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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...

Hello, everyone. As I write this, Pentecost Sunday is coming up this weekend. In addition to planning to wear red and paying for sanctuary geraniums, I have been doing A LOT of thinking about the Holy Spirit lately. This third person of the Trinity is God's empowering presence at work in and through the Church and the world. It is through the presence and power of the Holy Spirit that all people come to know who God is, are restored in their relationship with God, and develop those virtues, or fruits, that characterize the children of God.

If there is one thing I have learned about the Holy Spirit, it is that we cannot contain it, or dictate how it will work. It often surprises us and catches us unaware. This is exciting

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and challenging, all at the same time. When the Holy Spirit is working, we sense some loss of human control, but this is often necessary for growth in that same Spirit. We are called to open our hearts and minds to "the fresh winds of the Spirit" and be ready for anything!

Having been at this awhile, I am able to discern often when the Holy Spirit is present...and when it is not. I have no doubt that God is working right now through the Church (world-wide and locally) to bring about much needed change. Do you see the signs? The churches in Africa and South Korea are growing exponentially, while we lag in numbers and zeal this side of the world. What is going on there? Think about churches and the pandemic. We have been forced, in a relatively short period of time, to "do church" in ways that are completely new and different for many of us. What is the message of the Spirit? Locally, racism has just reared its sinful head right within our own church family. What is God asking us to do as a congregation of Christians, empowered by the Spirit? All around me, I see God at work as clearly as I see the writing on this computer screen.

What do YOU see?

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O God, the Holy Spirit,
come to us, and among us;
come as the wind, and cleanse us;
come as the fire, and burn;
come as the dew, and refresh;
convict, convert and consecrate
many hearts and lives
to our great good
and to thy greater glory;
and this we ask for Jesus Christ's sake.
AMEN.

(Eric Milner-White, England, 20th century)

Love, Rev. Amy



Updating Your Info.

Please contact Sandy Cole, Membership Sec-

retary, by e-mail at baldor1@comcast.net or

by phone at 410-876-5295 if your name, ad-

dress, 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.

- 1 Jack Baumiller Carolyn Graf Whetsell
- 2 Michelle Hudgins
- 3 Kyle Graf
- 6 Jayden Hughes
- 7 Molly Rill
- 9 Madilyn Baumiller
- 10 Spencer Kuhn Lisa Martin
- 11 Steven Beam Ashley (DeVilbiss) Jansson
- 12 Jana Zachman
- 15 Joshua Wiedefeld-Lehigh
- 17 Belinda Rill
- 18 Frank Grabowski

- 19 Reed Zilberman
- 21 Caitlin Insley Jackie Otwell
- 22 Andrew Wilmer Todd Wilmer
- 23 Chris Weaver
- 25 Clay Myatt, III Carl Rill Jim Rill
- 26 Matt Otwell
- 29 Brandon Mahosky
- 30 Curtis Gore Tim Pfoutz Douglas A. Rill



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- 10 Craig & Lynn Williams
- 15 Douglas & Cheryl Rill
- 18 Matthew & Jessica Sichel
- 19 Mike & Cherie Hughes
- 23 Roger & Pat Daugherty
- 26 Chris & Megan Weaver
- 28 Matt & Jackie Otwell
- 29 Craig & Jennifer Ejk

Updated Addresses:

Tobin (Toby) and Sue Porterfield
667 Central Avenue, West Cape May, NJ 08204

Jason Martin

127 Liberty Street, Westminster, MD 21157

Our Condolences...

We offer our condolences to the Hess family on the passing of Brenda's mother, Evelyn Burlson. Evelyn died on May 3, 2021. If you would like to send a card to the family, their address is: The Hess Family, 15903 Trenton Road, Upperco, MD, 21155. Please continue to keep Brenda and her family in your prayers.





Family and Friends to Keep in Prayer (Cards and Calls Welcome!)



