



**Rectortown United
Methodist Church
3049 Rectortown Road
Rectortown, VA 20140**

*Serving God with Prayer, Action and
Love through Service.*



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

Rectortown United Methodist Church will celebrate its annual Homecoming Service on the internet at 11:00 am on Sunday, May 17th. We hope you will join us for this very special event! Find us by visiting www.rectortownumc.org and clicking on the red box that says “*click here for live worship.*” That will redirect you to our twitter page where you can view the Homecoming service. Rectortown UMC, in conjunction with our Cooperative Parish partner Middleburg UMC, has been posting our worship services online since mid-March. These joint services will continue at 11:00 am every Sunday morning through June 10th 2020.

Reverend Alanna McGuinn from the West Virginia Conference of the United Methodist Church will be our Homecoming speaker. Her message will be pre-recorded and shared during our online worship to avoid the very real risk of COVID-19 infection while traveling. Pastor McGuinn has deep connections with our Rectortown community, and we’re looking forward to hearing her sermon entitled “*The Community of Faith Nurturing Each Other.*”

Although we cannot meet face-to-face during this worship service due to the requirements of social distancing, and the restriction on gatherings of 10 or less persons in public venues in the Commonwealth of Virginia, we would like to gather videos from all who would be willing to share a short (2 minutes or less) story about your connection with Rectortown UMC. With your permission we would like to post these videos to our website. In that way we can still *see* old friends and *meet* new people. Additionally, our Church Historian, Diane Harrington, is planning

for a Time Capsule that we will bury during our 2021 Homecoming Celebration next year. If you have ideas for what we might include, let us know! And if you have memorabilia that you would like to include in the Time Capsule, send it to **PO Box 301, Rectortown, VA 20140.**

Established in 1781, Rectortown United Methodist Church has been blessed to faithfully serve the Rectortown community for 239 years; and we’re proud this year to celebrate 125 years in our current church building! We gratefully continue to build on a long and rich heritage as we strive to provide a safe and comfortable space where all may come and be welcome to worship, learn, fellowship, and grow in faith through an ongoing variety of church and community events. If you would like to offer support to our ongoing ministries and missions, please send it to the PO Box address above. We would certainly welcome your gifts. Any gift given will help ensure Rectortown UMC continues to be an important part of the Rectortown community for many years to come. If you have any questions for us, please feel free to contact our Church Office by phone at 540-364-1066, or by email at secretaryumc@gmail.com.

Grace and Peace,

Pastor Steve Weedling
Rectortown United Methodist Church