



Hunt's Memorial United Methodist Church

# The Point



## SEPTEMBER 2016

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### Service Schedule

9:00 AM  
Praise Worship

10:00 AM  
Traditional  
Worship

10:00 AM  
Sunday School  
*Resumes September 11*

Hunt's Church Preschool  
www.huntschurchpreschool.com

*"... Let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith."*



**- Hebrews 12:1b-2a**

Dear Friends,

I came across this quote: "All who have accomplished great things have had a great aim, have fixed their gaze on a goal which was high, one which sometimes seemed impossible." (Orison Swett Marden)

In a very real way, I had the opportunity this summer to understand the truth behind this statement. During the **Baltimore County Christian Workcamp**, our team from Hunt's, along with the help of others, built an accessible ramp which measured 164 feet long. That's a very long ramp! The success of this adventure did not materialize out of thin air. Rather, the achievement of this goal came to fruition because of the work of many people who possessed different kinds of gifts. (Read Steve Lippy's enclosed article for further details). With a common goal, we grew as a team.



September is a busy time at Hunt's. Many ministries are planned and goals have been set. The full Sunday school program will soon begin. The Chancel Choir will be returning to bring inspirational music on Sunday morning. The Youth Group will be starting up and the counselors will be welcoming young people back from summer vacation. Other new programs and opportunities will be offered (i.e. Travel to Papua New Guinea Adventure as by Bill Band on September 17<sup>th</sup> and the creation of a new Pictorial Directory in October and November, and much more). Our theme for the Stewardship Campaign in October is "Experiencing the Joy of Generosity."

**ALSO  
INCLUDED IN THIS  
NEWSLETTER:**

**September Calendar**

**Welcome  
New Members**

**Rally Day**

**Dinner &  
Travelogue Lecture**

**BCCW Week**

**Shaker Dinners**

**Casserole Ministry  
Recipes**

**New Pictorial  
Directory**

**Emmy Nomination**

**Food for Thought  
Program**

**Lay Readers & Ushers  
Schedules**

**Sidewalk Sale  
for Charity**

**Missions Report**

**ACTC Request Letter  
& Form**

**Mulligans for Missions**

**Upcoming New  
Members Classes &  
New Members Sunday**

**Community Forum  
on Aging Issues**

A vibrant spirit is evident at Hunt's. In our Christian journey, our goals are intertwined. We want to see the Youth Group grow. We would like to see the Choir continue attracting new members. We aim to grow in our giving that enables our ministries to expand and impact the community. We seek to invite new people to come to Hunt's to worship and to become a part of our fellowship. Focusing on a common goal, we seek to work together to achieve the goals before us.



Robert Griffen III (RG3), who broke records at Baylor, was one of the top first round picks in the NFL draft. In his first year as quarterback, he took the team into the playoffs.



Naturally, great expectations were placed upon him. As a result, experts of the game soon realized that he tried to place the whole game on his shoulders. And this took him away from the team's goals. He would run head on into defensive players that were much bigger than him and just as fast. His body wore out and he became injury prone. After a spending a few years with his first team, he was let go. When he was picked up by another team, the press asked him if he had learned anything over the years. He replied, "I learned that to play as a team I must emphasize the big 'WE' rather than the small 'me'".



The writer of Hebrews stressed the importance of working together, helping one another, and supporting one another in order to meet the goal before us. We run the race by keeping our eyes on Jesus, knowing that in the journey that 'we are surrounded by a great cloud of witnesses (those who have gone before us and those who run alongside us) to strengthen us along the way. Together, with God's help, we can do great things.