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Betty Horner

Golden Crest Asst. Living 4110 St. Paul Rd. Hampstead, MD 21074 (410) 374-6219

Stewart Graf

Longview Nursing Home Room 139 3332 Main St. Manchester, MD 21102

Jean Colton

Sunrise Senior Living Room 103 45 Washington Road Westminster, MD 21157 (410) 857-9013





Pear Wesley UM Church,
hank you for the generous gift, and I very much appreciate the prayers. Thank you for thinking of me.
Evan Mahosky
thank you"
Vesley UMC
hank you for your generous donation towards my Eagle Scout Project. I am looking forward to getting started and eing able to give back to the church.
Tommy [Smith]
akeout Tuesday News:

From the week of 4/18/21: Praise the Lord! Last night we served 127 fried chicken meals and we also sent 30 baked ziti meals to the Rescue Mission! Thank you to everyone who came out to help and those that baked goodies!!!

Vicky Wilmer

Thank you all!!! The meals were much appreciated at the Mission! Lots of good reports on the yummy food! Stephanie Halley

From the week of 4/25/21: Our God is so good!! We blessed 100 people with a meal, good conversation and God's love on Tuesday!! Thank you so much to everyone who helped, made food and prayed for this ministry. The guys shared with me that someone came on Tuesday night who picked up meals for her sick neighbors. What a blessing that we can help these people!!!

Next Tuesday will be breakfast casseroles. If you are willing to make a breakfast casserole without meat, please let me know.

Thank you!!!

From the week of 5/2/21: Our God is so good!! On Tuesday night 114 meals were served!! The guys tell me that several new people came again this week!! Wesley Church, your unwavering support of this mission is incredible!!!! Thank you so much for the many hands that helped this past Tuesday!!!

Next Tuesday we will need desserts!

Many blessings, Vicky

From the week of 5/16/21: Our God is so good! We served 89 meals tonight and sent 30 over to the Rescue Mission for a total of 119 meals. As we were cleaning up, a gentleman came in and asked for 14 meals. We had 15 hotdogs left and enough of everything else to fill his request!!! Thanks Wesley for being God's hands and feet in our corner of the world!!!

Next week fried chicken. We will need lots of desserts and plastic bags(grocery/ Walmart bags) please.



Continued...

Dear Wesley church family members,

Please accept my thanks for all the cards, calls, prayers and concerns sent to my family and I during my mom's health decline and passing.

I was so touch by the beautiful cards and messages sent these past few weeks. I know my mom is in a better place, heaven. She will be missed.

Take care and God Bless, Brenda Hess and extended family

Worship Services for the Summer

Beginning Sunday, June 5th, we will hold our 10 AM Worship Service outdoors in the church yard (weather permitting). If the weather is foul, we will move indoors.

Worship services will continue to be streamed online on our website (https://wesleychurch-hampstead.org) and on our YouTube Channel (https://tinyurl.com/wvzrv9ks).



Graduate Sunday—Coming Up on June 20th!



Are you a 2021 high school or college graduate? Do you have a 2021 graduate in your family? Let us know!

We would love to celebrate with you! Please submit the graduate's name, diploma/degree, institution, and future plans to Connie Wiegel at wiecon12@yahoo.com or call her with the details at (410) 374-3675.

Congratulations, grads!

Mother and Father's Day Gifts from the Outreach Committee





The Outreach Committee is celebrating the women and men at Wesley UMC by donating to local ministries in the community.

Happy Mother's Day! A \$250 donation was made to the Rape Crisis Intervention Center in Westminster, which is a non-profit organization established in 1978 to provide free services to victim-survivors of sexual violence, their friends, and family members.

Happy Father's Day! A \$250 donation will be made to Helping Up Mission in Baltimore City, which helps men and women fighting addiction and homelessness get their lives back.

NESAP Corner: Food Pantry Donations



Food, cleaning supplies, personal care items or gift card donations may be dropped off at Wesley UMC in the labeled containers or at the Food Pantry during store hours (stop in the Thrift Store and ask a staff member to assist you.)

