

THE NEWSLETTER OF THE CHESAPEAKE CITY UNITED METHODIST CHARGE

SEPTEMBER 2021

To Build Bridges by Growing with Christ, Uniting in Fellowship, and Serving Faithfully

A WORD Pasto FROM THE PASTOR them. I

Greetings friends!

Pastor Sam here, I pray you are all well and have enjoyed these last few weeks of summer weather and all the fun that comes with them. I pray a special blessing on all our students, teachers, and school staff as they head for another academic year (especially those

entering a new building). May your year be safe and blessed!

While COVID has not fully departed from us yet, we move forward into the fall both hopefully and cautiously. We continue to monitor the local situation closely, and we'll notify the congregation of any changes as soon as we feel they are necessary. But at this time, we are excited to announce the beginning of several new opportunities for study and fellowship as a church family. Starting in September we will see the beginning of two new Bible studies, a prayer group, the restart of fellowship hour, a restart to Sunday School and a restart to youth ministry.

Barbara Dean will be leading a new ladies Bible study, meeting Wednesday mornings. The current study on Elijah is already full, but be sure to look for studies in the future! I will be restarting the Pastor's Bible Study on Thursday evenings at 6 p.m. This will take the place of the Following Jesus Bible study for the time being. Each week we will focus on the scripture for the coming Sunday and the many connections it has throughout the Bible and our lives today. Carol Biggs will be starting a new prayer group called "Strolling in Prayer". Each week folks will meet outside the church and have a nice walk around town while being prayerful for the different concerns in our congregation and in our local community.

We are also excited to restart Sunday School on Sunday, September 12th. Sunday School classes for all ages will meet downstairs between our Sunday morning services for a time of learning and fun! Classes for children and youth will be led by Lisa Malin, adult classes will be led by Marian Harvey. Alongside Sunday School we will be restarting Fellowship Hour between services. Enjoy a cup of coffee, a light snack, and wonderful time with your church family. Additionally, we are very excited to announce a restart to youth ministry for the fall. For the next year we will be partnering with Elkton United Methodist Church to run a shared youth ministry. We are planning monthly events that will include both a

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Sunday Worship at Trinity 9:00 am: Traditional 11:00 am: Contemporary

Sunday Worship at Town Point 5:00 pm: Dinner Church

Virtual Worship Live on Facebook Sundays at 9 & 11

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OCTOBER NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:

Articles and submissions for the next edition of *The Bridge* are due to newsletter@chesapeakecityumc.com by

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 23RD

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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time of Bible study, fellowship, and fun for youth and the whole family. The fall kick-off for youth ministry will be a pool party at the Wilson family house on September 26th, all youth and their whole families are invited.

As we head towards an exciting fall season I remind everyone of the words from James chapter 1: "be doers of the word and not just hearers." These words have been a challenge to Christians in every age, and they remain a great challenge to us. We are called to not simply hear the words of Life. The Gospel of Truth that Jesus brings us okay, but to live it. As we enter into a full season that is a little less chaotic than last year, but still not as normal as we'd like, these words are more important than ever. It is our calling to continue to go into the world with the love all of Jesus, in whatever creative ways we must for the times we live in. So while things are not as settled as we might wish them to be, the mission of the church is still clear, to live out the love of Christ as doers and not merely hearers. I'm excited to see what God is putting on our hearts, and the many ways we continue to grow and flow with the love of God in Chesapeake City for the fall and beyond!

Grace and Peace,



Finance Corner

It is hard to believe that summer is coming to an end and we are looking forward to the resumption of school for the kids, and a return to our normal schedule on Sundays, including Sunday School. I am pleased to report that our finances fared well during the summer. I had cautioned back in June that summertime was a financially challenging period for church finances. As we enter the fall, we find ourselves generally on budget. We have managed the major maintenance projects with our buildings through the Trustee's Fund, and we have maintained our programs. Much more will be presented regarding our budget for 2022 in the coming few months, but please consider now your tithing plans for the new year as we rejoice in our Church's critical role in the community.