Grace & Peace,  
*Gary*



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 9:30 am Preschool Teacher Talk & Orientation	2 8:30 pm AA	3
4 No Communion  9:00 am Praise Service 10:00 am Worship Service	5 <b>Labor Day</b>  <i>Office Closed</i>  8:30 pm AA	6 7:30 pm Praise Team	7 First Day of Preschool  “Sidewalk Sale” at the Clearing House  12:30 pm AA	8 9:45 am Preschool Parent Orientation 7:00 pm Evangelism Committee Mtg. 7:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal	9 11:30 am Funhunters  4:30 pm Wedding Rehearsal  8:30 pm AA	10   5:30 pm Wedding
11 <b>“Rally Day” (Purple Sunday)</b>  “Grandparents’ Day”  9:00 am Praise Service 10:00 am Worship Service 10:00 am Sunday School	12  Preschool’s “After-School” Begins  7:00 pm Trustees Meeting  8:30 pm AA	13 7:30 pm Praise Team	14 10:00 a.m. Casserole Pick-Up  12:30 pm AA  1:00 pm Pictorial Directory Meeting  7:00 pm Finance Committee Meeting	15  7:30 pm BCCW Meeting  7:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal	16  7:30 am Men’s Fellowship  8:30 pm AA	17 9:00 am to Noon Project Day & Cook-Out  6:00 pm Dinner followed by an exciting presentation by Bill Band  
18 9:00 am Praise Service 10:00 am Worship Service “Baptism”  10:00 am Sunday School 11:15 am Hand Bell Choir & Children’s Choir	19 10:45 am & 7:00 pm Bible Study (Adult Ed. Rm.)  8:30 pm AA	20 10:00 am Preschool’s Chapel Time  7:00 pm SPPRC Meeting  7:30 pm Praise Team	21 12:30 pm AA  7:00 pm Church Council Meeting	22 7:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal	23 7:30 am Men’s Fellowship  8:30 pm AA	24 10:00 am to noon Preschool “Fall Fest”  
25 <b>“Bible Sunday”</b> 9:00 am Praise Service 10:00 am Worship Service 10:00 am Sunday School 11:15 am Hand Bell Choir & Children’s Choir 11:15 am – N.M.C.	26 10:45 am & 7:00 pm Bible Study (Adult Ed. Rm.)  8:30 pm AA	27 7:00 pm Carroll’s-Gill’s Endowment Fund Committee Meeting  7:30 pm Praise Team	28 12:30 pm AA	29 7:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal	30 7:30 am Men’s Fellowship  4:00 pm Wedding Rehearsal  8:30 pm AA	<b>October 1</b> 9:00 am Women’s Fellowship Breakfast  11:00 am Mulligans for Missions  4:30 pm Wedding



# Welcome New Members



**Deborah Mathews**



**Marjorie Rock**



**Chris & Kelly Carpenter**

*Hayden Carpenter was baptized on July 24<sup>th</sup>.*



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# "Rally Day" will soon be here!

**On Rally Day, Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, we will welcome all of our teachers and children back from summer vacations far and wide and look forward to another year of Sunday School.**



**Following the 10 o'clock worship service on Rally Day, there will be a luncheon in VanMetre Hall.**

**Menu:** Sausage Sandwiches (with green peppers and onions)

Hot Dogs

Macaroni & Cheese

Caesar Salad (with chicken)

Beverages

Everyone attending this luncheon is asked to bring:  
a side dish or a dessert (preferably home-made).

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## September 11 is also Purple Sunday !



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## 2016 Baltimore County Christian Workcamp (BCCW) Week



The 2016 BCCW, our 33<sup>rd</sup> year, is “history.” (Our “12-month year” essentially “terminates” at the end of our BCCW week.)

**General:** At Hunt's, on Sunday July 17, we had our last planning meeting prior to the workweek, a successful silent auction, a good dinner with 85-90 in attendance, and then orientation, primarily via a DVD. Each morning, 30-50 of the BCCW volunteers gathered at Hunt's for breakfast prepared by a different church each morning, made our lunches, then headed out to one of the twenty-six (26) sites worked on during the week. Each night 20-65 of us went to a different church in the evening for dinner and a discussion of the work done that day. On Friday, we saw a slide show of all of the work done from Monday-Thursday, had a good “Asian” dinner, discussed sites, awards were given, and we agreed that there should be a 34th annual BCCW. At the conclusion, there was a communion service. (Glenn was presented with a “Crew Chef” BCCW shirt. All of the women who worked on ramps get to share the “coveted” annual Ramp Award.) Some statistics are as follows: Of the 66 sites referred to BCCW in the past year, 41 were completed (26 actually during BCCW week), 10 were partially done, 9 were on-hold, and 4 were submitted too late.

