

Hunt's Memorial United Methodist Church



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9:00 AM
Praise Worship

9:00 AM
Adult Sunday School

10:00 AM
Traditional
Worship

10:00 AM
Sunday School

**Hunt's Church
Preschool**

www.huntschurchpreschool.com

Friends,

I am playing fantasy football out there, I've said it. My son put together 12 teams before the regular season and wanted me to participate. I said "Yes." Currently, my rank is 6th place. I don't know why that is so. I am still learning. I've also learned it's rather time-consuming. I didn't participate in the draft to pick certain players. The computer pre-selected my players for me. Since I work on Sundays, I can't make roster changes just before kickoff. Yet, I am in sixth place and I don't understand why. In fact, I am not even sure how I have earned points, even though my son has tried his best to help me understand.

What I do understand, however, is that I am not playing in a real game. I am counting on the real players to play well on game day so as to boost my score. I am quick to surmise that fantasy football is just that it's a fantasy for me. It's not real football.

As of late, the National Football League has been under great scrutiny and media attention in facing real-life issues, such as intimate partner abuse, child abuse and drug abuse. So many questions are being asked. Why has the league been content to sweep these issues under the rug for many years but only now is seeking to do something to address these concerns? Is there a uniform standard to address these concerns for all parties involved? What constitutes fairness in terms of protecting one's individual rights and yet ensuring what's good for society at large? Many of us are asking these questions, along with others, at the office water-cooler, in our homes, and in our many contacts with people through the week. Many have strong opinions because the issues touch a myriad of issues of family, parenting and discipline, work, the rights of children, legal rights under the law, unions and a host of others. Whatever our various opinions may be, these questions still need to be addressed and responded to.

So here I am, playing fantasy football in a real world of complexities, problems, and concerns of how to face social issues of great magnitude. After Sunday, I will look on my I-phone to check my score of a score I received without even playing on the field. You see, there is a difference between fantasy and reality.

I hope we never develop a game called "Fantasy Church", where the church is viewed as a game played on the sidelines, a place where we show up and try to get brownie points from God. A place where the sermon is delivered, where the choir anthem is sung, and where the scriptures are read and then we leave. In the week ahead, we wonder how these things apply to the real world.

Fantasy church is not going to happen because we live in the real world. We live in a real world where people get sick and need care. We live in a real world where churches have budgets and bills need to be paid. We live in a real world where young children are looking for nurture, guidance, and something to believe in. We live in a real world where poor people live in houses that are in need of repair. In this real world, we don't sit passively on the sidelines. In this real world, we become engaged in wise and generous stewardship, spend time visiting the sick, offer ourselves to be teachers to help children learn, volunteer to participate in a mission event or trip, and much more.

Yes, I am playing fantasy football. Yet I thank God that I serve in a real church that seeks to address real needs. I thank God that I serve a real church where we believe in entering the fray of life rather than sitting on the sidelines. Sunday is coming and I am playing fantasy football, but I am ready for real church.

Grace & Peace,
Gary

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 10:00 am Casserole Pick-Up 12:30 pm AA	2 7:30 pm Chancel Choir	3 7:30 am Men's Fellowship 8:30 pm AA	4 10:00 am Worship Committee Meeting
5 Communion 9:00 am Praise Service 9:00 am Adult Sunday School 10:00 am Traditional Worship Service 10:00 am Sunday School 2:00 pm Pickersgill 6:30 pm Senior High	6 10:45 am & 7:00 pm Bible Study (Adult Ed. Rm.) 7:00 pm Trustees Meeting 8:30 pm AA	7 7:30 pm Praise Band 	8 12:30 pm AA 7:00 pm Finance Committee Meeting	9 7:00 pm Charge Conference at Linden Heights UMC 7:30 pm Chancel Choir	10 7:30 am Men's Fellowship 11:30 am Funhunters to McFaul's Iron Horse Restaurant NO Cub Scouts NO AA	11 9:00 am Women's Fellowship Breakfast 12 Noon Mulligans for Missions 
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Emeril Lagasse's

Better Than Mama's Chili Mac

- **Yield:** 6 to 8 servings
- Use 1 9 X 13 casserole or cut recipe in half to use an 8 X 8 dish.

