



Our Vision is to be a community filled with the hope and love of Jesus. Our Mission is to make disciples by growing & learning, worshiping & praying, and serving & connecting.

From the desk of the Pastor...

"Inviting a Friend to Church!"

Dear Brothers and Sisters in the Lord:

Blessings upon you as we enter the lovely month of May! As I write this, we have just had a magnificent Easter Sunday with a beautiful Easter "Son-rise" service and a magnificent choir cantata. We had many people in the pews, and the atmosphere was charged with Divine Presence. I wish every Sunday could be like Easter Sunday! From my perspective at the front of the sanctuary, it is such a joy to see so many people worshipping in our church, from little babies all the way up to the older folks. I have been told that churches used to be full like that every Sunday, not just on "the high holy days." If only we could return to the days when going to church was a priority!

"Offer them Christ"

Several months ago, I was in a Worship Committee meeting at our church, and I raised a question

about inviting friends to church. I was greatly surprised to learn that people in our congregation rarely, if ever, do that. This was confirmed for me during several other conversations with church members after that meeting. The reasons why were varied. For some, inviting friends is something they hadn't thought about. For others, there is an assumption that their friends have churches to go to already. In any case, it seems that very little energy is put into offering Wesley United Methodist Church to people beyond our congregation. I am amazed by this!

Like many other mainline Protestant denominations, attendance at church in United Methodism is declining. Our own congregation is down by an average of four attendees at worship since last year. While I know what has happened to those four attendees, I find myself wishing we could bring more folks into Wesley. United Methodism seems lax in our evangelistic endeavors. We have fallen away from John Wesley's mandate to "offer them Christ."

Beyond the need of every human being for salvation, and providing the means of grace for that salvation, Wesley U.M. Church has so much to offer. Our programs are many and varied. We have excellent worship. We have a fine Sunday school and nursery. There is a love here that is missing in a lot of other churches. (Trust me!) We care for one another and we love the Lord. What we do here, with God's help, provides spiritual nourishment to many. We could offer that same salvation and sustenance to so many more, if we would only step out of our comfort zone and offer them Christ!

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May Birthdays

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|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| 4 Ruth Rill | 24 Tyler Routson |
| 7 Jonathan Yost | 26 Sarah (Yost) Smith |
| 10 Cheryl DeVilbiss | 27 Alex Myatt |
| 18 Robert "RJ" Gunnarsson | 28 Charles Beam, III |
| Patty Harris | Lindsey (Horner) Baumiller |
| 19 Dolores Bennett | Clay Myatt |
| Cynthia Davey | 29 Jim Watkins |
| 22 Bruce Davidson | 30 Henry Myatt |

May Anniversaries:

- 2 Brad & Tracey Rill
Andy & Stephanie Smith
- 10 David & Dawn Graf
- 14 Bruce & Judy Davidson
- 16 Brian & Melissa (Phillips) Jones
- 17 Scott & Davona Palmer
- 20 Daniel & Stacey Graf
Jeff & Jana Zachman
- 23 John & Brenda Hess
- 26 Wayne & Cindy Rill
- 27 H. Lee & Gladys Smith
- 30 Rick & Laura Waltrup



Updated Contact Info:

Heather Schaeffer

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Manchester, MD 21102

Phone is the same: 443-477-5487

Email is the same: hslivestock@hotmail.com

Seeking Graduate Info!

June 16th is the date for this year's Graduate Sunday. Have a graduate or are a graduate? Please send the full name, school, degree, and future plans to Jess at wesley@wesleychurch-hampstead.org. Thanks!

We Extend Our Condolences...

We offer our sincere condolences to the family and friends of Paul Devincentz, who passed away on Friday, April 5, 2019, and of Etta Ruth Heird, who passed away on Thursday, April 25, 2019. May God hold us close to His side as we mourn Paul and Etta Ruth's passing and celebrate their lives.

Updating Your Contact Information

Please call **Sandy Cole, Membership Secretary** at **410-876-5295** or send an e-mail to baldor1@comcast.net if your name, address, phone number or e-mail address has changed. Feel free to contact her with any other changes you require. Additionally, if you spot an error in the Directory, please let her know so she can correct it.

Members to Keep in Your Prayers (Cards Welcome!)

Anna Faye Jenkins & Geraldine Garrett
Golden Crest Asst. Living
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Hampstead, MD 21074

Peggy Dovell
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Hampstead, MD 21074
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Bev Hague
Carroll Lutheran Village
200 St. Luke Circle, Room 110-2
Westminster, MD 21158



Have a New Neighbor? We can help welcome them home! Contact Reenie Harris at (410) 848-1121.



I would like to thank everyone who continuously signs-in in the pew pads for each attendance. You have no idea how much easier you make it for me when meeting my responsibilities as your Membership Secretary.

