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Our Purpose:
Knowing,
Loving, &
Serving
God and
Others In
Unity

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

People Need The Lord - The Faith We Sing #2244

*People need the Lord, people need the Lord
At the end of broken dreams, He's the open door
People need the Lord, people need the Lord
When will we realize people need the Lord?*

One day two Christian musicians met in Nashville Tennessee for lunch. As Phill McHugh became aware the pain in the eyes of the waitress he commented to his friend Greg Nelson, "People need the Lord, don't they. Nelson responded, "Yes they do need the Lord." From that brief exchange came the idea for the song which was outlined completely before the end of the meal. Many hymnals only carry the chorus of this moving hymn. The full lyrics describe the private pain and fear that people carry and that can be seen when we look them in the eyes. "We are called to take His light to a world where wrong seems right," so that others may be healed with the words of life.

The vision of our church is to help people come to know, love, and serve God and others in unity... because people need the Lord. When our church leaders chose these inspiring words decades ago, it wasn't to fill the pews or the offering plates. It was to change lives. To bring healing where there is grief, companionship where there is loneliness and isolation, guidance where there is confusion, and hope where there is fear. "What could be too great a cost for sharing life with one who is lost?" the hymn asks.

Covid has challenged the ways we come together. Ever-changing technology has altered the methods we use to share God's word. In our culture people are more skeptical of religion and church and need time to develop trust before they can accept the gospel. But people still need the Lord.

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Mark (6:34) tells us that one day “Jesus landed and saw a large crowd, and had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd.” It is Christ stirring compassion in our hearts that dives us to restock food pantries, bless our pets, send shoeboxes filled with Christmas surprises to children another land, package toiletries so that displaced can maintain their personal care, fill thanksgiving baskets, provide dictionaries to 3rd grade students, and send cards of hope. It is Christ stirring compassion in our hearts that keeps us looking people in the eye, listening to their story and patiently helping them come to know, love and serve God as we get to know and understand them.

People need the Lord. How will you reach out to share Christ’s faith, hope and love this fall. Read on for events to tell others about, opportunities to invite folks in, and ways to help.

Blessings,
Pastor Wendy

Fall Sermon Series: So That...



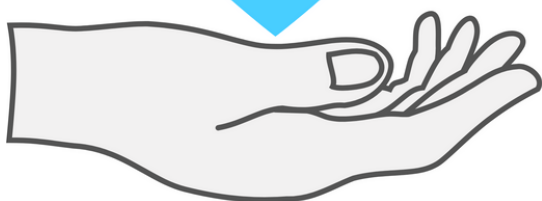
"Why Church" based on the Letter to the Colossians
Worship, study, ministry...there are reasons that we gather as a community of faith. Each activity is meaningful, purposeful, and fun on its own, but as the Apostle Paul pointed out to the Colossians, we gather and work together so that... Oops, spoiler alert! You will just have to join us to discover the answers. September 18th begins our new sermon series, So That...

Janet Long is moving! Her new address is:
1031 S. Community Drive Apt 215 Jupiter, FL 33458

Acolyte Ministry

When we worship indoors, the children take turns bringing the light of Christ into worship. That moment involves much more than just lighting the candles. It is one of the ways that children can be engaged in worship and give back to the congregation. It is about learning responsibility and how to praise God. We now have several children who are just the right age to participate in this ministry. We need a volunteer or a pair of volunteers to coordinate their efforts. We need someone to train, schedule, and appreciate our young acolytes.

Please text Lisa Niemann (410) 353-2793 if you would like to help with this ministry.



Social Needs had very few people reach out for assistance over the summer. We were able to help support Pastor Paulette when her house burned down, as well as assist Pastor Paul when he was on medical leave.

We purchased 20 backpacks, headphones, and school supplies to fill the backpacks for 2 local elementary schools:

Davidsonville ES and Shady Side ES.

Our next meeting is September 8th. We will discuss the Thanksgiving baskets, Angel Tree, Christmas shoe boxes and hopefully a Christmas luncheon!



Meet Ann Simmons who joined our church about 6 years ago. Many of you do not know her because she attended the 11 AM service and then because of serious health concerns has not attended since Covid. She is a lovely woman and maybe more of you will have the pleasure of meeting her down the road.

We are developing a ministry that brings communion to those who are unable to attend church. Communion kits will be handed out at our next meeting. We have also asked Pat Brodsky to make communion cards we can hand out when we give communion and hope to have them available at or soon after our next meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Debby Wasson

**We are collecting items for the homeless!
Please consider donating something from
the lists below.**

We also will need large empty boxes for storing and transporting the kits and lunches
Toiletry items needed include:

- Toothbrushes
- Toothpastes
- Dental Floss
- Hand sanitizers
- Gallon-size Ziploc bags
- Snack-size Ziploc bags
- Q-Tips
- Large safety pins
- Travel soaps, shampoos, conditioners, lotions
- Deodorants
- Pens
- Writing tablets
- Combs
- Nail Files
- Wash cloths
- Hand Towels
- ChapSticks
- Small flashlights

Lunch items needed include:

- Juice boxes
- Bread
- Ham
- Cheese
- Mustard
- Clementines
- Mints
- Potato Chips
- Lunch bags
- Sandwich-size Ziploc bags



**Our next meeting is October 9th right after the 9 AM service for 45 minutes.
So, get your coffee and donut and come to the parlor for the meeting!**

Dear Christian Friends,

Years ago, before joining this church, the words on the Message Board read, "Enjoy the scenery along the detour." I believed that this message was personally directed at me, and perhaps it was since it wasn't long after that I decided to transfer to the DUMC church family.



