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Thank You, Camp Chapel, for All You Do!



I would like to thank everyone who volunteered to help with Vacation Bible School this year.

This would include Sue Wallace, Cindy Kahl, Karen Knauer, MaryAnn Plummer, Katie Klemm, Leah Klemm, Robin Craven, Karen Warren, Lisa Dziuk, Lula Gray, Briella Almony, and Jacob Smith

It is because of you that our program was such a success. Thank you again!

Jackie Brawn



Thank You, Camp Chapel, for All You Do!



The Pillow Project would like to welcome the following wonderful volunteers, who graciously have agreed to help with the washing and ironing of donated fabric, the cutting of the fabric or who have agreed to do both: Carla Crisp, Mary Ann Daubert, Diane Gunther, Katie, Leah & Faith Klemm, Beth Lingner, Carrie Malhotra-Ortiz, Patricia (Rosie) Norman, Doris Tarleton, and Sue Wallace.

We are so thankful for these new volunteers as well as all of our current volunteers, because without them, we would not be able to continue this wonderful ministry and touch so many lives one pillow at a time.

Debbie Kalendek

CAMP CHAPEL NEWS

PICS FROM VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



CAMP CHAPEL NEWS

CHANCEL AND BELL CHOIRS

The Chancel Choir will resume weekly rehearsals beginning Thursday, September 4 at 7:30 pm and will sing on Sunday, September 7 at the 11 am service for the first time in the fall.

The Bell Choir will hold its first rehearsal on Monday, September 8 at 7:30 pm in the sanctuary. At this rehearsal we will set a schedule of dates for the Bell Choir to play. Please bring your calendars.

It would be great to add new members to the choirs. The Ministry of Music is extremely important in the life of a church. It is always exciting to see people return to the fold each year, and even more exciting if we would welcome new members.

It would be wonderful to have new talent join us for Chancel Choir or/and Bell Choir. I know that it is quite a commitment, but there are wonderful rewards in serving Christ and his church in this ministry.

SAVE THESE DATES!

Fall In-House Concert – Sunday, November 2 at 4 pm in the sanctuary

Christmas Concert by our tenor, Ryan Wilson – Sunday, December 14 at 4 pm in the sanctuary

Gary Lushbaugh
Music Director

WHO WE ARE & WHAT WE DO: ALTAR GUILD

The duties of the Altar Guild include changing the paraments (altar cloths) and banners for the church season, preparing the candles for Sunday services and special services, decorating the altar and the church for special services and seasons, assigning acolytes for each Sunday, and setting up and assisting the pastor with communion.

The Altar Guild team members are (left to right) Allen Zink, Sue Garrison, Cathy Zink, Cheryl Stevens, and Mary Smith.

Cathy Zink
Chairperson



CAMP CHAPEL NEWS

DEPARTED

P. Louis Rohe Jr.

October 3, 1921 – June 1, 2025



P. Louis Rohe, Jr., passed away on June 1, 2025 at the remarkable age of 103. Raised on the family farm in Baldwin, Louis lived a life of integrity, generosity, and deep commitment to his family. He was an attorney, real estate developer, and bank president. A longtime member of Camp Chapel, he served as Sunday School Superintendent and youth teacher in the 1950s and 1960s.

He has now been reunited with his beloved wife of nearly 75 years, Loloa May (Smith) Rohe, who passed away in 2017, and his devoted daughter, Karen L. Cox, who he has dearly missed since

2018. Louis was the devoted father of Karen and her husband Adrian Cox, Louis P. Rohe and his wife Linda, and Gary L. Rohe and his wife Susan. He is also survived by nine grandchildren, twenty great-grandchildren, and three great-great-grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to Camp Chapel in honor of Louis' enduring spirit.

FILM SEMINAR ANNOUNCES ITS 17TH SEASON

The Camp Chapel Film Seminar is back for our 17th season. The unifying theme for the eight movies is *Do the Right Thing*. We view interesting films, some classics, others less well known. Each session begins and ends with a discussion of the movie with emphasis on how the movie illustrates some aspect of our Christian journey. We also talk about the movie's merits as a film and suggest things to look for as we watch it. We meet each month on a Saturday from 6 pm to about 9 pm via Zoom. Each session stands alone – you can join us for one movie, four movies, or all of them, depending on your interests and your schedule.

