



## A Newsletter for the people of New Market UMC



### New Market UMC

#### Vision Statement

New Market UMC Strives to build and empower disciples for Jesus Christ

#### Mission Statement

New Market UMC encourages faithful discipleship for Jesus Christ by participating in Prayer, the Word, Worship, Fellowship and Service.

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*“Yeah thou I walk through the valley of the shadow of death I will fear no evil, for thou art with me... I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever!”*  
Psalm 23



In a few days our Lenten journey with the Good Shepherd will bring us back to the holy city of Jerusalem. As we would expect the Palm Sunday celebration, where we shout “Hosanna” and celebrate the presence of Christ in our midst, will soon lead into the valley of the shadow of death. We will sit with Jesus at the last supper table and be offered the bread of life which sustains us in our most desperate hour. We will remember Christ’s prayers in the garden; how he pleaded with God for the unity of his church. We will go deeper in that valley, growing appalled and grieved by the ugliness of human sin which could cry out for an innocent man’s blood.

### Where will the valley lead us? To the cross!

You might expect that noon on Friday, when the savior hangs crucified, is the lowest valley of human history. We invite you to journey with us through Palm Sunday, Holy Thursday, and Good Friday. We believe the story holds a surprise long before the empty tomb. The valley, it seems, leads to the cross which “towers over the wrecks of time.” Could the rugged cross be more of “a hill far away” where God’s victory, forgiveness and resolve to change us is most powerful? Could the cross be the only thing high enough and strong enough to lift us out of every valley?

Our Holy Week journey will only be overcome by the triumphant proclamation of Easter morning, “Christ the Lord is Risen!!” Easter Sunday is the pinnacle celebration of our Christian year and we look forward to celebrating with each of you. Easter Sunday is only the beginning of the season of new life. We look forward to beginning a new journey with you on Easter titled, “Resurrections for a Maturing Faith.” Each week we will explore a breakthrough of trust and understanding which can lead to a deeper more mature relationship with Jesus Christ and the church. We believe this Easter experience will give us confidence and clarity as we seek to “live in the house of the Lord forever!”

These are Holy Days and we are blessed to lead you,

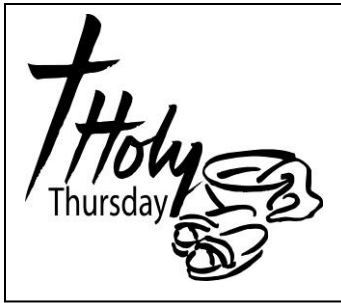
*Pastor Jenny & Pastor Scott*



## Holy Week and Easter Services



*Come Worship With Us!*



### Holy Thursday, March 24<sup>th</sup>

Prayer & Communion Services at 5 p.m. & 7 p.m. – Mt. Carmel Sanctuary. “Simple Supper” at 6 p.m. in the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor Great Room.

This year, Christ’s last night will be experienced differently in our parish. Rather than feasting on our covered dishes we will eat a meager meal which is appropriate for Christ’s last supper. With the other flavors simplified the sweet wine and fresh bread will be the center of the night.

We invite you to join us in the Great Room at Mt. Carmel at 6 p.m. to share fellowship and food. A simple meal of soup and bread will be prepared by the fellowship and mission teams. Donations will be accepted and will benefit our mission teams travels this summer. You are encouraged to choose the hour before or after the meal for your prayer and communion time.

**Join us before the supper at 5 p.m.**

You can choose to share the guided prayer journey in the sanctuary or on the prayer trail. The journey will come together at 5:40 p.m. for Last Supper Communion in the sanctuary.

**Join us after the supper at 7 p.m.**

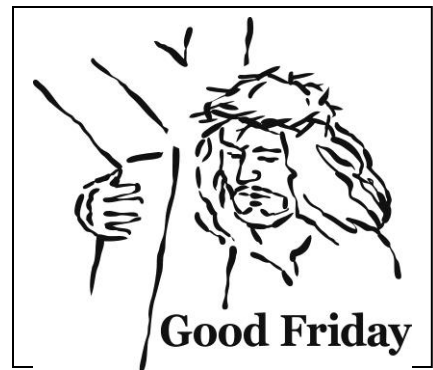
In the sanctuary for Last Supper Communion. After communion worshipers can remain in the sanctuary for prayer or go to the luminary lit prayer trail for a guided prayer journey.