Pantry Donation Hours at NESAP: Mon through Sat – 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM

- Instant Potatoes
- Jell-O
- Pudding
- Stuffing
- Ramen Noodles
- Mixed Veggies
- Paper Towels
- Applesauce
- Helper
- Canned Chicken
- Soups
- Canned Potatoes
- Breakfast Bars
- Juice/Drinks
- Shampoo
- Jelly
- Pasta Sides
- Canned Fruit
- Brownie Mix
- Laundry Detergent
- Dish Soap
- Diapers Sizes 4,5,6

June Lectionary... GET INTO THE WORD!

June 6: 1 Samuel 8:4-20 (11:14-15); Psalm 138; 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1; Mark 3:20-35

June 13: 1 Samuel 15:34-16:13; Psalm 20; 2 Corinthians 5:6-10 (11-13), 14-17; Mark 4:26-34

June 20 (Father's Day): 1 Samuel 17:(1a, 4-11, 19-23), 32-49; Psalm 9:9-20; 2 Corinthians 6:1-13; Mark 4:35-41

June 27: 2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27; Psalm 130; 2 Corinthians 8:7-15; Mark 5:21-43





A Note from Tommy Smith about the Parsonage Pavilion Project:

"For my Eagle Scout project, I will be constructing a 24' x 24' pavilion behind the parsonage, six picnic tables, and a connecting sidewalk. Your support is essential to my success.

"The overall cost is estimated to be approximately \$6,000. Would you consider a financial donation to help me with my project?

"The cost is approximately \$10 per square foot. How many square feet can you help me with?

"Checks should be made payable to Thomas Smith and mailed to: 2701 Academy Drive, Westminster, MD 21157

"Any excess funds donated will come back to the church for future maintenance of the project. Thank you for your consideration! I am looking forward to completing my Eagle journey helping Wesley UMC."

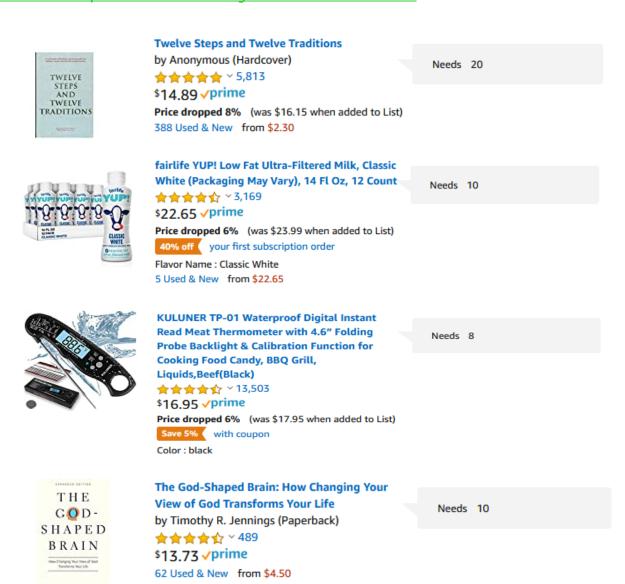
Collecting Items for the "Addiction Healing Center" at the WRM

- Our BLUE BIN for the Mission has arrived! Please feel free to share this information with your friends and family. Remember to only put Men's, Women's, and Children's clothes and shoes in this bin (no household items, please). This bin will be emptied every Monday.
- Amazon Wish List: The WRM has put together a "Wish List" for items that can be purchased online at Amazon. Financial contributions are definitely welcome, but some might enjoy purchasing something tangible to donate. The link for the Wish List is: https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/26ZZHK0355VVK?ref =wl_share.

More items are listed on the web on the <u>Addiction Healing Center's Amazon Wishlist</u>. If you would like to contribute, purchase your choice of items and have them shipped directly to the WRM or place them in the box in the Social Hall entranceway. If you have questions, please contact Pam Phillips at 410-596-0777. Thank you!



Here are a few samples of some of the things on the Amazon Wish List:



ReStore (Habitat for Humanity) Volunteers Needed



Do you have a few hours to spare? The ReStore is looking for volunteers!

Volunteers perform a variety of tasks to support the Habitat ReStore employees in creating and maintaining an extraordinary donor, volunteer, and shopper experience in the ReStore.

