

Greetings in the Name of Christ!

What a busy January we had! By now I am sure that you have heard in the news about the impending split of the United Methodist Church. I would like to take a moment to discuss this with you so that you may understand a little better why we have come to this point.

For the last four decades, the General Conference of the UMC, our denominations lawmaking body, has been in an argument over human sexuality as it pertains to the ordination of ministers and the celebration of same sex marriage unions in our buildings. The conference has always voted to remain traditional in these regards. There was a Special Called General Conference in 2019 that chose to remain traditional also. There are bishops and jurisdictions in the United States that have openly stated that they will not abide by the church law. These bishops and clergy that are violating our Discipline are not going to be held accountable. This leaves the United Methodist Church ungovernable.

This years General Conference is in May from the 5<sup>th</sup> to the 15<sup>th</sup>. We will be monitoring the conference here in the office, and I will be watching from home as much as I can so that we can provide the best honest information that we possibly can. One thing is certain in all of this, God is moving in our local church. Our community needs us to continue what we do regardless of what happens during General Conference. We do know that our congregation is going to have to make a choice about how we want to affiliate ourselves in the future. But right now, we will be waiting to see what happens in May and praying to God to be with us as we make decisions for our own future.

We will begin having a Sunday Evening Prayer Service during Lent. The time for this will be publicized as soon as we work out the logistics of it. I ask that you be in prayer for your local church as well as the General and our Annual Conference in the months ahead. We haven't asked for these issues, but they have been forced upon us.

Loving Those That God Sends Us!

Grace and Peace,

Pastor Ted



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# CHURCH INFO...



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## *New Beginnings Thrift Center*

*It's CLEARENCE TIME! Lots of sales, markdowns and discounts! Come check it out before it's all gone!*

Bring your gently used items for donation and come volunteer an hour to help the ladies. It's a lot of fun and a great way to meet people in your community.



Holy Grounds Bible Study Sunday Mornings  
at 9am in the Parlor.

We are studying Genesis 1  
**COME JOIN US!**



### **FRIDAY FREE LUNCH!**

*Come by Friday's Noon to 2pm  
and have lunch with us!  
It's a wonderful way to get to know  
members of our community.*



Come join Pastor Ted  
at the parsonage every  
Monday & Wednesday  
at 2:00pm

Low impact, great for  
balance, all ages.

Monday  
Wednesday  
Friday  
8:30 to 9:30am

Tues. & Thurs.  
5:30 to 6:30pm

With Cat Vick  
\$5.00 per class

In the  
Fellowship Hall

## UP-COMING EVENTS...

Would you like to attend a  
daytime Bible Study?

Would Thursday's at 10:30am  
be a good time for you?

Pastor Ted would like to know  
if there is enough interest to  
begin a day time study.

HAPPY  
Valentine's Day



SOUP & CHILI  
COOK OFF

Sunday, February 16th.

Join the fun !



Following morning  
worship the contest  
will begin in the  
Fellowship Hall!



WEAC'S  
2020 Souper  
Bowl of Greens  
and Cereal

WEAC's SOUPER BOWL SUNDAY

February, 2, 2020

This time every year we take in donations of canned goods for the Warrington Emergency Aid Center. This year WEAC is in need of canned Turnips, Collard Greens, Spinach, Mustards and boxes of cold cereal. Please bring your items in anytime in the month of February. We also accept monetary donations Thank you for your continued support of our local food pantry!

FEBRUARY MEETINGS, AND EVENTS



United  
Methodist  
Women  
FAITH•HOPE•LOVE IN ACTION

Our UMW meeting will be on Tuesday, February 11th, at 7:00pm here at church in the Library. All women are invited and encouraged to attend.

Come see what we have planned for this year!



This year we are thinking about doing a memory book for our 75th Anniversary. If you have a special memory you would like to share, you can email it to the church, write it down and bring it in, or speak to Becky Hiller .



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*75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary*

MELTDOWN 2020 YOUTH CAMP...