**“Hunt's site”:** In June, Glenn Keatts and I twice visited a ramp site in Gwynn Oak to assess whether we could do it; the notes on it stated that it might not be possible or reasonable to do it. Not possible due to how long or complex it would need to be; not reasonable due to the resources (i.e., cost and number of man/woman power needed to build it. Notwithstanding, we decided that the ramp system could be built and that we should undertake it, though we initially did not know if we could finish it within the week. There was a definite need for the ramp: the resident had not been out of her house for several years and could not go to doctor appointments. We then needed to try to assemble a sufficient size crew. Many Hunt's members did say they would help, but we had to augment our members with other volunteers.

To save time and the back breaking work of choosing and loading lumber by hand, Glenn pre-ordered the lumber and then had Home Depot band and load over 8,000 pounds of lumber onto his trailer on Saturday July 16. On Sunday, he picked up the gasoline-powered post hole auger, so we would be ready to start when we got to the site on Monday. With additional help from members of Wards Chapel UMC, Halethorpe/Relay UMC, Catonsville UMC, and St. William of York RCC, our total crew size at the site varied from 9-16, depending on the day and time; the assistance from these non-Hunt's members enabled us to complete the ramp.

Yes, most days it was hot and most days, humid; however, it did not rain which would have curtailed work, albeit it was threatening at the end of one day. Notwithstanding, the group worked as a team in finishing the ramp system by early Friday afternoon. As with most projects, there were unexpected snags and issues, but they were overcome and we were **SUCCESSFUL!**

This ramp system was the **longest and most expensive in BCCW's history**: a total length of 164.4' (exclusive of four steps to the back landing), consisting of a back ramp (20' long with one landing) connecting into a “boardwalk” ramp (99' long with a few bends, only 4-7” above the ground) connecting to a front ramp (40' long with two landings, one of which was a double landing) which ended at a driveway. There were 46 posts (40 post holes drilled into the ground) and almost 8,000 pounds of lumber used. An estimated 57 work days were put into the ramp, approximately 415 hours, exclusive of over 24 hours in prior site visits, planning, and lumber purchase. The approximate cost was \$2,425 for the ramp; the entire cost was covered by Hunt's via donations and the Carroll-Gill's Endowment Fund. Eventually, many of the photographs will be posted on Hunt's website and a power point show will be done, as well some will be on



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the Missions bulletin board.

*Notwithstanding, all the sweat and aches and pains during the week, it was worth it; because, around Friday 2:30 pm, the homeowner, Bernice, was pushed down the ramp by her nurse and we could experience and be part of her overwhelming JOY! while she was praising Jesus and crying the entire time. At the end of the ramp, there was an impromptu mini-service as we held hands and Gary and Bernice both prayed. (We had been told a few days earlier that in anticipation of having the ramp done, she had already made a doctor's appointment for the following week.)*

**THANK YOU to HUNT'S and EVERYONE WHO HELPED** (This BCCW outreach mission project has truly become a church-wide event with participation by so many.) (I apologize if any names were inadvertently missed, plus there were probably actions that I was not even aware of.):

