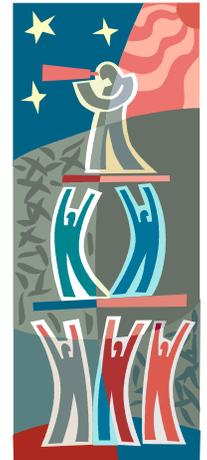
A listing of names and titles of managers in your organization is a good way to give your newsletter a personal touch. If your organization is small,

you may want to list the names of all employees.

If you have any prices of standard products or services, you can include a listing of those here. You may want to refer your readers to any other forms of communication that you've created for your organization.

You can also use this space to remind readers to mark their calendars for a regular event, such as a breakfast meeting for vendors every third Tuesday of the month, or a biannual charity auction.

If space is available, this is a good place to insert a clip art image or some other graphic.



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