Our lives are like a road trip. We like to think we plan each stop along the way, and it's important how we get between these destinations; but, of course, God controls the GPS. Isaiah tells us, whether you turn to the right or to the left, your ears will hear a voice behind you saying, "This is the way, walk in it".

Imagine traveling down your personal yellow brick road with your besties. You know, of course that these friends have the gifts of love, courage and wisdom; but are not on your road all the time. After all, they have their own roads, but they are the friends you depend on, not just the ones you meet along the way. When you're on that road from somewhere going somewhere else, it matters not if the destination is planned, but know that Jesus is your constant companion. Jesus is the way, the truth and the life. He sees you through all the ups and downs, smiles and tears. I know that I have Him to thank that my journey has taken me to DUMC! Yes, I did enjoy the scenery, but I loved the journey here, as well as each detour along the way, and I suspect I still have a few side trips ahead lol

With the summer of 2022 in our rear-view mirrors, cherish the new memories you've collected. Always take time to enjoy the scenery, but never forget that wherever you go, there you are. Go with God.

Peace & Love, Connie



CCDC NEEDS Teachers and Aides! Share the News!

CrossRoads is looking for individuals, strong and anchored with kindness, patience, and love of supporting the growth of children in mind, body, and spirit. Must be 18 years old, have a High School diploma, have a 90-hour certification for Child Development Preschool and Curriculum (preferred, but we can support you in obtaining this certification and other pre-service training). Responsibilities include but are not limited to: lesson planning based on child, developmentally appropriate curriculum, establish positive and collaborative relationships with families and staff, adapt program activities to meet the unique and individual needs of the whole child, and maintain professional and appropriate communication with parents or caregivers and fellow staff. Interested applicants, please email your resume to crdirector@crossroadscdc.com.



Wednesday Morning Women's Bible Study:

Old Testament heroes are best known for their most celebrated moments: Moses dividing the Red Sea; David slaying Goliath; Gideon routing an insurmountable army; Joshua marching around the defiant walls of Jericho. And Elijah—calling down fire on Mount Carmel. Blinded by the remarkable narratives of our biblical heroes, we can forget they each had a backstory—months and years of development, even difficulty, which fortified their spiritual muscle and prepared them for the tasks that made their lives unforgettable. The Women's Wednesday morning Bible group will be starting a 7-session study by Priscilla Shirer, on **Sept 14th at 9:30 AM.**



Tongues of Fire:

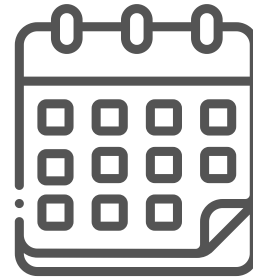
Enjoy the delicious taste of smoked pork butts and beef, and BBQ half chickens on **Sept. 17** at our Tongues of Fire Sale. We will also be serving our famous coleslaw, homemade BBQ sauces, beans, chips, and sodas! We'll be open from **11 AM until 2 PM**, unless the food runs out, so get there early!



Back-to-Church Sunday: People go to church for many good reasons, such as finding a place to belong, to learn about faith, to feel connected to God, to heal, grow, and to serve the community. As the back-to-school season approaches, you may be reflecting on your life and what you truly need. It could be here, with the people of Davidsonville UMC! Join us on **National Back-to-Church Sunday, Sept. 18** as we all worship together at **10 AM** in the Sanctuary, and then celebrate life with God with food, fellowship, and fun at a picnic in our Fellowship Hall.



Save
the Date



Blessing of the Animals

On Saturday, Oct. 1st, we will have our yearly drive-through blessing of the animals! All types of animals are welcome. You may also make an appointment with the pastor to bless your farm animals. We will be collecting donations of pet food to support animals in need.

Alternative Christmas Market: The United Methodist Women are hosting the sale for The Ten Thousand Villages. They are a non-profit organization that takes products made by artisans in less developed countries, buys the items, and then markets them in the United States. There will be an amazing range of items, from toys, to scarves, placemats, jewelry, baskets, scented soaps, olive wood items, stationary sets, and wonderful Christmas ornaments. The United Methodist Women will receive a percentage of sales which will support the needs of a battered Women's Shelter. This event is a perfect opportunity to give the gift that keeps on giving. The Market will be from **10 AM to 2 PM on Saturday, Nov. 12th and Sunday, Nov. 13th** in the Fellowship Hall!



