



The Visitor

November 2017



Our Mission/Vision is to learn and grow in Jesus Christ to serve others and transform lives here, across the street and around the world.

Susquehanna Ministerium

(Gathering of Multiple Denominations of Havre de Grace)

presents our annual

Thanksgiving Service

Sunday, November 19, 2017

3:00 PM - 5:00 PM



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(We will be taking a love offering to care for the needs of those less fortunate. Make checks payable to Hopewell UMC.)

Hopewell United Methodist Church

3600 Level Road

Havre de Grace, MD 21078

Sermon Series

Prayers of the People!

We are continuing our sermon series exploring some of the Psalms. There are different types of psalms but, in general, the psalms are our prayers, our words to God. This makes them different from much of the Bible. Much of the Bible is God speaking to us. The psalms are honest and open up to us new ways to think about our faith.

November 5 – All Saints’ Sunday

Psalms 78 and 136, “A Long Story Remembered: To Bless the Future”

We remember all the unknown saints and those known to us locally.

All that we have comes from God. We are only Stewards of it – including our Life-Forming Story (the Gospel) which is a gift from God

November 12 – Christ for All Peoples (Organ & Tissue Donor Sunday)

Guest Speaker: Karen Wilson, Director of Alpha's Glory Pregnancy Resource Center

We celebrate all the places we’ve been able to share the Gospel in the past year and remember that Christ calls us to share the Gospel with people of all places, states, classes and conditions

November 19 – Thanksgiving Sunday

Psalm 100, “Practicing Gratitude”

We give thanks for all God’s blessings and are called to living gratefully.

Ecumenical Community Thanksgiving Worship

3-5 p.m. at Hopewell UMC, 3600 Level Village Road

November 26 – Christ the King Sunday, UM Student Day, Commitment Sunday

Psalms 95 and 118, “Commitment: A Reaction to Blessing”

We celebrate with our college students that Christ is ruler of our lives and make commitments for living and giving in 2018

December 3 – First Sunday of Advent

December 10 – Second Sunday of Advent

December 16 – Christmas Cantata at 3 p.m.

December 17 – Third Sunday of Advent

Christmas Cantata at 11 a.m.

December 24 – Fourth Sunday of Advent

Combined worship at 10 a.m.

December 25

Christmas Eve Family Candlelight Service – 6 p.m.

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service of Lessons & Carols – 8 p.m.



GriefShare

GriefShare is a weekly video seminar featuring some of the nation’s foremost experts on grief recovery. It includes the use of a journal as a reference and small group discussion to allow participants to talk about the content of the video and how they are dealing with the loss of their loved one. The 13 week experience will be offered from September 6 through December 6. The day is Wednesdays. The times are 10 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. OR 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. For additional information call Carol Vann at 443-752-8753.

Our Christian Love & Sympathy to the Family & Friends of:

Thomas Behrens who died September 24 at Perry Point VA Center. Thomas grew up in Aberdeen and served in the US Air Force during the Vietnam era from 1972 to 1976.

And the following folk who died recently:

Helen Tayon, Phyllis Tayon's aunt.

Doris Hutchison, Vicki Williams' sister

Doris Beals, mother of Gary Gray's daughter, Brenda Kline.

Janet Creel, Cathey Robertson's cousin.

May God comfort all who mourn through the love of Jesus Christ.



Prayer Vigil

Please Join Us to Pray for Our Brothers and Sisters Without Shelter in Harford County!

Tuesday, November 14th at 7 pm

Centre United Methodist Church

2409 Rocks Road, Forest Hill, MD 21050

For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened. Luke 11:10



Youth Ministry Events

6th Annual Great Cookie Bake

Saturday, November 4, 2:30 p.m. in the Social Hall. Join us for this popular youth event! Middle and high school youth will be baking chocolate chip cookies for our college students and maybe sampling a few ourselves! Younger kids will be able to make cards for shut-ins and college students.

Christmas Caroling

Sunday, December 3. We will gather in the Social Hall for pizza and fellowship right after the 11:00 service then leave church at 1:00 p.m. to raise our voices and brighten the day of the people we visit. Everyone is welcome! Come help us spread some Christmas cheer!

Voter Registration Forms Available

Voter Registration forms are available in the display rack in the stairwell. See Suzanne Obenshain with questions about Voter Registration.

Community Information

8th Annual Diabetes Health Fair

November 1, 3:30 p.m., Upper Chesapeake Health, Chesapeake Conference Room. Information: 443-643-3200.