SEPTEMBER MISSION: SCHOOL

Many of us grew up going to Sunday School. Lets face it, several years ago there were no sports activities scheduled on Sundays, so there was very little that conflicted with our lives on a Sunday morning. Times change and Sundays are just as packed as the rest of the week these days. I'd like you to take a moment and reflect on yourself. How do you think you would have turned out in your current relationship with our Lord and Savior if you did NOT have the Sunday School experience? Would you be where you are today in your faith? For many of us, this is where the seed of God was planted into our hearts. So how do we plant that seed today? Sunday School will always be here when your schedules are free, and joining a youth group is always a great option. Even if you cannot make it every Sunday, we would love to have you join us! We are not planning to hold virtual Sunday School this year, HOWEVER, if you would like to see this option continue, please let me know so I can make arrangements to do so. I also encourage you to pray with your children. Talk about how God

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helps you in all of your daily experiences, and praise him in all the good and bad things that happen in your life. Yes, even the bad things we should praise Him! These bad experiences make us stronger and build us up to help others. Our numbers these days are small, but we are praying diligently for this to change, so if you know of anyone that you would like to see the seed planted in, please send them our way!

Your sister in Christ, Lisa Malin



TRINITY PRESCHOOL NEWS

God is Good!

The preschool program is expanding to offering 5 day and full day sessions serving 25 children. There is still space in our afternoon class from 12:30 pm to 3:30pm. Contact us now to register and begin September 1st.



We are also still receiving applications for assistant teachers or volunteers to support our growing class sizes. If you love working with one of God's most precious gifts and have a few hours to spare, please submit a letter of interest to the email below. Help is most needed Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings from 9 am to 12 pm.

Thank you for your continued prayers as we remain faithful for another blessed school year.

In his service, Deidra Johnson, Director preschool@trinityumcpreschool.org



Am I a Goat?

August 7, 2021

It's been two and half years of volunteering to separate food and delivery to families. Three different organizations shared this journey. Sadly it is only two of us now, and one crossed over during the pandemic.

There has been laughter, and difficult times, for I have always seemed unusually and very different to co-volunteers. I have met their families, yet they haven't met my family.

We are divide, and the silent thread is often thin until it is as thick as a river. Last Saturday, the range grew ten times wider than a river. I didn't recognize there was something wrong. He started the conversation, and it felt like he wanted to have a disagreeable back and forward, moving from one topic to another where we stand firm in our difference.

Choose not to move in this direction. My choice was to continue the task before me and deliver food to families. The Dance Troupe had a significant performance. There was still final work I had to do to finalize the stories.

Yet, he held to set the trap, and I was caught as I stepped into the trap. "Why do Indians keep whining about Mascots, and what's the problem with the name Redskin? We are honoring, isn't that what you want."

The trap tightens around, and I felt myself having issues holding myself together. Turning around, I faced the man who wanted to bury me under his feet. With a pray, I explained quietly and simply. Then he said," what's next? The Rams goat mascot is going to complain about being a mascot. are you going to fight for the goat rights too?" Tears filled my eyes, and as the only words slipped from my lips, " you have just compared our Ancestors, Native Nations, and Our Communities, Our Families, Our Children, and Me to an animal, a goat.

I thought when Judge Elmer Dundy, on March 12, 1880, resolved that Native Americans are indeed "persons within the meaning of the law" and have the same rights as any other person. Until then, it was debated whether an Indian was a real person or animal. Judge Elmer Dundy put down the hammer and declared that Indians were Humans instead of animals, Indigenous people. It took a Judge to end the fight, and we would not have to prove we were Human Beings ever again. Yet on August 7, 2021, I realize that a large majority still believe we are less than Human.

Walking away, and I pray to have the strength to return next week.--

Nasgigwo Winigalsd >>>----RagghiRain---->

The note above was received from Ragghi Rain this morning and is written to document a personal exchange she recently had. I am sharing it as I believe it is important for cour church family to understand the bias exists in our own backyards and on our own doorsteps. We speak up on so many issues of bias, but all too often we forget the journey of our Indigenous brothers and sisters.





SEPTEMBER 11, 2021 NATIONAL DAY OF REMEMBERANCE SERVICE

SAT., SEPT. 11, 2021 @ 6:30P

> VFW POST #7687 CHESAPEAKE CITY

THE CCEA ASSORTED
PANTRIES AND SERVICES
227 Basil Ave, Chesapeake City, MD 21915
<u>Hours of Operation: 9:00-11:00a</u>
Schedule of Operations Listed Below
Telephone: 410-855-3244

Monday-Donor Day: Donors are asked to call the number above (during the hours of operation) on WEDNESDAY of the current week to schedule your drop off for Monday of week to follow.

