LAMPLIGHTER

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

PASTOR'S MESSAGE

The desert and the dry land will be glad; the wilderness will rejoice and blossom like the crocus. They will burst into bloom, and rejoice with joy and singing. (Isaiah 35:1-2)

This scripture passage comes from the book of Isaiah and describes how the land will begin a process of rebirth in preparation for the Israelites being release from exile and returning home. All will see the glory of the Lord!

All winter we have been preparing for people to return to the Lord through our various forms of worship, study, and ministry. We've focused on learning how to BE church by reading through 1 Corinthians from start to finish. We've been growing into our purpose of helping people come to know love and serve God and others in unity.

Now we are beginning to see new growth. In May and June expect to see new members vowing to work for God with DUMC, new families seeking baptism, and fresh experiences of God through ministry. The Tongues of Fire Ministry has found its heat again and begun "Spreading the Gospel one bite at a time." They held their first sandwich sale April 30th and have another one planned for June 4th. Cards for Troops will be crafting cards for soldiers on Saturday May 7th. You are welcome to come and make a card. The Fellowship Hall has been reserved on Thursday June 23, for a lunch for seniors. One only has to have achieved the age of 55 to be included. Who will you invite into fellowship?

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Beginning in June and continuing through July and into August we can look forward to being inspired by several guest preachers. The summer sermon series, "Voices of the Prophets," is designed to allow for a variety of new ideas and snippets of sage wisdom as each preacher brings a favorite scripture passage to explore. Rev. David Thayer will be with us to celebrate Pentecost. District Superintendent Rev. Sarah Schlieckert will preach June 12th. Pastor Paul will give us a mini-series on the Prodigal Son in July and our own David Chevalier will give his first sermon as a member of our congregation in August.

It is going to be an exciting Summer!

God's glory is blooming and blossoming in our congregation. Let us rejoice and sing!



Blessings, Pastor Wendy

June 5th, we will be moving our first service to 8:30 AM, outside to the Green Cathedral.





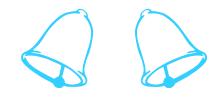
Some Palm Sunday and Easter fun!

Pictured:

- A puppet show put on by Pastor Wendy & Tara Pierru explaining Palm Sunday to the children.
- 5 year old Stella building the Easter craft from the children's Easter kits.
- The Hall family using our backdrops for a nice family photo!







Our beautiful bell choir performed for us on Palm Sunday!



In March, we hosted a Ministry Fair, giving all our committees a chance to welcome new members into their ministries! Cards, Social Needs, Sunshine, Tongues of Fire, UMW, UMM, Finance, Youth, CCDC, Missions were some of the stations! If you are interested in getting involved in our church, please email the office!

















Our first Tongues of Fire BBQ Sandwich Sale of the year was a success! Thank you to everyone who came out and supported this ministry! We had 28 volunteers, sold 199 sandwiches, and sold out of the food! Thank you especially to Mark Bowser, Lee Matousek, and Damon Ostis for your hard work. And a special thank you to Joann Smith for her guidance, and Blair Smith for being with us in spirit. It truly was a wonderful day.



"SPREADING THE GOSPEL, ONE BITE AT A TIME."



On Good Friday, we opened our Sanctuary for those who wished to take time in prayer as we approached Easter. Families and individuals entered the silent Sanctuary and took some time to be in the presence of our Lord, and reflect on the true meaning of Lent, Good Friday, and Easter.





This month's pictures are of David Chevalier who recently had hip surgery who is a new member that mostly attends the 11 am service, and the second picture most of you know is Adam and Betty Schmitt who have had some health issues but are doing well now.



Continued prays for Susan Lamar as she recovers from her knee surgery, Rick Kurtinitis as he deals with medical problems, Ann Simmons as she deals with on going problems with her eyes, leg, and diabetes. Prays for those in mourning: Jennifer Hincks as her father recently died and Kathy Reents who recently lost her brother, as well as the family of Max Covington and Charlene Ferrell.

The Sunshine committee will meet May 5th and again on June 2nd at 7 pm on Zoom.

Respectfully submitted, Debby Wasson

DUMC is looking for a Nursery worker to work Sundays for 3 hours. Payment will be \$20/hour. Applicants must be over 18 and good with children.





Mrs. Barbara is retiring in June! She has been with us since the opening of CCDC. We are looking forward to celebrating her next month. Details will be sent out in June.