Volunteer opportunities may include: Sales Floor and Donation Center Volunteer, Donation Test & Repair Volunteer, Driver's Helper Volunteer.

Interested? Please email Claire Haddock, Volunteer Coordinator for the ReStore at chaddock@cchabitat.org or call (410) 751-5200 (and choose option 3). Website: https://cchabitat.org/volunteer/

Carroll County ReStore: 433 Hahn Rd • Westminster, MD 21157

News from the Book Club



Good Reads & Conversation Wesley Book Club has returned to meeting at MJ's Cafe & Baking Co. on the last Thursday of each month. Therefore, our June meeting will be Thursday, June 24th at NOON to discuss Standing in the Rainbow by Fannie Flagg.

Note the time change to **NOON**.

We have selected the following reads for the summer months:

- July 29th For Whom The Bell Tolls by Ernest Hemmingway
- August 26th <u>The Book of Lost Names</u> by Kristin Harmel
- September 30th The Four Winds by Kristin Hannah.

Happy Summer Reading! Reenie Harris 🔲 😭

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 <a href="maintenance-





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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Job Description – Youth Group Leader

Salary - \$15/hour, 5 hours/week, based upon 44 weeks annually, totaling \$3,300 **Start Date** - September, 2021

<u>Description</u>: Develop a spiritually-driven youth program for grades 6 through 12. Program should be consistent with United Methodist theology and polity and be designed to inspire youth in our local community to serve Jesus Christ. Position requires a paid 90-day probationary period.

<u>Supervision</u>: Pastor; Chairperson Staff-Parish Relations Committee (SPRC)

<u>Duties and Responsibilities</u>: Design, develop, and manage a comprehensive and vibrant Christian youth group program for 6th through 12th graders, working closely with the Pastor to assure program meets United Methodist standards. Provide spiritual leadership to youth. Maintain logs of completed tasks, current events, and future activities in addition to presenting the church leadership with regular summary reports. Attend/submit report to Wesley Administrative Council monthly meetings; participate and assist leadership with the planning of Christian events, activities and camp for youth involvement such as: ROCK and community service projects. Complete Safe Sanctuary requirements and incorporate these skills, policies and procedures into the youth program; other duties as assigned by the Pastor, Wesley SPRC and/or Administrative Council.

<u>Minimum Qualifications</u>: Self-motivated leader with excellent communication skills. Proficient with computer programs, internet research and related tools for marketing and promotion; adept at various social media including but not limited to texting, emails, Facebook, twitter, etc. Prior professional training and/or education in Christian youth ministry is desired but not required. Ability to successfully complete a criminal background check and finger-print verification is mandatory. Provide references upon request.

<u>Contact</u>: Forward resumes with cover letter via mail, or email to Linda S. Yost, Chairperson, Staff Parish Relations Committee, LJYost@verizon.net.



Wesley VBS 2021 - Family Style!!

"Rocky Railway"

Monday, August 2nd, Wednesday, August 4th, and Friday, August 6th
6:15—7:30 PM

"Climb Aboard" with us as we take a railway adventure! This theme will help kids learn more about "trusting Jesus" and how he gives us the strength we need each day! We also will be having a special visit from some amazing alpacas on Monday, August 2nd! This year's Outreach project will be raising money for Operation Kid-to-Kid. The money raised will go to providing alpacas to families in Ecuador. Wesley Church Worldwide!

This year, our VBS will take place 3 evenings during the first week in August. Those dates are August 2nd, 4th and 6th from 6:15-7:30. Sign up for 1 night, 2 nights or 3 nights! Parents are highly encouraged to attend with their children to take part in this Railway adventure as we will be limited in volunteers this year. Let's have fun moving through stations and listening to a Bible story, creating a craft, and learning words and motions to the COOL VBS songs!!

We will not be having a closing program and pre-registration is required as capacity will be limited.

To register, please click on the below to complete the proper form:

2021 Vacation Bible School Registration Form

Have questions? Contact Jen Ejk at jenniferejk@yahoo.com or call her at (443) 474-2269.

