



# Tidings



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Summer 2019

## PASTOR'S MESSAGE

One of the biggest questions facing the United Methodist Church is unity – is there a way for us to stay together or co-exist given the extreme opinions left in the wake of General Conference 2019.

The wrong way to achieve unity in the church is to try and appeal to everyone. The church humor magazine "The Door" facetiously announced these newly formed churches seeking to do just that. I invite you to ponder whether any of these are us or any other congregation you may have been a part of.

Potluck Assembly  
Little Bit O'Bible Church  
Church of the Big P.A.  
The Short-Term Pastor Center  
Theology-Free Church  
The Inaccurate Heart of Mary  
Catholic Church  
Seldom United Church  
Bill Gates' Memorial Geek Orthodox  
Church of the Perpetual Building  
Program

Comfortable Pew Family Center  
Clean Bathroom Bible Temple  
Better Than the Rest Believer's  
Fellowship  
Legalist Bondage Assembly  
The Church Where the Pastor's  
Family Runs Everything  
The Two-Or-More-But-Sometimes-  
Less-Depending-On-Who-  
Shows-Up Bible Church  
Feelgood Fellowship  
Twist-and-Shout Revival Center

[by John Green, "Newly Formed Churches," The Door, March-April 2000, p. 15.]

Some of these made me smile, like the Potluck Assembly, but mostly I found it sad that I recognized these trends in many local churches. I'm sure you did as well. The primary question that arises for me is where is Christ in all of these and in our search for unity?

The Church is God's own unity movement. Because of this, we cannot fault the world if it looks to the Church to demonstrate in its own unity that the Church is pledged to achieve. We cannot fault the world when it asks the Church to practice what it preaches.

Jesus' prayer in the gospel of John reminds us that our unity, our "oneness" is to be a sign to the world of God's love for us in Jesus Christ. Oneness and unity are about love. And if you have been a part of a family, a member of a church, or a community, you know that within that love there can be disagreements and squabbling. We are human. But the mystery of the incarnation is that God desired unity with us so much God became one of us. And in that moment, we were drawn into the oneness of God, Creator/Father/Mother, the Son/Redeemer, and the Spirit/Accompanist.

Take time to rest and re-create this summer. Consider the question of becoming a reconciling congregation. In the fall we will move into an intentional process of discernment about the direction we are called to move. It is with God's help that we can live into that oneness.

Blessings, Pastor Peggy

## LITURGISTS

July 7 – Elaine Dodds	August 4 – Sandy Schaller
July 14 – Ken Fowble	August 11 – Donna Rucker
July 21 – Alex Obrieht	August 18 – Ruthie Bradford
July 28 – Bob Bradford	August 25 – Sherry Wineke

## OUR ELDER FRIENDS

### JUNE

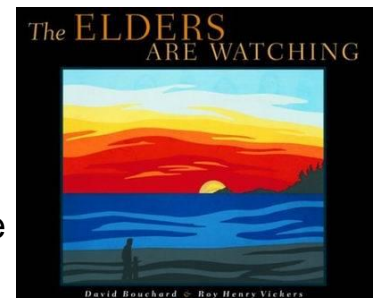
**Doris Johnson** – 5400 Vantage Point Road, #403  
Columbia, MD 21044

### JULY

**Shirley Gordon** – Westminster Health Care Center  
1234 Washington Road, Room 123  
Westminster, MD 21157 - No Phone

### AUGUST

**Helen Moore** – 27530 Shipwreck Drive  
Selbyville, DE 19975





- June 19 – Wednesdays at the Pavilion begins from 7 to 7:45 pm – Randy Wineke brings the word on the 19<sup>th</sup> with scout assistants; Refreshments will be provided by Sherry Wineke.
- Sunday, June 23 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday After Pentecost – *God's Heart* – Special Music, Michelle Fowlin
- Wednesday at the Pavilion – 7 to 7:45 pm – Pastor Peggy will do a Blessing of The Animals on the 26<sup>th</sup> – cats and small critters must be in crates and dogs and larger critters must be on leashes/halters. Connie is providing snacks.
- Sunday, June 30 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – Celebrating Independence Day – *God's Freedom* – Special Music, Pat Rucker; Red, White and Blue Ice Cream Social after worship!