Our film lineup for 2025-2026 (subject to change):

2025

September 20 *On the Waterfront*
October 18 *People Will Talk*
November 15 *Do the Right Thing*
December 6 *We're No Angels*

2026

February 21 *Water for Elephants*
March 21 *The Quiet Man*
April 18 *Three Days of the Condor*
May 9 *Fail Safe*

Check the Acorn each month for details about that month's movie selection.

Bill Smith

Upcoming Events

Faith Grows by Pizza: A Pizza Baking Workshop and Summer Garden Party

August 3, 1:30 pm to 3 pm



Come out to a pizza baking workshop and Summer Garden Party. Join Camp Chapel United Methodist Church for the second “Faith Grows by Pizza” workshop! Attendees will harvest herbs and tomatoes before taking part in a pizza baking workshop using these plants grown over the summer. Learn how to make pizza from your very own home-grown ingredients! Contact Kathy Martin (kathymartin@comcast.net) or Frank Long (frank.h.long88@gmail.com) for details. Please bring a reusable water bottle! We hope to see you there!



J.O.Y. (Just Older Youth)

Wednesday, August 6, 11 am
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!



Potluck Luncheon and Hymn Sing

Sunday, August 10
Following the 10 am Worship Service

Make plans to join us for an old-fashioned potluck lunch in the Fellowship Hall, then return to the sanctuary to learn new music from the *Worship & Song* hymnal.



The Deadline for Submitting Articles for the
September *Acorn* Is Monday, August 18



Upcoming Events Continued

CAMP CHAPEL CHILDREN'S CARNIVAL

SATURDAY AUGUST 30

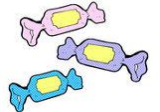
11 am to 2 pm



Fun, Old-Fashioned Carnival Games for Every Age!
 Tickets are just 25¢ each or \$5.00 to enjoy all the games!



Petting Zoo Crafts Pony Rides
 Refreshments Penny Candy Table Souvenirs



AND MORE!

BRING THE WHOLE FAMILY!



Camp Chapel Community Yard Sale

Saturday September 20, 8 am to 1 pm

(Rain Date September 27)

Registrations are available online only. The cost is \$22 per space. For detailed information and registration, click here: **YARD SALE** Or scan the QR code ►



VENDORS: Complete the registration form, and Vendor Lease Agreement, and submit your payment. You will receive an email confirmation. Spaces will be assigned, and you will be notified. You may request a specific space, but it is NOT guaranteed. For questions contact **Barbara Thompson** at barbara7916@msn.com



SAVE THESE DATES!



August 5	Trustees	September 2	Trustees (Zoom)
August 6	Band of Brothers	September 3	Band of Brothers
August 12	Finance Committee (Zoom)	September 7	Regular Worship Resumes
August 13	Circle of Sisters	September 9	Finance Committee (Zoom)
August 20	Band of Brothers	September 10	Circle of Sisters
August 26	Church Council (Zoom)	September 17	Band of Brothers
August 27	Circle of Sisters	September 23	Church Council (Zoom)

HELP WANTED!

CHILDREN'S CARNIVAL (SATURDAY, AUGUST 30)

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR THE CHILDREN'S CARNIVAL: If you are available, we welcome your help. Please speak with Jackie Brawn.

PENNY CANDY DONATIONS: Any individually wrapped candy item will work. (NO chocolate candy or DUM DUM lollipops please!) Please contact Jackie Brawn at jackiebrawn@gmail.com or 410-652-2776 to arrange drop off or pick up. **THANK YOU!**



COMMUNITY YARD SALE (SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20)

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Help is needed for directing traffic, parking, set/clean up, white elephant and food/bake table. Please consider giving of your time to help at this event.

6 to 8 am	Vendor Parking Assignment
8 am to 1 pm	Parking for Shoppers
7 am to 1:30 pm	White Elephant table
8 am to 1 pm	Food/Bake Table

CALLING ALL BAKERS!

Please consider baking cookies, a cake, brownies, or other goodies for the bake table. Donations of baked goods are needed.

Contacts:

- Parking, set-up, cleanup, **Barbara Thompson 410-665-8049**
- Bake table, **Angela Gaskin agaskin5525@gmail.com**
- Setup/take down the White Elephant table, **Anita Obinger 410-931-6841**



The Blackberry Trellis

I'm Kellie Smith. Several of you may already know that I have a fondness for gardening. Specifically, I love growing food that my family and I can enjoy together. When we moved to Pylesville in 2021 with a nice plot of land, one of the first things we did was plant various fruit trees and bushes: apples, cherries, plums, grapes, blueberries, raspberries, and blackberries. The Arborist who delivered our plants told me, "The blackberry bushes don't *need* a trellis, but they do a lot better when they have something to hold them up". I thought to myself, "These plants in the wild don't have trellises, and they survive just fine. If they don't *need* a trellis, they aren't getting one. We aren't going to grow any sissy bushes here, needing trellises and such!"