Just one more thing. I will be updating our "informal" directory during the Summer months, so if you have any changes to your mailing address, email address and/or phone number(s), please either email me at baldor1@comcast.net or feel free to call me at home: 410-876-5295. You can always just tell me at church or as we are enjoying "Lemonade on the Lawn" in the shade in front of our church.

Please enjoy a safe and blessed Summer.

Sandy Cole, Membership Secretary

A New Playground at Wesley! Help install on May 18th

Playground equipment for Wesley's future has been ordered [in memory of Linda Rill]. **Please come out Saturday, May 18th, to help assemble. Starting 8 AM.** Any questions? Call Dennis Rill at (240) 446-7693.



Save the Date! The Fall Women's Getaway

A weekend away from it all, with some of your favorite girls. What could be better?
Strengthening relationships and coming back fully refreshed!
Sisters in Christ

Friday, October 25 — Sunday, October 27, 2019

Cost: \$155.00

Location: Camp Eder, 914 Mt. Hope Rd., Fairfield, PA, 17320

You won't want to miss it! Sign up soon. Limited spaces available!

Send your name, phone number, email address, and \$25.00 non-refundable deposit to hold your spot!

Make checks payable to: Connie Wiegel (Balance due September 15, 2019)



Honoring Moms for Mother's Day



The Outreach Committee would like to honor the moms of our congregation with a donation to New Life for Girls. Over recent years, the relationship between Wesley UMC and the Christian residential discipleship program for women with life-controlling issues has become stronger — something for which we are grateful! **Learn more when ladies from New Life for Girls will be visiting Wesley on July 14. Happy Mother's Day!**

NESAP Corner



NESAP Needs!

The food pantry has been very low on jelly and Hamburger Helper. Other items needed include: toilet paper, paper towels, laundry detergent, liquid dish soap, shampoo, bars of bath soap, and cleaning products (such as Lysol, etc.)

NESAP PRESENTS OUR ANNUAL

ORIOLE TICKET FUNDRAISER!

Once again we are selling Orioles tickets for seats under cover in section 77 and 79 on the third base side of ballpark. Each ticket sold earns NESAP **\$5.00** for our assistance programs!



**GAME DATE:
SUNDAY, JUNE 2, 2019**

**O's vs San Francisco
Giants**

Seats in Section 79
Time: 1:05pm
Ticket Price: \$24.00

**GAME DATE:
SUNDAY, JULY 14, 2019**

Purchase tickets before:
June 11th, 2019

**O's vs Tampa Bay
Rays**

Seats in Section 77
Time: 1:05pm
Ticket Price: \$19.00

Please Contact Lynn Sheavly at **(443) 952-0097** for tickets

IT'S GAME TIME!

"From the Desk of the Pastor" (Continued)

When I served Emanuel United Methodist Church in Catonsville (1999-2006), every second Sunday was "Invite a Friend to Church Sunday." We had a worship service that welcomed our visitors and provided a delicious pot-luck supper after church. It worked. Our "Second Sundays" were our highest attendance Sundays, and people lingered long over lunch. Maybe we could do something like that here at Wesley? Let's get the word out about this lovely church that is a spiritual home for so many of us. People out there need the Lord, and if we don't "offer them Christ," who will? Invite a friend to church. Soon.

Blessings and love, Rev. Amy

May Lectionary... GET INTO THE WORD!

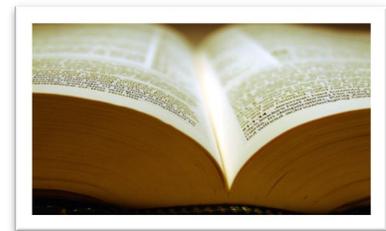
May 5: Acts 9:1-6 (7-10); Psalm 30; Revelation 5:11-14; John 21:1-19

May 12: Acts 9:36-43; Psalm 23; Revelation 7:9-17; John 10:22-30

May 19: Acts 11:1-18; Psalm 148; Revelation 21:1-6; John 13:31-35

May 26: Acts 16:9-15; Psalm 67; Revelation 21:1-10, 22-22:5; John 14:23-29

May 30 (Ascension Sunday): Acts 1:1-11; Psalm 47; Ephesians 1:15-23; Luke 24:44-53



Vacation Bible School — Save the Date!

One small step for your kids...one giant leap for God's Kingdom!

****Wesley UMC's VBS will be June 24th through 28th from 9 AM to Noon.****

Glory to God, who is able to do far beyond all that we could ask or imagine by his power at work within us."

