



“February is Black History Month, the annual observance of the history of the African diaspora. It has been observed in the month of February in the United States and Canada since 1976. It was begun as Negro History Week by historian Carter G. Woodson in 1926 with the goal of educating the American people about African American history. It concentrates on the cultural backgrounds and achievements of African Americans. To celebrate Black History Month, Discipleship Ministries staff have offered a piece of African

American history, culture or biography related to church music or worship practice and history each week day during February. There's lots here to learn about and celebrate.”

(from www.umcdiscipleship.org)

Please also browse among the many resources available at : www.umcdiscipleship.org/resources/celebrating-black-history-month

Recent and / Significant Movies You Might Want to View: These would be good to share with your family and discuss .

To Kill a Mockingbird *Hidden Figures* *Harriet* *Remember the Titans*
Black Panther *The Help* *Guess Who's Coming to Dinner*

Selected Books

The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks—Rebecca Skloot
Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry—Mildred D. Taylor
Before the Mayflower—Lerone Bennett
Autobiography of Frederick Douglass
Roots—Alex Haley
Autobiography of Malcom X
I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings—Maya Angelou

Africa's Great Civilizations—DVD available at Cecil County Public Library

**The
Chesapeake City
United
Methodist
Charge**

**SUN., WORSHIP
SERVICES**

**TRADITIONAL
WORSHIP**
 9 a.m., Trinity
 450 Third Street
 South Chesapeake City

SUNDAY SCHOOL
 10:15 a.m., Trinity
 Lower Level Class Rooms

**JACOB'S WELL
CONTEMPORARY
WORSHIP**
 11:00 a.m., Trinity
 450 Third Street
 South Chesapeake City



THE BRIDGE

THE NEWSLETTER OF THE CHESAPEAKE CITY UNITED METHODIST CHARGE
 FEBRUARY 2020

We are a Community called to Invite people to Jesus Christ, Grow Disciples of Jesus Christ and Show the love of Jesus Christ.



FROM THE PASTOR'S PEN

Dear Church family & friends,

If we were artists, with what colors would we use, or ask others to use, to color our world? The yellow of sunshine, clear blue skies, pure white snow, vibrant colors or spring or fall?

We are hopefully aware of the tragedies in our land and others, from natural disasters to acts of human violence and injustice. These may also be seen as opportunities for growth as children of God and communities of faith. Our lives, too, may present challenges and opportunities to grow in Christ's love and grace. How do we relate to God and others in good and bad times alike?

Gertrude B. McClain shares the poem below, as a prayer to the Master Artist and "Captain of life".

*"Colored With Love"
 Just color my life with sunshine;
 This is the prayer I will say -
 But it's when the storms are raging
 That we gain new courage each day.
 And color my life with a rainbow
 To cover life's battles and strife -
 But peace can be found in the conflict*

(Continued on page 2)

NOTICE:

THE EMAIL ADDRESS FOR NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS HAS CHANGED.
 PLEASE SEND ALL NEWSLETTER SUBMISSION REQUESTS TO:
NEWSLETTER@CHESAPEAKECITYUMC.COM

**IN THIS
ISSUE**

Pastor's Pen.....Page 1
 Worship, Info.....Page 2
 Youth Rally Report.....Page 2
 Small Groups Info.....Page 3
 CPR Training, Preschool, Rotating Shelter info.....Page 4
 Scout Sunday.....Page 4
 CCEA Report.....Page 5
 Feb. Calendar.....Page 6
 Feb. Servants Schedule.....Page 7
 Bible Study Schedules.....Page 7
 Celebrating Black History...Back



Pastor Neil Gutmaker
 610-306-4094
E-mail:
pastorneilg@verizon.net
Office e-mail:
office@chesapeakecityumc.com
Web: www.chesapeakecityumc.com
Phone: 410-885-5641

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE FOR MARCH EDITION:

Newsletter articles for the **MARCH EDITION** will be due to Belinda Bair @ newsletter@chesapeakecityumc.com by **Wednesday , March 18th, 2020.** We welcome submissions for young and old alike and encourage our church family to send in your poems, interesting information on upcoming area-wide events, etc.