### Good Friday Service, March 25<sup>th</sup>

7 p.m. at New Market UMC

“Why I Missed the Cross”

This Good Friday we consider those who didn’t hear the words “Father forgive them.” What kept them from the cross? This fresh Perspective will challenge us all to surrender our hesitation and Find our way to the feet of Jesus.



### Easter Sunday, March 27<sup>th</sup>

“I Shall Dwell in the House of the Lord Forever!”

6:30 a.m. Parish-wide Sunrise Service this year at Fairview Chapel ONLY!!

(6802 Boyers Mill Road, New Market)

11 a.m. Traditional Easter Service at NMUMC

7 p.m. “He Lives! Alleluia! Christ is Alive”

Rev. Paul Leatherman at Fairview Chapel

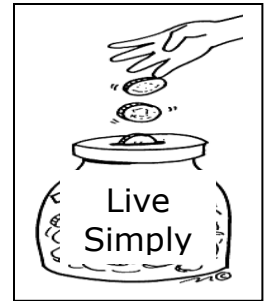


## Parish Missions Page

*"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms." –Peter, 4:10*

### **"Live Strong so Others May Simply Live!" Finish Strong and Bring in Your "Milk Jugs" "Easter Sunday!"**

Our community wide focus for Lent is drawing to a close. We encourage every family to consider how you can live simply during Holy week saving as much money as possible for your special "Milk Jug" offering on Easter Sunday. Please return your milk jugs on Easter Sunday. Our goal is to raise \$10,000!! This is very obtainable, especially if each family contributes \$100. If you don't have a milk jug pick one up at church, checks are also welcome.



#### **Ideas to engage the family:**

Have an egg hunt for your kids. Put change in many of the eggs instead of candy. Then invite the kids to give the change to their "milk jug".

Rather than purchasing the \$5 chocolate bunny. Get a \$1 candy bar (or better yet granola) and give your child \$5 for their milk jug!

### **Clothes Drop for Campers!! Spring Cleaning Time!!**



A simple way to eliminate clutter and help a child get to summer camp!

1. Clean out your closets- collect old clothes, towels, linens
2. Bring them to church and drop them in the trailer in the parking lot between April 10<sup>th</sup> & May 1<sup>st</sup>.
3. A mission company picks up the clothes and sends us a check to support summer campers.



### **Hope 4 Kids News:**

Hope 4 Kids is transitioning to new leadership! The NEW Executive Team met for the first time on March 9<sup>th</sup>. Watch for an introduction to your new leaders in the May newsletter.

Opportunities still available on the **Fundraising & 2016-2017 Planning Teams**. For more information contact

[KarenOhlrich@yahoo.com](mailto:KarenOhlrich@yahoo.com) or 301-882-7502.

#### **Upcoming Packing Dates:**

Palm Sunday, March 20 from 4:30 – 6:00 in the Mt Carmel basement - childcare provided

Sunday, April 17 from 4:30 – 6:00 in the Mt Carmel basement - childcare provided

Wednesday, April 27 from 6:00-7:00 p.m. in the New Market schoolhouse



## Adult Small Groups

### Basic Bible 101

Sundays – 04/03, 04/17 & 05/01, 05/15 & 05/29

In the Ed. Bldg. immediately following the worship service.

### Disciple 1

Saturdays 9 – 11:30a.m. –gathers in the Ed. Bldg. kitchen

### Men's Bible Study

Thursdays 7 p.m. –Bible Study group in the Ed. Bldg. kitchen

### Choir

Thursdays 7 p.m. –meets in the Ed. Bldg. library around the piano

## Game Day!

**April 20<sup>th</sup> & May 18<sup>th</sup>**

**@ 1:30 p.m.**

**Come one, come all!**

The Community is invited to a wonderful day of fellowship and fun on Game Day, 1:30 P.M., on the third Wednesday of every month, at the New Market UMC Historic Schoolhouse, located at 1A North Alley.

Games start at 1:30 P.M. and ends around 3 P.M. Light snacks and refreshments will be provided. For more information contact

Sharon at 301-865-3530 or

[hometownchurch@comcast.net](mailto:hometownchurch@comcast.net)

## Senior High Sunday School

-This group will meet every other Sunday immediately following the worship service at 11:00, the next studies will be held at the same time (Immediately following the worship service) on 04/10, 4/24, 05/08, & 05/22 in the Ed Building kitchen. Lunch will be provided. Contact Pastor Scott for more information.

