

## WILLIAMSBURG UMC WEEKLY ENOTE FOR SEPTEMBER 13, 2018:

Please be in prayer for these events in the life of our church!

### WORSHIP THIS SUNDAY

Social media platforms like Twitter make it easy to say something you might later regret, but you also have a chance to “take it back” by deleting it. Even then, sometimes the damage is done before it can be controlled. Of course, there’s no “delete” button when speaking to someone in person. Better to control your tongue before a word is spoken, as James advises. Rev. Bill Jones will preach on, “Taming the Tongue and the Tweet.” The Scriptures are James 3:1-12 and Mark 8:27-38. Join us in worship at 8:15 or 11:00 am. Sunday School is at 9:30 am. Stop by the atrium for coffee fellowship and greet your fellow worshippers.

**Weekly Discipleship Reflection:** Practicing the Presence of God  
Read Psalm 132

### Psalm Prayer:

May we be forever mindful today, O God, that you are in your dwelling place. Give us full knowledge and awareness of your saving presence, a presence that surrounds us at all time and reveals itself in love, compassion, and truth. Make yourself known to us today so we may dwell in you and you in us. Amen.  
*Rueben P. Job, Norman Shawchuck, John S. Mogabgab, “A Guide to Prayer for All Who Walk with God.” Used by permission. Upper Room Books.*

## SUNDAY EVENTS

### Selected Adult Sunday School Classes (9:30 - 10:30 am)

- Aldersgate Class (Wesley Hall): An extended study of the Bible based on the lessons in the “Disciple One” curriculum. September 16: “Lifegiver,” presented by Rev. Charles Swadley
- Fellowship Class (room 103): Continue with International Lesson Series
- Marvin Willard Bible Class (room 174): Begin “Bible People: Disciples,”
- Searchers Class (room 171): Study of James.

All our Adult Sunday School classes are meeting now on Sunday morning from 9:30 – 10:30 am. Information on any class, contact Cindy Banek, [cbanek@williamsburgumc.org](mailto:cbanek@williamsburgumc.org) or 229-1771.

### Youth

- Sunday morning: We will gather for food and drink; both physically and spiritually. And, we will probably talk about the weather; what did Jesus do in the storms?
- Sunday evening: We begin preparations for Youth Sunday. Meet in rooms 174 and 180 from 6:00 – 7:00 pm. Questions? Contact Andy Glascott (229-1771).

### Children’s Ministry

A new year of Sunday School has started every Sunday from 9:30 – 10:30 am! We have classes for preschool through 5<sup>th</sup> grade:

- Room 207-Preschoolers
- Room 302-Kindergarten through 2<sup>nd</sup> grade
- Room 301-3<sup>rd</sup> grade through 5<sup>th</sup> grade

### **Worship Place for Children during the 11:00 am Service**

Worship Place is in a new room! We welcome all children (ages 4-years-old through 5<sup>th</sup> grade) to join us after the “Moment of Teaching” during worship in our new Worship Place Suite (room 161). We provide age appropriate lessons, games and activities in a fun and safe environment. Come join us! For questions about Children’s Ministry, contact Martha Hernandez, [mhernandez@williamsburgumc.org](mailto:mhernandez@williamsburgumc.org) or 229-1771.

### **United Methodist Women Ice Cream Social**

Williamsburg United Methodist Women (WUMC) invite all the ladies, especially those with children, to join us for our Ice Cream Social on Sunday, September 16, 2:00 pm. in Fellowship Hall. Grandchildren, Wesley students and men are welcome, too. Betty Forbes, Trustee of Ferrum College, will speak about the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of UMW and their amazing legacy, locally, nationally and globally. Child care will be available during Betty Forbes presentation. Please make childcare reservations by contacting Martha Hernandez 229-1771 or [mhernandez@williamsburgumc.org](mailto:mhernandez@williamsburgumc.org)

### **Respite Benefit Luncheon Catered by Carrabba’s Italian Grill**

Wednesday, October 3, 11:30 am in the Fellowship Hall. Tickets are now on sale for \$18/person. 100% of your ticket price will support Respite’s engagement club for seniors. If you can’t attend, please consider a donation. For groups of 8-10, an entire table can be reserved.

## **THIS WEEK**

### **Update from the Trustees**

On August 28, the Trustees presented the need for a major church capital improvement plan to Church Council. This plan was the culmination of a detailed assessment of our church facility by consulting architects and engineers. Church Council referred the plan to the Finance Committee for further study and recommendations. Details regarding the plan will be available to all church members and friends in the near future.

