

WILLIAMSBURG UMC WEEKLY ENOTE FOR OCTOBER 18, 2018:

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

WORSHIP THIS SUNDAY: YOUTH SUNDAY

Join us on Sunday morning for worship as our youth lead us in God's presence as we explore the theme of personal prayer. Based on Matthew 6:5-8 and John 10:1-15, we'll discover different aspects of prayer – learning to recognize God's voice so we know when he answers prayer, praying with others and praying on our own and more. The service will be led entirely by Middle and High School members of our youth and music ministries. Join us in worship at 8:15 a.m. or 11:00 a.m. Sunday School is at 9:30 a.m. Stop by the atrium for coffee fellowship and greet your fellow worshippers.

Weekly Discipleship Reflection: Trust

Read Psalm 20

Psalm Prayer:

Remembering your faithfulness from age to age, O Lord, let us trust that you have our best interests in mind as you respond to our cries for help in times of need. By your grace, teach us to rely more and more on your strong hand to support and guide us in the face of adversity. Amen.

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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. October 21: "A Congregation in Ferment," presented by Rev. Helen Casey-Rutland.
- Fellowship Class (Room 103): Continue with International Lesson Series
- Marvin Willard Bible Class (Room 174): "Bible People – Disciples."
- Searchers Class (Room 171): Study of James.
- World Religions Class (Room 101): "When Christians Get it Wrong," by Adam Hamilton.
- Bishop McKendree Class (Room 102): "Who is God?" from the DVD study, "The Story of God."

All classes are open and welcome new people! Information on any class, contact Cindy Banek, cbanek@williamsburgumc.org or 229-1771.

Youth

- Sunday: Join us between services in the Youth Center, 9:30 a.m.
- Sunday Night: Café evening with games, food, drink and a chance to relax before the school week starts.

Children's Ministry

- Room 207 - Preschoolers
- Room 302 - Kindergarten through 2nd grade
- Room 301 - 3rd grade through 5th grade

Magnificent Melodies

A concert series benefitting Elliot's Song, an Outreach Program of Early Childhood Music School. A program of vocal and instrumental music with featured works by various composers on Sunday, October 21, 3:00 p.m., WUMC sanctuary. Free Admission with suggested donations to benefit Elliot's Song.

THIS WEEK

Judicial Council Hearings on "The Way Forward"

The United Methodist Judicial Council will partner with United Methodist Communications to livestream oral hearings held during the Council's fall meeting in Zürich, Switzerland. All of the oral hearings will take place on October 23, beginning at 8:30 a.m. CEST (Central European Summer Time) – which is six hours ahead of Eastern Daylight Time. The hearings will be open to the public and broadcast on the denomination's website, www.UMC.org/live, as well as via Facebook at www.Facebook.com/resourceUMC. Hearings will remain available on the website throughout the month to make it convenient to watch despite time zone differences and will also be archived at www.umc.org/who-we-are/judicial-council-october-2018-webcast. More information about the docket for the meeting, which takes place October 23-26, 2018, is available at <http://www.umc.org/who-we-are/judicial-council-october-2018-docket>.

"A Way Forward" Report to the General Conference

Copies of the final report to the Special Session of the UMC General Conference from the Commission on a Way Forward are available in the church library. You may also access the report and other information related to the work of the Commission on our church website, <https://www.williamsburgumc.org/grow/a-way-forward>. Please be in prayer for the delegates who will gather in February 2019 in St. Louis for this special session.

"Geek Squad"

The Communications Committee is looking for a few volunteers to become part of the "WUMC Geek Squad." We need individuals who have some technical skills with operating A/V equipment. We also need people who can help inventory all of the equipment the church currently owns and develop training materials for use of this equipment. If you're interested, please complete the online volunteer form located in the Special Events section at <https://www.williamsburgumc.org/connect/whats-happening> or call the church at (229-1771) or contact Karen McPherson at kamcpherson@cox.net.

ReCharge Wednesdays

Join us for dinner every Wednesday night from 5:30 p.m. – 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 October 24: Tortellini in a cream sauce with ham and peas, roll and dessert.