## Deepening the Roots of All Ages

### Children Are Growing in Faith at Sunday School!

**9:30 a.m.** Please sign your children into their classrooms.

Preschool- Preschool room near the nursery/office door.

1-2 grade class – Preschool room near the kitchen

3-5 grade class- Education building kitchen

### SUMMER CAMP!!! TIME TO REGISTER!!

*Camp Manidokan and Camp West River have awesome Christian based summer camps offered throughout the summer.*

**Our parish will be leading the Explorer Camp for 3rd-6th graders at Camp Manidokan, July 31<sup>st</sup> - August 5<sup>th</sup>.**

We are also coordinating chapel, meal, and activity times with the "Adventure" youth camp offered that week for 7th-12th graders. We encourage all kids from the parish to join us for an amazing week of camp in their age-appropriate group. The week will be filled with swimming, river adventure, sports, crafts, music, Bible lessons, worship, and so much fun!

Registration is on line at

[www.bwccampsandretreats.com](http://www.bwccampsandretreats.com)

Due to faithful fundraising we can offer \$150 camperships to all campers. Please register online and make the down payment. Then e-mail your church secretary and we will send your campership direct to the camp. Additional funds are available for families for whom the down payment may pose a challenge. If your child wants to go to camp, please discuss with your pastor how we can help financially make that happen! To receive camperships your child, must be registered by April 10th.

### Camp Counselor?

We are looking for a few new adults to join us at Summer Camp! If you are interested in serving the Lord and experiencing the best week of camp ever, please contact Pastor Jenny at [crazymethodists@comcast.net](mailto:crazymethodists@comcast.net). Counselors go free and receive a discount for their children.

## Scouting Sunday, April 10<sup>th</sup>

Please join us for this very special service celebrating local scouting troops and their leaders. Everyone is invited to the scouting reception immediately following the service. Ten percent of our offering will go to the support of our charter groups.

## Did You Know?

# Trustee's Ministry

## Relocation of Tombstones

The Trustees are developing a master plan for the existing parking lot and the addition of new parking spaces in the main parking area, the office parking area, and the schoolhouse. The project will be completed in phases as the Trustees have many regulations, restrictions, and legalities to navigate with the Town of New Market and Frederick County.

The first phase of the project was to determine how many actual graves are located in the Education Building backyard. History has it that the stones belonged to the old Methodist Church that was located on main street. The head stones were scattered throughout town for many years until some loving servants gathered and placed them after the church purchased the Education Building from C&P in 1980. It was noted that two actual graves were placed in this area, but it was never certain which headstones marked them. The Trustees contacted a ground surveying company to scan the Education Building grounds and locate any graves that might there. Two graves were located near the sidewalk and are currently marked with red and white flags. The Trustees have asked and received permission to relocate the remaining 16 headstones that do not mark any graves. These headstones will be used to fill out the remaining two rows next to the sidewalk behind the Education Building. This will enable expansion of the parking lot upon jurisdiction approval. If you would like additional information please contact Richard Stonebraker, Trustees Chair, at 301-606-1221.



Mt. Carmel UMC and New Market UMC recently became involved in Stephen Ministry. This one-to-one lay caregiving ministry is named for Stephen, one of the first seven laypeople called by the early church to assist the apostles in caring for others. Stephen Ministry is truly ministry—caring for others in Jesus' name, doing the work that God has both called and gifted his children to do.

Do you feel a calling to care for others who are hurting? Do you desire the personal joy that comes from sharing Christ's love with people? Stephen Ministers are extensively trained and equipped before being matched to walk beside someone who is experiencing a tough time. The Stephen Minister meets with the hurting person weekly -- for as long as there is a need -- to listen, pray, support, and encourage. The Stephen Minister provides the care that helps prepare the way for Christ to provide healing.

Shortly after Easter, our Stephen Leader Team will begin training some of the members of our congregation to serve as Stephen Ministers. If you are interested in being a part of this first training class (or just want to learn more about Stephen Ministry), please contact one of our Stephen Leaders – Pastor Scott Clawson (240-409-8119) or Sharla Worley (301-514-0306) or contact the church office at either Mt. Carmel or New Market. You can also read more about the ministry by visiting [www.stephenministries.org](http://www.stephenministries.org).