(Pastor's Pen cont'd)

When we trust the Captain of life,
 Just send me a song of great beauty;
 On wings of a song let me soar –
 But sometimes our song is of sorrow
 Yet He is beside us once more.
 I'll trust Him when sunshine surrounds me;
 And yet when the storm clouds appear
 My trust and faith will be stronger
 For I know His rainbow is near.
 I'll trust Him when my heart is singing,
 When nothing on earth can go wrong –
 And yet when my heart knows no music
 Then I will still praise Him in song.
 So color my life with the sunshine
 Or color my life with the rain,
 For when life is colored by His love
 Then nothing is ever in vain.

With the love of One, in Christ,

Pastor Neil

Join us in Worship . . .

February 2 4th Sunday after the Epiphany

- ♥ Holy Communion
- ♥ Sermon Series - "Three Simple Rules"
- ♥ Message "Do No Harm"

February 9 5th Sunday after the Epiphany

- ♥ Scouting Sunday
- ♥ Sermon Series - "Three Simple Rules"
- ♥ Message "Do Good"

February 16 6th Sunday after the Epiphany

- ♥ Sermon Series - "Three Simple Rules"
- ♥ Message "Stay in Love with God"

February 23 Last Sunday after the Epiphany

- ♥ Transfiguration Sunday
- ♥ Message: "Love Letters" - Deborah Forsythe

Let all that you do
 Be done in love.
 I Corinthians 16:14



January 11-13 we went to Youth Rally in Ocean City. The theme this year was "Protector". The speakers were Karen Abercrombie, who played Ms. Clara in "The War Room" and Tom Coverly. Karen Abercrombie talked about how God helped her in getting the role of Miss Clara. She was a major part of her local church and somebody told her that she should go for the role of Miss Clara. She hadn't heard from them in a while, but then she was informed that the auditions were going to be held in her church she went, auditioned, and got the part.

An illusionist, Tom Coverly spoke about how he goes around the country spreading faith and how he has a program for schools where he doesn't mention faith but then that night has another presentation at the church where he can talk about God and gets youth that wouldn't go to church normally to come on a regular basis.

Music was presented by "Stars Go Dim" and Tarun Wells. There was also a Christian speed painter named Lance Brown, who is color blind. He painted two paintings on stage which were very well done and also gave his testimony.

The Youth rally devotions were themed around how God is our protector. Friday night we spoke about Jesus is our "Living Water" and how He is a purity that can cleanse us from sin. Saturday Night we talked about how God will always be able to protect us like he protected Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. Our Sunday devotion was about the full armor of God. It has the belt of truth, breastplate of righteousness, boots of the gospel, helmet of salvation, shield of faith, and the sword of the spirit.

Contributed by Carter Ohline

Lent begins with Ash Wednesday

Ebenezer AME

68 Woodstock Farm Lane

Chesapeake City



February 26th, 2020

Dinner at 6:30 pm

Service at 7:30 pm

FEBRUARY 2020 - SERVANTS

	February 2	February 9	February 16	February 23	
9 a.m.					
Worship Leader	Barbara Lort	Beth Ohline	Victoria Foraker	Karol Armstrong	
His Little Hands	Tricia Keenan <i>Servant Needed</i>	Amy Potter Tricia Keenan	Kathi Silicato <i>Servant Needed</i>	Kathy Moran Barbara Lort	
Offertory Prayer	Lisa Malin Communion Bread	Gwenn Barteld	John Redding	Kathy Moran	
Acolytes	Doug Senn	Doug Senn	Doug Senn	Doug Senn	
Greeters	Rich & Dorie Borrell	Rich & Dorie Borrell	Rich & Dorie Borrell	Rich & Dorie Borrell	
Fellowship					
Coffee	Jim Moran	Edna Wyatt	Wes Logullo	Edna Wyatt	
Refreshments	Jim & Kathy Moran	Edna Wyatt Joyce Stansfield	Cub Scout Pack #336	Joyce Stansfield Barbara Lort	
11 a.m.					
Greeter	<i>Servants Needed</i>	<i>Servants Needed</i>	<i>Servants Needed</i>	<i>Servants Needed</i>	
His Little Hands	<i>Servants Needed</i>	Marian Harvey Todd Harvey	Laura Logullo Wes Logullo	<i>Servants Needed</i>	
Communion	Pastor Neil	Kim Smith	Jason Wolfenden	Edna Wyatt	
Offering Basket	Mary Jane Titter	Andrew Hemelt	Jason Wolfenden Jr.	Sally Sheldon	
Bread	Kathy Moran	Kim Smith	Vicky Wolfenden	Hope McCloskey	
CCEA Food Delivery	Kay Redding	Linda Stanton	Lisa Horkey	Don Hartwig	