### **Kid's Morning Out**

Kid's Morning Out (KMO) will serve toddlers ages 12-30 months by September 30, 2018. The program will run from 9:00 am to 12:00 noon Monday through Friday, and you may choose which day(s) to attend. For information visit our church website, [www.williamsburgumc.org](http://www.williamsburgumc.org), contact Laura Pittman, KMO Director at [lpittman@williamsburgumc.org](mailto:lpittman@williamsburgumc.org) or call the church, 229-1771.

### **Wesley Campus Ministry**

Tuesday: Small group study; reading Archbishop Desmond Tutu's Storybook Bible, 5:00-6:00 pm in the York Room at Sadler.

Thursday: Fellowship at 8:00 pm at Wesley House, right next door to the church.

### **ReCharge Wednesdays**

Join us for dinner every Wednesday night from 5:30 – 6:30 pm. The cost for the meal is only \$6/adult, \$3/child (ages 3-12) with a \$20.00 family maximum. Please make a reservation by completing a dinner form found at Connection Corner or in the pew racks, by calling the church office (229-1771) or online at <http://www.williamsburgumc.org/connect/whats-happening>. Reservations should be received by noon on Tuesday before the Wednesday dinner.

*Menu for September 19: Thanksgiving turkey dinner casserole; Vegetarian option available.*

### **Reconciling Evolution & Faith**

The Senior Pastor's Bible Study takes place Wednesday evenings from 7:00 – 8:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. How do Christians make sense of evolution or the Big Bang next to the claims of Jesus and the creation accounts of Genesis? These questions are much more than merely intellectual; they stretch to the deepest level of Christian faith. This study is repeated on Thursday mornings, 10:30 – 11:30 am in room 171.

### **ReCharge Discipleship Opportunities**

As part of our Road of Discipleship initiative, we are offering educational opportunities to help us follow Jesus by committing to be a part of the body of Christ, to become more like Jesus, and to join Jesus in ministry. A list of these opportunities appears in the Sunday bulletin and online at <http://williamsburgumc.org/connect/whats happening>.

### **Save the Date: September 26 from 7:00—8:30 pm**

"A Way Forward: a Q&A event with Bishop Sharma D. Lewis, the Rev. Tom Berlin and Ms. Martha Stokes." Bishop Lewis, the Rev. Berlin and Ms. Stokes will share their thoughts as well as moderate questions on the Commission on a Way Forward, the Commission's reports going before General Conference (GC) 2019 and the GC 2019 itself. Questions for the event will be taken via email. You can start to submit your questions now and during the Q&A at [wayforward@vaumc.org](mailto:wayforward@vaumc.org). This presentation will be livestreamed here at Williamsburg UMC in place of the Senior Pastor's Bible Study that evening.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS (9/23/2018 - and beyond)**

### **Report on Youth Mission Trips...and Lunch**

After 2 successful summer youth mission trips, we invite you to hear all about them both. Our middle school team that went to Romney, WV and our high schoolers that went to Hexham, England, will share stories from their trips and how they saw God changing the lives of people here in the US and in England. Join us for a pot-luck lunch on Sunday September 23. No need to bring anything, but if you can, please bring a main/side/dessert dish to share. Drinks provided. Questions? Contact Andy Glascott (229-1771).

### **Baby Shower Planned**

As Director of Youth Ministries Andy Glascott and his wife Amie await the arrival of their little one, please surround them with your love and prayer. A baby shower for this wonderful family will be held Sunday, September 30 from 6:00 -7:30PM in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome. Please bring a dish to share.

### **Sanctuary Orchestra**

Rehearsals for the Sanctuary Orchestra begin on Monday, October 1 at 5:15 pm. Whatever your level of instrumental skill, we invite you to join us in making music for worship. Questions, contact Lou-Anne Smith, 229-1771.

### **United Methodist Women's Book Club**

The next meeting of the UMW Book Club will be held Monday, October 8, at 7:00 pm at the home of Susan Griffin, 116 Heathery, in Ford's Colony. We will be reading and discussing, "Bus to Corinth," by Ladine Hausholder. All are invited and welcome. For more information, please contact Carol Brinkley at 757-258-0617.

**Connect 101**

Connect 101 is a meet and greet with the pastors for prospective members and persons interested in learning more about Williamsburg UMC. The next Connect 101 will be held on Sunday, October 14, at 9:30 am in the church parlor. Please make a reservation by filling out the blue Connect 101 card in the pew rack or online at our church website or by contacting the church office.