Prostate Cancer Support Group

November 1, 7:00 p.m., Kaufman Cancer Center.

Tobacco Cessation Classes

November 2, 6:00 p.m., Kaufman Cancer Center, Street Conference Room. This is a free six week series of classes to help one stop smoking. Pre-register: 443-643-3350

Safe Sitter

November 4, 8:00 a.m., Upper Chesapeake Health. Safe babysitting class for ages 13 and up. Register: 800-515-0044. Fee of \$40.00.

Community CPR

November 6, 6:00 p.m., Upper Chesapeake Health. Registration and information: 800-515-0044. There is a \$65.00 fee to cover the class and book.

Breastfeeding Support Group

November 7, 10:00 a.m. Information: 443-643-2948. Upper Chesapeake Health, Bel Air.

Guided Meditation

November 8, 12:30 p.m. Meditation and mindfulness training have many well documented benefits. Information: 443-643-3350. Upper Chesapeake Health, Street Conference Room.

Overdose Education & Naloxone Distribution

Presented by the Harford County Health Department. Free Narcan kits may be distributed, depending on availability. Register online: surveyMonkey.com/r/3TP3P8J. November 8, 6:00 p.m. at Mt. Zion UMC, "The Tent", Churchville OR December 6, 6:00 p.m., Norrisville Volunteer Fire Department, 2134 Harkins Road, Pylesville. Questions: Wendy Kanely at wendy.kanely@maryland.gov.

Annual Community Prayer Breakfast

November 9, doors open at 7:20 a.m. Sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce and Susquehanna Ministerium at Silks in Bulle Rock. This event is a major source of funding for the Ministerium and is always inspiring!

AARP Smart Driver Class

November 9, 9:00 a.m. Register: 800-515-0044.

Decisions that Determine Your Destiny

November 14, 12:30 p.m., Havre de Grace Activity Center, 351 Lewis Lane. The Maryland Access Point, the Harford County Bar Foundation and the Harford County Office on Aging are partnering to provide presentations on the importance of having legal documents such as an Advance Healthcare Directive and Financial Power of Attorney. Presentations are FREE, but registration is required. Space is limited. Call Lisa Anderson at 410-638-3025 to reserve your seat. Reserve your appointment to meet privately with an attorney to have your Power of Attorney or Advance Healthcare Directive created on the spot. All services will be provided free of charge.

Look Good Feel Better

November 14, 6:00 p.m. For ladies battling cancer, chemotherapy, etc. Register: 443-643-3350. Kaufman Cancer Center.

Stroke Recovery Club

November 15, 10:30 a.m. Information: 443-643-3432. Upper Chesapeake Health, Maryland Room.

Bulle Rock Turkey Trot 5K

November 23, 9 a.m. – 12:00 noon. Proceeds benefit the Susquehanna Hose Company Equipment Fund. Registration is open: register.bluecheetahtiming.com/event/Bulle-Rock-Turkey-Trot-5K.

United Methodist Men News

The November 11 Breakfast meeting will be held at Presbury UM Church, 806 Edgewood Road, Edgewood in support of Hotcakes with the Homeless. We will meet 8 a.m. at church to carpool there. Breakfast is a flat \$10 and supports the Harford Hope for the Homeless Alliance that sponsors the Emergency Rotating Shelter during winter.



United Methodist Women News

Submitted by Cathey Robertson, Communications

Upcoming Events

The nomination forms to select an individual (or two) for the annual UMW Mission Pin are in the display rack in the Narthex by the stairwell. You can vote for any man or woman in the church based strictly on volunteer work. Voting will take place at the December 13

Annual UMW Christmas Dinner. Nominations will not be taken from the floor. Please turn in the forms to Shirley Pollitt or JoAnn Hayes.

November 8 – UMW Monthly Meeting, Roundtable Room, 7:00 p.m. – Maury Thackston will be presenting her volunteer experience at the Harford County Sheriff's Office Citizens' Academy. Hope you can attend to hear this interesting time for Maury.

November 19 – December 10 – Collection of items for Citizens Care and Rehabilitation Center – Items will be given to residents at Citizens on behalf of our church congregation. Items we are looking for include: Deodorant (male and female); Dove, Oil of Olay, and Caress Body Wash for Men and Women; Toothpaste and Toothbrush; Good Hair Brushes and Combs; Lip Balms; lotions like Jergens, Aveeo, Johnson's Baby Lotions; and Large Print Word Search Books. They cannot accept any of the dollar store brands for body washes, soaps and lotions. The PH is so low it causes irritation to aging skin and is drying to the skin. Please do not purchase travel size lotions or any body powder, food or candy items

December 8 – Set up for annual UMW Cookie and Craft Sale and acceptance of items – 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

December 9 – Annual UMW Cookie Sale, Church Social Room, 9:00 to 12:00 noon. Cathey's Crafts will be available to help support the 2018 Summer Mission Trip.

