



WEDNESDAYS

Beginning at 5:30 p.m., and serving continuously until 6:30 p.m., enjoy a delicious dinner and good conversation with others. Our meals are expertly prepared by a professional chef and yet inexpensive: \$6/adult, \$3/child (ages 3-12) with a \$20.00 family maximum. After dinner, participate in our activities or simply enjoy the rest of your evening.

Please make a reservation for dinner by completing a dinner form at Connection Corner, in the pew racks, or calling the church office. Reservations are due into the church office by Tuesday noon before the Wednesday dinner.

Questions, contact Cindy Banek (229-1771).

Menu for October

October 4

Meatloaf, Whipped Potatoes, Vegetable, Roll, & Dessert

Vegetarian Option

October 11

Asian Pork, Rustic Potato Casserole, Vegetable, & Dessert

Vegetarian Option

October 18

Chicken Mozzarella Pasta with Sun Dried Tomatoes, Salad, & Dessert

Vegetarian Option

October 25

Maple Dijon Chicken with Winter Vegetables and Potatoes

Vegetarian Option



Commission on a Way Forward

Update with Bishop Peter Weaver

Wednesday, October 18 at 7:00 p.m.

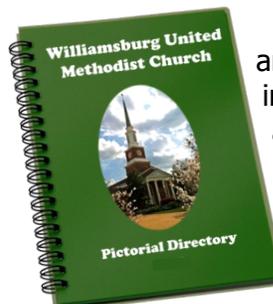
The **Commission on a Way Forward** is tasked with helping the United Methodist Church find a way past its current impasse on issues related to sexuality, particularly in relation to the ordination and marriage of LGBTQ persons. The *Commission* has regularly issued updates on its work, and all United Methodists are encouraged to learn about the work of the *Commission* and to keep the *Commission* and the whole church in prayer.

On Wednesday, October 18, at 7:00 p.m., Bishop Peter Weaver will help us understand what we can expect from this process, including the time frame for the *Commission's* recommendations and how those recommendations will be dealt with by the larger church. We will also get a sense of the direction the *Commission* seems to heading and what the implications might be for WUMC.

If you are interested in learning more, you can find news releases and updates at www.umc.org/wayforward.

There will be no Senior Pastor's Bible Study on October 18, but the ReCharge dinner will take place as usual, with the meal served continuously from 5:30p.m. - 6:30 p.m. and the update on the Commission beginning at 7:00 p.m. (You may, of course, come to the Update, the ReCharge Dinner, or both!)

New Church Directories Now Available



Our new church directories are here and available for pick-up in the atrium (on Sundays) and at Connection Corner all week.

The directories are free and are available to everyone.





“THE VILLAGE” IN OCTOBER!

We invite you to join us on Sunday, October 15 for a new way to worship! Beginning at 9:30 am in Fellowship Hall, come experience the uniqueness and unpredictability of The Village. This month, we will use art as a means of expression of our worship. We envision The Village as a place where people of all ages are able to worship together and connect with God.

Questions? Talk with Cindy Banek, Andy Glascott, or Anthony Williams (229-1771).



Celebrating the 500th Anniversary of the Protestant Reformation

In celebration of the 500th Anniversary of the Protestant Reformation, we will welcome The Rev. Al Staggs to Williamsburg UMC on Sunday, October 22. Al presents one-person performances and lectures for churches, colleges, seminaries and conferences throughout the world. Al's performances and lectures are utilized for spiritual formation emphasis, theological lectureships, theologian-in-residencies, chapels, retreats, theology and the arts events and peace and justice conferences.

After serving as a parish minister for more than twenty years, Al began a new career as a performing artist presenting his highly acclaimed, original one-person dramatization entitled [*A View From the Underside: The Legacy of Dietrich Bonhoeffer*](#) to churches, synagogues, colleges and organizations throughout the world. He has performed at Chautauqua Institution; Trinity Church, New York; the National Cathedral in Washington, DC; the International Arts Festival in Caux, Switzerland; Riverside Church, New York as well as more than one hundred colleges and seminaries and hundreds of churches representing a wide diversity of denominational affiliation. During the mid-1990's, Al began expanding his repertoire to include original interpretations of the lives of Clarence Jordan, Walter Rauschenbusch, Oscar Romero, Martin Luther, Roger Williams, Martin Luther King, Jr., Thomas Merton, William Sloane Coffin and William Stringfellow. In 2008, Al published his first book, a collection of poetry entitled *A Pilgrim in Rome: Cries of Dissent*.

Al Staggs' Schedule of Performances at WUMC (Sunday, October 22):

- 5-minute Vignettes of Martin Luther will be presented for the 8:15 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. worship services.
- *A View from the Underside: The Legacy of Dietrich Bonhoeffer* during the Sunday School hour (9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.) in Wesley Hall.
- *Martin Luther: Evolution of Faith* in Fellowship Hall at 6:00 p.m. We will have a covered dish supper at 5:00 p.m. prior to this performance for those who would like to come and share a fellowship meal with Al Staggs.