Tuesday-Curb-side delivery at the Complex: Clients wishing to remain contact free, are asked to call the number listed above on WEDNESDAY of the current week (during the hours of operation), to schedule your pick-up for Tuesday of the week to follow.

Walk-in Wednesdays: Clients may come during the hours of operation, to pick up Food Pantry boxes. No appointment required, but services are available ONLY during the hours of operation. Mask is required while inside center hall. Please bring your current, state issued ID. No one is refused services on the first visit and if restrictions apply to future visits you will be provided that information. Limit of 3 clients in center hall at any one time, which means you may be asked to wait in your vehicle if we are at capacity.

Knock & Drop deliveries: Service limited to our immediate service area (Rte. 213 (s) beginning at Whitehall Rd. to Earleville. Client must call the number listed above on WEDNESDAY of the current week (during the hours of operation) to schedule a delivery drop for the following Tuesday. Client must be present or have an adult age 18 or over present to receive donation and take into home. This service is provided for clients without ability to reach our pantry (transportation; illness; etc.).

Wellness Check-in: Blood pressure checks can be given free of charge. Our wellness nurse, Jo, has returned to in-person service during the hours of operation. You are not required to be receiving food pantry services or any other services to check in with Jo.

Clothing & Home Pantry: Open every TUESDAY for donors & guests. Donors are limited to 2 bags or 2 boxes, not to exceed 20 pounds in total weight. Clothing must be clean & rack ready (hangers not required); free of stains and other damage; and no more than 2 years old from the current year to ensure quick turn-over from our racks.

Guests may receive 15 items free of charge from the combined clothing and home items available. Additional items are charged at \$1.00/item unless otherwise noted on some items. Guests are limited to 1 visit per 30 calendar days.

Emergency Financial Assistance: Visit our web-site at www.ccea4u.com. Once on the home page, click the button (left side of page) headed Emergency Assistance. An application can be completed on-line; can be hard-copied and completed and returned via e-mail; or can be completed at the center on Wednesdays. Documentation of the hardship will be required and all payments are made to the service providers NOT the client requesting. Emergency Assistance is reviewed on a case/case basis and funding is capped.

Throughout the summer months, work will be on-going in the area of our entry ramp and stairs. The seasons and years of traffic have caused the need to revamp the appearance of the entire ramp/stair area. Most work will occur on weekends and after hours. We ask you to bear with us, as various teams are working as their time permits complete this work in time to celebrate the fresh new look for Cecil Cares Day on Saturday, October 2nd.

The CCEA Complex

As we look to reopen to the public, we will be in need of a few good volunteers (ages 18 and over).

Primarily, we need men/women.

As we prepare to work on in-person fund-raisers, we will need people who may only be interested in serving one for specific event (one day type commitments).

Maybe you have a great eye for fashion; enjoy meeting and greeting people; like setting up displays-you would be a great fit with the Clothing/Home Pantry. Maybe you are a seasoned shopper-like finding the best bargains-and would be interested in shopping for the food pantry when the need arises. As we move ahead towards reopening, we realize we may be adding a day or an evening to accommodate some volunteers who would like to serve, but cannot under our present schedule.

Some of our core volunteer team have served throughout the COVID revised operations. While they genuinely look forward to continuing to serve, vacation schedules are coming on us and additional hands trained and ready could help fill anticipated gaps.

We encourage you to go to our web-site at https://www.ccea4u.com. Click on the ABOUT button and then look for Volunteer Application. Fill it out; tell us about you and what days and hours you might be available.





Our Adult Sunday School class has returned to in-person format each Sunday at 10:15 am.

Each session has a scripture focus, lively discussion, and a post-lesson reflection to study during the week.

If you have any questions, please contact Marian Harvey at mariantoddharvey@gmail.com

Come along with us on our faith journey!





Sunday School Returns September 12th

Sundays @ 10:15 am
Downstairs at Trinity
For more information, contact
Lisa Malin at: lmalin68@gmail.com





Join us!

Monday mornings from 8 to 9 am September 13th through October 18th Beginning and ending at Trinity, join us for a prayerful stroll around Chesapeake City. For more information, contact Carol Biggs at (443) 350 - 3370



TUESDAYS - 10:30 AM

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. COME FOR A VISIT, STAY FOR THE GROWTH. BRING YOUR PRAYER CONCERNS AND WE'LL LIFT THEM WITH YOU.