December 13 – Annual UMW Christmas Dinner, Church Social Room, 6:00 – UMW Christmas Party will include a \$10.00 gift exchange, covered dish dinner, games, songs, prayer, and United Methodist Women's pledge service as well as voting for the annual UMW Mission Pin. We will be gathering items to donate to the Citizens Care and Rehabilitation Center in Havre de Grace as another form of our Missional giving for the year.

White Elephant Sale: Thank you to everyone who support the UMW White Elephant Sale. Funds collected will support the UMW missions and scholarship fund. Amount collected will be in the December newsletter.

UMW Unit Awards: At the September 30th UMW Baltimore Suburban District Fall Conference, the Havre de Grace United Methodist Church UMW received the following awards: Silver Award, Reading Program Participants (JoAnn Hayes and Dee Ashby), Diversity Today Unit (Diamond Award), and Five Star Unit Award. Maury Thackston was recognized as the Newsletter Editor and Nominations Member at the Conference Level.

Flower Fund: Individuals who have signed up to place altar flowers on a Sunday morning must pay for the flowers two weeks in advance or your flowers will not be ordered. This is critical to keep our account with Amanda's Florist current. Checks should be payable to UMW Flower Fund. Thank you to all who are paying for their flowers on time or in advance. It is greatly appreciated when time to pay the bill!! **Please be sure to return the containers.**

United Methodist Women News (continued)

UMW Fall Annual Meeting: The fall annual UMW Baltimore Suburban District conference was held on Saturday, September 30, 2017 at Ames United Methodist Church. Our theme this year was “The Many Faces of Mass Incarceration. We were honored to have Elizabeth Stemley, President, Baltimore-Washington Conference UMW and Reverend Dr. Ann Laprade, District Superintendent Baltimore Suburban District in attendance. Our guest speakers were Kimberly Haven, a leader in the new Social Justice Movement, and Deaconess Patricia N. Marks, Ph.D., a dedicated Criminal Justice Advocate, and a graduate from Wesley Theological Seminary. Ms. Haven recently co-launched a new initiative “Heels and Hustle” believing that “women often underestimate just how hard and often they hustle from finding jobs that allow them to provide for themselves and their families, to daily juggling the myriad number of balls that women consistently have in the air. When a woman has been system-involved, she will face significant barriers and hurdles upon release-family reunification, housing, employment as well as countless other collateral consequences. The mission of the organization is to inspire and guide disadvantaged women in Baltimore City and across Maryland to find, develop, and own their own hustle, envisioning that their efforts will help restore equity and create sustainable opportunities for a fresh start so that women can rejoin their communities and become contributing and leading citizens.” Dr. Marks spoke on Kairos Prison Ministry. Kairos is a lay-led, interdenominational Christian ministry in which men and women volunteers bring Christ's love and forgiveness to prisoners and their families. The Kairos programs take the participants on a journey that demonstrates the love and forgiveness of Jesus Christ. Kairos is Christian in nature, although no religious affiliation is necessary to be a participant. She actively promotes Criminal Justice Reform and effectively engages volunteers and faith communities in providing services and resources for children and their families. She has served on dozens of Kairos Teams in four prisons and as a volunteer lay chaplain in two prisons. Dr. Marks is the author of “Peter’s Promise/Paul’s Passion” a book of reflections on the 137 biblical references to incarceration.

We welcome all women to join our UMW where you can learn about new opportunities and challenges and face the future with faith, hope, and love in action. You do not have to be a member of the United Methodist Church to be a member of the United Methodist Women. We meet the 2nd Wednesday of each month (except July and August) at 7:00 p.m. in the Roundtable Room. We plan to move to Mentzer Parlor for our January 2018 meeting. We would love to have you join us.

ORGANIZING FOR MISSION: Each organization unit of UMW will determine, on the basis of an assessment of its needs, the organizational form required to effectively implement the PURPOSE of the UMW, keeping in mind flexibility of structure and times of meetings. The program of the HDG UMW will provide opportunities for the participation and leadership of all its members, encouraging women to be in mission by growing spiritually, engaging in service and advocacy, educating for change, developing leaders, expanding and nurturing its membership and supporting the organization through Mission Giving.