Casserole Ministry

Ingredients

- 2 teaspoons olive oil
- 2 medium onions small diced, about 3 cups
- 2 jalapenos, stemmed and minced *optional Note: You might put these in at home but I would leave out for the casserole mission.*
- 1 tablespoon salt, plus more for pasta cooking water
- 2 pounds extra lean ground beef *Note: You may use ground turkey or ½ turkey and ½ beef.*
- 5 tablespoons Mexican chili powder *Note: You may use regular chili powder.*
- 1 tablespoon oregano
- 2 tablespoons minced garlic
- 1 (28 ounce) can whole plum tomatoes, broken with your hands, with juices
- 2 cans kidney beans, drained
- 1 pound elbow macaroni
- 1 pound medium cheddar cheese

Directions

- Heat olive oil over medium-high heat in a 6-quart soup pot. Add onions, jalapenos (if desired), and 2 teaspoons of the salt and cook until soft, 2 minutes. Add ground beef, chili powder, oregano, and garlic and cook, breaking up any clumps of meat with a spoon, for 5 minutes. Add tomatoes, beans, and 1/2 cup of water, stir, and bring chili to a boil. Reduce heat to a simmer and cook until thickened to chili consistency, about 20 minutes. Taste and add 1 more teaspoon salt, if needed.
- While the chili is simmering, cook macaroni according to package directions in boiling salted water, drain in a colander, rinse under cool running water and set aside.
- Grate cheddar cheese and set aside.
- Spray a 9 x 13.5-inch or other 3-quart casserole dish.
- Once chili has finished cooking, fold in the cooked macaroni and 1/3 of the cheddar cheese. Transfer chili-mac to the baking dish and top with remaining cheese.
- Wrap and freeze.
- To bake: Defrost in refrigerator overnight. Bake in a preheated 400° oven until heated through and cheese is melted, 10 to 20 minutes. Remove from oven and let cool 5 minutes before serving.

USHERS:

Every Sunday in October: Keith McMillan
David McMillan, Jr.

*During the
Traditional Service*

LAY READERS:



October 5 – Praise Service: Ann Gallant

Traditional Service: Bob Sibley

October 12 – Praise Service: Kathleen Haller

Traditional Service: Susan Schubert

October 19 – Praise Service: Bill Leonard

Traditional Service: Ann Bayne

October 26 – Praise Service: Marcia Conlin

Traditional Service: JoAnn Burke



Adult Sunday School Class

The Adult Sunday School class resumed on Sunday, September 14th. The Sunday School class uses a publication entitled: “The Wired WORD.” The Wired WORD is a weekly publication that talks about a couple of topics that were recently in the news – often that week. This publication gives a brief background about the topic and then lists various scripture passages and comments related to that topic.

Topics from some of the previous publications have included:

1. Backlash Follows Release of POW Bergdahl
2. New York Woman Makes a Difference One Child at a Time
3. Tickets to See High-Profile Christian Speakers Command High Prices
4. Pope Declares Mobsters Excommunicated From God
5. Most People Don’t Enjoy Sitting Quietly With Their Thoughts, Study Shows
6. Last Christians Driven From Mosul
7. Discouragement Leads Minister to Extreme Act
8. Praying in Public: Rewarded in North Carolina Eatery, Forbidden in Georgia Mall
9. Robin Williams, Dead in Apparent Suicide, Had Battled Depression
10. Hunter Charged with Setting Devastating 2013 Rim Fire

If you are interested in participating in this class, please join us at 9:00 a.m. Sunday morning in the Adult Education Room.

If you have any questions, please see Robert Sparks or call him at 410-356-3478.