The 2022 Easter Egg Hunt was a success! All the children had a wonderful time. Our playground is getting plenty of use in this spring season. The weather has allowed the kids to get outside more and enjoy the playground!

In-Person ScheduleMay 15June 26July 10 & 24August 14 & 28

By: Casey Duley

Our DUMC youth group has been continuing to meet a few times a month in person! We welcome anyone who would like to help chaperone, bring meals, or participate in any way! Contact Casey if you would like to get involved! 6th graders and up are welcome to join!



Social Needs & Outreach By: Florence Ingram

- Our next blood drive is June 29th.
- Debby and her group made sandwiches for lighthouse shelter on April 3.
- We donated money for Easter baskets to Bethany Air in Edgewater. They said they made 105 baskets and sent me many pictures and videos, a few shown below! Faces on the children as well as adults were priceless.
- The Ministry fair went great, we had 10 new people sign up to join us!
- We are in the process of planning the senior luncheon for Thursday, June 23 in the fellowship hall. Keep eye out in church bulletin for more information of the luncheon.







Mission Opportunities:

Builders for God Missions Trip 2022 - Builders for God (BFG) missions team will be traveling to Montrose, PA the week of Father's Day (June 19-25) to serve the bible camp there. BFG serves bible camps annually that have the most need paired with our skill sets that are joining the trip. The primary goal is to assist these camps in getting ready for the summer. There is something for everyone of any age and this is a very family friendly event. The cost is inexpensive, lodging, meals, and resources of the camp are all provided. If you'd like more information, contact me tim.mcardle@verizon.net or 410.218.0074. We have openings, but the trip is getting booked quickly! If you are interested, sign up now!!! Even a partial week is appreciated!

Handyman Ministry - several members of Riva Trace Baptist Church assist people in the community with smaller scale DIY/handyman services in an ongoing ministry. The dates, times and projects vary. Ideal for retirees with DIY skills. Richard Edmonds is the lead on this ministry - he can be reached at 443.534.4260.



Mercy Chefs - The latest update regarding the Kentucky weather event is that Mercy Chefs are in more solid locations now and rather than a delivery system they have places to go to get food and resources. It's a long term ongoing effort. We are going to be contemplating a monetary donation to the group - more on that soon. Big high five to Damon, Lee and Luke for stepping out on this one. Most recently Mercy Chefs is involved with boots on the ground near Ukraine to help refugees and provide aid to that event.

CrossRoads is looking for an individual, 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 <u>crdirector@crossroadscdc.com</u>.



Dear DUMC Friends,

The past is the "is-ness" of the was. Did that get your attention? I want you to remember this because it's your memory that makes yesterday a part of today, and, of course, our lives are made up of good memories as well as not so good memories.

Connie's Corner

Without our memories we could never learn from our mistakes; we could never achieve our full potential; we could never love with our whole heart. We are who we are because of who we were and what we achieved yesterday, not because of who we might be or what we might learn tomorrow. We are all works in progress on our Christian Faith Journey. We are all children of God, and He is present with us regardless of our merits, shortcomings or wrong-doings. We are worthy because we are God's image bearers; called to serve as representatives of Christ in today's world, a world flawed by injustice. We feel pain when we ask "why". We weep when we see the horror the media provides termed "news." May we live to find meaning in this madness as we remember that God is suffering with us, just as He did that Friday over 2,000 years ago.

Today is the tomorrow we worried about yesterday; so let us hold today in our hearts, knowing beyond a shadow of doubt that our Heavenly Father has blessed us and continues to bless us because HE IS !!

God bless, Connie

The acolyte ministry allows our DUMC kids and youth to bring the light of Christ into worship. If you or someone you know is interested in this ministry, please contact the church. This is an exciting way for kids to become involved in their faith and we appreciate all of our volunteers for helping carry the flame of the acolyte ministry!











On **Saturday, May 7, from 1 PM to 5 PM**, the cards ministry will hold their annual card making event at the church. We would love to see you then. Don't need to bring anything – just come make cards with us!

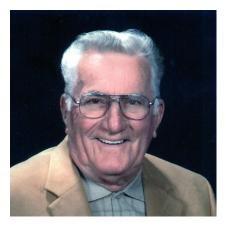
Tongues of Fire BBQ ministry will be having another sandwich sale on **Saturday, June 4th!** Don't miss the delicious food!