Ephesians 3:20, CEB



Blast off with the first VBS to land on the moon! Cokesbury's To Mars and Beyond will help kids discover the wonders of God's universe. They'll become Voyagers on a journey through space, exploring where God's power can take them. Beginning in an outpost on Mars, they'll lift off to distant planets on special missions to collect power sources. Along the way, they'll learn how God walked with heroes of the Bible, and that God is always with them, too. Added to the adventure will be out-of-this-world fun, learning, and timeless Bible stories that inspire kids to give glory to God, who is able to do far beyond all that we could ask or imagine!

See next page for the registration form or visit our website at www.wesleychurch-hampstead.org.

“To Mars and Beyond” Vacation Bible School at Wesley United Methodist Church
June 24th through 28th from 9 AM to 12 Noon



Voyager Registration Form

Student's Name _____

Parent/Family/Guardian Name _____

Address _____

E-mail Address _____

Phone Numbers: Home _____ Cell _____ Work _____

Date of birth _____ Age _____ Last school grade completed _____

Home Church (if any) _____

Friends of your child at this church _____

Special Needs/Allergies/Medical Information/Other: _____

Emergency Contacts

Name _____ Phone _____

Name _____ Phone _____

Name(s) of person(s) who may pick up this child from VBS _____

Wesley United Methodist

Photo Release: _____ Church/VBS has my permission to use my child's photograph publicly in VBS materials. I understand the images may be used in print publications, online publications, presentations, websites, and social media. I also understand that no royalty, fee or other compensation shall become payable to me by reason of such use.

Parent/Guardian's signature: _____ Date _____

----- (for church use only) -----

Assigned to Voyager Group: _____

Are family members helping with To Mars and Beyond? _____ If yes, where? _____

Youth Group @ Wesley

May 2019 ~ Mark your calendar!!

For more info, contact Stephanie Halley
(stephanie@wesleychurch-hampstead.org or 443.803.7372)



- May 5th YOUTH GROUP, 6 - 8pm @ the Cave
- May 12th Mother's Day (spend time w/ mom!)
- May 19th Destination Unknown, 5 - 7 pm
Meet @ the Church

Sr. High Girls Bible Study: 2nd & 4th Fridays, 6 - 8pm @ the Halley's

Sr. High Boys Night Out: 4th Fridays (see the Jasons for monthly details)

...and on Sunday morning:

- Youth meet in THE CAVE, 9.45-10.45am, and Worship services
- o 8.45am - Contemporary Worship
 - o 11am - Traditional Worship



Honor Your Mother This
Mother's Day with a
CORSAGE
Wrist or Lapel

Youth will be taking orders through May 5th.

*This is a Youth Mission Trip Fundraiser

ORDER BY MAY 5TH

ROSES \$15 CARNATIONS \$12

ROSES AND CARNATIONS WILL BE WHITE. YOU CAN PICK THE COLOR OF RIBBON ACCENT.

CORSAGES WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PICK-UP AT WESLEY UMC OR BY DELIVERY SAT., MAY 11TH.

PLEASE INDICATE DELIVERY ADDRESS ON ORDER FORM IF APPLICABLE

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: LANA MONTGOMERY @ 601-818-9103 OR LANAMONTGO@GMAIL.COM

Wesley Book Club: May and June, 2019



Good Reads &
Conversation

The Wesley Book Club is open to everyone both inside and outside of our church — come out and bring a friend!

The group will have its upcoming meetings at 12:30 PM at MJ's Café & Baking Co. (2965 Manchester Rd, Manchester, MD 21102.)

- ☞ The May selection is *Finding Anna* by Christine Schaub (based on the story behind the hymn, "It is Well With My Soul." The date for this meeting is May 30th.
- ☞ The June selection is *The Chance* by Karen Kingsbury. The meeting will be held on June 20th.

Questions about the Book Club? Give Reenie a call at (410) 848-1121.

Youth Mission Trip Cherokee, NC July 27—Aug 3, 2019

The Wesley Youth are preparing to "go out into the world" and be the hands and feet of Jesus this summer!

Please be in prayer for the youth and their families as we prepare spiritually and materially for this mission trip.

Please continue to pray for us:

That we would be strengthened spiritually, physically and emotionally.

That the Lord would equip each member of our team and that we would pursue this work with joy and enthusiasm.

That even now, the Lord would be arranging for the people he wants us to meet and minister to in Cherokee.

We have several fundraisers coming up, including:

Mother's Day Corsages

A Car Wash @ McDonald's in Hampstead (June 8)

Wesley T-Shirt Sale

Youth-For-Hire Days

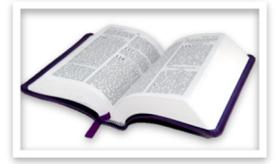
Sponsorship Opportunities

Thank you for all your prayers and encouragement so far!
We hope that as we continue to prepare for our trip, the light of Christ will shine here at Wesley so that we can reflect that light in Cherokee.