**** Remember!! We have CDs of past church services available for you to take home and listen to if you cannot make it to our service on a Sunday. No need to check out the CDs, just bring them back when you are finished with them.****

"How desperately our world needs Christian men who are willing to honor God with their service. We need leaders whose vision is clear and whose intentions are pure. [As] Daniel writes, 'Those who are wise will shine like the brightness of the heavens, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars are forever' (12:3NIV)" -- from *Promises From God's Word For Men*. During this month, we celebrate men: fathers, grandfathers, uncles, and brothers; leaders in all that they do.

Promises From God's Word For Men by Freeman-Smith Publishers (240) God's promises are eternal and unchanging. But, as every man knows, life in today's fast-paced world can be so demanding and so confusing that it becomes easy to forget God's blessings and His mercy. This book invites you to slow down and remind yourself of the joys and abundance that God offers to all His children, including you.

The One Year Uncommon Life Daily Challenge by Tony Dungy (240) Beloved Super Bowl-winning coach Tony Dungy is known for his truly uncommon character—as a coach, a dad, and a mentor. Yet it didn't happen overnight. He learned that the path to significance and ultimate success starts with a challenge that we can all take: to discover what God has in store for you by spending time with Him every day. In *The One Year Uncommon Life Daily Challenge*, Tony Dungy shares 365 Scripture readings and reflections on how to live an "uncommon life" of integrity, honor your family and friends, create a life of real impact, and connect with God in a deep way.

Still Walking by Rob Oliver (180) Paralyzed at the age of 21, Rob Oliver was faced with major life questions. What does this mean about who I am? What am I going to be able to accomplish in life? What are people going to think about me? In answering these questions and others, Rob learned invaluable lessons. By sharing his story, he provides a powerful message to anyone that has ever faced adversity. Rob's story entertains, inspires and teaches life lessons.

Quiet Strength by Tony Dungy (232) When Tony Dungy led the Indianapolis Colts to victory in Super Bowl XLI—and made history as the first African American coach to win the big game—millions of people, amazed by the success of his quiet, authoritative leadership style, wondered: how does he get it done? In the pages of this fascinating memoir, Tony Dungy reveals the secrets to his success—principles, practices, and priorities that have kept him on track despite overwhelming obstacles, including firings, stereotyping, and the tragic loss of a child. His thoughts on leading, succeeding, and attaining true significance will inspire you to take a long, hard look at the things that really matter in your own life.

Treasury of Courage and Confidence by Norman Vincent Peale (240). This is a collection of the works of inspired writers, the thoughts of great men, and anecdotes about remarkable people. Arranged in twelve sections, each offers a different approach to such individual problems as how to banish fear, loving and being loved, the art of thankfulness, the power of prayer, and how to find happiness. It is meant to serve as a stimulant to activate the mind creatively, as an instrument to deepen spiritual life – as a treasury of faith.

Twelve Ordinary Men by John MacArthur (232.1) What is most amazing about the disciples is that Jesus ever selected them at all: among them, a handful of common fishermen, a hated tax collector, and an impulsive political zealot. When you take a fresh look at the disciples, you'll be faced with a stunning fact: the men the Savior chose were ordinary. Hopelessly human. Remarkably unremarkable. But they were available and obedient to the Master's call. And, under Jesus' teaching and touch, they became a force that forever changed the world.

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. <u>Please</u> 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.

Outreach Minutes • May 11, 2021

Members present: Cindy Myatt, Janet Martin, Rev. Amy, Vicky Wilmer, Jan Kurtz, Davona Palmer

Treasurer's Report: Our bills are paid up to date.

• Money sent to Rape Crisis Center in honor of Mother's Day [\$250]

Meals: Bonnie — No one receiving meals

Rescue Mission Needs/Meals: Pam

• Every third Tues we provide a meal

• They love the meals. It really helps the transition folks when they come back from work

• July and August, we will provide gift cards

Takeout Tuesday: Will continue until June 29th unless need arises to continue

Phone Communication: Janet Martin

People have been called or mailed cards

Still some people need to be contacted

All Weather Shelter: Janet MartinIn need of freezer meals

· Possible provide breakfast one morning

Alpha Bottles: Bonnie took them down to Alpha

Habitat for Humanity Project: Jan

• Store is doing well

• Construction on a duplex will begin sometime this summer.

