The Acern Newsletter



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"His word is in my heart like a fire, a fire shut up in my bones.." - Jeremiah 20:9

Thank You

This Certificate is Awarded to

Camp Chapel UMC, Perry Hall

For giving 100% to the Baltimore-Washington Conference and General Church Mission Shares in the year of 2023.

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"To inspire and equip local faith communities to develop disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world."

April 11, 2024

Dear Pastor Carol,

Grace and peace to you in the name of the Lord.

On behalf of the Baltimore-Washington Conference, I extend my appreciation to you and your congregation for faithfully offering 100% of your 2023 mission shares. I am grateful for your commitment to support the mission and ministry of our United Methodist Church locally and to our wider world-wide connection.

Thanks to your gifts, neighbors near and far have been blessed by your generosity. Your mission share dollars allow for the shared ministry of our General Agencies to reach out in mission to areas with great needs/ Your generosity supports a variety of important ministries and impacts thousands of lives. Our connection is strengthened through your faithful giving.

May your congregation continue to be a blessing in our shared ministry.

With heartfelt gratitude and prayers,

Ann R. Laprade
Baltimore Suburban District Administrator

Notes from General Conference

TALKING POINTS



- United Methodists are people of God who, across the connection, share a common mission and values.
- The United Methodist Church transcends geography, borders, barriers and differences.
- Founded on a Wesleyan theology of grace, we are people of faith who
 experience and extend the love and grace of God as we serve our
 neighbors near and far.
- United Methodists are anchored in Scripture and committed to a discipleship that is grounded in the love, teachings and example of Jesus Christ.
- The United Methodist Church is a diverse worldwide church serving all people, where everyone belongs and can be fully included and regarded as God1sbeloved.
 - As John Wesley said,
 "Though we cannot think alike, may we not love alike?
 May we not be of one heart, though we are not of one opinion?
 Without all doubt, we may."
- We are moving forward with renewed hope and a focus on mission and ministry as we make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.
- We proudly claim that we are a people with open hearts, open minds and open doors.

Departed



Richard Vaughn Smith

Richard, age 64, of Rosedale, MD, passed away on April 2, 2024. He was the beloved husband of Sharon Lee Smith (nee Barnes); devoted father of Dr. Kellie N. Smith and her husband Michael Swecker, and Tyler V. Smith and his wife Dana Smith; loving grandfather of Riley A. Smith, Easter V.E. Swecker, Birdie L.R. Swecker, and Fox L.M. Swecker; dear brother of Tracey Smith, and Lori Smith and her wife Linda.

Thank You

The family of Richard "Rick" Smith would like to thank our Church Family for all the support during this very difficult time. We are truly blessed to have such a supportive and caring congregation.

Smith/Swecker Family



We deeply appreciate the heartfelt expressions of sympathy, support and love received from my Camp Chapel Family during the loss of our father. Thank you for keeping our family in your prayers.

Judy and David Homberg





Madalyn L. "Maddie" Petroff

On May 20, 2024, Madalyn L. Petroff (nee Osborne); beloved wife of the late F. Allen Herman and Christopher J. Petroff; late companion Dan Rufo; devoted mother of Allen L. Herman and his wife Lois and the late K. Lynne Adams and her partner James McAllen; loving grandmother of Andrew Herman, Jeremy Rosendale and Alex Herman; great-grandmother of Aiden Herman and Dominic Herman; sister of Maynard "Ozzie" Osborne and the late Avalon Bloss and Joan Otradovec.

WELCOME TENOR RYAN WILSON

Mary Smith and Cheryl Stevens gave me a t-shirt that reads:

"All I want for Christmas is a choir with...

- 1. Sopranos who understand that every note is not a solo
- 2. Altos who can sing above middle C
- 3. Tenors (at least one)
- 4. Basses who are awake and know what page we are on, or at least what piece we are rehearsing"

Number 3 came true with a donor to the Guest Artist Fund. What a blessing it has been to add the wonderful tenor voice of Ryan Wilson! He is such an asset to the choral music at Camp Chapel!

Here is an informative biography that came from the Deer Creek concert program, when Ryan was their featured soloist:

"Ryan's first choral singing experience was as a boy soprano in the choir at Emmanuel Episcopal Church in Bel Air, MD, eventually growing into his tenor. He joined Deer Creek Chorale in 2018 and participated in his first-ever choral concert. In 2019, Ryan started studying voice with Martha Banghart, but those lessons were interrupted due to the pandemic.