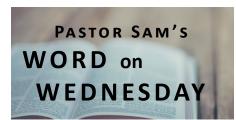


BIBLE STUDY by Barbara Dean

Wednesdays beginning September 8th from 10:30 am to 12 pm

(Please note that this bible study is currently full, but spaces may open at a later date).

Please contact Barbara Dean for more information



Wednesday Evenings 6:00 pm

Videos will be posted on our Facebook page each Wednesday evening by 6 pm.

www.Facebook.com/ChesapeakeCityUMC For more information, contact Pastor Sam.



Thursday Evenings - 6:00 pm Beginning September 16th

Trinity - Fellowship Hall

For more information, contact Pastor Sam.

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Saturday, September 11th, 2021 - 6:30 pm Chesapeake City Memorial VFW Post #7687 304 Basil Ave, Chesapeake City, MD

To honor the memory of those that were injured or lost their lives in the attacks on the Twin Towers of the World Trade Center, the Pentagon, and Flight 93 in Shanksville, Pennsylvania.



Yard Sale Season

International Computer Association!!! 2615 Augustine Herman Highway Chesapeake City, MD 21915

\$15 spot, plenty of room to spread-out Plenty of parking - Right off Route 213. Set-up at 7am 8am - 1pm

Dates for the Season

April 24 Opening the Season!
May 8 May 22
June 12 June 26
July 10 July 24
Aug 14 Aug 28
Sept 11 Sept 25

Oct 23

Questions: eeboas@icacc.com

Oct 9

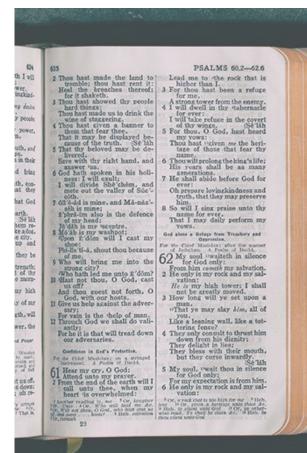


Sunday September 26th 5pm

The home of Andy & Kelli Stansfield 40 Joe Meltz Road Warwick, MD

SEPTEMBER 2021
SERVANT SCHEDULE

9:00 a.m. Traditional	September 5	September 12	September 19	September 26					
Worship Leader	Don Hartwig	Karol Armstrong	Cheryl Hartwig	Marian Harvey					
Acolyte	Lisa Malin								
Greeters	Terry & Deborah Forsythe								
Fellowship									
Coffee	Servants Needed	Servants Needed	Servants Needed	Servants Needed					
Refreshments	Servants Needed	Servants Needed	Servants Needed	Servants Needed					
11:00 a.m. Contemporary									
Greeters	Servants Needed								
CCEA Food Delivery	*Servants Needed*	*Servants Needed*	*Servants Needed*	*Servants Needed*	*Servant Needed*				



WEEKLY BIBLE STUDIES SCHEDULE

Mondays: Strolling In Prayer

BEGINS SEPT. 13 8:00 am at Trinity

Tuesdays: Ladies Bible Study

10:30 am at Mary Meadows Home

Wednesdays: *Bible Study by Barbara Dean

BEGINS SEPT 8 10:30 am - 12:00 pm

Word on Wednesday

6:00 pm - on Facebook at:

www.facebook.com/chesapeakecityumc

THURSDAYS: PASTOR'S BIBLE STUDY

BEGINS SEPT 16

6:00 pm in Fellowship Hall, Trinity

SUNDAYS: SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

BEGINS SEPT 12

10:15 am Downstairs at Trinity

* INDICATES CLASS IS FULL AT THIS TIME.

See Page 4 for more information on each of these groups



Traditional Worship 9 am Trinity Contemporary
Jacob's Well Service
11:00 am
Trinity

Virtual Worship Facebook Live 9 & 11 am www.chesapeakecityumc.com Sunday School Classes Sundays at 10:15 am Downstairs Trinity

Sun	Mon	Tue	\mathbf{Wed}	Thu	Fri	Sat
			TRINITY PRESCHOOL 2021-2022 YEAR BEGINS	2	3	4 Scrapple Festival Rock Hall See Upcoming Events
			6:00 pm - Word on Wednesday (FB) 7:00 pm - Boy Scout	6:00 pm - Praise Band Rehearsal (Tr)		
			Troop mtg (FWSP Hall)			
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
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11:00 am - Contemporary Worship (Trinity)	7:00 pm - Finance Committee Mtg (Zm)		7:00 pm - Boy Scout Troop mtg (FWSP Hall)			
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