If you have any questions, contact Lana Montgomery at lanamontgo@gmail.com.

Library Notes

The greatest theme of the story of Jesus is this—redemption. Life out of death. When we are “crucified with Christ,” putting self to death, we are also raised with Him, to walk in newness of life. It is Jesus Who lives His life in us and through us. This turns all of our “little things” into things that matter, deeds with divine purpose, seeds that fall to the ground only to produce a harvest beyond our wildest dreams. —Gwen Ford Faulkenberry from *Mornings with Jesus 2015*



We have included some library selections about Jesus—his words, deeds, teachings, and example. Information in parentheses indicates where library items are shelved.

The Deeds of Christ by Harold A. Bosley (227). Bosley deals with Christ as a pragmatist and a philosopher of action. Each chapter begins with a specific deed of Christ and travels back to motive, intention, and spirit. Bosley calls upon Christians to share the love of God as revealed through the actions of Jesus Christ.

Jesus and His Times by Kaari Ward (227). This well-illustrated volume from Reader’s Digest gives helpful background information for understanding life during the time of Jesus as well as his work.

The Life and Teaching of Jesus by Edward W. Bauman (227). A study of the life and work of Jesus based on the TV series with the same title. There is also a Leader’s Guide for use with a group study.

The Great House of God by Max Lucado (232). Using the Lord’s Prayer as a floor plan for the Great House of God, Lucado introduces us to a God who desires His children to draw close to Him – indeed, to live with Him. You are taken on a tour of the home God intended for you.

What Would Jesus Do? by Helen Haidle (Children’s Fiction). This is Charles M. Sheldon’s classic book “In His Steps” revised and retold for children. What happens when a small-town pastor and a handful of children choose to live the way Jesus would? Faced with difficult decisions, they learn to love, share, and forgive in ways that impact the entire community.

Where Jesus Walked: In the Savior’s Steps: 33 Must-See Holy Land Sites by Erin Masercola (227). In magazine format, this is an illustrated account of the places where Jesus walked. Included are interesting facts about the places, wildlife, practices of the people, and other details.

The Teachings of Jesus by Harris Franklin Rall (227). A study of the message of Jesus with an emphasis on the historical setting of his time, the great truths that formed his faith, and the message that has commanded the conscience and convictions of people even to our day. Directions for study are given at the end of each chapter.

That’s What the Man Said: The Sayings of Jesus by Maxie Dunnam (227). A personal workbook which can help you see yourself in the mirror of Jesus’ word. A guide for group discussion follows the last chapter.

ATTENTION PLEASE!! The Harrell Library is bulging at the seams. We would love it if anyone has an empty bookshelf just ‘hangin’ around your house that you would be willing to donate! We’re looking for a bookshelf approximately 33 inches tall and about 4 and a half feet long. THANKS SO MUCH!!

Our library is for you to use and enjoy. Remember to sign your name and date to the card found in the back of the book. File the card in the yellow box under the letter that begins your last name. When you return a book, find the card, put the return date on the card, and put the card in the pocket of the book. You can stack books on the shelf beside the yellow box or on the desk; the librarians will re-shelve them. Please return borrowed items within 6 months.

Donated items may be left stacked on the library desk. Please leave a paper with your name and the names of the donated items so that we can give you proper credit. Remember that we only take items suitable for a church library. The librarians reserve the right to determine suitability.

Please leave the stepladder used for reaching books on higher shelves in the corner visible near the closet doors.

Bonnie Catron and Nan Lishman, Librarians

UMW Meeting Minutes • April 17, 2019

Six members met at the parsonage—Jacki Grabowski, Linda Yost, Brenda Hess, Reenie Harris, Fran Crispin and Connie Wiegel.

We opened our meeting with the church mission statement and our UMW pledge. Brenda Hess, our president, had a devotion from Billy Graham's devotional, "I have the ability to believe."

Our response moment from Brenda was the Murphy-Harper Children's Center in Cedartown, Georgia, that was started. It is a home for troubled children. It has been in service for 72 years.

We approved the March minutes. Jacki made a motion and Fran seconded. It was approved by all. The Treasurer's report was approved with a motion from Linda and second by Reenie. It will be filed for audit.

By consensus, our members agreed to drop the Rada fundraiser for now. We will continue to do our Boscov's coupons and are also looking into other possibilities. We talked about a possible Spring "Tea" and having Red Bird Mission come.

We have been asked to do a project with New Life for Girls, so we will ask them this summer when they come to church what needs they may have and act on that.

Our Program was given by Connie with the help of Jacki and Linda. It was our Prayer and Self Denial Service. It was to provide an opportunity for UMW members to learn more about the difficult circumstances children and youth face around the world.