- Approval by the Missions Committee and Church Council for Hunt's to be once again the BCCW host church
- All those who donated through the Advent and Lenten offerings, as well as those who made separate, specific donations to BCCW, plus the \$2,000 donation from the Carroll-Gill's Endowment Fund.
- All those who donated items to be auctioned at the silent auction [Carol and Andy Anders, Charlotte Douglas, Marcia Conlin, Linda Flavin, Linda Keatts, Shirley Lin, Caryl and Ron Peterson (the bid on their Annapolis condo was almost half of the total profit from the auction!), Nancy Powers, and Cynthia Sparks; as a well as a visitor to Hunt's, Nancy Lingar]
- Those who helped set up chairs and tables, and took down walls on Sunday morning
- Those who did registration on Sunday (Bob Dey and Mary Ellen Lippy)
- Those who attended the silent auction (and bid!)
- Those who prepared breakfast on Monday morning [Jody Waters (who has been coordinating the Monday breakfast for many, many years), assisted by Robin Bosley, Shirley Lin, Mary Ellen Lippy, Ellie Lott, Ron Peterson, and Susan Schubert]
- Those who donated goodies for the lunches (Linda Keatts, Mary Ellen Lippy, and Nancy Powers)
- Those who donated tools (Robert Sparks and Dave McMillan)
- **Those who actually toiled out in the sun for the week at the ramp site [all 5 days—Bruce Douglas, Linda and Glenn Keatts, Steve Lippy, David McMillan (his first year!), and Diane Paulson; 4 days—Alan MacEwen (his first year!) and Pastor Gary Sheffield-James; Dave (the father) McMillan, Keith McMillan, Christopher Regan, and Melissa Regan.**
- **As the photographer for all of the BCCW sites, Howard Lin who “worked” all five days too.**
- **Special thanks to Glenn Keatts, who as our crew chief, designed the ramp, ordered and transported the lumber and a myriad of necessary supplies and tools from his workshop, including providing uniquely designed and fabricated guides to facilitate installation, such as for the middle rail, cutting off the tops of 4x4s, post hole locator, etc.; and then, during the week, had to try and “herd cats” (i.e., his crew) and tolerate our inability to understand “Glenn speak.”**

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS to join the “fun” and participate in some way in our 34<sup>th</sup> annual BCCW from July 16-21, 2017.**

*Steve*

Steve Lippy  
Hunt's BCCW Coordinator  
BCCW Secretary

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## Shaker Dinner Time

This year instead of passing a clipboard around during service, I am asking people to email or call me if you are interested in participating in a Shaker Dinner.

There will also be a sign-up sheet next to the kitchenette.

**For those of you that have never heard of a Shaker Dinner, here is the concept:  
One person offers to "host" the dinner.**

**The "host" picks the month and the number of people that are invited to the dinner.  
The "host" then receives a list of people that have requested to be guests.**

**The "host" invites between 4-8 singles and/or couples.  
The invited guests bring an appetizer, a side or a dessert;  
the "host" provides the main course.**

**You may be both a guest and/or a "host" during the same year.**

Shaker Dinners are a wonderful way to visit with people in the church that you may, or may not, have met before and/or to renew old friendships.

Last year approximately 40 people participated.

I received wonderful feed-back.

Please come and join the church family for this activity.

Fondly,

*Ellie Lott*

410 494-0332

[wdlott@verizon.net](mailto:wdlott@verizon.net)





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**Attention! Attention!**

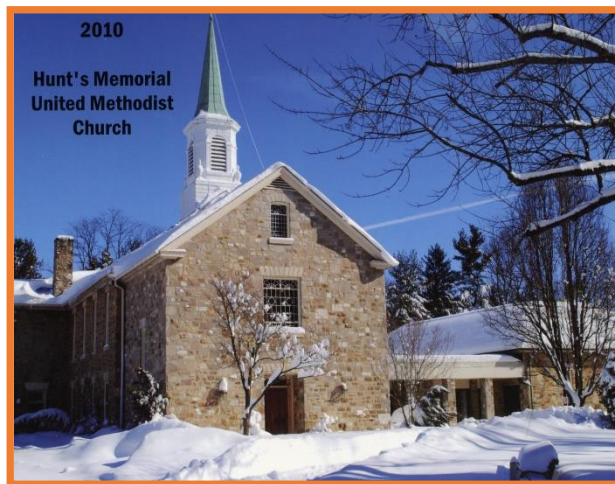
**Photographers Are Coming!**

**It's Time for a New Pictorial Directory!**



*Photo sessions will be held at Hunt's by LifeTouch representatives on Friday (2-9pm) and Saturday (10am-5pm), Nov. 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>.*

*Each individual or family will receive a complementary 8"x10" photo and have an opportunity to purchase other photographic packages.*



*Following services on October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> a table will be set up in VanMetre Hall where you will be able to sign up to schedule a time for your photo session. -- While not being included in the directory, friends, neighbors and other family members are welcome to have photos taken and receive a complimentary copy.*

***Volunteers for the Pictorial Directory Committee are needed to help with this project.***

***If you are willing to help please contact Lynn Henss (443-600-2325) or Merle Bayne (410-207-6024).***

**VOLUNTEER**

The word "VOLUNTEER" is written in large, bold, red capital letters. Below the letters, several hands are visible, each holding up one of the letters, suggesting a group effort or community support.