He sang with DCC at Carnegie Hall's performance of *Alzheimer's Stories* in 2021. This experience spurred an even deeper desire to develop his instrument and pursue additional performance opportunities. In 2022, Ryan joined the Baltimore Choral Arts

society on a tour of Berlin, Prague, and Vienna, performing Bernstein's *Chichester Psalms* with the BCAS, the Vienna Sing Academy, and the Vienna Radio Symphony, under the baton of Marin Alsop. Following this tour, Ryan auditioned and was accepted as a full member of Baltimore Choral Arts.



Tenor Ryan Wilson performing with the Deer Creek Chorale at Towson UMC

Ryan maintains a rigorous schedule, singing with the DCC, the DCC Chamber Choir, Baltimore Choral Arts Society, and is a choir member and soloist at Camp Chapel United Methodist Church in Perry Hall, MD. Ryan loves being able to lend his voice to the incredible sounds that only choral music can provide.

Ryan is a graduate of St. Mary's College of Maryland and holds a dual Bachelor's Degree in Computer Science and Mathematics. He is currently a Project Lead for the Radar Signal Analysis Team at Aberdeen Proving Ground.

> Gary Lushbaugh Music Director

2024 FLOWER SALE A SUCCESS!

What a joy it was to see the delivery of such beautiful, vibrant flowers from our grower! The ladies and guys were in awe of the brilliant colors and varieties as we unloaded 2000 plus flowers of all designs. Our one rain free day of the weekend was Saturday – a true blessing!

Selling flowers to benefit the church's maintenance and repair was our goal. However, the real bonus was the love, friendliness, and concern of our volunteers for each other that bubbled over to our patrons from the community. Great conversations were had, babies were adored, dogs were petted, brownies were offered and children had their photos taken for moms and grandmoms.

We are so appreciative of the wonderful support from Camp Chapel and especially thankful for the number of pre-orders we received. Thank you!

Highest praise goes to the volunteers for not only their hard work, but for their insightful ideas and happiness they expressed while serving others, Camp Chapel, and God! Thank you volunteers: Marge Brown, Luz Cabotaje, Pat Fish, Debbie Howes, Karen Knauer, Mary Ann Plummer, Mike and Pat Ryan, Tammy and Don Stipek, Michele Taylor, Sue Wallace, and Holly and Ron Wolf!

Special thanks to those who worked behind the scenes to help keep things running smoothly: Judy Homberg, Bill Smith and Allen Zink.

Holly Wolf

OUR YOUTH LEND A HELPING HAND



On Thursday, March 14th, the Youth Sunday School class at Camp Chapel gave a Helping Hand to the Streets of Hope Men's Shelter in Essex. Four youth and four adults served dinner to the residents of the shelter. The men

and the workers at the shelter were very grateful for the hot meal, salad, and dessert that was provided. The youth also were grateful for the experience of serving and lending a helping hand. A big thank you goes to the participants from Camp Chapel: Briella Almony, Ethan Morrow, MaryAnn Plummer, Josh Klemm, Leah Klemm, Keith Klemm, and Sue Wallace.

Another big thank you goes to the parents from the youth class who still donated items although their children were not able to serve: Angela and Maya Gaskin, Sharon and Landon Beveridge. The Youth Sunday School class plans on continuing this activity next year.

Karen Knauer-Youth Sunday School Teacher



CONGRATULATE CAMP CHAPEL'S 2024 GRADUATES

Eva L. Finney

Eva is graduating from Middlebury College in Vermont, where she earned a double major in Political Science and Spanish. She made the Dean's List all four years of her college career. After graduation she has a position waiting for her as an analyst with Fortress Investment Group, LLC, in New York City. She is the daughter of Vanessa and Kelly Finney.



Keegan Lee Gregory

Keegan graduated from Poolesville High School in Montgomery County. Keegan will be attending Purdue University in West Lafayette, Indiana to pursue a degree in the field of Aeronautics, and he will be earning his private pilot's license within the next few weeks. He is the grandson of John and Nancy Lee Gregory.