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- July 3 – There will be no Wednesday at the Pavilion today due to family holiday celebrations.
  - July 7 – 10 am - 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – *Wash in the River* – Special Music, Savanna Wright
  - July 10 – 7 pm - Wednesday at the Pavilion – message & refreshments by Donna Rucker
  - July 14 – 10 am - 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – Special Music, Pat Rucker
  - July 17 – 7 pm - Wednesday at the Pavilion – Pastor Peggy will do a Blessing of the Bikes [mostly motorcycles but all types of bikes, tricycles and scooters are welcome]
  - July 21 – 10 am - 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – Special Music, The New Wave Singers
  - July 24 – 7 pm - Wednesday at the Pavilion – message by Ruthie Bradford
  - July 28 – 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – Special Music, Whirligig
  - July 31 – 7 pm - Wednesday at the Pavilion – message by Elaine Dodds

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- ❖ August 4 – 10 am - 8<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – Special Music, Andy Wright
  - ❖ August 7 – 7 pm - Wednesday at the Pavilion – message & refreshments by Bob Bradford
  - ❖ August 11 – 10 am - 9<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – Special Music, Rachel McCuster
  - ❖ August 14 – 7 pm - Wednesday at the Pavilion – message & snacks by Evan and Dale Buckingham
  - ❖ August 18 – 10 am - 10<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – Special Music, Savanna Wright
  - ❖ August 21 – 7 pm - Wednesday at the Pavilion – Speaker needed
  - ❖ August 25 – 10 am - 11<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost
  - ❖ August 28 – 7 pm - Wednesday at the Pavilion – message by Donn Dietrich, NESAP

## IT'S ALL ABOUT PRAYER



### PRAYERS/BLESSINGS/THANKSGIVINGS

Amelia – Kennedy’s 5 y/o friend [4th stage kidney cancer]; Joyce Applefeld [back home]; Tim Armacost; Mike Bitzel [still struggling]; Jack Cashman [Elaine Dodds’ brother - continues to practice walking]; Marilynne Clayton [Diana Blessing’s friend/undergoing chemo]; Ruth Crisler [home hospice]; Jeff Davis [Chuck Davis’ son]; Linda Fair; Regina Glassman [Donna Rucker’s aunt/seizures]; Shirley Gordon; Nancy Korman; Alex Obriecht’s grandson [Oliver – new treatment protocol]; Bonnie Towner [back to work after neck surgery]; Carol Ward’s grandson Dilan [going through a mind struggle with his meds]; Bill Williams [Linda Fair’s brother]; Wineke family on the death of their beloved Simba; Beth Zentz [finally had neck surgery/ recovering at home].

Send Oliver and family a card letting him know he’s in our prayers – Christa, David, Eli and Oliver Binns, 24 New Windsor Rd., Westminster, MD 21157



### HAPPY JUNE, JULY, & AUGUST BIRTHDAYS



Don’t see your birthday on this list? If you would like your name to be placed on our birthday list, email the information to the office including your name and birthday (month/day) to [churchoffice@emoryunitedmethodist.org](mailto:churchoffice@emoryunitedmethodist.org).

NOTE: If you would like to see anniversaries listed, please send those in as well. We will put together a list for sharing.

06/03	Jeff Davis	07/05	Theresa Wire	08/02	Bev Gandolfo
06/03	Dennis Martin	07/06	Jill Thomas	08/03	Maxie Baughan
06/05	Amy Davis	07/06	Elaine Dodds	08/08	Mark Sheely
06/11	Jennifer Fowble	07/09	Chuck Davis	08/18	Alyssa Thomas Acker
06/12	Dee Patten	07/11	Linda Bitzel	08/19	Karon Moore
06/14	Beth Jenkins	07/19	Denise Martin	08/19	Greg Evans
06/15	John Fair	07/27	Amanda Fowble	08/20	Scott Thomas
06/18	Gordon Boring	07/28	Alex Obriecht	08/28	Pat Rucker
06/20	Vicki Fair	07/31	Ron Armacost	08/30	Donna Rucker
		07/31	Bonnie Johnson		

## TRUSTEES PLAN ALL HANDS WORK DAY

On Saturday, August 17, beginning at 8:30 am until we're done, the Trustees will host a work day at the church where we all join in to do clean up and repairs. Many hands make for light work so put this date on your calendar now! Lunch provided.

In the meantime, if you see something that needs attention, please tell a trustee. We will do our best to take care of it.