And so, the seasons passed, and as the old adage goes, first they slept, then they crept, then last year, they leapt! My cute little vines grew into huge, sprawling, unmanageable brambles... with

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no trellises to hold onto. When the March rains led to my garden beginning to bloom, and the brambles now falling over, growing every which way, and taking over my yard, I finally decided that maybe they did need a trellis after all. I guess we can only fight where the Lord is guiding us for so long, in gardening and in life.

My dad was always the person I turned to whenever I needed advice about anything home-related, including gardening. He had this vast knowledge of all things home improvement and if he didn't know, he would figure it out. Anything to help his kids when they needed something. And he was famous for teaching by his actions, so we would have the skill for the rest of our lives. When he died on April 2 of last year, it left a huge hole in my life and in my heart, in more ways than one. During this time, the Church kept me and my family together in ways I cannot even describe. The kindness, compassion, support, and sympathy from our Church family was so above and beyond anything I could have ever imagined. They showed us the Lord in a time when we desperately needed to see Him. And although I have been attending Camp Chapel UMC for nearly my entire life, I admittedly hadn't fully given myself to the Lord's work. During this time, the Church *taught* me how to serve the Lord by *showing* me. And it was the best lesson.

So, one Saturday I decided to start the trellising process. I took out my phone to call my dad for advice, forgetting that he wasn't here anymore. I guess the reality hadn't quite sunk in at that time. It became clear this was something I needed to figure out myself.

When Pastor Carol checked in on me at the next church service, as she often does, I joked that this trellis had now become a symbol of my grief during my father's passing and that figuring out this trellis on my own was its own form of grief counseling. This turned out to be true, but not in the way I had originally thought.



In Jerusalem, at one of the final gatherings between Jesus and his disciples, he spoke to them and said: "I am the vine and my father is the gardener. He cuts off every branch in me that bears no fruit, while every branch that does bear fruit he prunes so that it will be even more fruitful." (John chapter 15)

Now I am no one to argue with scripture, BUT... in this passage, John omitted a very important component of spiritual fruit: the Church. Like my berries and their trellis, I didn't *need* the Church to survive, but happy plants and happy people bear more of the sweetest fruit than those who are left to grow wild in brambles. And as I have learned, plants need support if they are going to be happy.

So, thank you to the entire Camp Chapel congregation for being our trellis when we needed it most.

Kellie Smith

Church History: Pastors, 1956 - 1963

In 1956 when Camp Chapel elected to leave the Chase Circuit to become an independent church, we had many changes to make. We were assigned our first full time pastor, Reverend Henry Ernst, by the conference.

No longer able to share a parsonage with the other churches on the Chase Circuit we needed to provide housing for the new pastor. While the parsonage was being built, we rented an apartment for Rev. Ernst and his family. Once the parsonage was completed, he and his family moved into the new structure. While serving Camp Chapel he undertook projects to reactivate dormant commissions that were not active while we were on the circuit. One such project was the beginning of the *Asbury Journal*, a weekly newsletter covering the church and its activities. In 1957, a fellowship supper was held in the church hall followed by a short worship service to celebrate the burning of the mortgage of the church hall.

Rev. Ernst left Camp Chapel in 1957 to continue his education. In 1966 he became pastor of Bosley United Methodist Church in Sparks, Maryland.



Rev. Cummins & family

Reverend William R. Cummins was assigned to Camp Chapel in 1957. He and his wife Marlene and their three children moved into the new parsonage. There isn't a lot of information in the history files on Rev. Cummins, but I am researching material to update the files. Upon leaving Camp Chapel in 1959, he and his family moved out of state to be closer to other relatives.