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## **CONGRATULATIONS ---- EMMY NOMINATION**

Sincere “Congratulations” are extended to Jody & Burns Waters! Their son, Derek Waters, went to California fifteen years ago with a dream, strong determination, and the unconditional support of his family. Derek turned his dream into a film. His film grew into many films. The many films were seen and admired by executives at Comedy Central. Comedy Central turned Derek’s dream into a television series. – **Plus**, “Drunk History” has received its **second** Emmy nomination! “Congratulations, Derek!”



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## **Food For Thought Program Resumes!**



- *As school returns this fall, Hunt’s will once again resume its support of the Food For Thought Program. Beginning in October we will again be delivering weekend food packs for 5 to 8 “food at risk” students at Dumbarton Middle School.*
- *Thank you for your support of this effort during the first half of 2016. Educators shared with us how appreciative the students and their families were for this outreach.*
- *During September, please be on the lookout in church bulletins and in emails about specific food donations that will be needed and for opportunities for you or your family to assist in packing back packs after the 10:00AM service*



*Thank You!*

### **LAY READERS**

September 4  
September 11  
September 18  
September 25

### **9:00 Service**

Ann Gallant  
Bill Leonard  
Alan MacEwen  
Mary Foster

### **10:00 Service**

Ann Bayne  
JoAnn Burke  
Keith McMillan  
Rich Goodale

**USHERS for September: Keith McMillan and David McMillan**



26<sup>th</sup>  
Annual  
**Sidewalk Sale  
for Charity**

to benefit  
The House of Ruth of Maryland

**Wednesday, September 7, 2016**  
10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**The Clearing House**  
**200 W. Padonia Road**  
**Timonium, MD 21093**

The sale will feature fine household furnishings – including furniture, china, linens, jewelry, and much more at “yard sale” prices. – Cash or check only – No credit cards.

# Hunt's Missions

**Summer Report** – THANK YOU to the congregation for your support and donations:

- This year's Baltimore County Christian Workcamp (July 17-22) was a success! See Steve Lippy's article in this newsletter.
- Supplies for the flood victims in West Virginia:
  - 11 cases of bottled water
  - 9 boxes of diapers
  - 13 packets of wipes
  - 6 cans of dry baby formula
  - 1 six-pack of liquid baby formula
  - 3 mops, 1 shovel, and 1 broom
- Ten casseroles for the Casserole Ministry in July and another 16 in August!
- A large amount of food for the clients at ACTC, including:
  - 4 boxes of cereal
  - 2 boxes of mashed potatoes
  - 2 boxes of rice
  - 1 box of mac & cheese
  - 33 cans of vegetables
  - 8 cans of soup
  - 5 cans of tuna fish





## September Missions –

1 - **The Board of Child Care** is a United Methodist organization that serves children and families who require physical, emotional, behavioral and social support. In addition to having a school, services include residential, foster, and mental health care.

You can help support them this month



- with your **Special Offering**, which will go towards school supplies for these children as well as special events organized by the Auxiliary group, and
- by continuing to save and bring in box tops which go towards purchasing extra educational or fun items for the kids.



Note: The fall regional BCC Auxiliary meeting will be held Saturday, October 1 in Havre de Grace. If you have interest in learning about the BCC Auxiliary and what it does, please attend. Contact Steve or Mary Ellen Lippy for more info.

2 – We will collect **school supplies** for kids in Baltimore through Sunday, **September 11**. Please pick up a few extra items when you go to buy supplies for your own kids or when you see sales in stores. **There is a labeled bin in the coat room.**



3 – **Casserole Ministry** – The next casseroles are due on Wednesday, **September 14** by 10 a.m.