## Hope Community Preschool Yard Sale!

Saturday, April 9th

9am-1pm at New Market UMC

Donations of clothing, books, household items, etc. are gladly accepted. All proceeds will go to the preschool. Donations can be dropped off at the schoolhouse at New Market on Thursday, April 7<sup>th</sup> from 5-7pm and Friday, April 8<sup>th</sup> from 9am-4pm.

**To VOLUNTEER, please contact Maegan Cooper at 703-282-466 or [macline9@yahoo.com](mailto:macline9@yahoo.com)**



## New Members Classes - April 10, 17, & 24 @ 4:30 p.m.

### Why become a member of New Market UMC?

Although membership is not required to be a part of our church community, by being a member, it indicates that you have made a commitment to not only upholding the ministry of NMUMC but to your own personal spiritual growth and development.

When you choose to join New Market United Methodist Church, we will ask you two questions. These questions are at the heart of our mission and ministry.

The first question relates to a very important understanding of our congregational life. We believe that life is a dynamic journey and our understanding of the faith, scripture and our church life should reflect that dynamic nature. Our approach to ministry, our reading of scripture, the integration of faith and life and our perspective on the world is never static. Our quest is to move forward in the spirit of love, embraced by God's love and opening our lives to embrace one another. To be part of this community is to understand that we are ever evolving and open to the nurturing, challenging and ever-present Spirit of God's love.

Secondly, our life of faith is not limited to our church life; rather, the church is called to help nurture our lives of discipleship in the world. Our lives of discipleship are encouraged and supported by our faith; at the same time, our faith is strengthened and shaped by our faithful witness in the world.

With this understanding, the first question of church membership is this:

As a Christian community, we hold that the life and teachings of Jesus are central in our conduct, discipleship and community life. We further believe that our walk with God is indeed a journey and there is great benefit in traveling that journey together. Will you share your journey of faith and your walk with God in the community called the New Market United Methodist Church?

The second question of church membership has been asked in one form or another for more than 200 years:

Will you support the ministries of New Market United Methodist Church by your prayers, your presence, your gifts, your service and your witness?

Although the intent is usually to join a local congregation, a United Methodist is by identity and design a part of the larger denomination. Our covenant is with Jesus the Christ and with the church (local and denomination) seeking to be Jesus' disciples in the world. Although each individual must decide how he or she will live out this covenant, we try to create an environment of invitation, nurture, challenge and mutual accountability, as we together grow in our discipleship.

## Dinner and Fellowship

Join in a round-robin dining fellowship with others in our New Market UM church community and sign up now for [Dinner and Fellowship](#). Working around church events the Dinners will be held on a Sunday afternoon or a Monday or Friday evening as follows:

**Sun., April 17<sup>th</sup>, Mon., April 18<sup>th</sup>,  
Fri., May 20<sup>th</sup>, Sun., May 22,  
Sun., June 5<sup>th</sup> or Fri., June 10<sup>th</sup>**

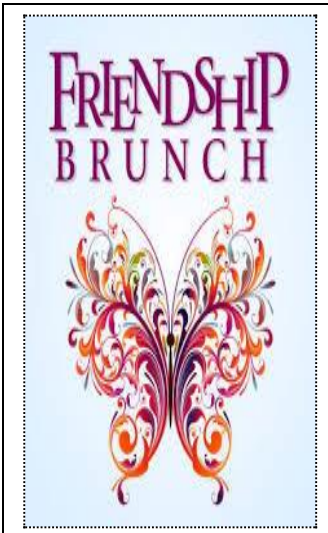
You can host in your home with a potluck, you need only make the main dish and everyone else brings the rest of the dinner, OR you can host at a restaurant and everyone goes Dutch treat. Please fill out a form and indicate also if you'd like to bring children or Host with children. Also indicate how many you can fit around your table ☺ If you are just dining that month, the Host will contact their group a week ahead.

***The sign-up form is in a folder on the Bulletin Board in the back of the church. Please join in by returning your information ASAP to Karen Ohlrich [karenohlrich@yahoo.com](mailto:karenohlrich@yahoo.com) or place it in the envelope at the back of the church.***

([Dinner and Fellowship](#) is for any number of folks that fit around your table.)