Zachary Kempler

Zach received a master's degree in computer engineering from the John's Hopkins University Whiting School of Engineering in Baltimore. He maintained a 4.0 GPA throughout his career there. He plans to continue working at Northrup Grumman and enjoy some international travel. He is the son of Cheryl and Terry Kempler.



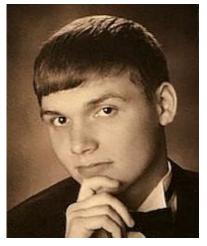
Magdalen Marie Ruth

Maggie graduated from The Catholic High School of Baltimore on May 28, 2024. She is the valedictorian of her class and earned many other scholarships and awards. She will be attending UMBC and has been accepted into the Meyerhoff Scholar Program. This program is designed to promote science, engineering, math, and advanced degrees. She will begin her studies in biological sciences on June 15 as part of the Meyerhoff Scholars' Summer Bridge Program. She is the granddaughter of Carol Ann and Richard Ruth.



Gregory J. Yanson

Greg is graduating from Calvert Hall. He plans to attend the University of Louisville in Kentucky in the fall to study business administration. He is the recipient of a four-year Regional Scholar Award from the university. He is the son of Karen and Chris Yanson.



Ethan John Morrow

On May 26, 2024, Ethan graduated from Aberdeen High School. He currently works at Great Wolfe Lodge as a lifeguard and plans to seek a career as a first responder, either with the police department or the fire department. Since the passing of his mother, Ethan has been raised by his aunt, Sarah Plummer. He is the grandson of Mary Ann Plummer and the great grandson of Edna Halcott.

Upcoming Events

J.O.Y. (Just Older Youth) Wednesday, June 5, 11 am in Fellowship Hall



Join us and enjoy an afternoon of lunch, games, and fellowship with other Camp Chapel members. Bring a sandwich and a drink for lunch (dessert will be provided). Feel free to bring your favorite board game, cards, or dominos. We meet on the first Wednesday of each month.

All Are Welcome!



Camp Chapel Community Yard Sale

Saturday June 1, 8 am to 1 pm (Rain Date June 8)



Come on out and pick up a few bargains! Clothing, jewelry, crafts, home décor, collectibles... just about anything your heart desires! Take your time. Wander through the displays and browse to your heart's content! For questions, contact Barbara Thompson at barbara 7916@msn.com.

Yard Sale Helpers and baked goods are still needed!!!



Upcoming Events (continued)



Vacation Bible School

Tuesday to Thursday, July 9 - 11 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm Ages 3 to 10



CLOSING/PARTY - SATURDAY, JULY 13 (1:00-3:00 pm)

VBS *WildLIVE!* is an animal theme adventure where kids encounter creatures from around the planet, complete with amazing skills, special habitats, and surprising features. Through the lessons, students will focus on Jesus' captivating character and discover how to follow Him in their own "habitats."

Registration is now open on the church web site! https://campchapel.org/event/vacation-bible-school-july9-2024/



Or scan the QR code ▶

Volunteers are needed to make this event a success! Please reach out to Jackie Brawn if you can help in any way! (jackiebrawn@gmail.com or 410-652-2776)

(FYI - Adult Bible Study will be offered again this year and will be open to the entire congregation to attend!)





Holiday Bazaar White Elephant Table

It's time for Spring Cleaning so as you organize your household, we ask you to consider donating any unwanted items to the Holiday Bazaar's **White Elephant Table**. These items would include – handbags, jewelry, accessories, tablecloths, placemats, Christmas things, and general household items – all in good condition. We will begin collecting these items IMMEDIATELY and will continue to collect until the week before

the bazaar which is **November 16, 2024**. Please put items in a bag or box and label them **WHITE ELEPHANT**. You can put them outside the craft room door OR contact Jackie Brawn at 410-652-2776 to arrange for pick up.

Thank you!



Upcoming Events (continued)

A WILLING HEART, A DESIRE TO HELP OTHERS IN NEED, AND TWO CAPABLE HANDS

Do You Feel Called to Serve Others?

How Would You Like to Participate in a Local Volunteers-In-Mission Activity?



Camp Chapel UMC will be pulling together a team of handy individuals to complete one or more projects sponsored by the Baltimore County Christian Workcamp. YOU DO NOT NEED TO BE A SKILLED WORKER TO PARTICIPATE. THERE ARE MANY WAYS TO HELP!