FUNHUNTERS LUNCHEON

The next Funhunters Luncheon
will take place at 11:30 a.m.
on Friday, **October 10th**, at the
McFaul's Iron Horse Restaurant.
(formerly Sanders Corner Restaurant)

2260 Cromwell Bridge Road
Parkville, MD 21234

*Come and enjoy delicious food
and wonderful fellowship!*

HUNT'S SURVEY

We want **YOUR** opinion on what physical changes you would like to see implemented at Hunt's in order to enrich our worship, education, and fellowship. Our current facilities have a number of potential constraints that could be addressed. The results of the survey will determine the focus of a feasibility study.

Please fill out a survey online starting today via the website
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/huntschurch> or fill out the included paper
survey and return it to the box at the back of the sanctuary
or to the church office.

Responses are anonymous.

The deadline for completion is Sunday, October 12.

**If you have any questions, please contact Melissa Regan
(410-823-3350).**



Thank you,

The Hunt's Survey Committee:

Lloyd Schubert, Dan Funderburk, Mickey Miller, and Melissa Regan

Hunt's Survey (Deadline: October 12)

This survey concerns the physical campus of Huntø Memorial United Methodist Church and is a result of studies and discussions by the Improvement Committee and the Survey Committee.

Our current facilities have a number of potential constraints that could be addressed. Please give prayerful thought to each of these questions. The results of this survey will determine the focus of a feasibility study. Your responses are anonymous unless you choose to provide your name at the end.

My age bracket is: ___20-29 ___30-49 ___50-64 ___65+

I have been attending Huntø Memorial United Methodist Church for approximately:

___ 0-2 years ___ 2-10 years ___ 10+ years

I typically attend worship at Huntø: ___ every week ___ 2-3 times/month
 ___ once a month ___ occasionally

This survey reflects the views of ___ myself, or ___ my spouse and me, or ___ my family.

A separate survey is being completed by ___ (number of) other members of my family. All members completing a survey should be aged 20 or older. If more than one survey is being submitted by your family, then your family is to make up a password and each survey from your family will note that same password here: _____

1. The front of the sanctuary should be modified so that there is better space for musical requirements and special services.

1 (strongly agree) - 2 (agree) - 3 (no opinion) - 4 (disagree) - 5 (strongly disagree)

Comments (optional):

2. There should be a restroom on the same level as the sanctuary.

1 (strongly agree) - 2 (agree) - 3 (no opinion) - 4 (disagree) - 5 (strongly disagree)

Comments (optional):

3. There should be enough room in the sanctuary to accommodate the congregation during larger than normal attendance events such as Easter and Christmas.

1 (strongly agree) - 2 (agree) - 3 (no opinion) - 4 (disagree) - 5 (strongly disagree)

Comments (optional):

4. If services become too crowded, additional services should be added rather than physically expanding the sanctuary.

1 (strongly agree) - 2 (agree) - 3 (no opinion) - 4 (disagree) - 5 (strongly disagree)

Comments (optional):

5. There should be a larger foyer for people to meet outside of the sanctuary.

1 (strongly agree) - 2 (agree) - 3 (no opinion) - 4 (disagree) - 5 (strongly disagree)

Comments (optional):

6. There should be a room available for church and community events during week days so that there is no interference with the preschool.

1 (strongly agree) - 2 (agree) - 3 (no opinion) - 4 (disagree) - 5 (strongly disagree)

Comments (optional):

7. The physical space housing the Huntø Preschool should be expanded in order to grow the Preschool.

1 (strongly agree) - 2 (agree) - 3 (no opinion) - 4 (disagree) - 5 (strongly disagree)

Comments (optional):

8. The ground floor of the church should be redesigned and reconfigured to better use the space.

1 (strongly agree) - 2 (agree) - 3 (no opinion) - 4 (disagree) - 5 (strongly disagree)

Comments (optional):

9. The Agape House should be physically enhanced to allow for alternative uses.

1 (strongly agree) - 2 (agree) - 3 (no opinion) - 4 (disagree) - 5 (strongly disagree)

Comments (optional):

10. More multi-media technology should be employed to enhance the worship service.

1 (strongly agree) - 2 (agree) - 3 (no opinion) - 4 (disagree) - 5 (strongly disagree)

Comments (optional):

11. There should be one or more large-screen monitors in the foyer, hallways, or fellowship hall of the church to inform people of scheduled events and programs.