• Jan is on a list to contact when that begins.

Bulletin Board: In process

Rummage Sale:

• Profit = \$2938

Help was wonderful

Cleaned up within an hour

Sent donations to White Rabbit, NESAP, Westminster Rescue Mission, Good Will

Father's Day: Helping Up Mission Donation \$250

Back to School Drive: Linda Yost will be the contact

Camp Sponsorship: Sponsor inner city children to go to camp

Church Picnic: Sept 12th

New Compassion Child: Will be posted on the bulletin board

Water Bottles: Outside for passersby during outdoor service

Next Meeting: In August



Administrative Council Meeting Minutes • April 28, 2021

Attendees: Janet Martin, Michelle Hudgins, Jennifer Ejk, Brenda Kennedy, Matt Sichel, Jess Sichel, Rose Sichel, Rev. Amy Sarah Lewis-Rill, Dennis Rill, Sandy Cole, Jonathan Yost, and Linda Yost.

The meeting was **called to order** at 7:04 PM by Rev. Amy. Janet Martin offered devotions based on Romans 12:3-18: don't think too highly of ourselves; members of the body have differing gifts that work together. Love one another; be aglow with the Spirit. Serve the Lord: Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer... The devotion time was followed by prayer.

Christian Education: Jennifer Ejk

- Davona Palmer and Jen Ejk have been in person with the kids since April 11th. There are between four and seven kids attending.
- Linda Yost, Patty Harris, and Bonnie Catron continue to record their lessons.
- May 23rd is the last Sunday of Sunday School for this term.
- Vacation Bible School: Information has been/will be in the Journal. The session will be Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 6:15 to 7:30 PM during the first week in August. It will be "family style." Details still need to be worked out. There are lots of ideas. There will not be a closing program. The offering will go towards "Operation Kid to Kid," which provides alpacas to people in Ecuador. Jackie Otwell is working on updated information and Google Sheets registration forms, as well as a form for volunteers.
- The Christian Education leadership will hopefully meet again in May.
- Rev. Amy noted that we need to pray for the program and the kids.

Trustees: Linda Yost

- The last meeting of the Trustees was the first Wednesday in April and was virtual. The next meeting is next week in May, when the group will meet in person or in "hybrid" form.
- The Administrative Council approved the use of Wesley Improvement Projects (WIP) funds for the tower repair. Sam Muller Masonry has been contacted. Work should be done in early September.
- The gutters/downspouts on the Education Building should be repaired soon using Maintenance and Repair funds. C₃ Construction (Owen Rill) has given us an estimate of \$552.
- Per Denny Rill and Gordon Benson, mulching will happen after the gutter work is done.
- Tommy Smith's paperwork for the new pavilion came in and was passed on to him. Hopefully, the project has been approved. Tommy needs to raise \$6,000 for the project.
- Culligan Water will be doing a water check on our reverse osmosis system next Tuesday.
- The Boy Scouts have filed bankruptcy and have been facing civil lawsuits. Per Linda Yost, all charter-holding churches had to file a complaint. The Ad. Council board had questions as to why we needed to file a complaint if no issues had occurred here; according to Linda, no reason for this was given to her It is possible that this is to help with the suing.
- The Girl Scouts can come back into the building with the requirement that they do clean-up [Covid precautions].
- Bryce has completed a drone video of all the roofing on the church. There are some possible problems. The construction folks are really backed up.

Worship: Janet Martin

- The committee has not met since the last meeting.
- There was good feedback on the Stations of the Cross—very meaningful. There were requests received to leave it up longer (or we could have it at a different time of day).
- Easter Worship: The church met outside. The wind caused serious issues with the recording/mic. The attendance was around 90 to 100 people.

