



Combined Outdoor
Worship - Town Point
Sundays
10:00a

Children’s
Sunday School
Canceled Until
Further Notice

Adult Sunday
School via Zoom
Sundays
11:30 am

Worship recordings
online following service
On the Pastor’s Page of our
website and Facebook

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
	Yoga With Vicky has been temporarily Suspended	Ladies Bible Study Has been canceled until further notice	All Choir Rehearsals are canceled until further notice All Journey Bible Study sessions are canceled until further notice	All Praise Band Rehearsals are canceled until further notice 6:00 pm - “Following Jesus” (Zoom)		
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
10:00 am - Outdoor Worship Service (Town Point Lawn) Or watch online after service 11:30 am - Adult Sunday School Class (Zoom)	LABOR DAY 	Trinity Preschool 2020-2021 First Day back to School 	7:00 pm - Boy Scout Troop 336 Meeting (Town Point)	6:00 pm - “Following Jesus” (Zoom)	PATRIOT DAY 	
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
10:00 am - Outdoor Worship Service (Town Point Lawn) Or watch online after service 11:30 am - Adult Sunday School Class (Zoom)	7:00 pm - Church Council Meeting (Zoom) 7:30 pm - Finance Committee Meeting		7:00 pm - Boy Scout Troop 336 Meeting (Town Point)	6:00 pm - “Following Jesus” (Zoom)		
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
10:00 am - Outdoor Worship Service (Town Point Lawn) Or watch online after service 11:30 am - Adult Sunday School Class (Zoom)	MEN’S DINNER September Men’s Fellowship Dinner is canceled	 4:00 pm - Kanal Kitchen (Trinity) 6:30 pm - CCEA Board Meeting	October Newsletter Submission Deadline 7:00 pm - Boy Scout Troop 336 Meeting (Town Point)	6:00 pm - “Following Jesus” (Zoom)		
27	28	29	30			
10:00 am - Outdoor Worship Service (Town Point Lawn) Or watch online after service 11:30 am - Adult Sunday School Class (Zoom)		 NATIONAL COFFEE DAY	7:00 pm - Boy Scout Troop 336 Meeting (Town Point)		NOTICE: All outside groups will be required to complete new forms before resuming any meetings or events at any CCUMC properties.	CHURCH OFFICE HOURS Tuesday - Friday 10:00am - 2:00pm



THE NEWSLETTER OF THE CHESAPEAKE CITY UNITED METHODIST CHARGE

SEPTEMBER 2020

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



Greetings to you all in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord!

The past two months have flown by so fast! It has been wonderful to continue to get to know everyone through visits, calls, meetings, outdoor and online worship. While there are of course challenges associated with all flurries of newness like this, the love shared within our church community has made my start a wonderful one. Truly, what a great many blessings God has given us during this time of beginnings at CCUMC.

One of the chief blessings of the summer has of course been the ability to worship together both in person and online. Gathering together in outdoor worship has been a great success thus far, and as temperatures eventually cool it will be even more pleasant to praise God on the Town Point lawn. While outdoor and online worship are great, plans and preparation are currently underway for moving worship indoors. Because of the present risk and challenges of remaining safe during COVID, we will not be moving indoors until the fall or early winter. Once the weather starts to become less pleasant we will make the switch, but so long as it is nice out we want to take advantage of worshiping in Creations beauty for as long as we can!

Abby (my fiancé) and I had a wonderful time getting to know many of our church family through phone calls and getting together over meals. We hope to continue to meet more folks, so please let me know if/how you’d be comfortable getting together. As a reminder, I am available anytime Sunday through Thursday 9am-9pm. I take Friday and Saturday as my weekend, but do not hesitate to contact in the case of any emergency.