From 1959 to 1963, the Reverend Carroll G. Warner Jr. was assigned as pastor by District Superintendent, Dr. Clarence Fossett. Rev. Warner was married to Irma Lee, and they had two children, daughter Debbie and son Stephen. While at Camp Chapel, Irma Lee served as organist and choir director. Rev. Warner received his AB degree from Western Maryland College (now McDaniel College) in Westminster in 1953 and his BD degree in 1956 from Drew University. From June 1955 to June 1956, he served the Lower Berkshire Valley Methodist Church in Wharton, New Jersey. He also served as chaplain in the U.S. Air Force and was stationed at Tyndall AFB in Panama City, Florida. His father, Dr. Carroll Warner Sr., was a doctor at Mercy Hospital in Baltimore, and his uncle, Rev. Paul Warner, was District Superintendent of the Hagerstown District of the Methodist Church. Rev. Carroll was transferred to Ashton UMC in 1963. While here he was involved in the early planning of the main sanctuary and returned in 1964 to participate in the corner stone laying.



Rev. C. Warner

Future issues of the Acorn will focus on the pastors of the church from 1963 to the present.

Doris Akehurst Tarleton
Church Historian

Faith and Knowledge, Brooks, Mike Schmidt, and Broadway Joe

Many, many years ago, I was participating in an adult Bible study. I remember some vague circumstances about the class, but details like what the topics or the themes of the lessons were about, which scriptures we were using, who else was participating, and who was facilitating the sessions are lost in time. There is one incident, however, that resides in the recesses of my recollection with a bit more clarity.

It was a discussion I had with one of the other members of that study one Sunday. Okay, let me call a spade a spade and admit that it was an argument. I'm sure we didn't come to blows or anywhere close to that, but my memory of the event does involve voices that may have risen a little in pitch and volume.

Things started when I made an observation that went something like, "The reason we are all here has nothing to do with knowing anything. We can't know that there is a God or that the Son of God redeemed us from the consequences of our sins. We can only have faith and believe that God exists and that we're saved." That didn't sit well with one of the other participants, who piped up and said something like, "Well, you may feel that way, but I can tell you right now that I KNOW that I have been saved, and I KNOW that I'm going to heaven, and I KNOW that when I get there I will meet God!"

A bigger man would have taken the high road and agreed to disagree, and I flatter myself to think that today that is exactly how my older, hopefully wiser self would handle a similar difference of opinion, but in 1980-something, my younger, dumber, more headstrong self was not ready to leave it at that. I offered a rebuttal. I don't recall exactly what I said, but it may have gone something like, "Believing something passionately isn't the same as knowing it. Knowing needs evidence, and you have no evidence! What you have is faith!" At that point I recall the other person making statements that sounded a lot like an old song by Frankie Laine about raindrops and flowers and hearing a baby cry and touching a leaf or seeing the sky, and a somewhat intense back-and-forth about the difference between knowledge and faith ensued, with the facilitator of the study soon intervening and calling for order and sending us both to our metaphorical corners.

I doubt that any real harm was done to anyone's psyche that Sunday morning, but I have rehashed that clash many times in my head since it happened, and I still can feel the guilt and shame for the behavior of my smaller-minded, more impetuous, more combative, forty-years-younger self. I had forgotten where I was.

Most of my friends back then were people I had gone to high school and college with – actually, many of those people are still part of my circle of friends. At Loyola College, liberal arts majors, of which I was one, had a plethora of philosophy, metaphysics, and theology courses embedded in their curricula, enough so that at another school we would all have qualified for a philosophy/theology minor, but Loyola didn't do minors. That heavy exposure made me and my buddies from school all philosophy nerds, and even today, when we aren't debating who was the better third baseman, Brooks Robinson or Mike Schmidt, or explaining to some out-of-towner why Joe Namath doesn't belong in the Pro Football Hall of Fame, we did and still sometimes do



occupy our time together arguing some obscure metaphysical concept over dinner or after a movie. The folks in that Bible study weren't coming from that same place. See, after all these years, I still feel the need to try to justify myself. Pitiful.

But back to the discussion. I behaved badly, I admit, but I was still right.

Although they are similar in some ways, knowledge and faith can also be thought of as polar opposites. Knowledge requires proof. Faith (specifically religious faith) has no way of being proven, at least on this plane of existence, but we embrace faith in spite of the absence of proof. So, to use a mundane example, we can know that gorillas exist, but the possibility that bigfoot is out there somewhere some of us can only believe. And we don't have much of a choice in the matter. There was a time in the history of humanity when Europeans heard stories of gorillas and had options: they could believe (have faith) that gorillas were real, or they could dismiss the stories as someone today might dismiss tales of dragons or fairies or bigfoot. But once explorers brought back captured gorillas from the African continent, Europeans knew (as people in Africa had known all along) that they were real.