1 (strongly agree) - 2 (agree) - 3 (no opinion) - 4 (disagree) - 5 (strongly disagree)

Comments (optional):

12. It should be a priority to grow the size of the Huntø congregation.

1 (strongly agree) - 2 (agree) - 3 (no opinion) - 4 (disagree) - 5 (strongly disagree)

Comments (optional):

13. If you answered Strongly Agree or Agree to the previous question, how much would you like to see the size increase? _____ by 25% _____ by 50% _____ by double

Comments (optional):

14. There is obviously a cost for the items you have been asked about in this survey. Please indicate your support for the following items being accomplished according to the following key.

H = High priority

M = Medium priority

L = Low priority

X = should not be done

_____ Modify the front of the sanctuary for musical requirements and special services

_____ Add a restroom on the same level as the sanctuary

_____ Enlarge the sanctuary to accommodate the congregation during larger than normal attendance events

_____ Enlarge the foyer for people to meet outside of the sanctuary

_____ Add a room to the church for weekday events so that there is no interference with the preschool

_____ Enlarge the physical space housing the Huntø Preschool

_____ Redesign and reconfigure the ground floor to better use the space

_____ Enhance the Agape House to allow for alternative uses

_____ Add the capability to use more multi-media technology during the worship service

_____ Add one or more large-screen monitors in the foyer, hallways, or fellowship hall of the church

Comments (optional):

Name (optional) _____

HUNT'S MISSIONS

Many opportunities are available, through Hunt's Church, to serve the needs of others both locally and abroad. You can pick up a partial list of these at the back of the sanctuary. If anyone has an idea or would like more information on any project, please contact Melissa Regan at melissa.regan2@gmail.com.



Our next missions meeting will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 21 at 7 p.m. in the Adult Ed Room. --- Everyone is welcome!

September Missions Report ó THANK YOU to the congregation for your donations:

- ❖ \$232.00 so far for the Board of Child Care (September Special Offering)
- ❖ Numerous school supplies for children at elementary schools in the Mondawmin area of Baltimore
- ❖ 21 casseroles (a record!) These casseroles provide a healthy, delicious meal for people at four locations in Baltimore:
 - The New Song Academy afterschool program ó where high school students come for counseling, tutoring, and a nutritious meal
 - Martha's Place - transitional housing for women coming out of drug treatment and addiction
 - The JACQUES Initiative at the University of Maryland Hospital ó a program with a holistic care model that provides long-term treatment for people infected with HIV
 - Earl's Place ó housing and supportive services for men who were formerly homeless

October Missions ó

The SPECIAL OFFERING in October is for our missionaries in the US and abroad:

Campus Crusade ó Jeff and Lisa Highfield do great work as missionaries to college students on the campus of Virginia Tech. They send a monthly newsletter to update us on their work which you can see on the bulletin board in the downstairs hallway.

Global Missionary ó We presently help support Nan McCurdy, a missionary who has been working in Nicaragua, through the UMC Baltimore-Washington Conference.

Your donated Box Tops and Labels for Education will be delivered to the Board of Child Care this month! One reminder ó Please make sure you include the complete bar code on the Label for Education or it won't count.

Like this:



NOT like this:



Missions News

Mulligans for Missions will take place on Saturday, Oct. 11.
The Hunt's Triennial Auction is on Sunday, Oct. 12.

Members of Hunt's Church are needed to serve a meal to the homeless at **Manna House** in Baltimore on Saturday morning, **Nov. 15**. The group will meet in the church parking lot at 7:25 a.m. and return by 11. Please let Melissa know (Melissa.regan2@gmail.com) if you would like to go!