DATE: Week of July 22nd (probably Tuesday & Wednesday,

maybe Thursday). You can work 1 day or multiple days.

TIME: 8:30 am - 4-ish

PLACE: Exact location to be determined, but it will be somewhere

on the east side of the county.

DOING WHAT: Outdoor projects, probably a handicap ramp

WHAT TO BRING: Work gloves. If you have them: basic hand tools, power

tools.

REQUIRED: A willing heart, two capable hands, and a desire to help

others in need.

There is no cost involved. Building materials will be provided by the Baltimore County Christian Workcamp.

CHILDREN AGES 6 AND UP MAY PARTICIPATE, BUT MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT.

If you are interested, email Pat Ryan at pryan21236@comcast.net by Monday, July 15th.

Bits and Pieces

LTJG Up, Tangled, USNR

I am writing this essay on Memorial Day, 2024. We often seem to forget that there are three major observances celebrating those who are serving or did serve in the military: Memorial Day, Veterans Day, and Armed Forces Day. Armed Forces Day salutes all who serve now or served in the past, living or dead; Veterans Day honors all who completed their service; Memorial Day is for those who gave their lives for their country. As a veteran myself, I don't like that these three get blurred together in the way we celebrate them. I'm bothered somewhat when I am asked to stand and be recognized in church or elsewhere on Memorial Day. I didn't die – in fact, I didn't get so much as a scratch from 1968 to 1971 as an officer in the U.S. Naval Reserve at Naval Stations and aboard the USS LaSalle, so I don't want, nor do I deserve, a memorial. I had lots of friends who were killed, though, and being acknowledged on Memorial Day for my service, to me, is like being honored for something that a lot of other people did, not me. It feels somehow dishonest, and I'm frankly very uncomfortable about it. Armed Forces Day and Veterans Day are for me, not Memorial Day.



Your author in 1968.

In fact, the whole idea of honoring the men and women who serve our country in the military gets very tangled up for me. I'm beset with mixed feelings. First and foremost, I consider it to have been a profound privilege to have given those years of my life to my country. It was a sacrifice, to be sure, but I made it, and regardless of any misgivings I may have had before I was mustered in, the experience was incredible, and I am glad I did it. My father served in World War II, and I know that I made him and my mom very proud when I enlisted, but at the same time, Dad made it very plain that his wish would have been that it wasn't necessary for me to go. It was tangled up for him, too.

In today's world, going to war is a decision made by old men who often have no personal stake in the hostilities. Politicians who are

themselves too old and too weak to fight commit thousands, tens of thousands, maybe millions of young men and women whose names they will never know to endure life altering trauma and, for many of them, injury and death, sometimes for a just cause, but often for obscure reasons – lines on a map, tribalism/nationalism, differences of opinion about who God is or whose side God is on. At this moment, for example, there are more than 50 armed conflicts raging throughout the world, the oldest in Iran, where the Kurdish people have been fighting to form their own state since 1918, and the most recent between Hezbollah and Israel in Gaza. If there was ever a tangled-up mess, Gaza is one of the worst. Some of them are being waged for valid causes, but many are not. In my time, America was involved in Viet Nam. I didn't believe in that war, but I believed in my obligation. That was the way it was when I served, and that tangled me up big time.

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Every civilization the world has ever known has, at least at some time in its history, glorified warfare. 7,000 years ago, Egyptian pharaohs adorned their tombs and temples with pictures of epic battle scenes. Much of our oldest literature is about war, like the *Iliad*. Spartan women sent their men off to battle with the farewell, "With your shield or on it," in other words come back carrying your shield or being carried upon it, dead. In medieval Japan, the samurai developed the code of bushido (武士道), the "way of the warrior." The Bible tells us that God commanded the Israelites to go to war against their enemies many times. One could argue that war was an honorable endeavor once. Ancient kings and queens started wars, but they had the courage to strap on armor, take up a weapon, and assume their places at the head of their armies. Enemies faced one another at close range when they fought, and monarchs and generals were just as involved as the foot soldiers. I'm not saying that was good, but at least there was an element of personal accountability and risk. But then somebody invented gunpowder and rifles, then cannon, then machine guns, then airplanes and bombs, then rockets. Today, a head of state gives an order, a noncom presses a button, and a bomb falls out of the sky onto a "target" and snuffs out the lives of fifty human beings who may or may not be carrying weapons. The killing is done by remote control, and nobody gets their hands bloody. Glory has gotten harder to find in modern warfare. That tangles me up. Even in a war with a just cause, killing has become far too easy and far too indiscriminate. And didn't God carve "Thou shalt not kill" in stone? That's got to be important, and that tangles me up even more.