KNOWLEDGE

We speak of the "pursuit of knowledge" because it's like following a trail. Discovering an item of knowledge allows us to investigate the unknown from a slightly different viewpoint, reframe questions about things we still don't know in a slightly different language, and discover another small bit of knowledge, which changes our point of view again and allows us to ask the questions in yet another way, make another discovery, and so on and so on, and by this pursuit, knowledge increases, building on itself. Nobody talks about pursuing faith. Faith, at least as we Christians understand it, is a gift. It comes from the Holy Spirit in most Christian theological traditions.

Knowledge kills faith – at least in rational people. Anyone who doesn't believe in gorillas today would be considered at least eccentric, if not crazy. Another example: humans have known the earth is round since at least 2,500 years ago and probably for much longer than that. The ancient Greeks calculated our planet's circumference quite accurately. Anybody who has flown in a plane or sailed on an ocean cruise has experienced the spherical shape of the planet as parts of the landscape or seascape appear or disappear over the curve of the horizon. We can see the roundness of the shadow of our globe on the Moon during an eclipse. People have been out into space and have sent back photos and video. Today, believing that the earth is flat is therefore quite irrational (and yet, incredibly, there are probably more flat-earthers today than there were when Columbus sailed westward from Spain in 1492).

Please allow me another quick digression to debunk a myth: Columbus did not set sail to prove the earth was round. Everybody who cared already knew that. Everybody also knew that it was theoretically possible to sail west and get to Asia, except that the earth was so big, no vessel could carry enough food and fresh water to keep the sailors alive long enough to get there. Columbus was actually trying to prove his own calculation that the earth was smaller than everybody else thought, small enough that he and his men could survive the trip. He was, of course, wrong, and

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so completely in error that his voyage would have been a suicide mission and a historical footnote if the continents of North and South America hadn't unexpectedly been in his way.



One point I need to make. I love knowledge. I love faith at least as much. Faith is the foundation of our religion, in fact of all religions. We believe in God; we believe in the risen Jesus; we believe in life after death. Those are the tenets of our faith. But we won't know until we die.

Belief – faith – is a very special, very beautiful thing. It is a gift that we cherish and prize. Jesus placed a very high value on faith. He spoke these words often as recorded in the Gospels: “Your faith has saved you.” I think it's important to understand that he never once said, “Your knowledge has saved you.”

Oh, and if Brooks Robinson and Mike Schmidt were on the same team, Brooks plays third, Schmidt is DH; and Namath may have won Super Bowl III, but he led his team to just four winning seasons and threw 47 more interceptions than touchdowns. Please.

Bill Smith



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Scam Alert: Unwanted Calls

From the Federal Trade Commission. You pick up the phone and hear a recorded message – a robocall – or a live person selling something. Maybe it's not who your caller ID said it was. Or you get an unexpected text message saying you won a prize, have a package waiting, or must contact your bank.

Recorded sales calls are illegal unless you give a business written permission to robocall you. If your number is on the Do Not Call Registry, you're not supposed to get any recorded or live sales calls. But scammers ignore the rules about when and how they can call you.

Scammers use technology to make any name or number show up on your caller ID: the IRS, a business you know, or even your own number. You can't trust caller ID because phone numbers can be faked. Scammers send text messages to trick you into clicking links and giving personal information.

Here's what to do:

1. **Hang up on unwanted calls and ignore unexpected texts.** Don't press any numbers or click on links. Blocking services might reduce unwanted calls and texts. Ask your phone carrier about call and message blocking. Read expert reviews about your options. Learn more at [ftc.gov/calls](https://www.ftc.gov/calls).
2. **Pass this information on to a friend.** You may know what to do about unwanted calls and texts, but you probably know someone who doesn't.

Birthdays

August Birthdays

Maya Gaskin	August 2
Mary Beth Lingner	August 10
Mary Ann Plummer	August 11
Mary Lou Wernsdorfer	August 11
Diane Dye	August 13
James Ward	August 13
Butch Dye	August 14
Vanessa Finney	August 14
Sharon Smith	August 15
Maggie Taylor	August 15
Edna Halcott	August 16
David Homberg	August 17
Keith Burgess	August 17
Jacob Smith	August 20
Ella Burgess	August 21
Earl Smith	August 26
Carol Ann Ruth	August 27
Donald Sterlock	August 27

September Birthdays

Marvin Gyr	September 5
Barry Foster	September 7
Easter Swecker	September 7
Shawn Kalendek	September 8
Jackie Potter	September 9
Matthew Welsh	September 9
Christopher Bain	September 12
Ryan Bird	September 12
Faith Klemm	September 12
Rebecca Finney	September 14
Mary Daubert	September 16
Keith Klemm	September 17
Landon Beveridge	September 20
George Krause	September 20
Debbie Porter	September 21
Birdie Swecker	September 22
Cheryl Welsh	September 23
Sara Delkoon	September 24
Kathy Martin	September 24
Carol Pazdersky	September 30



happy birthday

Having a Birthday?