Upcoming ReCharge Opportunity: “Justified through Genealogy”

October 31 — November 14 from 6:10 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Theologians argue over whether a person’s salvation is justified through works or through faith. However, the first chapter of the Gospel of Matthew, frequently labeled, “The Genealogy of Jesus,” justifies the identification of Jesus as the Messiah by recounting the 42 generations between Abraham and Jesus – in a sense, “justifying” him by connecting him to Abraham through David, as foretold by the prophets. In this three-week course, we will examine how and why people get involved in genealogical research, how the results of such research can impact our image of ourselves or our society, and how to think about both the positive accomplishments of our ancestors and their sins, crimes, and foibles. If you are interested in genealogy but don’t know exactly how or where to start, this will give you an opportunity to interact with people who are also on this path. To register, contact Cindy Banek, (229-1771) or cbanek@williamsburgumc.org. Class leader: Karen McPherson.

Winter Is Just Around the Corner and Warm Coats Are Needed!

WUMC is collecting new winter coats for the preschoolers attending Head Start at the Historic Triangle Community Center. We need sizes 3, 3T, 4, 4T, 5 and 5T. Coats run large so please no coat larger than 5T. Collection bins for coats are located in the Reception Area off the Atrium. Thanks so much; from Local Outreach Committee.

UPCOMING EVENTS (10/28/2018 - and beyond)

Thanksgiving Morning Ministry

For 20 years, our congregation has prepared turkey dinners on Thanksgiving morning and delivered them to folks in the community who might not have a special meal on that day. These meals are made possible by contributions from our congregation. Pick up an orange shopping list after the worship services on October 28, November 4 and November 11. Bring these items to church with a check to cover turkey, stuffing, gravy, rolls, pies, fruit and supplies by Sunday, November 18.

Many volunteers are needed on thanksgiving morning to help with numerous projects including the meal preparation. Please register your participation with Lianne in the church office (229-1771) or lkoach@williamsburgumc.org. Registration begins October 24 and closes November 14. You will receive a call before the event giving you a specific task and time to “report for duty.”

Kids Morning Out Special Event

Halloween Party, October 31 at 11:00 a.m. with Costume Parade at 11:45 a.m.

Join us for Halloween fun in the KMO classrooms and a parade.

Questions about events, contact Laura Pittman, Director Kids Morning Out (229-1771).

Community Café

November 1, 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m., St. Bede Catholic Church, 3686 Ironbound Road

Learn ways to protect yourself and your money. James City County Officer McDowell and Hampton City Detective Hess will inform us of current scams and how to handle them, as well as safety concern questions. The Café is free and open to Williamsburg residents age 60+ or caregivers. It is sponsored by local congregations, businesses, and the Peninsula Agency on Aging. Join us for a short

presentation, snacks and prizes. Questions? Contact Martha Caruso, St. Martin Episcopal Church (229-1111).

United Methodist Women's Book Club

The UMW Book Club will meet Monday, November 12, 7:00 p.m., with the location to be determined. We will be reading and discussing, "Rubble Nation--Haiti's Pain, Haiti's Promise," by Chris Hurlinger and Paul Jeffrey. This book is in the Education for Mission category of the UMW Reading Program. For more information, please contact Carol Brinkley, (258-0617). All are welcome.

Special Speaker at ReCharge

In lieu of the Senior Pastor Bible Study on Wednesday, November 14, at 7:00 pm, we will welcome guest speaker Daoud Nassar, director of "Tent of Nations" and 2017 recipient of the World Methodist Council Peace Award. Daoud is traveling to Virginia in November to speak at various churches and community groups. He will also be at the College of William and Mary via the Wesley Foundation on Thursday, November 15. Sponsored by Global Outreach.

Shepherd's Fold Meeting

The Shepherd's Fold is the ministry to our members who are homebound or have special needs. Volunteers reach out to these church members by visiting monthly, delivering small arrangements made from our altar flowers and providing church materials. Additional volunteers are needed for this caring ministry. The Shepherd's Fold will be hosting a meeting on November 15, 3:00 p.m., in Room 352. Current volunteers, including David Hindman and Cindy Freeman, will talk about and share what goes on during their visits. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer or would simply like to learn more about what's involved, please consider attending this meeting or contact Tony or Vikki DiToto, (903-4976) or vikki Lynn@cox.net.