Holy Family Catholic Church is having Vacation Bible Camp this year! This year's VBC: June 27- July 1, from 6pm - 8pm. Food Truck Party VBC invites children of all ages to get on a roll with God as a parade of Food Trucks rolls into their neighborhood for the summer's biggest party! Using Matthew 6:11; "Give us this day our daily bread", children are invited to pray as Jesus teaches. These words serve as a reminder that everything we have comes from God - and our daily needs are met by God. Volunteers are also needed!

In Memoriam:



Max Covington, 1935-2022

Maxwell Covington, Jr., 87, died on March 14. He served in the U.S. Army from 1957 to 1961. Max was a lifelong farmer and also worked for Reliable Construction, Hopkins and Wayson and was a partner in the Subterranean Construction Company. He was a member of the Ruritan Club, Davidsonville United Methodist Church, Three Rivers Sportsmen Club and the Elks Club. Max enjoyed farming, hunting, golfing, following the stock market and investing. He is survived by his wife of 57 years, Nancy, as well as sons and grandchildren.



Charlene Ferrell, 1931-2022

Charlene Blanche Ferrell, born on January 6, 1931, passed away on January 26, 2022, at the age of 91. Charlene and her late husband, Charles, were members of DUMC many years ago. They shared 55 years together. She was devoted to her family and any opportunity to spend time with them was important to her. Charlene was a wonderful wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, sister and friend who was loved, is missed and will always be cherished. Charlene enjoyed reading her Bible, singing in her church choir and with her school glee club. As an avid gardener, Charlene loved flowers and working in her yard. She was an active volunteer in her community organizations, traveled extensively with her husband, spent countless hours in her kitchen preparing food to give to others and was known for her kindness, loyalty, compassion, and generosity. Her cheerful attitude and radiant smile will be missed. She was a bright spark in this world.

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

3 WAYS TO GIVE



Giving Envelopes

Give by cash or check with in worship Sunday mornings



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

Online



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



5/4 - Kaitlyn & Adam Burgess 5/23 - Ed & Lynda Hall 5/25 - Bruce & Deb Angevine 5/25 - Herb & Mary Wilson 6/2 - John & Barbara Cohen 6/9 - Daniel & Barbara Colacicco

- 6/11 Don & Sarah Simpson
- 6/13 Gene & Debby Wasson
- 6/14 Lee & Pam Matousek
- 6/24 Steve & Kelly Arslanian

<u>May</u>

- 3 Nelson Outten
- 5 Steve Arslanian
- 5 Jeanne Bowser
- 5 Howard Hardesty
- 7 Frank van Vliet
- 8 Emery Bisci
- 10 Tim McArdle
- 10 Pat Wood
- 11 Charlotte Maslar
- 12 Alex Joya
- 13 Carter Clurman
- 14 Bob Ingram
- 15 Megan Arslanian
- 15 Sara Kronenthal
- 18 Bruce Angevine
- 19 Rebecca Hollamon
- 19 Charles Hollamon
- 19 Raye Long

- 19 Joseph Maslar
- 22 Grace Ianicelli
- 22 Elisa Jillson Stanek
- 25 Mary Conklin
- 26 Steve Cornelius
- 26 Harlow Manahan
- 26 Kevin Wright
- 29 Rusty Lamar
- 30 -Noel Doney
- 30 Noah Doney
- 30 Susan Lamar
- 31 Dane Hall



<u>June</u>

- 1 Charlie Hardesty
- 4 Adam Burgess
- 5 Tyler Potts
- 5 Hailey Potts
- 5 Don Simpson
- 6 Delores Bowling
- 6 Daniel Wallander
- 7 Eileen Smith
- 10 Evelyn O'Neill
- 11 Abby Geiman
- 11 John Graves
- 14 Shannon Long
- 15 Florence Ingram
- 16 Kellie Baur
- 16 Dusty Egbert
- 16 Tricia Moeslein
- 18 Liz Morrissey
- 21 Trent Fiesler
- 21 Rick Kurtinitis
- 22 Jean Smith
- 23 Lucy Taylor
- 24 Carl Drew
- 24 Bob Wilson
- 26 Jerry Fiesler
- 28 Claire Stanek
- 20 Jacob Burgess

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