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- Mother's Day: Potted flowers will be provided for the women in attendance. Father's will have something on Father's day, as well.
- May 23rd: Wear red for Pentecost! Geraniums can be sponsored to be given to the church and then planted in the gardens. Gordon Benson has been consulted on this. Order slips will be in the bulletins.
- Rev. Amy has four different memorial services of differing sizes coming up: 5/1/21: Cresslawn Cemetery, Brad Hohmes' father's re-interment. 5/15/21: 3 PM service for Roger Beam, who died on April 6. He was a Methodist, and his four kids are coming here. 5/23/21: 1 PM outdoor service for Forrest Crispin; the kitchen will be used as there will be a reception afterwards—hopefully outdoors. 6/5/21: Jan Kurtz's parents' dual funeral. A discussion about the increase in cemetery calls followed. To confirm/reiterate, persons must be a member [in good standing] of Wesley UMC, having taken proper membership vows, before purchasing a burial lot. This is due to the low cost and low availability. Denny Rill can be contacted about cemetery calls.

Outreach:

- Minutes for Outreach are in the Journal
- Takeout Tuesday supports the Westminster Rescue Mission on the third Tuesday of the month. Last week, 157 total meals (including the Rescue Mission meals (30)) went out. This week, around 100 meals were served.
- This summer, water will be handed out to bikers, etc., who are in need during the outside summer services.
- Matt Sichel talked about a chapter in one of his research materials entitled "Meals with a Mission" [from "Meals with Jesus" by Tim Chester]. Bringing food to people (along with the Gospel, at some point) is so important. Outreach and the suppers are bring food.

Lay Member to Annual Conference: Matt Sichel

- Watching the movement of appointments shows our unique situation at Wesley. Between Westminster, Hereford, and Reisterstown, we are the only full-time station church (Pleasant Grove is a station church but is only quarter-time). Matt suspects that the conference will continue to link up churches, as they have to guarantee clergy full-time employment. They are creatively making up "salary units." The Baltimore County Cooperative Parish (BCCP) includes six churches, and with another church, that will be seven. To find a multi-point church in Wesley's history, you have to go back a lot of years. Some churches in the linked churches don't know who will serve on a Sunday. A lot of churches are upset. It is notable that NCCP (North Carroll Cooperative Parish) is somewhat successful, which is a testament to the very gifted Rudolphs and God's blessing.
- There is some guessing about the continuity of ministry with the Post-Separation United Methodist Church.
- August/September of 2022 is the next planned General Conference. The Protocol for Separation is still on the
 docket and ready to be passed. The GMC (Global Methodist Church) will "pick up" the traditionalists, while the
 Post-Separation UMC will be more progressive.
- There have been some conflicts with Bishops in Georgia and New Jersey. In GA: a pastor was reappointed to conference staff, which both he and the church refused. As of now, two pastors surrendered their credentials and were hired by the church. The church is pursuing disaffiliation. In NJ: A minister for a Korean UMC was moved from the largest church to the smallest church and will also face being paid a minimum salary. That pastor has a daughter who is a Senior in High School. Other areas may be experiencing things along these lines.

SPRC: Linda Yost

- Matt Otwell, with help from Sandy Cole, is compiling church leadership descriptions. The completed project should be available for Fall and for the Committee on Lay Leadership's benefit.
- The SPRC has a Youth Leader job description to be advertised immediately. The group is hoping to have someone in the position by September in a minimum salary, minimum time situation. The recommendation to hire a Youth Leader came from Committee [no second was needed]. Discussion ensued:
 - ⇒ The cost for September through June would be \$3,300. The monies could be pulled from many places such as certain restricted funds and possibly from elsewhere, as well. Some groups may be asked to help. SPRC will continue to work on the details.

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- ⇒ The salary would be \$15 an hour for five hours a week for three weeks a month, paid monthly. This is for the 2021-2022 term ONLY. The person who takes this job will not be doing it for the money, but will be doing it as a ministry, hopefully.
- ⇒ The recommendation from the committee was taken up for a vote. All present were in favor, with no abstentions. The motion passed.