## Circle of Friends



*Let's Celebrate Spring!*

*United Methodist Women – Circle of Friends*

*Invites all the women of the church and their guests to come to a Friendship Brunch! Saturday, April 23 at 10:30 a.m.*

*\$15 for adults, \$7 for children (7 yrs. & younger)*

*Forms are in the back of the sanctuary. Please respond promptly.*

*Deadline – April 3<sup>rd</sup>. We hope to see you there!*

*Sisters of Faith Reminder – April 16<sup>th</sup> 8 a.m. – 3 p.m. at the Montgomery UMC. Valerie Burton will be the speaker. Continental breakfast and lunch is included. We will meet at 7:15 a.m. in the church parking lot to carpool. Contact Joan Russell for any questions 301-865-2140.*

*Circle of Friends Meeting Reminder – April 12<sup>th</sup> 12:30 p.m. at Mary Lou Bernota. Toni Carnahan will be doing the program. We will meet in the church parking lot to carpool at 12:15p.m.*

**L.I.F.T. (Ladies In Faith Together) is a gathering of women which support each other and share our faith through fellowship, prayer, study and laughter and we get to enjoy great snacks!**

**We meet every 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month from 7:30-8:30 p.m. in the Education Building at New Market UMC. At each meeting we share in a devotional and discussion led by one of our ladies while enjoying refreshments. The meetings are open to all ladies. Please invite your friends!**

**PLAN AHEAD: This year all LIFT meetings will be on the second Monday of the month. There will be no meetings on Wednesday's or during July & August.**

**Monday, April 11<sup>th</sup>**

**For more information contact Donna Clawson at [donna.clawson@hopemtcarmel.org](mailto:donna.clawson@hopemtcarmel.org)**



## Sunday Worship Time 11 A.M.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>Calendar Key:</b> SH = Schoolhouse Ed.B = Ed. Bldg. Mt. Carmel = MC News Deadline = Newsletter Deadline					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
<b>Bible 101</b>  <b>Amped Youth Group!</b> 4:15 - 5:50 p.m. (MC)	Cub Scouts 1628 7 - 8:30 p.m. (SH)	Kinderdance 11:45 - 1 p.m. (SH)  Trustee (Ed.B) / Outreach Meeting (SH) 7 p.m.	<i>AA 7 p.m.</i>	Yard Sale Set up 5 - 7 (SH) 7 p.m. Boy Scouts (SH)  Choir 7 p.m.  Mt. Men 7 p.m. 7 p.m.	Yard Sale set up 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. (SH)	<b>Disciple (Ed.B) 9 - 11:30 a.m.</b>  <b>Yard Sale! (SH)</b>  <b>Library 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.</b>
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
<b>Scouting Sunday</b>  <b>Senior High Sunday School</b>  <b>Amped Youth Group!</b> 4:15 - 5:50 p.m. (MC)	<b>No School</b> LIFT 7:30 p.m. (Ed. B.)  Cub Scouts 1628 7 - 8:30 p.m. (SH) <b>News Deadline</b>	Kinderdance 11:45 - 1 p.m. (SH)  LET Team Meeting 7 p.m. (SH)	<i>AA 7 p.m.</i>	7 p.m. Boy Scouts (SH)  Choir 7 p.m.  Mt. Men 7 p.m.		<b>Disciple (Ed.B) 9 - 11:30 a.m.</b>  <b>Library 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.</b>
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
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24	25	26	27	28	29	30
<b>Senior High Sunday School</b> <b>Hope 4 Kids 6 - 7 p.m. (SH)</b> <b>Amped Youth Group!</b> 4:15 - 5:50 p.m. (MC)	Cub Scouts 1628 7 - 8:30 p.m. (SH)	No School - Election Day  Fairview Meeting 7 p.m. (SH)	<b>Hope 4 Kids</b>  <i>AA 7 p.m.</i>	7 p.m. Boy Scouts (SH)  Choir 7 p.m.  Mt. Men 7 p.m.	Men's Bowling 8 p.m.	<b>Disciple (Ed.B) 9 - 11:30 a.m.</b>  <b>Library 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.</b>