In grade school, I had to memorize the poem "In Flanders Fields" by John McCrae.

In Flanders fields the poppies blow Between the crosses, row on row, That mark our place, and in the sky The larks, still bravely singing, fly, Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie,
In Flanders fields

Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.

I have to be honest, when I was nine or ten years old I had no idea what any of that meant. My teacher told us it was written in the First World War, and Flanders is Belgium. Apart from that, all I knew was that it was a sad poem about dead soldiers talking to their living comrades-inarms.

Today, it's one of my favorite poems. What does it say about war? It's bleak, isn't it? It's dead warriors speaking to the living, and what they have to say from their resting places, knowing what they now know, is horrifying. They tell us that they died and their sacrifice meant nothing much. The birds sing, the flowers grow, life goes on, and so does the war, and the guns still pound away, creating more dead. Days ago, they were alive and life was good, but now they're dead. What happened in-between? They don't say. They don't tell anything about how they experienced the war. What did any of it mean? The trenches? The barbed wire? The mud? The lousy food? The blood? The pain? The stench? The fear? The loneliness? The grief? The act of being killed? Nothing! They were alive some days ago, and now they just lie there. There are no heroes, no cowards, just the Dead. And what do they tell those that survive them? Just keep fighting. Fight on, fight on. We won't rest if you don't fight on. The Dead give no thought to winning or losing – that is not part of the plan. The Dead do not speak about why they fought or why the living must continue to fight. They do not tell the living whether they believe whatever they might have been fighting for was worth dying for. They don't assure the living that God will approve of their combat exploits. There's no grand objective to achieve, no glorious cause to sacrifice a life for. We're the Dead. You're the living. Just keep on fighting. For us. Forever.

If my orders had sent me to Viet Nam in 1968, and if I had been killed there, would I speak from the grave as McCrae has the Dead under Flanders lying fields speak? I honestly don't know. It's all tangled up for me. That's just a part of why I feel a little ambivalent on these patriotic military observances and when holidays, or someone thanks me for my service. Yes, I'm overwhelmingly proud to USS LaSalle LPD-3, on which I served. have done my duty to America. I



thank God that I had the opportunity. But there's a lot more going on in my head – God, duty, killing, service, honor, sacrifice, humanity, good and evil, death, and more, and it's still all tangled up in there.

Bill Smith



From the Church Historian

As Church Historian I will be writing a series of articles on the History of Camp Chapel.

Part Four: 1983 – The Chapel Fire

Tragedy struck Camp Chapel on Monday morning, August 29, 1983, when a summer storm with lightning and thunder hit the Perry Hall community. At 1:45 am a lightning bolt struck the 112-year-old Chapel setting it ablaze.

At the time, Reverend William Wyatt and his family were living in the church parsonage (which is today the location of the storm management pond). The Wyatts' young daughter woke them up saying the she was scared. Around 3:25 am, a young man was pounding on the parsonage door shouting "your church is on fire!" Rev. Wyatt ran outside to the Chapel while his wife Linda called the fire department.



Some of the exterior fire, smoke, and water damage to the Chapel

As Rev. Wyatt approached the Chapel, he saw smoke rolling out of the bell tower and from under the eaves. From the cemetery side of the Chapel, the back window closest to the pulpit was broken and flames could be seen in the corner. The fire was moving fast, and flames burst through the back of the Chapel.

Cowenton Volunteer Fire Department (now White Marsh Volunteer Fire Department) was the first to arrive. Fullerton Fire Department also arrived, and they quickly started to fight the fire. However, water pressure was a problem, but once the water hit the fire the flames were driven back. By 5:30 am the fire was extinguished. Through the smoke and flame, the first fireman to break through the sanctuary said the first thing he saw was the picture of Jesus hanging on the back wall. The pastor of Ebenezer United Methodist Church was one of the volunteer firemen who helped to put out the fire.