Church Trivia

1. Acolytes have been a part of the church for _____ years.
 - A. 500
 - B. 1,000
 - C. 1,500
 - D. 2,000
2. Name two of Francis Asbury's horses.
 - A. Peter and John
 - B. Seabiscuit and Hard Tack
 - C. Little Jane and Little Fox

Source: umc.org

See page 9 for answers.



Havre de Grace United Methodist Church

“Blessed to be a blessing....reaching the unreached”

“God has blessed us so that we might make his will known to all people that all people may praise God” Psalm 67:1-3

MISSIONS NEWS

Here, across the street and around the world

I Was In Prison And You Visited Me

Matthew 25:36

Submitted by Ridge Pilcher & Dan Rusin

The mission of Kairos Prison Ministry is to share the transforming love and forgiveness of Jesus Christ to impact the hearts and lives of incarcerated men, women and youth, as well as their families, to become loving and productive citizens of their communities. (Kairos mission statement)

Dan Rusin and Sue Ellen North have been serving on Kairos Inside and Kairos Outside teams for many years. Ridge Pilcher and JoAnn Hayes are joining them this year. Dan explained “because God loves you and loves THEM too! That is really my answer to the question “why talk to prisoners and their families?” We talk about change and this is an opportunity to help individuals and their families change their lives by offering the message of Jesus. Kairos’ Statement of Faith asks Christian volunteers to offer the opportunity to receive God’s forgiveness through faith in Jesus Christ, and to grow in their faith and servant-hood in Christian community.

A Kairos “weekend” pairs prisoners and men from the community for 3 days of prayer, scripture and sharing of love and compassion. Dan has shared some amazing stories of lives changed and hearts renewed by the weekend which is followed by visits each week for prayer and continuing fellowship. All information about the men on the weekend is held in strict confidence. The Kairos Outside weekend is for women whose sons, fathers, husbands, uncles are incarcerated. Some of the women come because the men in their lives have attended a weekend inside and they want to share their new faith with family. Incarceration hurts the whole family and the team members share their love and compassion with these women who are bearing the stigma of prison, raising children alone, feeling rejected.

We are the hands and feet of Christ when we serve on Kairos teams. Jesus showed us what he wants us to do when he promised the thief on the cross next to him that he would be in heaven. There are many opportunities to help. The prayer vigils clipboards circulated to you during the service allow you to pray for our men and women (and team members) during the weekend. Writing letters, making posters, providing funds to pay for the women who attend the weekend, and for Study Bibles which are presented to the men at the end of the weekend. All support is greatly and prayerfully accepted.

If you would like more information, please contact Dan Rusin, Ridge Pilcher, Sue Ellen North, or Jo Ann Hayes.

God is good all the time. All the time, God is good.



Thank You

I wanted to thank everyone for the wonderful words, prayers, and cards of sympathy and condolences during the loss of my cousin Janet. We have had 19 members of our family who have had cancer (three are male and 16 females). While Janet had a treatable lung cancer, she also had heart problems, which is what eventually caused her passing, another illness that runs in our family. It has provided much comfort in knowing I have such a wonderful church family that cares. Thank you so much for your love and support during this difficult time.

Cathey Robertson

Thank you to the Animal Blessing & Pet Expo Committee members (Pastor Norman, Pat Campbell, Cathey Robertson, Doug Wooten, Debbie Heydt, JoAnn Hayes, Tina Wright, Janyce, Dick & Ian Smalley) for all your hard work to make this event a success. Thank you to Lisa Altland for all her work with the bake sale that raised money for the animal victims of Hurricane Harvey in Texas (she is now on our committee – yay!!). Thank you to everyone who contributed money for the non-profit organizations that participated in the event; we collected \$394!! The donations were divided equally and given to Black Dogs & Company, Luna's House, and Pets on Wheels.

Tammy Brinkman

Thanks to the following folk who helped make our building safer and more welcoming by improving or maintaining our accessibility and our appearance at the recent Church Work Day: Tom Haug, Chet Thurlow, Ridge Pilcher, Billie Labhart, Leslie Slak and Pastor Norman.

Answer to trivia

Question 1 – D – 2,000 years

Acolytes have been part of the church in one form or another for nearly 2,000 years. The word *acolyte* comes from the Greek word *akolouthos*, meaning follower, a helper or assistant. In the early church, acolytes were a clerical order. Acolytes carry into worship the light, processional cross, banners or Bible and assist the pastor with communion, baptism and other duties. Children and youth often serve as acolytes, but adults can serve as well.