### April Birthdays:

<b>Andrew McCollum</b>	<b>04/08</b>
<b>Susan Stevens</b>	<b>04/08</b>
<b>Ed Stephen</b>	<b>04/10</b>
<b>Patricia Morrow</b>	<b>04/10</b>
<b>Brooke Matilda Rudge</b>	<b>04/20</b>
<b>Evan Morrow</b>	<b>04/20</b>
<b>Jacob Morrow</b>	<b>04/29</b>
<b>Noah Meyers</b>	<b>04/29</b>
<b>Jacob Riley</b>	<b>04/30</b>







## April 3

Lay Reader: **Luke Summers**  
Ushers: **Tom Geary, Carolyn Geary**  
Greeter: **Carolyn Geary**  
Acolyte: **Lilly Hart**  
Nursery: **Brandie Kellogg**  
Counters: **Sue Wood, Walt Russell**  
Close Out: **Glenn Anderson**

## April 10 – Scouting Sunday

Lay Reader: **Boy Scout**  
Ushers: **Boy Scouts**  
Greeter: **Boy Scouts**  
Acolyte: **Boy Scouts**  
Nursery: **Marilyn Fritz**  
Counters: **Patty Robinson, Toni Carnahan**  
Close Out: **David Robinson**

## April 17

Lay Reader: **Kevin Hart**  
Ushers: **Tom Geary, Carolyn Geary**  
Greeter: **Carolyn Geary**  
Acolyte: **Ethan Hart**  
Nursery: **Erica Jaworski**  
Counters: **Nick Wood, Walt Russell**  
Close Out: **Sue Wood**

## April 24

Lay Reader: **Angela Ashbaugh**  
Ushers: **Glenn Anderson, Lori Anderson**  
Greeter: **Lori Anderson**  
Acolyte: **Kasey Barboza**  
Nursery: **Donna Clawson**  
Counters: **Patty Robinson, Toni Carnahan**  
Close Out: **Mike Grenier**



**Make sure you stop and visit Mrs. Marilyn every Saturday from 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. in the Ed. Bldg. Library. Bring along the kids or the grandkids for story times at 11 a.m. & 12 p.m.**

## Reminder

### April Meetings:

**Outreach Meeting – Tues. April 5<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. in the Schoolhouse**

**Trustees Meeting – Tues. April 5<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. in the Ed. Bldg.**

**LET Meeting – Tues. April 12<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. in the Schoolhouse**

**Council Meeting – Tues. April 19<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. in the Schoolhouse**

**Fairview Meeting – Tues. April 26<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. in the Schoolhouse**

**Knitting** - Interested in learning how to knit or crochet? Or are you already an expert? We have started a group of people who are interested in knitting or crocheting as a ministry. Please contact Kathy Ginsburg at [301-639-4144](tel:301-639-4144) or [Katherine.ginsburg@fcps.org](mailto:Katherine.ginsburg@fcps.org) for more information.

# FINANCIAL NEWS

The original 5-year Balloon mortgage for the schoolhouse and parsonage expired in October 2015. The finance committee has secured a new 5-year balloon mortgage with the original holder of the note BB&T. The new loan amount is \$177,871.00 with an interest rate of 4.4% and a monthly payment of \$1,325.00. The old loan payment amount was \$1,519.00. The Finance Team and the Trustees recommended to Church Council that the full rental amount of \$2,100.00 be applied to the monthly payment with the extra applied to the principal. This would reduce the principal over 5 years to \$83,791.00 compared to \$131,103 the principal that would be remaining if only minimum monthly payments were made for the 5 years. Council unanimously approved the motion with the caveat if general budget goals were not being met the Council could make the decision to apply the extra from the rental to the general budget.

## **First Quarter Giving up to 3/07/16**

Budgeted Income received \$33,949      Budgeted Income Goal \$40,212      Budget Deficit \$6,263  
Weekly Giving Goal \$3,656      Current Building Fund \$6,200  
Next Building Fund Project to be Completed: Cooling and Heating for Schoolhouse \$14,500

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NMUMC LET Team would like to advertise a possible volunteer opening for the treasurer position. The current church treasure would like the opportunity to step down if there is someone in the congregation who has the skill set, time and most importantly the call to fulfil all the responsibilities of this very important position. Listed below are the responsibilities, LET is looking for a 3-year commitment. Please contact Richard Riley 301-788-5173 or Pastor Scott for more information.