We will be providing gifts to our congregation graduates on June 16th.

Our May meeting will be on May 15. Pam Phillips is going to be our speaker and share what Parish Nursing is about.

June 19th will be our final meeting at Olive Garden at 6pm. Please keep these dates on your calendar.

Respectfully submitted for Bev Hague, Connie Wiegel

Planned Giving

"It is not enough to look back. We need to look forward. There is much that needs to be done (children taught, the sick visited, those who mourn to be comforted, and those in trouble to be helped). Wesley is to stand as a beacon to the love and power of God; its members are to be rays spreading out to give light in a dark world"

– Excerpted from Material Prepared for Wesley's Bicentennial (1987)

Wesley has a rich history, a wonderful present, and a future full of promise. How can we, living in the present, help plant the seeds for our church's future? Consider remembering our Wesley UMC in your Last Will and Testament. Planned giving is one way to provide a legacy to your commitment to Christ, helping Wesley to continue to stand as that "beacon to the love and power of God." Talk to your family. Talk to your advisors. Learn more. One source of information on planned giving is the Mid-Atlantic United Methodist Foundation, Inc. You can find them on the web at maumflegacy.org. At Wesley, feel free to contact Lee Ann Crochunis or Laura Waltrup, Finance Committee.



Outreach Notes • April 10, 2019

Members present: Jan Kurtz, Vicky Wilmer, Linda Yost, Jason Montgomery, Rev. Amy, Dian Rowe, Kim Peake, Janet Martin

Treasurer's Report – All bills have been paid.

VIM – Jan. Tarboro, North Carolina, March 31st – April 6th. Seven people went on the trip. They worked on three projects. There was great food and great fellowship.

Faith Feast – Dian. We had it in February road work kept turnout low. We will use the sloppy joes again for April. We will have Faith Feast once a month for the next several months.

NESAP – Taste of Spring March 21st. They made \$8500. They had 12 vendors.

Pies/Tart/Cobblers — April 14. We will sell in the kitchen. We have about 10 pie makers. We will sell them for \$20 -\$25.

Easter Baskets: We delivered 21 baskets to the Shepherd Staff.

Church Picnic – August 25. It will be held in the parsonage. We will provide the paper products, flatware and drinks.

Back to School — Linda will check in with NESAP in June.

New Life for Girls will be attending the worship service on July 14. They will give testimonies and sing for us. After service, we will have light refreshments on the lawn.

New Business

- Mother's Day and Father's Day donations — No card just in the bulletin.
- Good News Prison Ministry Prayer Breakfast May 2nd, 7 - gam, Westminster Riding Club. Jan and Kim will go.
- Find ways to support families of those who are addicted to drugs or alcohol.
- Have a speaker come to speak to our group in August 21.
- Our group will find ways to go forward.

Next Meeting: June 12th (no meeting in May and July.)

Administrative Council Minutes • March 27, 2019, at 7 PM

Attendees: Pam Phillips (Chairperson), Stephanie Halley, Linda & Jonathan Yost, Lisa Kemp, Lee Ann Crochunis, Linda Hollman, John Sies, Dennis & Rev. Amy Sarah Lewis-Rill, Sandy Cole, John Martin, Madison Smith, Vicky Wilmer, Jess Sichel. The **meeting began** at 7 PM. Pam Phillips **opened in prayer**.

The **devotion** was from Stephanie Halley about the Spiritual Discipline of "Slowing" from the *Spiritual Disciplines Handbook: Practices That Transform Us* by Adele Ahlberg Calhoun. This week – or today – our job is to be slow.

February Minutes

- John Sies was omitted from the attendees of the February 2019 meeting. Linda Yost made some minor changes via email; Jess Sichel will adjust the minutes for the May Journal. A motion to accept the minutes as amended was made and passed.
- Jess Sichel asked that the issue of Jason Martin's email address not working correctly [as mentioned in previous minutes] be referred to the IT Committee to be resolved.

Mission/Vision Statement Banners/Posters: New banners with the current Mission and Vision statements have been ordered by Jess Sichel. Small posters have also been made and are ready for hanging up, unless lamination is desired. Steph Halley suggested plastic sleeves, as well. Jess will handle the lamination or plastic sleeves for the posters.