Finance: Michelle Hudgins

- Financial reports were emailed ahead of time to the committee.
- Rev. Amy's letter [from earlier this year] was very well received. Keeping the momentum going is important as summer is a concern.
- The Finance Committee has plans to start up communication with the congregation again. Another "thank you" letter with encouragement is in the works. Michelle would like to incorporate some of the information Matt Sichel has provided about the pastor/congregation situation in the next letter.
- Michelle also wants to share some good suggestions on planned giving; Jess will send Michelle the planned giving announcement from previous Journals to be revised for publishing.
- It was noted that a Youth Leader will benefit all groups.

United Methodist Men: The UMM will be meeting on June 7th at 6:30 PM with dinner; this will be the last meeting until September.

Small Groups: There will be a combined small group gathering on May 24th at 6:30 PM. Everyone who might want to learn more or are in the current groups is invited to attend! Bring a dish to share. The plan is to meet outside at the parsonage.

It was noted that we should be in prayer for this church and its ministry, as well as the prayer chain.

The next two meetings of the Administrative Council will be **May 26th** and **June 23rd**. We can plan on August and cancel if we do not need to meet.

May Devotions: Matt Sichel will be offering devotions for the May Ad. Council Meeting.

The **meeting was closed** at 8:16 PM; we were "prayed out" by Jen Ejk.

Respectfully Submitted by Jessica Sichel, Recording Secretary

From the Editor...



Hello to all of our readers! Just a few notes:

- Submissions for the Combined July/August Journal (including meeting dates) should be turned in no later than June 15th.
- Submissions for the bulletin should be turned in by Wednesday.

Thanks for your help with keeping the congregation informed!



JUNE 2020



Sat	5 Memorial Service for Jim & Dot Needham (Kurtz Family)	12	19	26	The services will also be live-streamed for those unable to participate in person.
Ë	4 Office Drop-In 1 to 3 PM Praise Team Practice	11 Office Drop-In 1 to 3 PM	18 Office Drop-In 1 to 3 PM Praise Team Practice	25 Office Drop-In 1 to 3 PM	Worship Schedule: Worship services are being held in-person at 10 AM and out- doors through the summer.
Thu	m	10 Office Drop-In 1 to 3 PM	17	24 Book Club 12 PM at MJ's Café & Baking Co.	
Wed	Visitation 12 PM at J&Ps Office Drop-In 1 to 3 PM Trustees 7 PM Boy Scouts 7:30 PM	9 Office CLOSED SPRC 7 PM Boy Scouts 7:30 PM	16 Office Drop-In 1 to 3 PM Finance 7 PM (virtual)	23 Office Drop-In 1 to 3 PM Administrative Council 7 PM	30 Office Drop-In 1 to 3 PM
Tue	1 Take-Out Tuesdays 4:30 to 5:30 PM	8 Take-Out Tuesdays 4:30 to 5:30 PM	15 Take-Out Tuesdays 4:30 to 5:30 PM July/August Journal Submissions Due Today!	22 Take-Out Tuesday 4:30 to 5:30 PM	29 Take-Out Tuesday 4:30 to 5:30 PM (final event)
Mon		7 United Methodist Men's Meeting with Dinner 6:30 PM (Fellowship Hall; Planning for 2021-22)	14	21	28
Sun		6 10 AM Outdoor Contemporary Worship Service Fellowship Hall Reserved 1 to 7 PM (Palmer)	13 10 AM Outdoor Traditional Worship Service	20 Father's Day / Graduate Sunday 10 AM Outdoor Contemporary Worship Service	27 10 AM Outdoor Traditional Worship Service

SCHEDULE OF



⁴Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. ⁵ Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. ⁶These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts.

Deuteronomy 6:4-6 (NIV)

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We seek to be a community filled with the **hope** and **love** of **Jesus**.



June 6: Contemporary Worship Leader—Lana Montgomery

June 13: Liturgist—Linda Hollman

June 20: Contemporary Worship Leader—Lisa Kemp

June 27: Liturgist—Linda Yost



Look Inside for...

- The "Rocky Railway" Vacation Bible School Flyer,
- The Job Description for an Employment Opportunity (Youth Group Leader),
 - A Call for High School and College Graduates

...and more!

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