I set aside the month of August to focus on different parts of the topic of community in each Sunday sermon. One central verse that I’d like us to consider going forward is 1 Thes. 5:15: “Make sure that nobody pays back wrong for wrong, but always strive to do what is good for each other and for everyone else.” To me this summarizes how our actions to one another ought to look as a community of faith. As we go forward into September and restart or relaunch different ministries, head back to school, head back to Sunday School, and attempt to find new patterns for life in the midst of uncertainty let us keep

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September Worship:

Sundays 10:00 am

Town Point Church lawn

See Pages 2 for more info



NEWSLETTER DEADLINE FOR OCTOBER EDITION:

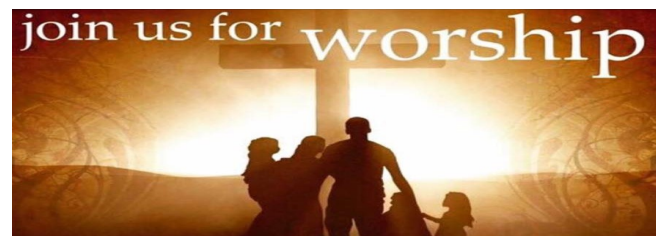
Newsletter articles for the October edition will be due to Belinda Bair at newsletter@chesapeakecityumc.com by **Wed., September 23rd, 2020.** We welcome submissions from young and old alike and encourage our church family to send in your poems, interesting information on upcoming area-wide events, etc.

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this verse in mind. How we live with one another as Siblings in Christ, as a community of faith, matters. So as we move into autumn, let us also move into greater love, never repaying a wrong and working for the good of one another.

Grace and Peace,

Pastor Sam Mitchell



We are excited to continue meeting for outdoor worship for the month of September. While this may not be ideal, we are blessed to gather together and enjoy God's creation at the same time. However we are mindful that there are those who cannot join in person or feel it is unsafe to do so. Knowing this, we will be sharing services live on Facebook and posting the videos of Sunday worship services on the Pastor's Page of the church website at :

<https://chesapeakecityumc.com/pastors-page> with other details to follow.

September 6- Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 13- Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 20- Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 27- Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Some details regarding worship throughout the month of September . . .



Each Sunday throughout September, we will be meeting outdoors for combined, in-person worship at 10:00 am on the lawn at Town Point Church (weather permitting). These services will be "bring-your-own-everything": chair, umbrella, mask, sanitizer, communion elements, bible, etc. In the event of inclement weather, a decision will be made at 8 am on Sunday and an announcement will be made via email and posted on Facebook.

PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY . . .

- For all those infected or affected by COVID-19, especially those who have lost loved ones
- For all others as well, especially those in the health care profession or volunteering in various ways, helping to sustain life
- Families working from home and all those strained emotionally, financially, or in other ways at this time
- Our congregation, Bishop, District Superintendent, pastor and other faith leaders
- for all of our government leaders and those who serve the public in various ways
- For the Cecil County Public School System, all students, parents, and family that will be affected by changes in fall public schooling.

PLEASE CONTINUE PRACTICING ACTS OF KINDNESS, INCLUDING . . .

- Calls, texts, emails, share on Facebook words of care and encouragement for healthcare workers, first responders and others



CHESAPEAKE CITY UNITED METHODIST CHARGE

ADJUSTED CHURCH OFFICE OPERATIONS

Tuesday & Friday: 10 am to 2 pm

The church office will be open for receiving offerings, distributing newsletters, printed bulletins and *The Upper Room*. Masks are required. Please call/email the office ahead of your visit.

Wednesday & Thursday: 10 am to 2 pm

The church office will continue operating remotely.

Calls & emails to the office are welcome.

OFFICE: (410) 885-5641

Email: office@chesapeakecityumc.com

Pastor Sam will be available by appointment

PASTOR: (302) 448-0367 from 9 am to 9 pm

Sunday through Thursday

Email: pastorsam@chesapeakecityumc.com

Your continued prayers and contributions are appreciated during this time.

Offerings can be mailed to:

CCUMC

P.O. Box 196

Chesapeake City, MD 21915

Or online via our website:

www.ChesapeakeCityUMC.com/online-giving

Giving online is safe, fast and easy!



As we move into September, we are reminded that this is the 19th Anniversary of 9-11., a day that shook this country to the core. In modern history, the US has only been struck twice on our soil-once in Pearl Harbor, taking us into the WWII and once during peace times with the bombings that took place across the upper eastern states of NY, PA and the District of Columbia.