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Christian Ed.:

- Vacation Bible School will be the last week of June. Janet Martin, Patty Harris, and Rose Hohmes are coordinating all things Bible School. If you would like to help, please talk to Janet Martin.
- Palm Sunday activity: a question was raised by Linda Yost as to whether there had been any thought to an egg hunt. This was briefly discussed; Vicky Wilmer stated that she had plenty of plastic eggs [if it was decided that there would be an egg hunt.] Jess Sichel raised a concern about the advertisements for the Palm Sunday activity. There had been a misunderstanding about the meaning of “Wesley members” being invited to participate. Jess noted that congregants often use “members” to refer to “congregants.” However, that is not always understood by the congregation. Furthermore, there had been a question as to whether people from outside of the congregation were invited to participate in the activity. Because of this, it was suggested by the Council that the posters be edited to better reflect the true meaning of the invitation and rehung.

Finance

- There were no meetings the last two months for Finance. There is also no Treasurer’s report at this time; however, it was noted that Laura will probably update the financial information and get everything out on email.
- Finance plans to have a Spring newsletter and to have a draft for its next meeting (in April.) There will also be a Town Hall on June 9th (when the worship services move to the Summer Schedule).
- The Spring Supper deposit was approximately \$12,800; with kitchen sales, the income was approximately \$13,200. With costs, the net profit will come out around the high \$3,000 or low \$4,000 mark. There are still a lot of oysters to sell. Regarding the turnout for our supper, John Martin asked if we have been up against the Arcadia supper before (date-wise). The answer is no, as this is the first supper that Arcadia has had. Arcadia’s supper was \$50/person, included a number of different entrees, and included alcohol, but was later in the evening. Other reasons for the attendance at our supper may have included dissatisfaction with previous oysters, illness, and the fact that spring supper turnouts are usually a little lighter than that for the fall. Altogether, there were 400+ sit downs and 118 carryout tickets sold, plus the sales to the kitchen staff, making the count of those served between 500 and 550 people.

Capital Fundraising Committee

- The “take-home” amount from the Texas Roadhouse fundraiser was \$75. It was noted that the date of the fundraiser conflicted with a death in the congregation and with Wesley’s choir night. It was later noted that the committee is still considering continuing restaurant nights.
- The committee is hoping to plan a barn dance in October (on the 12th). Heidi Sprinkle and Cherie Hughes are looking into permits to have the dance at the Wilson Lippy farm. The expectation is that there will be food sold, a DJ, possibly a caller for square dancing, and vendors. The event will be in the late afternoon/evening and will be family-friendly. There might even be games outside, face painting, a cakewalk – these are all ideas. The good news is that the use of the barn would be donated. There are other details to be worked out. Heidi is excited to let us use the barn. This will hopefully be the start of a family-friendly annual activity.
- Denny Rill stated that he purchased a certificate for background harp music at the Boy Scout Auction and that the certificate is available to be used by the church. He has offered it to the Youth or Capital Fundraising.
- Another idea is a Paint Night, which would be open to everyone and family-friendly.
- The committee is trying to find things that pull in people from outside of the church, but is struggling with ideas for big fundraisers (if you have an idea, let Capital Funds know!) There may be a golf tournament in the future. A suggestion was made about participating in Hampstead Day (4th Saturday in May – Memorial Day weekend); however, it was noted that the rules for food sales are different in Baltimore County, as Hampstead Day is happening in Arcadia.
- The group is also having difficulty getting people to participate in activities and in the group itself. If you want to be a part of the group, please come! Meetings should be the last Monday of the month.

Membership: Sandy has been doing a lot of updates, and she noted that people have been significantly better about supplying information. In the summer, she plans to work on getting an informal directory update for September for

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folks/things to get started up again. At this time, Sandy has provided the membership committee with an unofficial updated copy.

Outreach:

- Outreach Minutes were provided via email to the Ad. Council.
- The committee is planning to do another church-wide picnic. It would like committees to volunteer to help - i.e., previously, the UMM cooked meat, the UMW took care of desserts, the Youth hosted games, etc. The date of the picnic is August 25th. At this meeting of the Ad. Council, the Youth volunteered to do games. It was noted that there was an excellent turnout last year.
- Alpha Baby Bottles are due March 31st.
- Easter baskets are out [for Shepherd's Staff].
- Volunteers in Mission (VIM) Trip: there was a sign-up for people to bring in food and such. Linda Yost has been in contact with a Delaware-based group; that group's organizer and cook spoke with Linda, and they discussed sharing meals, etc.

Rev. Amy: Rev. Amy noted that it is Lent and that there is not too much new since the last meeting. However:

- There are seven people in the Lenten Study [on Spiritual Gifts] on Thursday morning. Tuesday night did not work out for anyone.
- Rev. Amy is doing a sermon series on the Sermon on the Mount.
- Holy Week: Thursday night will be a service with Holy Communion. Easter Sunday, there will be a 7 AM Easter Sunrise Service at the Houck Farm (rain location is Wesley UMC). Janet Martin has invited folks to come early to see the sun rise if they would like to do so. There will also be an 11 AM Cantata Service [at Wesley.]
- NESAP: Rev. Amy was asked to be the Vice-Chair of the NESAP Board; she will be fulfilling that role next year if she is approved at the Board's annual meeting on Sunday. Regarding the Executive Director position with NESAP – NESAP will come out very soon with a job description. NESAP made \$8,500 and had approximately 300 people at its Taste of Spring event; it will be scheduled again for next year.