Jobs completed and in process: waiting on the completion of the front doors of the church; septic tanks have been pumped [thanks Randy]; getting estimates on repairing the leak to the church's basement; Randy has been working hard filling in holes for the church and cemetery; and Ronnie replaced the faucet in the conference room bathroom.

NOTE: Please remember to return the green altar flower inserts. Thank you.

God Bless, Donna



## SUMMER GIVING CRITICAL TO THE HEALTH OF EMORY

The summer escape to the mountain, shore or river has begun. Please don't forget Emory's needs during your absences from Worship Services this summer and any time throughout the year. Remember, there are no checks to write, no cash/checks for the church to count, handle or deposit when you open Emory's website, [emoryunitedmethodist.org](http://emoryunitedmethodist.org), click on the "Giving" option at the top, then on the Yellow "Online Giving" icon. This takes you to the Vanco secure online giving page. Your data is automatically and securely transferred to our system from your checking account or credit card in any amount and frequency you choose.

Every Emory member who has started using Vanco e-giving services is still using it and loves it. And, as always, you can contact Elaine Dodds at 480-747-8785 or [edodds45@gmail.com](mailto:edodds45@gmail.com), if you have any questions.

NOTE: Snail mail works too!





## **GREETINGS FROM THE COUNCIL OF MINISTRIES**

Summer is slowly approaching and we have a few things planned for after church just to talk and socialize.

On June 30<sup>th</sup>, we will be honoring the Fourth of July by having a red, white and blue ice cream social after church. Wear your patriotic colors and enjoy a sweet treat. Hope everyone has a safe Fourth of July.

Project Linus Ladies have over 100 quilts to be blessed in church, along with the prayer shawls on July 7<sup>th</sup>. We may be few numbers, but we all work together to support these missions.

Mark August 11<sup>th</sup> on your calendar for Salad after church. This seemed to be a big hit last year, so join us again.

Our mission projects seem to be going well. Evan has done an excellent job with Loaves and Fishes and has everything under control!

NESAP giving has slowed down so if you have an extra can of food, please put it in the basket in back of the church. Also we're still collecting socks and underwear for the shelters. Keep in mind that August will begin the school supply drive for NESAP. I will post the list as soon as I receive it.

The Wednesday night service has one date in August – the 21<sup>st</sup> – that needs a speaker. There are several opportunities to provide the dessert. Come join us and just enjoy everyone's company.

We had a discussion about providing a Sunday School program during church. We have 2 or 3 little girls attending church and we really want to try to give their moms/grandmoms a break to enjoy the service. More information will be available as we put a program together.

Until next month,  
Connie



## **June 2019**

I wanted to take a minute of your time to let you know what your Emory Finance Committee has been up to the last several months.

You should know that the committee decided to apply \$15,000.00 against the mortgage balance towards the beginning of the year. That brings our total outstanding balance to about \$78,000.00. We also decided to take \$50,000.00 of the Church's cash and invest it in a Certificate of Deposit at Farmers & Merchants Bank. The new CD will provide the Church with an interest of 2.25% vs. the 0.25% the old account was receiving.

We are always looking for ideas to improve the financial well-being of the Church. If you have ideas for savings opportunities or fund raising don't hesitate to let a Finance Committee member know. Committee members include:

- Elaine Dodds - Treasurer
- Donna Rucker – Finance Secretary
- Diana Blessing
- Sherry Wineke
- Dee Patten
- George Smith
- And the other Committee Chairs
  - Randy Wineke – Church Council
  - Donna Rucker – Trustees
  - Alex Obriecht – SPR
  - Ruth Bradford – Lay Leadership
- Pastor Peggy and
- Me

Godspeed  
Bob Kelly

## WANT A PREVIEW TO OUR SPECIAL MUSIC GUESTS ON JULY 28?

On Saturday, June 29 at 8 p.m. Wherligig comes to Carroll Arts Center. An ensemble of traditional Celtic and Nordic string and wind instruments playing a repertoire from the British Isles and Northern Europe, Wherligig has performed for audiences all over the Mid-Atlantic. In a unique twist, they will be using instruments from the Arts Center exhibit, "Art of the Musical Instrument." Tickets are \$16 for adults and \$14 for students and seniors.