**WEEKLY BIBLE STUDIES SCHEDULE
 FEBRUARY 2020**

Tuesdays :

10:30 am - Ladies Bible Study - Mary Meadows Home

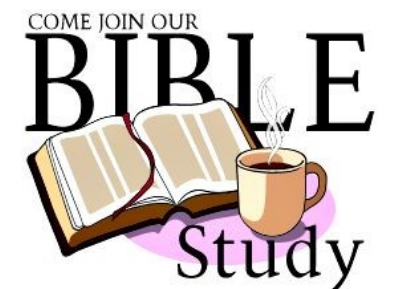
6:30 pm - "The Journey" Reconciling Group
 meets at the Barteld's House

Wednesdays :

Pastor's weekly Wednesday bible study will resume in April.

Thursdays :

6:00 pm - "Following Jesus" - Town Point Annex



See Page 3 for more information on these groups

FEBRUARY

**Traditional
Worship
Sundays
9:00a**

**Fellowship
Coffee Hour
Sundays
10:00-11:00a**

**Sunday School
All Ages
10:15-11:00a
Lower Level**

**Jacob's Well
Contemporary
Worship
Sundays
11:00a**


Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

						1 11:00 am - Private Memorial Service [TP]
2  5:30 pm - Tiger 336 Mtg [FH] 7:00 pm - Pack 336 Committee Mtg [TP]	3 9:00 am - Yoga w/Vicky [TP] 6:30 pm - Worship Planning Mtg [Pastor's Office]	4 10:30 am - Ladies Bible Study [Meadows]	5 6:30 pm - "The Journey" Bible Study [Barteld's] 6:30 pm - Webelos II 336 mtg [RM #5] 6:45 pm - Troop 336 Mtg [FH & RM #2]	6 6:00 pm- Following Jesus bible study [TP] 6:00 pm - JW Band Rehearsal-[sanctuary] 7:30 pm - Choir practice -[sanctuary]	7	8
9	10 9:00 am - Yoga w/Vicky [TP] 7:00 pm- Finance Committee Mtg [RM #2]	11 10:30a- Ladies Bible Study [Meadows] 5:30p- 4H Meeting [TP]	12 6:30 pm - "The Journey" Bible Study [Barteld's] 6:45 pm - Troop 336 Mtg [FH & RM #2]	13 2:00p - Café Conversations [Café on the Bay] 6:00p- Following Jesus bible study [TP] 6:00p - JW Band Rehearsal -[sanctuary] 7:30p - Choir practice -[sanctuary]	14 	15
16 6:30p - Cub Pack Mtg [FH]	17 9:00 am - Yoga w/Vicky [TP] 6:30p-Men's Dinner [FH] 	18 10:30a- Ladies Bible Study [Meadows] 6:30p-Caring Comm [RM #4] 7:00p-Church Council meeting [RM #4]	19 6:30 pm - "The Journey" Bible Study [Barteld's] 6:30 pm - Webelos II 336 mtg [RM #5] 6:45 pm - Troop 336 Mtg [FH & RM #2] 7:00 pm - Lions #336 den mtg. [RM #4]	20 6:00p- Following Jesus bible study [TP] 6:00p - JW Band Rehearsal -[sanctuary] 7:30p - Choir practice -[sanctuary]	21	22 9:30a - First Aid & CPR Training [FH]
23	24 9:00 am - Yoga w/Vicky [TP]	25 10:30a- Ladies Bible Study [Meadows] 4:00pm - Kanal Kitchen [FH]	26 ASH WEDNESDAY 6:30 pm - Pre-service Dinner [Ebenezer] 7:00 pm-Ash Wednesday Service [Ebenezer] 6:30p - Troop 336 Mtgs [FH & RM #2]	27 2:00p - Café Conversations [Café on the Bay] 6:00p- Following Jesus bible study [TP] 6:00p - JW Band Rehearsal -[sanctuary] 7:30p - Choir practice -[sanctuary]	28	29