Trustees

- The painting is done for the most part; the painter will be in tomorrow to look at the vestibules and Sanctuary. Hopefully, the painters will be able to match colors. He/they will paint both vestibules instead of painting one and patching the other. All of the windowsills have been painted. John is obtaining pricing on painting the historical room and bathrooms (pending any updates which may be made to the ladies' bathroom). Everything that has been done has been paid for so far.
- The windstorm on March 25th did some damage. An electric (telephone) pole by the front of the church snapped and was fixed promptly by the power company. There were also shingles blown off of the parsonage roof. It was patched by Wayne & Cindy's grandson; however, Wayne gave some advice: **replace** the parsonage roof. This will be discussed at the next Trustees meeting.
- A workgroup is getting together to rake up sticks (Vicky, Gary, and John) at 3:30 pm on Friday (if anyone wants to join up with them.) There will also be a group out on Saturday around 9 am to do some work.
- Playground: The Trustees were approached by Denny regarding reestablishing a playground at Wesley in memory of Linda Rill. The Trustees approved the plan. Denny said that his son, Andy, started the idea of building a preschool playground in honor of his mom. Instead of being put in Hampstead, Denny saw the need at the church, and he and Andy agreed that it should be put in here. After talking to parents and grandparents of 2- to 5-year-olds here at Wesley, a plan was created. There will be a swing set, a slide, a seesaw (spring controlled), two spring animals, and a tube for the kids to climb through. There will also be a plaque in Linda's memory. The cost will be \$13,700 cost with shipping (the account has \$14,000). The company wanted \$5,000 to install the equipment on top of that. Instead, a group at Wesley will install the equipment before VBS. Also, there will be a savings of \$800 if Denny picks it up himself; now, there is an extra \$1,000 to buy something else if anyone has any ideas. There are also insurance considerations, including that the Trustees are waiting to hear if we still have

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insurance on Little Feet. For Ad. Council, Trustees is looking for approval to complete the project. **John Martin moved to approve it, Linda Yost seconded it, and all were in favor.**

- The Trustees is constantly upgrading the WIP list. There are two items that already have the approval of Trustees or probably will. These are the Electric upgrade needed to move forward from 400 to 600 AMPs for the Air Conditioning (and future lighting) and the parsonage roof needing to be replaced (has not yet been presented to Trustees). The roof has been patched numerous times; there is no water damage yet. Also, there has been another quote received regarding the roofing on the church. Altogether, **the Trustees would like to add three items to the WIP list: 1) parsonage roof, 2) electric upgrade for A/C & lighting, and 3) on the front of the Sanctuary, there is a light above the right set of outside doors, but no light on the ramp side; Trustees wants to get a light to hang on outside of tower.** A question about the use of Maintenance and Repair funds was raised. There is a smaller budget for Maintenance and Repair to be used at certain times (i.e., painting of a couple of rooms); however, these items are currently to be covered under Capital Improvements. Linda Yost asked if the roof would be covered under M&R, to which the answer from John was “no.” **The motion to add three projects to the WIP program was seconded. Trustees will figure out the when and how of things, etc. Ayes carried the motion, which had no abstentions.**
- The organ was tuned today.

UMM: The UMM will have a Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, April 7th from 9 to 11 AM.

UMW: Brenda Hess is unwell; notes from the UMW were sent out to Ad. Council.

Visitation: No report

Worship:

- The committee is getting ready to meet soon.
- As a side note, a worship member ran into someone new to church outside of church, and the person said he/she felt very welcomed and was greeted.
- Jess Sichel asked if the Worship Committee can come up with a plan to handle Ushers/Greeters. Denny Rill noted that we can probably go down to two ushers at the later service.

Youth:

- The Senior Youth are working on starting up a Junior Youth Group of 4 to 6 graders that will meet once a month. The first meeting will be all together (a family lunch type of thing), then each person in the Senior Youth will take a month of leading the Junior Youth. The group is to start in the Summer/Fall. The adult supervision will be made up of parent volunteers. The group will gather in different locations TBD.
- The Youth had a Retreat at Camp Eder, which was well attended. They had a good time. The kids put the worship service together, which was cool.
- Next month activities are coming up [see Stephanie Halley for details.] The Friday night Senior Girls' BS is doing really well. They are almost done the first book and will start a second. The Senior Guys go out once a month for guys night out.