- **Flea Market at Deer Park UMC** – We received an invitation from Christine Roach to participate in their flea market on June 29, 8 am-2 pm; \$10 a space. Call her at 410-526-7607. It will also include food for sale and church tables inside with lots of treasures.
- **Red, white and blue ice cream social** - after worship on June 30 – stay for a fun way to celebrate our nation’s independence
- **Summer Camp Info** - If anyone in your family is interested in going to summer camp at any of the conference camps, the information on a variety of camps is available at [BWCCAMPSANDRETREATS.COM](http://BWCCAMPSANDRETREATS.COM). Download a registration form from the site. There is a brochure posted on the bulletin board in the education building and some in back of the church too.
- **Blessing of blankets and prayer shawls** – July 7 worship service – we will be blessing 100 Project Linus blankets and 15 prayer shawls so that we can distribute them to various hospitals, establishments and individuals.
- **Salads and Cookies** – after worship on August 11 – consider remaining to enjoy a variety of salads, and for dessert – cookies; and of course good company!
- **The Shepherd’s Staff** sent several expressions of gratitude for the Easter Baskets, other donations and our Monthly Mission Donation. There is a letter on the bulletin board listing all the things for which they are grateful. We even got a “WOW.”
- **Our next Loaves and Fishes** is scheduled for September 21. Lunch will be prepared and served at the Church of the Brethren in Westminster. We will begin at 10 am and are usually finished by 1 pm. If you are interested in being part of the outreach to feed those in need, please contact Dale or Evan.



**THE MISSION FOR JUNE IS SCHOLARSHIPS FOR OUR YOUTH**



**JUNE 2019**



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>2</b>  10 am Worship w/ Communion	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> 7 pm Boy Scouts	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> 7 pm AA & Al-Anon
<b>9 Pentecost</b> <b>Wind &amp; Fire</b>  <b>Graduates</b> <b>Recognition</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> 7 pm Council on Ministries	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> 7 pm Last Boy Scouts 'til Sept	<b>14</b> Flag Day	<b>15</b> 7 pm AA & Al-Anon
<b>16</b> 8:45 am Fathers' Day Breakfast 10 am Worship	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> 7pm Wednesday Worship Under the Pavilion begins Randy W	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> First Day of Summer  <b>IT'S SUMMER!</b>	<b>22</b> 7 pm AA & Al-Anon
<b>23</b> 10 am Worship God's Heart	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> 12 pm Out to Lunch Bunch – Stables	<b>26</b> 7 pm Wednesday Worship at the Pavilion Blessing of the Animals	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> 8 am–2 pm Deer Park Flea Market 7 pm AA & Al-Anon
<b>30</b> 10 am Worship Celebrating God's Freedom Ice cream Social						

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**THE MISSION FOR JULY IS THE LINUS PROJECT  
JULY 2019**



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1		3 NO Wednesday Worship	4 	5	6 7 pm AA & Al-Anon
7  10 am Worship w/ Communion Blankets Blessed	8	9	10 7 pm Wednesday Worship Under the Pavilion	11	12	13 7 pm AA & Al-Anon
14 10 am Worship	15	16	17 7 pm Wednesday Worship Under the Pavilion Bike Bless	18	19	20 7 pm AA & Al-Anon
21 10 am Worship	22	23	24 7 pm Wednesday Worship Under Pavilion	25	26	27 10 am CPR Recertifica- tion 7 pm AA & Al-Anon
28 10 am Worship	29	30	31 7 pm Wednesday Worship Under Pavilion			

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# THE MISSION FOR AUGUST IS TARGET COMMUNITY SERVICES AUGUST 2019



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3 7 pm AA & Al-Anon
4  10 am Worship w/ Communion Friendship Sunday	5	6	7 7 pm Wednesday Worship Under the Pavilion	8	9	10 7 pm AA & Al-Anon
11 10 am Worship  Salad Bar After Church	12	13	14 7 pm Wednesday Worship Under the Pavilion Bike Bless	15	16	17 8:30 am <u>Church Work Day</u> <u>Lunch provided</u>  7 pm AA & Al-Anon
18 10 am Worship	19	20	21 7 pm Wednesday Worship Under the Pavilion	22	23	24 7 pm AA & Al-Anon
25 10 am Worship	26	27	28 7 pm Wednesday Worship Under Pavilion Donn Dietrich, NESAP	29	30	

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