*Jesus said: "I am the light of the world" (John 8:12). The presence of the light reminds us of Jesus coming into our world and into our lives. The light is carried into the worship service as a symbol of Jesus coming into the presence of the worshipping community.

Many congregations use two candles on the altar to point out that Jesus was both a human being and God. At the end of the service, the light is carried out into the world to show that Jesus Christ is for all people everywhere; this symbolizes the light of Jesus Christ going out into the world where believers are to serve. (Worship Matters, Vol. 11, "The Work of Acolytes")

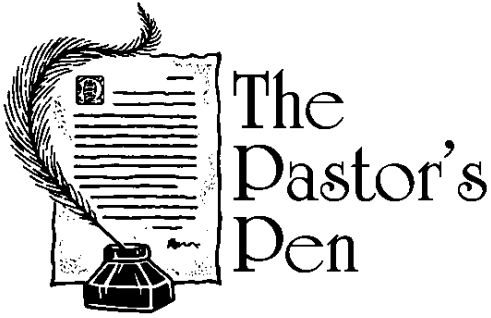
Question 2 – C – Little Jane & Little Fox

Considered an "architect of the American Methodism movement," Francis Asbury left England for America in 1771 in response to John Wesley's call for missionaries. The intrepid circuit rider spent his life traveling thousands of miles on horseback, spreading Methodism.

In this way he went through storms of wind, hail, snow, and rain; climbed hills and mountains, traversed valleys, plunged through swamps, swollen streams, lay out all night, wet, weary, and hungry, held his horse by the bridle all night, or tied him to a limb, slept with his saddle blanket for a bed, his saddle-bags for a pillow.----from Francis Asbury in North Carolina.

Source: umc.org

It's Complicated*



In everything give thanks, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.
– I Thessalonians 5: 18

Dear Friends in Christ:

Thanksgiving is complicated.

When we say grace on Thanksgiving we are expressing gratitude. We are grateful for the food we have to share, the homes in which we live, the families around us, the blessings of life. That's a good thing, right? To express gratitude to God our creator, redeemer and sustainer?

But, maybe, we also remember that much we have is the result of someone else's loss. I am impressed by the courageous conviction of the Pilgrims who left home, family, friends and comforts to sail to a new place where they could worship freely. But, I am embarrassed by how they and their descendants treated the Native Americans whose land they invaded and took.

Or, maybe, we also think about how the food we enjoy may well have been picked and processed by folk who work for low wages in poor conditions. Or, maybe, we ponder those who are NOT as blessed as we are, and wonder if we have contributed to their poverty or, at least, didn't help solve it.

Can't we just enjoy the holiday unbothered by our conscience?

There are deep questions here about systemic justice and personal responsibility that I cannot answer in a few thoughts. But, perhaps, these wrestlings mean we are more blessed than we realized! For it's a gift to say grace with one eye on our neighbor, to give thanks with joy complicated by concern, to count our blessings while repenting of our sins, to know we're in a muddle while trying to do good. It means we're awake, alive and not spiritually dead. If we feel God poking us it means we've let God into our hearts and lives -- "and our neighbors as ourselves."

With all its complications, may we all have a Happy & Holy Thanksgiving!

Grace and Peace,
Pastor Norman

*Inspired by an online article by Mary Luti, entitled "Complicating Grace"

Giving

Grace Place is collecting hats, gloves and scarves to give out to their clients for the holiday season. Please leave the items in the collection boxes in the Narthex (lobby) between October 29 and November 26.

The **Christmas Angel Tree** will be in the Narthex (lobby) on November 19 with tags naming items families of local elementary school children have requested for Christmas. Please bring these back unwrapped with the tag by December 17.

A **Christmas Card Exchange** is being offered again this year beginning November 26. Bring your Christmas cards for church folk to the Narthex (lobby) and check the alphabetized box for cards for you!

Giving Tuesday is November 28 and many charities, like UMCOR, have special matching programs for gifts that day.

Amazon Smile will give 0.5% of your purchase to our church if you order through them and designate Havre de Grace United Methodist Church to be your charity of choice. You must log on to AmazonSmiles and not just Amazon. Please make sure you see Supporting: Havre de Grace United Methodist Church under smile.amazon in the web browser prior to placing an order. You will need to have an Amazon account (i.e., not just shop as a "guest"). Thanks for supporting Christ's ministry at HdG United Methodist.



Here We Grow Again!