The *Acorn* would love to celebrate every single birthday of every member of our congregation. 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

August

August 3: 8th Sunday after Pentecost

Hosea 11:1-11
Psalm 107:1-9, 43 (UMH 830)
Colossians 3:1-11
Luke 12:13-21

August 10: 9th Sunday after Pentecost

Isaiah 1:1, 10-20
Psalm 50:1-8, 22-23 (UMH 783)
Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16
Luke 12:32-40

August 17: 10th Sunday after Pentecost

Isaiah 5:1-7
Psalm 80:1-2, 8-19 (UMH 801)
Hebrews 11:29-12:2
Luke 12:49-56

August 24: 11th Sunday after Pentecost

Jeremiah 1:4-10
Psalm 71:1-6 (UMH 794)
Hebrews 12:18-29
Luke 13:10-17

August 31: 12th Sunday after Pentecost

Jeremiah 2:4-13
Psalm 81:1, 10-16 (UMH 803)
Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16
Luke 14:1, 7-14

September

September 7: 13th Sunday after Pentecost

Jeremiah 18:1-11
Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18 (UMH 854)
Philemon 1-21
Luke 14:25-33

September 14: 14th Sunday after Pentecost

Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28
Psalm 14 (UMH 746)
1 Timothy 1:12-17
Luke 15:1-10

September 21: 15th Sunday after Pentecost

Jeremiah 8:18-9:1
Psalm 79:1-9 or Psalm 4 (UMH 741)
1 Timothy 2:1-7
Luke 16:1-13

September 28: 16th Sunday after Pentecost

Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15
Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16 (UMH 810)
1 Timothy 6:6-19
Luke 16:19-31



The Holy Bible Is the Word of God

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 and pillow ministries. Our church's essential needs do not diminish during the summer months but attendance at Sunday services typically does. So please prayerfully consider, as summer comes to an end, how faithfully you continued 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 took you away.

Congregational giving may not be at the front of your mind as you reminisce about tropical destinations, mountain vistas, cool sea breezes, places you visited, and sights you saw, but you can most definitely believe that it's been 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 begins to cool, 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 haven't been available to attend Sunday services in person. Thank you so much for your continued support and we hope you have been enjoying a wonderful summer!

Winston Bain
Chair, Finance Committee

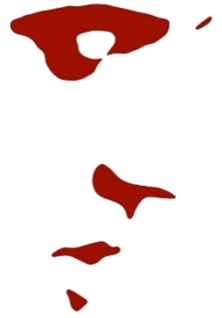
What's Happening in August?



Among other observances, August is National Wellness Month, National Immunization Awareness Month, Psoriasis Awareness Month, Black Business Month, National Breastfeeding Month, American Artists Appreciation Month, Eat Dessert First Month, Get Ready for Kindergarten Month, and Boomers Making a Difference Month



- August 1-7 Clown Week
- August 1 Lammas (Loaf Mass) Day
- August 3 National Friendship Day
- August 4 US Coast Guard Birthday
- August 6 Farmworker Appreciation Day
- August 7 Purple Heart Day
- August 9-17 Elvis Week
- August 9 Full Moon (Sturgeon Moon)
- August 10 World Lion Day
- August 12 Middle Child Day
- August 13 International Lefthanders Day
- August 15 The Assumption of Mary
- August 15-September 1 Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over



- August 16 International Homeless Animals Day
- August 18 World Breast Cancer Research Day
- August 19-25 National Aviation Week
- August 21 National Senior Citizens Day
- August 22 Be an Angel Day
- August 22 National Tooth Fairy Day
- August 23 Slavery Remembrance Day
- August 25 National Park Service Founders Day
- August 26 Women's Equality Day
- August 27 Crab Soup Day
- August 30 International Day of Victims of Enforced Disappearance
- August 30 Slinky Day
- August 31 Social Justice Sunday

Seniors