Following Jesus
Steps to a Passionate Faith"
Led by Wes & Laura Logullo
Thursdays at 6:00p at Town Point

Join us for
"The Journey" as we explore the upcoming changes in the United Methodist Church and how we will adapt to those changes. Join us as we discuss how to become a Reconciling Group and what that means for the future of our church. All are welcome. We meet Wednesday evenings at the Barteld's house in Port Herman at 6:pm. We are currently reading and discussing Adam Hamilton's "When Christians Get it Wrong".

Ladies' Bible Study
Hosted every Tuesday at 10:30 am in the home of Mary Meadows. 
This study is open to women who are interested in a deeper understanding and faith walk. We are currently using Max Lucado's **Life Lessons from Revelations**. Come for a visit, stay for the growth. Bring your prayer concerns and we'll lift them with you. If you need additional information, please call 410-885-5641

Pastor's Bible Study
Is on winter break and WILL RESUME IN APRIL



SCOUT SUNDAY

This year marks the 100 year anniversary of the partnership between the United Methodist Church and the Boys Scouts of America.



Join us on **SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9th, 2020** for Scout Sunday

For more information about Cub Scouts, contact Wes Logullo, Cub Pack #336's Committee Chair via email to: delmarvapack336@gmail.com

For more information about Boy Scouts (grades 6 through 12), contact John Tokash, Boy Scout Troop #336's Scoutmaster via email to: johnbtokash@gmail.com

Café Conversations



A time and place beyond the church walls where people of all walks of faith and backgrounds can come to be themselves, share in open and guided conversation, on matters of everyday real life issues around what matters most – life, God, personal feelings, relationships, needs, hopes, health, and others.

Where: Café on the Bay in Chesapeake City, MD (19 Bohemia Ave, Chesapeake City)

When: 2nd & 4th Thursdays in February and March

Beginning: Thursday, February 13th at 2:00 pm

Led by Pastor Neil. 610-306-4094



Enjoy a time of fellowship with other men in our church family. Someone brings the main course and others bring sides and drinks



Dear Pastor Gutmaker and members of Trinity UMC,

Thank you for your recent gift to the Native American Ministries Sunday Special Offering. Your donation supports cultural awareness, youth leadership development and advocacy ministries both locally in our Pen-Del Conference and nationally. We pray Creator's blessing on your church and your ministries.

RagghiRain

Raggatha Calentine
CONAM Chair

FIRST AID & CPR TRAINING

**Saturday, February 22, 2020
10:00 am - Fellowship Hall**

We will be holding a required training for all those volunteering with children and youth in our church ministries.



The training will be led by Kathy Moran, **beginning at 10am**, lasting only 2 hours or less, with a short break in between.

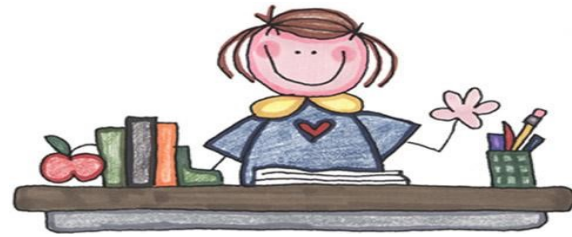
Sign-up is now open! (please see bulletin board in the sanctuary hallway).

If you have any questions, please contact:
Kathy (410) 920-1546 or
Pastor Neil (610) 306-4094

Thanks & Blessings



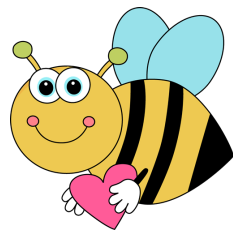
TRINITY PRESCHOOL NEWS



This month marks our annual Trike-a-thon where the preschoolers get to ride their bikes to raise funds for our program. We will also celebrate Valentine's Day exchanging cards and having a special snack. Our chapel lessons will continue to focus on the fruits of the spirit, which can be found in Galatians 5:22-23.