### Expectations for the Church Treasurer

- 1) An effective church treasurer disburses all funds received into the church treasury in a responsible and organized manner, with funds identified and bills paid when due so that the mission and ministry of the congregation is effective.
- 2) Qualifications for the Church Treasurer This leader benefits from one or more of these spiritual gifts: administration, discernment, giving, faith, helping.
- 3) Useful skills and experience for this position are skills and interest in financial matters; ability to keep detailed, accurate records and maintain appropriate confidentiality; passion for financially supporting the mission of making Christian disciples for the transformation of the world; ability to work with individuals and ministry teams.
- 4) Responsibilities of the Church Treasurer The treasurer will disburse all money contributed to the local church budget, keeping accurate records of how money is spent. The treasurer works with finances according to the guidelines established by the finance committee for total fiduciary responsibility, including compliance with all applicable governmental tax guidelines.
- 5) The treasurer works with the financial secretary to maintain records of all funds received and performs a quarterly fund records check. Designated gifts and bequests are managed by the trustees in accordance with paragraph 2533.5 of The Book of Discipline.
- 6) The treasurer works with the financial secretary and chair of the finance committee to make regular financial reports to the committee on finance, church council, the charge conference, and in some cases, the trustees.
- 7) The treasurer is accountable to the charge conference through the church council.
- 8) Time Requirement and meeting attendance expectations: The time commitment is ten hours per month plus attendance at the monthly Church Council meeting to produce budget vs. actual and Profit and Loss detail reports. Church Council is the third Tuesday of every month at 7 p.m. Attendance is also required at the Finance meetings which are held bi-monthly starting in January on the second Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. both meetings are held in the Schoolhouse. Additional time each quarter is required to complete the tax filings. In January there is an additional five or six hours to do the yearend tax and conference filings.

## Upcoming Services at Fairview

Every Sunday evening at 7 p.m., the church features different pastors and lay speakers from both the United Methodist church and other denominations.

**Join us for this great Spring line up!**

**March 27 – Easter 6:30 a.m.**

Easter Sunrise

Joint parish service at Fairview

7 p.m. “He Lives! Alleluia! Christ is Alive”

Rev. Paul Leatherman

Edgewood / Sam’s Creek Church of the Brethren



**April 3**

Rev. Phillip Tocknell

Baldwin UMC

**April 10 – Eastertide**

Worship in Drama and Song

“In the Garden”

Vocalists Mark Beall & Teresa Martin

**April 17**

“Touchdown Sunset”

Praise Band from Brownsville Church

Of the Brethren

**April 24**

Rev. Dr. Melissa Rudolph

North Carroll Cooperative Parish

## **Lent and Easter Happenings Light Up “The Chapel On The Hill”**

While all of the worship programs conducted at Fairview Chapel by the volunteer pastors and musicians are special and unique a few scheduled to be presented during the Lent/Easter season need to be highlighted.

Weather permitting, **Easter Sunday, March 27**, starts with an outdoor sunrise service beginning at 6:30 A.M. This service announcing Christ’s resurrection features Pastor Scott Clawson from the New Market United Methodist Church. Join with others from the community around a bonfire as we announce the joyful news that “Christ Is Alive! He Has Risen!” In the event of inclement weather the service will be held inside the chapel.

Easter Sunday services concludes at 7:00 P.M. with the Rev. Paul Leatherman delivering a powerful message celebrating the risen Christ and His triumph over death titled “He Lives! Alleluia, Christ is Alive!” Pastor Leatherman serves the Edgewood and Sam’s Creek Churches of the Brethren. He is ‘a tradition’ at Fairview on Easter and Christmas Eve. This service will include guest musicians and hymns commemorating this special day in the lives of Christians.

The **April 10<sup>th</sup>** service concludes the Eastertide season with a creative and inspirational dramatic program titled “In the Garden”. This service retells the life of Christ culminating with a surprise ending. This service was written by a Fairview worshipper especially for this Easter Season. Included in this unique service of worship are the superb voices of Teresa Martin and Mark Beall, a storyteller and congregational hymns. Watch for more details about this service which summarizes the significance of Easter in a dramatic and unique way in a future article.

**For more information about these programs and others at this multi-denominational restored chapel call 301-606-3094. The chapel is located at 6802 Boyers Mill Road just north of the entrance to Lake Linganore near New Market, MD.**