For the years since, we have honored those who died that day; those who walked into "hell on earth" to save others and the many who have since lost their lives because of health complications from the months of recovery and clean up. Sadly, 2020 has stopped us once again in our tracks with COVID.

While we cannot gather in person, we ask that you take a moment on 9/11 to remember so many who died senselessly; died bravely to save others both on that day and in the many days since and those families who lived with the remnants of 9/11 every day since.

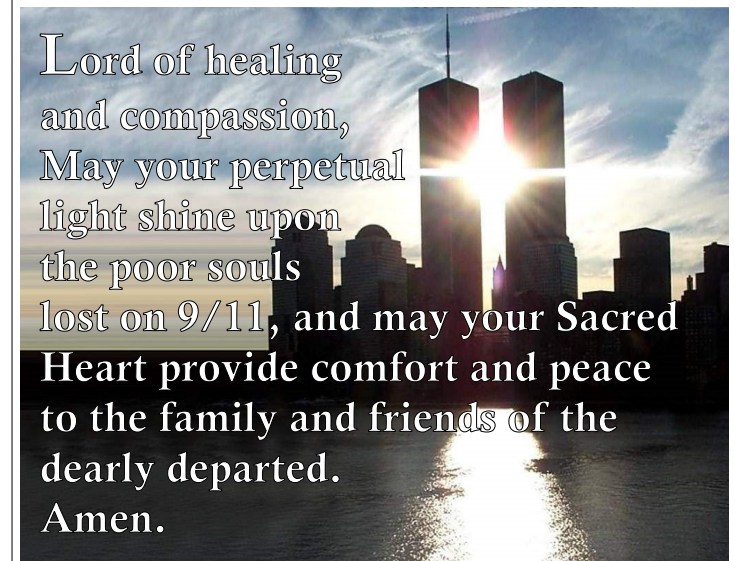
Deborah M. Forsythe, President

As we move thru the remainder of 2020, our operations will continue under COVID guidelines. However, beginning this month we will resume accepting donations for our Clothing and Home Pantry, with strict guidelines as to the days, times and what we will accept. A schedule is being developed as this article is being written. Details will be published on our web site (www.ccea4u.com) and on FB page. Before coming with donations Please follow the instructions, as we now reserve the right to reject donations. We are operating with limited volunteer staffing. All donations dropped outside and unattended are disposed of without question.



2020 9/11 Tribute

Due to COVID-19, the CCEA is planning to provide a virtual 9/11 tribute this year. The tribute video/slideshow will be posted to the CCEA Facebook page: www.facebook.com/ccea4u and



*Country Friendship Tea at the Barn
In a beautiful country setting!*



*Join the CCEA for an afternoon Tea/Punch!
Sunday, May 23, 1 pm at Sinking Springs Herb Farm
843 Elk Forest Rd, Elkton, MD 21921
\$25 per person adult, \$15 children under 12, Free for children under 4
Bring your favorite Tea Cup... - Bring your favorite Hat....
Call 410-885-3244 for information.*

*Tickets will be available on March 1st at the following locations:
Purchase tickets at **Café on the Bay** @ 19 Bohemia Avenue, 21915
ICA Consulting, 2615 Augustine Herman Hwy 21915 or
Good as New Shop @ 213 North Street, Elkton, MD 21921 or
through your CCEA Church representative.
Benefits the Generation Station.*

E-Mail: outreach@ccea4u.com Phone: 410-885-3244 Web: www.ccea4u.com

TRINITY PRESCHOOL NEWS



Preschool is reopening with small class sizes and strict safety guidelines beginning September 8th. We will keep a waiting list for interested families to enroll as restrictions are lifted and we assess the need to open an additional classroom.



Please join us in welcoming **Ms. Leticia Randall** to our preschool staff. She comes to us with over 14 years of experience working with children and families and will serve as an assistant teacher.

Despite the uncertainty of these times, we stand on the promises of God thanking him for keeping the program going and asking for his continued protection over our staff, children and families.

Be blessed and safe!