Thank you to all who have donated towards Windows! 15 out of the 22 have been funded! Wonderful.

Lots of **silent auction items** [from the supper] didn't sell; feel free to peruse the items this evening.

The **next Ad. Council meeting** will be on April 24th @ 7 pm. **Finance is in charge of devotions** for that meeting.

Rev. Amy **closed the meeting** in prayer at 8:10 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Jessica Sichel, Recording Secretary



MAY 2019



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Regular Worship Schedule: 8:45 AM Contemporary Worship 10:45 AM Fellowship Time 11 AM Traditional Worship 9:45 AM Nursery Care <i>During All Services</i> Sunday School	10:45 AM Fellowship Time 11 AM Traditional Worship Nursery Care <i>During All Services</i>		1 Visitation 12 Noon at J&P's Restaurant Office Drop-In Hours 1:30 to 3:30 PM Spring Clean-Up with Scouts at 6:30 PM Trustees 7 PM Boy Scouts 7:30 PM	2 Choir Practice 7 PM	3 Office Drop-In Hours 1:30 to 3:30 PM	4
5 Native American Ministries Sunday Youth: Youth Group @ the Cave 6 to 8 PM (<i>Corsage Orders Due!</i>)	6	7 GriefShare Breakfast at Dutch Corner 9:30 AM Girl Scouts 6:30 to 8 PM GriefShare 6:30 to 8:30 PM	8 Office Drop-In Hours 1:30 to 3:30 PM Outreach 6 PM SPRC 7 PM	9 Choir Practice 7 PM	10 Office Drop-In Hours 11 to 1 PM Sr. High Girls' Bible Study 6-8 PM	11 Graduation Party in Fellowship Hall for Matt Sichel—All Church Welcome!
12 Happy Mother's Day! 	13 UMM at 6:30 PM	14 GriefShare 6:30 to 8:30 PM	15 <i>June Journal Submissions Due!</i> Office Drop-In Hours 1:30 to 3:30 PM UMW 6:30 PM Finance 7 PM Boy Scouts 7:30 PM	16 Choir Practice 7 PM	17 Office Drop-In Hours 1:30 to 3:30 PM	18 Install New Playground 8 AM Fellowship Hall Re-served—Waltrups 1 PM—5 PM
19 Youth: Destination Unknown 5 to 7 PM	20	21 Women's May Friendship Day: "The Time is Now—Agree to Disagree" Westminster UMC 9:30 AM Registration Girl Scouts 6:30 to 8 PM	22 Office Drop-In Hours 1:30 to 3:30 PM Administrative Council 7 PM Boy Scouts 7:30 PM	23 Choir Practice 7 PM	24 Faith Feast at St. John's UMC, 12 PM Office Drop-In Hours 1:30 to 3:30 PM Sr. High Girls' Bible Study 6-8 PM	25
26 After-Church Lunch bunch at Ricky's Bistro, 12:30 PM	27 Capital Fundraising Meeting 7 to 8:30 PM	28	29 Office Drop-In Hours 1:30 to 3:30 PM Boy Scouts 7:30 PM	30 Book Club at MJ's Café & Baking Co. in Manchester, MD 12:30 PM Choir Practice 7 PM	31 Office Drop-In Hours 1:30 to 3:30 PM	

SCHEDULE OF



WORSHIP

Regular Worship Schedule

8:45 AM Contemporary Worship Service
9:45 AM Sunday School / Breakfast Club
10:45 AM Fellowship Time
11 AM Traditional Worship Service
Nursery Care/Cradle Roll Available during the worship service!

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Office Drop-In Hours: See Calendars Inside!

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May Worship Participants...

		<u>Ushers/Greeters</u>	<u>Liturgist</u>	<u>Acolyte</u>	<u>Junior Church</u>
May 5	8:45 AM	Sarah, Michele, & Chris Ellis			
	11 AM	<i>Need*</i>	Matthew Sichel	Isaac Sichel	Linda Yost
May 12	8:45 AM	Cheryl Gore, Davona Palmer			
	11 AM	Carl & Ruth Rill, Jim Watkins, Denny Rill	John Sies	Rose Sichel	Jan Kurtz
May 19	8:45 AM	Cheryl Gore and <i>Need*</i>			
	11 AM	Carl & Ruth Rill, Jim Watkins, Denny Rill	Linda Yost	<i>Need</i>	Brenda Benson
May 26	8:45 AM	<i>Need*</i>			
	11 AM	Reenie Harris, Jim Watkins, Nan Lishman, <i>Need*</i>	Linda Hollman	Isaac Sichel	Rose Hohmes

* If you would like to sign-up to be an usher/greeter, please contact Jess Sichel in the church office at (410) 374-4027. Thanks!

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