We welcome **Carol** and **Tack Vann** back to our fellowship from Mocks United Methodist Church, Advance, North Carolina. They have already become active and feel they never really left!

We welcome to our fellowship **Taryn** and **Bill Martin** on Reaffirmation of Faith in Jesus Christ.

We welcome **Connie** and **Harry Allman** who come to us from Bridgeport United Methodist Church in Bridgeport, West Virginia.

May we be a blessing to each other as we grow in faith together.

Health Care Potpourri

Submitted by Pat Campbell

HEALTH INSURANCE OPEN SEASON: November 1 through December 15, 2017

Need help choosing a health insurance plan? Check out the Maryland Health Connection, marylandhealthconnection.gov. There you will find "How to Enroll", be able to comparison shop, and find in-person, free help. They also offer enrollment events and many answers to questions you may have can be found on this site.

MEDICARE OPEN SEASON: October 15 through December 7, 2017

If you are a first time Medicare applicant or renewal, help can be found at the State Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP). Their phone is 410-767-1100. They can provide personalized health insurance counseling. While talking with them, don't forget to ask about Plan D, pharmacy/drug coverage plans.

FLU SEASON is Upon Us

Don't forget to get your flu shots. Most pharmacies offer this service, no appointment necessary, just walk in.

HANDWASHING is the most effective means to prevent the spread of colds & flu.

BABY-BOOMERS, have you been tested for Hepatitis C? Remember, it's a silent killer, but if caught early, it is curable. Simply ask your care provider for this blood test at your next visit.

ER vs. URGENT CARE

Have you ever wondered whether you or a loved one should go to the Emergency Room or simply to an Urgent Care Center? Perhaps this may help:

URGENT CARE

Localized allergic reactions
Broken bones
Sprains & strains
Cuts requiring stitches
Mild fevers
Minor burns
Pink eye
Animal or insect bite
Cold & flu symptoms

E.R.

Abdominal or chest pain
Babies needing immediate care
Eye or head injuries
Severe burns
Stroke symptoms (numbness, paralysis, slurred speech, etc)
Difficulty breathing
Heart palpitations or heart attack symptoms
High fevers
Suspected drug overdose or poisoning

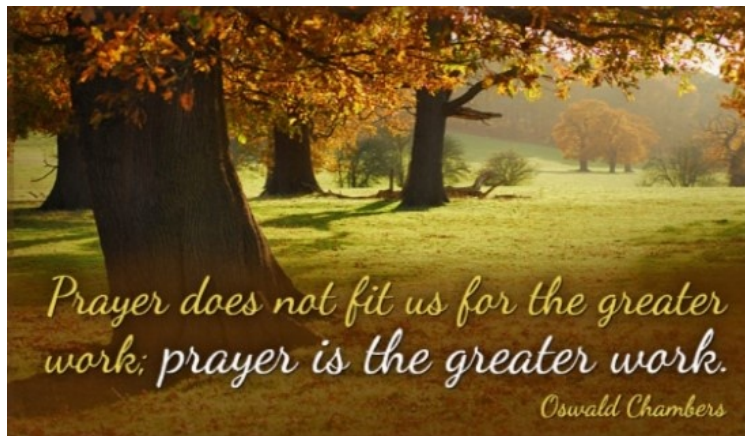
WHEN IN DOUBT, DIAL 911



Prayer Requests

Please contact Anita Bliesener at 443-876-3898 or the office at 410-939-2464 to add or remove persons from the Prayer List.

Jodi Adams	Rhonda Hadwin	Patty Scaggs	Youth of our Church and Community
Ian Anderson	Greg Hamilton	Cameron Schallawitz	All Shut-Ins
Nancy Babb	Linsay Hamilton	Ron Schallawitz	Those Grieving
Emma Baker	Matt Horn	John Schmick	Those Homeless
Shirley Baker	Alice Jones	Alma Schwank	Those with Addictions
Katie Beckley	Catherine Jones	Mitch Shank	Refugees
Mike Bedwell	Robert Jones	Adam Slak	Children of Zion Village
Tim Belcher	Cassandra Lowery	Shawn Smith	Sillamae Church
Bev Bennington	John MacLean	Gary Stinson	Victims of Terrorism & Natural Catastrophes
Barbara Bicardi	Jean Mahoney	Heidi Tera	U.S. Military Personnel serving around the world
Byron Boyd	Alison McDonough	Thelma Thomas	Family Unity
George Brown	Bill Megary	Becky Tompkins	Our Police Officers
Ann Chandler	Chris Mentzer	Daniel Travis	All Missionaries
Harvey Cunningham	Erin Merriman	Tom Trimboli	Family Unity
Tony DeLuca	Ron Neugebarger	Brandon Vaughn	Drug Free Community
Carrie Dill	Edna Newsome	Syd Williams	LeBlanc's
Hilary DiMauro	Gerard Northam	Lorna Wortman	First Responders
Pat Fedock	Jack Ploweman	Tina Wright	Our Country & Leaders
John Fisher	Heidi Potter	Sandra Zanella	Victims of Lyme Disease
Mary Fitzgerald	Clara Preston	Bob & Carolyn	
Donna Fordon	Jamie Rood	Cody	
Cathey Gallagher	Ruth Sale		
Lois Gilbert	Sam Sampson		





Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays

November

Meghan DiMauro Whitehurst	2
Rick Holloway, Jr.	4
Joseph D. Tramontana	17
Sarah Fabriziani	18
Alice Perry	19
Morgan Teefy.....	24
Russ Ebright.....	25

December

Debbie Jobs	2
Julie Baker	5
Casey Jobs	6
Karole Rimel.....	7
Dennis Teefy.....	9
Patricia Canfield.....	13
Patricia Fedock.....	13
Doug Wooten	13
Shelly Jobs	14
Carmen Gamatoria.....	21
Tack Vann.....	22
Paul Mauldin.....	23
Melinda L. Craig.....	26
Ruth Mauldin	26

December Birthdays (continued)

Katie Beckley	27
Joyce Blake	27
Ruth Vaughn	27
Ruth Sale.....	28
Tammy Brinkman	30
David Lynch.....	30

Anniversaries

November

David & Courtney Tramontana	4
Frank and Becci Steinhilber.....	5
Dennis & Bonnie Teefy	23

Have You Submitted Your Name and Date?

If you would like your name included, please contact the church office with the date of your birthday and/or anniversary and your name.

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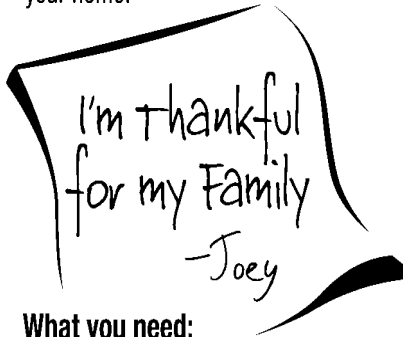
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Wall of THANKS

During this season of gratefulness, create a special wall of thanks in your home.

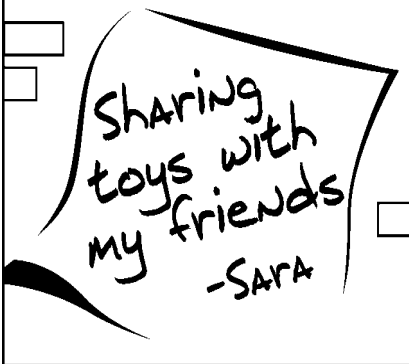


What you need:

- Sticky notes
- Pens or markers
- Poster board (optional)

What you do:

1. Every day in November, have each family member write or draw on a sticky note someone or something they're thankful for. (Try not to repeat ideas.)
2. Display your notes on a wall or on poster board.
3. Read your list every day to remind you about God's many blessings.



Be thankful for everything

When we're faithful, we see that God provides all we need.

Use the list of vowels below to complete the words of Ephesians 5:19-20, NIV.

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Answer:
Sing and make music in your heart to the Lord, always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. (Ephesians 5:19-20, NIV)

Serving in Worship

November 5	8:15 a.m.	9:45 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Greeter(s)	Laura & Mike McCoy	Jeff & Jodi Adams	Bill & Sandy Chase
Nursery	Dennis & Sarah Gehman		Debbie Schoeberlein & helper
Sound Tech	Niki Haug	Kim Rusin	Keith Beckley
Liturgist	Janet Jones		Morgan Teefy
Worship Leader			
Acolyte	James Woodford		
Anointing	Cathey Robertson & Carol Vann		Peg Trimboli & Gary Gray
November 12	8:15 a.m.	9:45 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Greeter(s)	Janet Jones	Mary & Gus Kowalewski	Lynn Colburn & Brenda Mergler
Nursery	Dennis & Sarah Gehman		Keith & Nancy Beckley
Sound Tech	Paul Mauldin	Kim Rusin	Paul Mauldin
Liturgist	Peg Carroll		Dee Ashby
Worship Leader			
Acolyte	James Woodford		
November 19	8:15 a.m.	9:45 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Greeter(s)	Kim & Lisa Altland	Gary & Laurie Gray	Shella Bierlair & Annabelle Thurlow
Nursery	Dennis & Sarah Gehman		Kerri & Jason Bauer
Sound Tech	Doug Wooten	Kim Rusin	Doug Wooten
Liturgist	Shirley Pollitt		Karen Jobs
Worship Leader			
Acolyte	James Woodford		
November 26	8:15 a.m.	9:45 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Greeter(s)	Tom Haug		Karen Jobs & Betty Caffo
Nursery	Dennis & Sarah Gehman		Bring Your Kids to Church!
Sound Tech	Niki Haug	Kim Rusin	Dean Cymek
Liturgist	Lisa Altland		Janyce Smalley
Worship Leader			
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NOVEMBER 2017 Church Calendar