THANK YOU

I would like to thank the Scholarship Committee, as well as Hunt's Church, for the generous scholarship I was awarded for the 2014-2015 school year. This will be my fourth and final year at Wake Forest University in North Carolina, and I am so much looking forward to one last year of challenging, exciting classes and rewarding activities. I have loved my time here and want to thank you so much for your continued support.

Sincerely,
Rebecca Regan



HUNT'S CHURCH PRESCHOOL

If any church members are interested in signing up for the 2014-2015 school year, please do so as soon as possible.

You may contact the school at 410-296-3500.



Kelley Unger

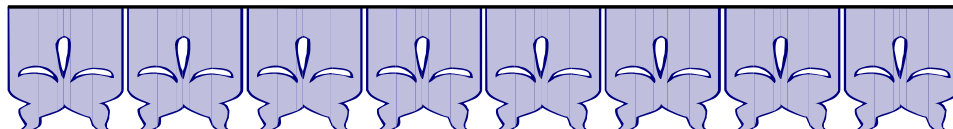
Director of Hunt's Church Preschool



ACOLYTE PROGRAM

Being an acolyte is an opportunity for the children of the church to participate in worship, symbolically bringing the light of Christ into the sanctuary at the start of worship. Acolytes are 3rd grade and up.

If your child would like to participate, please contact Dave McMillan (dmc6366@aol.com; 410-916-0892) to get on the schedule. We will have an orientation meeting and practice for new acolytes (and returning kids who just want to practice) immediately following worship on October 26.



The 12th Annual Hunt's Memorial
 "Mulligans for Missions"
 Golf Tournament



When: Saturday, **October 11, 2014**
 12 Noon Light Lunch
 1:00 PM Shotgun Start

Where: Oakmont Green Golf Course
 Hampstead, Maryland

Cost: \$85.00 per Golfer
 \$ 5.00 Mulligans

Prizes: Low Gross, Low Net, Closest to the Pin, Long Drive

Tee Sponsorship: \$100 donation from anyone in the congregation who puts a sign on a "Tee Box" naming your group/company or as an honorarium or memorial.

(_____)

Each golfer will be assigned a handicap to compete for the "low net" prize.

All funds received above expenses will go to the Hunt's Church Missions Committee.



Register me individually or my foursome as follows:

Name:

Handicap:

_____	\$85.00	_____
_____	\$85.00	_____
_____	\$85.00	_____
_____	\$85.00	_____

Enclosed is my check payable to Hunt's Memorial UMC for a total of \$ _____.

Name: _____

Address: _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Hunt's Mission Auction

Sunday, October 12, 2014

- **Silent Auction** – Items will be available for viewing and bidding-on Sunday morning after the 10:00 a.m. worship service.



Gradual closing of the silent auction will begin at 12 Noon.

Lunch Menu

Chicken Salad Sandwich, Bag of Potato Chips,
Cookie, and Soda

For a donation of \$6.00 (benefiting Camp Hope)

- **Live Auction** – will begin at 12:00 Noon

Fun !

Bring your family and friends!

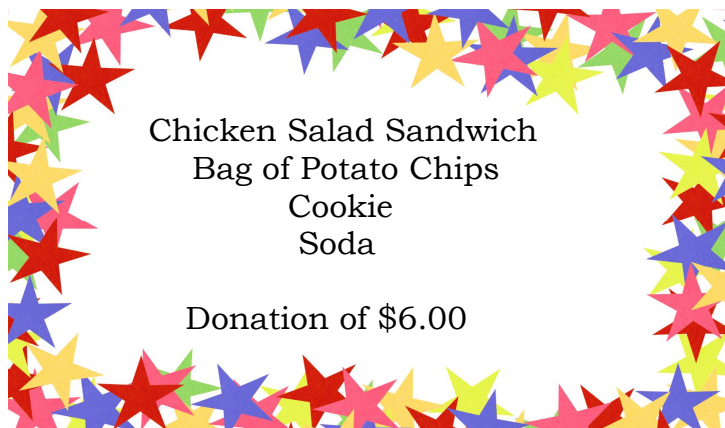
Fun !