Deidra Johnson, Director
preschool@trinityumcpreschool.org
410-885-2148

A PRAYER FOR OUR TEACHERS

DEAR GOD,
THANK YOU FOR THE AMAZING TEACHERS
WHO HAVE GIVEN THEIR LIVES
TO SERVE OUR CHILDREN.
AS THEY PREPARE FOR THE NEW YEAR,
FILL THEM WITH STRENGTH TO LEAD,
GRACE TO GUIDE AND HOPE TO THRIVE
IN THEIR CLASSROOM.
BLESS THEM BEYOND MEASURE
FOR THEIR WILLINGNESS
TO POUR INTO THE NEXT
GENERATION THROUGH EDUCATION. AMEN

GROUP USE OF
TOWN POINT LAWN

We have decided to allow the use of the lawn at Town Point Church for use by small groups.

To reserve space for your group, please contact the office to confirm availability and receive the information & contract agreement packet via email.

In addition to our standard Use of Building Guidelines, the following additional guidelines have been established according to CDC and Maryland guidelines for best practices due to COVID-19.

Use of Building COVID-19 Guidelines

- All persons over the age of two (2) years who are present on CCUMC properties must always properly wear a mask. Masks must cover nose and mouth.
- Social distancing of six (6) feet must be maintained as outlined by the CDC and State of Maryland. Proper hygiene and hand sanitizing must be practiced intermittently throughout the gatherings.
- No food or drinks should be passed out or shared among non-household members.
- Zero contact should occur to the greatest extent possible among non-household members.
- If using indoor spaces all persons must use hand sanitizer upon entry.
- If using indoor spaces, all items which were moved must be replaced and sanitized.
- If using indoor spaces, including restrooms, all touched surfaces must be sanitized at the completion of your event.
- No one should be permitted entry who is exhibiting any signs of respiratory infection (coughing, sneezing, runny nose, etc.).
- No one should be permitted to attend any gathering after traveling out of the Delaware/Maryland area until 14 days have passed without symptoms.
- Complete attendance MUST be taken at EVERY gathering including names, phone numbers, and addresses of each person in attendance for Contact Tracing efforts and submitted to the CCUMC office for record-keeping.
- Contact Tracing records must be maintained for at least six (6) months and made available upon request by CCUMC, local law enforcement and/or health department officials.

If you have any questions, or would like to reserve space for your group, please contact the church office.

*Dear Lord,
Our children are filled with emotions
about their first day of
school! Fill them with
peace instead of
worry.
Give them courage
instead of fear.
Strengthen them with
your presence as
they start the new
year.
Amen.*



**Sunday
School
Updates**

Until we are back in the building, Sunday School will be offered virtually. We know the kids are getting burned out with Zoom for school, so we plan to "go cool" and use YouTube. We will be posting the message and the video online so your kids can watch, and we are planning to send fun worksheet packets home for the entire Fall series for each child. We may drop off, hand deliver or mail these packets which will be put together with limited loving hands a week before delivery to eliminate any virus threat. Once we are back inside, we will resume classes in person for those that are able to join us. We may decide to continue to offer the YouTube as well depending on how popular we are and how many "hits" we get. If you have any questions or suggestions, please let me know at lmalin68@gmail.com.

Your sister in Christ!
Lisa Malin



**Following Jesus
Steps to a
Passionate Faith"**
Led by Wes & Laura Logullo
Thursdays at 6:00pm on Zoom



"Older Than Youth" Group
A group for Adults with fellowship and fun!
Events are being planned for the fall and
will be announced soon!

For questions: contact
Laura Logullo 410-441-1852
or Katie Hoffman 610-621-7387

fun
family
faith
friends

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL VIA
ZOOM

Our Adult Sunday School is meeting via ZOOM and inviting all to join us! We meet at 11:30 am each Sunday morning for about 30 minutes. Each session has a scripture focus, lively discussion, and a post-lesson reflection to study during the week.

If you would like to join our group, please contact Marian Harvey at mariantoddharvey@gmail.com prior to Sunday. You will need to share your email address with her and you will need to download the Zoom.us app.

Come along with us on our faith journey!



"The Journey" Group will not be
meeting until further notice.

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

CANCELED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