Two memorial windows were destroyed. The piano and organ were lost. Surviving the fire were the Baptismal Font and the Altar Table that had been built by The Reverend Gibbs McKenney (former pastor). The fire burned the dosal cloth all the way up to the 114-year-old Bible which survived with only water damage and severe fire and smoke damage. Most of the roof and side walls near the rear of the 120 seat Chapel were also destroyed. The glass lights were also damaged. Carville M. Akehurst retrieved both the Pulpit Bible and the picture of Christ hanging on the wall. The tower bell was also salvaged. At the time of the fire the Chapel was not being used for regular worship since a new sanctuary had been built. It was mainly used for baptisms, small weddings, and funerals.

Sadly, the congregation was planning to celebrate its 170th anniversary of the founding of Camp Chapel in September. Despite the fire, it was decided to move forward with the celebration.

The Board of Trustees voted to restore the Chapel and the restoration was completely covered by insurance. E. Scott Moore was president of the trustees at the time. Church member Wilbur Grover accepted the job to restore and refinish the chancel The stained-glass windows furniture. were also restored. Dale Pennewell and Carville G. Akehurst took the supervising responsibility of the reconstruction and working with Wantz Construction Company to complete the rebuilding of the Chapel. The total cost to restore the Chapel was approximately \$55,636.83 dollars.

A Service of Rededication of the Chapel after the work was completed was held on June 10, 1984, at two o'clock in the afternoon. I was the organist for the service. District Superintendent Reverend Robert Zimmeril was there to share in the celebration.

On Sunday, February 19, 1985, another Service of Rededication was held in the Chapel for the restored Bible. Nancy Borgerding presented the Bible Reverend Paul Grant.

Then and even today, members of the congregation trace their entire religious background and family connections to the existence of the Chapel. Today, members worship in the Chapel at the 8:30 am service every Sunday and enjoy the beauty of the stained-glass windows and seeing the picture of Christ hanging there.

Next month: **Present Sanctuary**



The extensive interior damage to the Chapel



Part Four: 1983 - The Inspecting the exterior damage, including one of the memorial windows that were destroyed

Doris Akehurst Tarleton Church Historian

Birthdays

June Birthdays July Birthdays

Dorothy DeCarlo	June 1	Patricia Fish	July 3
Jennifer Moriarty	June 1	Joyce Kraft	July 3
Heather Akehurst-Krause	June 3	Luz Cabotaje	July 4
Sharon Beveridge	June 7	Bob Delkoon	July 6
Judy Homberg	June 7	Cheryl Stephans	July 6
Katie Heyne	June 10	Gio Amador	July 9
Terry Kempler	June 11	Allen Zink	July 9
Ryan Beveridge	June 13	Shirley Curtain	July 12
Gloria Marks	June 13	Nate Pendergrass	July 13
Roger Price	June 13	Richard Spero	July 13
Glenn Porter	June 16	Kay Glisan	July 14
Lynette Vitanza	June 16	Janet Rogers	July 15
Brenda Grande	June 22	Frank Long	July 19
Zoey Jackson	June 24	Susan Smith	July 20
Michael Palmer	June 24	Laurie Stephan	July 20
Pat Ryan	June 26	Henry Delkoon	July 22
Helen Fringo	June 28	Edward Mathus	July 22
		Beth Olcott	July 23
		Robert White	July 24
		Lisa Dziuk	July 26
		Katie Klemm	July 27



Having a Birthday?

The Acorn would love to celebrate every single birthday of every member of our congregation, but sometimes we do not have that information in our files! Each month, we list the birthdays for this month and the next. If your birthday does not appear, please send an email to acorn@campchapel.org with your name and the month and day you were born. WE DO NOT NEED TO KNOW THE YEAR! Your age can be your secret!

Lectionary Readings



June

June 2 – 2nd Sunday after Pentecost

1 Samuel 3:1-10 (11-20) Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18 (UMH 854) 2 Corinthians 4:5-12 Mark 2:23-3:6

June 9 – 3rd Sunday after Pentecost

1 Samuel 8:4-20 (11:14,15) Psalm 138 (UMH 853) 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1 Mark 3:20-35

June 16 – 4th Sunday after Pentecost / Father's Day

1 Samuel 15:34-16:13 Psalm 20 or Psalm 72 (UMH 795) 2 Corinthians 5:6-10 (11-13) 14-17 Mark 4:26-34

June 23 – 5th Sunday after Pentecost

1 Samuel 17:(1a, 4-11, 19-23) 32-49 Psalm 9:9-20 (UMH 744) 2 Corinthians 6:1-13 Mark 4:35-41

June 30 – 6th Sunday after Pentecost

1 Samuel 1:1, 17-27 Psalm 130 (UMH 848) 2 Corinthians 8:7-15 Mark 5:21-43



July

July 7 – 7th Sunday after Pentecost

2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10 Psalm 48 (UMH 782) 2 Corinthians 12:2-10 Mark 6:1-13