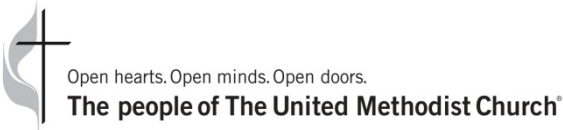
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><i>Regular Sunday Services:</i> <i>8:15 am, 11:00 am</i> <i>Praise & Worship 9:45 am</i></p>			<p>1 6 pm Praise Band 6 pm GS #1711 7 pm Cub Scouts 10am & 6:30 pm GriefShare Group 7 pm SPRC Mtg.</p>	<p>2 10 am Prayer Circle 6:30 pm AA 7 pm Cantata Rehearsal 8 pm Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>3 12 pm N.A</p>	<p>4 2:30 pm Great Cookie Bake</p>
<p>5 All Saints Sunday Daylight Standard Time 9:45 am Unicef Party 12 pm Paint & Snack Party 3:30 pm GS #4111</p>	<p>6 3 pm Staff Mtg 7 pm Budget Work Group 7:45 pm Handbells Rehearsal</p>	<p>7 5 pm AA 7 pm NA 10 am & 7pm Faith Study 7 pm Trayer Vigil for Homeless @ Centre UMC</p>	<p>8 6 pm Praise Band 10 am & 6:30 pm GriefShare Group 7 pm UMW</p>	<p>9 7:20 am Prayer Breakfast 10 am Prayer Circle 6:30 pm AA 7 pm Cantata Rehearsal 8 pm Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>10 12 pm N.A</p>	<p>11 8:30 am UMMen's Breakfast at Presbury UMC 8 – 11 am Hotcakes with Homeless @ Presbury UMC</p>
<p>12 Christ For All Peoples Deadline for The Visitor articles 9:15-11 am Holy Cup</p>	<p>13 6:30 pm GS #571 7 pm Finance Team 7:45 pm Handbells Rehearsal</p>	<p>14 8:30am Grace Place 5 pm AA 7 pm NA</p>	<p>15 5 pm Missions Team 6 pm GS #1711 6 pm Praise Band 7 pm Cub Scouts 10 am & 6:30 pm GriefShare Group 7 pm SPRC Mtg.</p>	<p>16 10 am Prayer Circle 12 pm St. John's Thanksgiving Dinner 6:30 pm AA 4:30 pm Welcome One Shelter 7 pm Cantata Rehearsal 8 pm Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>17 12 pm N.A</p>	<p>18 9 am Rake Day</p>
<p>19 Thanksgiving Sunday 3-5 pm Thanksgiving Service @ Hopewell UMC</p>	<p>20 7 pm Trustees 7:45 pm Handbells Rehearsal</p>	<p>21 5 pm AA 7 pm NA</p>	<p>22 10 am Prayer Circle 6 pm Praise Band</p>	<p>23 Thanksgiving Day</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p>
<p>26 Commitment Sunday Student Day</p>	<p>27 6:30 pm GS #571 7 pm Church Council 7:45 pm Handbells Rehearsal</p>	<p>28 5 pm AA 7 pm NA</p>	<p>29 6 pm Praise Band 7 pm Cub Scouts 10 am & 6:30 pm GriefShare Group</p>	<p>30 10 am Prayer Circle 6:30 pm AA 7 pm Cantata Rehearsal 8 pm Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p><i>Sunday School</i> <i>9:45am for All Ages!</i></p>	

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Schedule

- 8:15 a.m. Informal Worship Service**
with Celebration of Communion
(Nursery care available)
- 9:45 a.m. Praise & Worship Service**
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School for All Ages**
- 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service**
(Nursery care Available)



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