Any Questions?? – Please contact Leigh Leonard (410-616-9329)
or Merle Bayne (410-321-4469)

Also ...

**You are cordially invited to purchase the lunch items
even if you are not going to stay for the Missions Auction!**

The Senior Highs will be providing the listed items after the 10 o'clock worship service.



All proceeds will benefit Camp Hope.





Beginning at 9:00 a.m.

Join with the Trustees of our church for a “whistle while you work” kind of day!

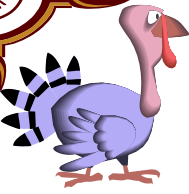
Saturday, October 25th



Trustees

As Trustees, our primary responsibility is the longevity of the property. We are trusted and tasked with insuring the property is fit for church use today as well as tomorrow. Before resuming our meeting schedule in September, the Trustees spent a couple of hours walking through the church building and Agape House to compile a list of tasks and projects. That list contains 56 items, and we didn't visit the Hunt cemetery or completely go through either building. Some of the tasks were brought to our attention by you and others we saw ourselves. The tasks range in size and cost from adjusting weather stripping to bell tower repairs and roof replacement. When we can, we do the work ourselves or recruit congregation members to assist on work days. When we can't, we solicit proposals and strive to contract the best value possible.

For our part, we have scheduled 3 workdays this Fall: Sep 27, Oct 25, and Nov 15. Our focus at the September workday will be long-term grounds appearance. We need to finish the grading around Agape and the Scout Shack and plant grass seed over the fresh top soil and hope to remove the dogwood trees in front of the church in preparation for replacements. The October workday (rain date is Nov 1) is the traditional Fall cleanup of leaves, sticks, and other debris before the Turkey Dinner. The November workday will target some of the other tasks on our list. One task of interest is stripping and caulking the church windows along Joppa Road, but that may change due to weather or other priorities. Please come and join us on any of these workdays. We try very hard to keep the time commitment to just 9:00am to noon and understand you may only be available part of that time. If you can't make the work days and would like to help on your own schedule, we can accommodate that, too. We are in this together, so every little bit shared makes us all look better. --- *Ken Parrish* ---



Turkey Dinner

Plans for our annual Turkey Dinner are in the works!

Come and enjoy this fabulous meal with friends and family on Saturday, November 8th, from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

As always, there will be plenty of opportunities to help with this event!

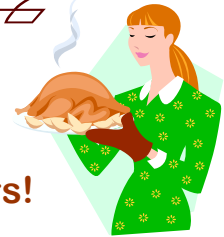
We'll have sign-up sheets posted and information in the bulletin about ways you can volunteer starting in October!

If you have any questions about this event, please contact Kelly at 443-326-5668.



SPONSOR-A-TURKEY

Help us hit our goal to have 40 Turkey Sponsors!



Sponsor one yourself or get together with a friend and sponsor one together!

It's easy - a sponsor is \$50.

Drop off a check and write "Turkey Sponsor" in the memo line.

Checks can be placed in the offering or sent in to the church office.
(Hunt's Memorial UMC; P.O. Box 332; Riderwood, MD 21139)

In preparation for the annual Turkey Dinner:

Apple Crunch Day – Wednesday, October 29 (9:00 a.m. to Noon)

Apple Sauce Day – Saturday, November 1 (9:00 a.m.)

TURKEY DINNER

HUNT'S MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

1912 Old Court Road; Towson, Maryland 21204

410-339-7770

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2014

4:00 TO 7:00 PM

ADULTS -- \$14.00 each ----- CHILDREN (AGES 4-12) -- \$7.00 each

MENU

Turkey, Gravy, Homemade Dressing, Cranberry Sauce,
Homemade Mashed Potatoes, String Beans, Sauerkraut,
Homemade Cole Slaw, Homemade Applesauce
Homemade Apple Crunch for Dessert

Beverages: Coffee, Iced Tea, Lemonade, Milk

BAKE TABLE WITH HOMEMADE GOODIES

TAKE-OUT AVAILABLE: 4:00 P.M. TO 6:45 P.M.



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