July 14 – 8th Sunday after Pentecost

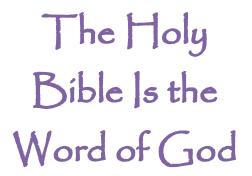
2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19 Psalm 24 (UMH 755) Ephesians 1:3-14 Mark 6:14-29

July 21 – 9th Sunday after Pentecost

2 Samuel 7:1-14a Psalm 89:20-37 (UMH 807) Ephesians 2:11-12 Mark 6:30-34, 53-56

July 28 – 10th Sunday after Pentecost

2 Samuel 11:1-15 Psalm 14 (UMH 746) Ephesians 3:14-21 Mark 6:1-21





IMPORTANT REMINDERS

Handicap Parking

Because there is such a demand for the limited number of handicap parking spaces, if you are currently accustomed to using one of these spaces and the driver of your vehicle is able, please consider having the driver drop the passenger off, park in one of the regular spaces, and pick up the passenger when the service or the event is over. Thank you for your consideration.





SPRC Message About the Pastor's Work Week

Just as we respect Judy's days off, please respect Pastor Carol's regular days off (Fridays and Saturdays - her "weekend") by not calling or texting her unless it's an emergency. Before you call or text, please pause and think about it: most things can wait until Monday.



Email Address Changes

Acorn articles should be submitted to a new email address: acorn@campchapel.org

If you wish to email Pastor Carol, send it to: pastor@campchapel.org

Emails to Judy should be sent to: office@campchapel.org



Do You Have a Comcast Email Address?

Comcast has marked the church's office email address as suspicious. Emails sent from the office account are rejected by comcast servers. Camp Chapel is not certain when this problem can be resolved. If your email address ends in comcast.net you can ensure that you will continue to receive emails from the office by adding office@campchapel.org to your safe senders list in the application you use to manage your mail on your phone, tablet, or computer.



Prayer Requests – cards are available to anyone who wishes to request prayers. The cards are available in the Narthex of the Chapel and in the pews in the Sanctuary. You may place the card in the offering plate, hand it to an usher prior to the service, or give it to the pastor after the service.

Another way to request prayers is through Camp Chapel's Facebook page on which members may post their joys and concerns throughout the week. Other members can respond with an emoji expressing their support or with a comment offering an encouraging word. Yet a third way to request prayers is by using the Prayer Request page on the church web site:

https://campchapel.org/prayer-request/

or scan the QR code ▶



Each week, prayer requests from these sources are collected and lifted up at the worship services.



A Message from the Finance Committee



On behalf of the Camp Chapel UMC Finance Committee, I am requesting that everyone take a moment to consider how important Camp Chapel is to you and to others. Our church programs provide valuable support not only to members of our congregation, like our worship and Bible study activities, but also to people beyond our congregation, such as those assisted by our furniture ministry. Our church's essential needs do not diminish during the summer months but attendance at Sunday services typically does. So please prayerfully consider before vacations start how you can continue to make your weekly or monthly contributions to CCUMC via Bill Pay, online giving, or mobile giving even when the distractions of warm weather activities take you away.

Congregational giving may not be at the front of your mind this summer season as you daydream about tropical destinations, mountain vistas, cool sea breezes, places to visit, and sights to see, but you can most definitely believe that it's on the mind of your Church Treasurer. For most churches, attendance declines during the summer months, and when attendance shrinks, giving decreases as well. There's even a name for that – the "Summer Slump!" But you can be sure that when it comes to the cost of maintaining the church buildings and grounds and providing for the services supported by the church, there's no such thing as a slump.

So as the weather gets warmer, please remember that we depend on your generosity and your financial support year-round to maintain the mission and ministries of Camp Chapel even when you cannot attend Sunday services in person. Thank you so much for your continued support and have a wonderful summer!

Winston Bain Chair, Finance Committee