We Love
Trinity Preschool!

Deidra Johnson, Director
preschooltrinityumc@gmail.com
410-885-2148
www.trinityumcpreschool.org



**Upcoming:
ROTATING SHELTER**

March 2nd to March 9th , 2020

Sign-up sheets are posted outside of our church office.

As in years past, Tom Duffy also requests donations of socks that can be delivered anytime to the church between now and throughout March.



Opportunities for serving:

- *Shelter Set Up
- *Dinner Teams
- *Breakfast donations
- *Laundry Team
- *Shelter Clean up and Move
- *Intake Teams
- *Kitchen Clean up
- *Breakfast Team (Sat/Sun)
- *Overnight supervisors

**For more information, contact:
Joyce Stansfield (443) 350-0484
or Tom Duffy (443) 207-2517**

**CHESAPEAKE CITY
ECUMENICAL ASSOCIATION**

A new year is upon us. Our opening fundraiser, The Spaghetti Dinner was well attended. We give special thanks to the VFW for the continued support by providing use of the hall and kitchen facilities. Thank you to Donna Zeisberg, a dedicated supporter and volunteer who took the lead to coordinate the event. Thank you to Jean Ahern, Bob and Marie Webb, Joe & Pat Stackler..all of whom brought their expertise to get the shopping and cooking done! Rave reviews on the meatballs and sauce!

...Thank you to Barb Zakowski for arranging the auction items and to those who donated so many wonderful items; to Maryann Donovan who provided the baked goods for a well-stocked table and delicious array! We would be remiss if we did not thank Celestine & Lorenzo Hall. Celestine has manned the registration table and Lorenzo our experienced lead on keeping the dishes & utensils ready since this event began. Eileen Viars-you wear too many hats to name-thank you! And not miss the many volunteers not named but so deeply appreciated for the stations you manned; the drinks you kept flowing; the tables you cleared and the set-up and clean-up for the event. Lastly, without a doubt our dearly missed friend and the brains behind this event-Bill Ahern-we remember you fondly, missed your smile and wit and know beyond a shadow of a doubt-you were with us!

Mission Focus: The Founders Scholarship Fund

We fund a scholarship with Cecil College. Originally named, the Bud McKee Scholarship Fund in memory of one of the founders. The scholarship started at \$500.00 annually but with the passing of a 2nd founder, Helen (Dolly) Brown-the board voted to rename the scholarship and increase it to \$1000.00.

Bud McKee, my mentor and my friend, talked often of the need to bridge the gaps (the basis of our mission statement). If we could encourage continuing education, we could provide a hand-up towards better earning abilities. The only restriction placed on the scholarship was that it be given to adults returning to school to complete their education. It could be granted for degreed or certification training.

(Continued...)

(...Continued)

Over the years we have aided many returning to complete their degrees in areas such as education, nursing, technology and accounting. We have also helped a few along the way earn certifications which improved their ability in their current positions or allowed them to make employment changes bringing much higher earnings. We have attended every Scholarship Breakfast and met many of the recipients, each one grateful that people like YOU, supported the CCEA who in turn was able to support them.

Our scholarship fund is the least costly of our ministries and perhaps in some ways the most effective for the long-term benefits it provides. If you have supported this ministry in the past we want to thank you. If YOU want to be a part of the bridge to better earnings for those yet to apply, YOU can give a one-time donation towards the next round of scholarships; or you may elect to support this ministry for several rounds! You can help build one bridge or many. Payment by check should be made payable to The CCEA, with Scholarship Fund noted on the memo line. If you wish to make an electronic donation or donate thru PayPal, please visit our web-site at www.ccea4u.com. Once you reach our home page, go to the donation button on the left and follow the instructions.

Always with our thanks,

Deborah Forsythe, President



CCEA VOLUNTEER NEEDED:
Volunteer with Administrative and
Computer skills needed.

The CCEA is in need of a talented person with MS Office experience; help with record keeping and willing to learn new tasks as needed.

Preferred availability: Tues & Weds. from 9:00a to noon. Must be comfortable working in a busy environment and with a range of people.

Please contact president@ccea4u.com