Watch For:



In Memoriam

Jim Fate, 1934 - 2022



James "Jim" Fate, Sr., of Annapolis, MD passed peacefully on Tuesday, July 12, 2022. Born on August 21, 1934 to the late Ruth and Harry Fate, Jim was an incredible business owner and volunteer throughout his life. Over the years, Jim volunteered at The Davidsonville Ruritan and Davidsonville United Methodist Church, where he was an active member. His mission in life was to help anyone in need and to make people feel accepted. His hobbies included golf, reading, winning at bingo and spending time with family and friends. He was married to his best friend and the love of his life, Marilyn Miller Fate, for 55 years until her passing in January 2020. Jim was a loving father to Jim (Michelle) Fate, Jr. and Jean (Matt) Edwards. He was an extremely proud "PopPop" to his 10 grandchildren, Thomas, Natalie, Joseph, Noah, Sophie Joy, Luke, Ruth, Moriah, Joel and Elijah James and was a supportive brother to Charles Fate and his late sister, Evelyn.

Celebration of Life

Davis & Esther Peck



10 AM, Saturday, June. 25, 2022

It was an honor to be able to preside at the funeral for Rev. Davis and Mrs. Esther. Rev. Davis. They served our congregation in 1956-1964 and 2001-2002. Esther shared the gospel through music, as our organist. They remained friends of the congregation and welcomed many guests to their beautiful home in Solomon's Island. After listening to stories about the Peck's told by their nephew Scott Masters and others, Colossians 3:12-17 was chosen as key scripture for their memorial.

David and Esther were the fun Aunt and Uncle, joyful and adventurous. They were "with it". They gave the youth the Good News translation of the Bible. I feel that as church leaders and friends, they exemplified compassion, humility, and quiet strength as expressed in Colossians. They practiced what they preached.

Baptisms



James Ryan Egbert

Gracie and Dusty Egbert kept passing our church as they drove to and from work, or the grocery store, or the hardware store. One day they decided to come in and meet us. Since then we have baptized their 2 other sons, Tyler & Ben, and on Aug. 21st, Gracie and Dusty along with sponsors Brian Egbert and Molly Egbert presented third son Jay (James) for baptism. We were so glad to welcome their whole family to worship.



Clay Jasper Kronenthal

Craig and Sara have been active DUMC participants prior to 2016, often pitching in with Tongues of Fire and other ministries. They became full disciples with our congregation in January 2017. It seems like just a short while ago that we baptized Cole, but it has been four years! Craig is a Washington DC lawyer specializing in patent laws. Sara has put her passion for the environment into action. Currently she is the Senior Director for Water for the White House Council on Environmental Quality. We are blessed to have her wise guidance on the Staff Parish Relations Committee. Faith is central to this family. And they want CJ to grow and mature in faith in the church, in our congregation. So they along with his godparents Robert Kronenthal and Elisa Gonzales-Rothi presented this young lad for baptism Aug. 14th.

Submit a joy or concern online: dumc.net/prayer

3 WAYS TO GIVE



Giving Envelopes

Give by cash or check with in worship Sunday mornings



Online Giving

Give a one time gift or set recurring donations on our website: DUMC.net



Text Giving

Text \$(desired amount) to 410-324-6399 to give via text message

September

- 3 - Katie Potts
- 5 - Allison Arslanian
- 5 - Kristin Varner-Maslar
- 6 - Leanne Sparks
- 7 - Greg Scruggs
- 8 - Pat Brodsky
- 8 - Brenda Klein
- 9 - Delma Miller
- 11 - Kevin Doney
- 13 - Steve Alexander
- 13 - Lynda Hall
- 16 - Lauren King Fiesler
- 16 - Vicki Kontson
- 17 - John Campbell
- 17 - Dot Wood
- 18 - Everett Wasson
- 19 - Cyndy Doney
- 19 - Sharon Loss
- 20 - Amanda Sparks
- 23 - Barbara O'Donnell
- 27 - Chip Hardesty
- 29 - Luke Borchelt
- 29 - Bob Doyle
- 29 - Pam Matousek
- 30 - Lena Fiesler



August

- 1 - Kristy Moseley
- 4 - Bev Finn
- 4 - Don Wilson
- 6 - Barbara Cohen
- 7 - Herb Wilson
- 10 - Katelyn SIngler
- 11 - Demi Heider
- 13 - Eleanor Taylor
- 16 - Logan Masters
- 16 - Rita Siprak-Weill
- 17 - Lee Matousek
- 22 - Aaron Brantley
- 23 - Jodee Niemann
- 25 - Vassie Hollamon
- 27 - Steve Leonard
- 29 - Torin Jacobs
- 31 - Connie Haywood

- 9/2 - Damon & Rhonda Ostis
- 9/3 - Dusty & Grace Egbert
- 9/6 - Randy & Marie Slmpson
- 9/10 - Beverly & Scott Swaim Staley
- 9/19 - Ray & Rebecca Robertson

- 10/ 3 - Erin & Vassie Hollamon
- 10/22 - Douglas & Lisa Wasson
- 10/24 - Carl & Vicki Drew

*~HAPPY~
Anniversary*

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