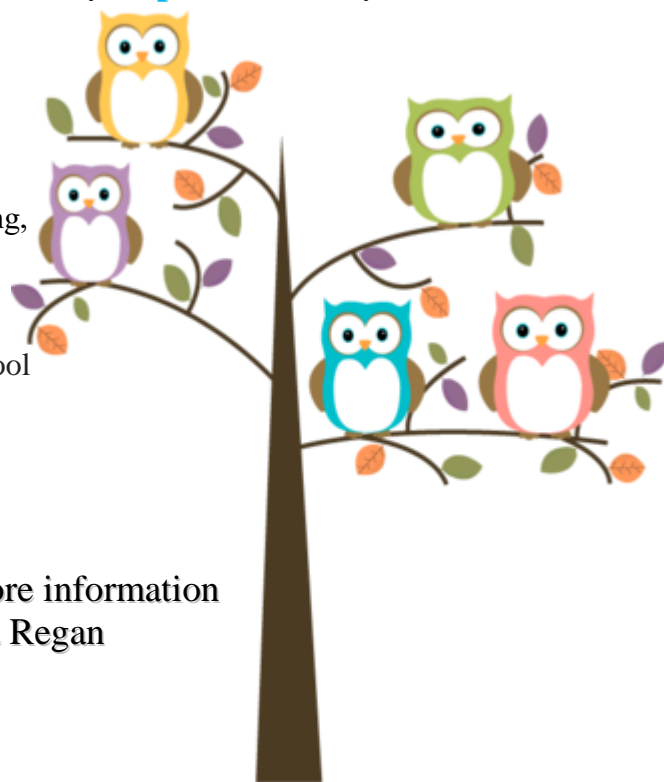
## – Missions News –

Two Hunt's members went to Manna House on Sunday morning, August 14 to help serve a meal to 104 clients.

We will be starting our Food for Thought mission to provide weekend food to some needy students at Dumbarton High School in September. If you are interested in helping, please contact Merle Bayne or Marcia Conlin.



If anyone has an idea or would like more information on any project, please contact Melissa Regan at [melissa.regan2@gmail.com](mailto:melissa.regan2@gmail.com).



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*Dear Church Members and Representatives,*

*Recently I sent an e-mail explaining the challenges of providing food to the many clients at the Center. It requires many hours of Volunteer labor, collecting, sorting, dating, shopping and disbursing the food needed at the Center. This does not include the coordination of Community organizations who are interested in doing large Food Drives and need the help of Volunteers from the Center.*



*One of the ways you can support the Center in this very important outreach to our Community is to be part of our Corps of Volunteers who are willing to serve at least one or two days a month in one of the areas of our food ministry. I have developed a form (enclosed) that clearly outlines the different areas where we need more support and what is required for each task. If we can recruit enough workers, it may mean you will only have to work one or two days a month. If you are willing to work more, we can always use you as a sub for areas we are short workers. Of course, we are always in need of extra help during the Holiday Season when food donations peak.*

*Adequate Volunteer support in this area is very important to the health of the Center for many reasons. It insures that the Center will always be stocked and ready to meet the needs of our Clients. It allows the paid staff to concentrate on issues such as Center operations, Volunteer Training, Program Development and Coordination, recruitment, fundraising and outreach. Many of these jobs can be done outside the hours that the Center is open which opens up Volunteer opportunities to those who can't serve between 10 am and 3pm. It also opens a possibility for Saturday service once a month.*

*Please open this invitation to serve our Community to friends and neighbors who are looking for Volunteer opportunities. Our goal is to build a large Corps of willing Volunteers to support the work of the Center and to insure that we will not only be able to continue this important outreach at our current level but to expand it.*

*God Bless your service and dedication to ACTC and its' ministry.*

***Cathy Burgess***  
***Executive Director***

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The 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Hunt's Memorial  
 "Mulligans for Missions"  
 Golf Tournament

When: Saturday, October 1, 2016  
 11:00 AM Light Lunch  
 12 Noon Shotgun Start

Where: Oakmont Green Golf Course  
 Hampstead, Maryland

Cost: \$90.00 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.**

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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 Mission Committee.



Register me individually or my foursome as follows:

Name:

Handicap:

_____	\$90.00	_____
_____	\$90.00	_____
_____	\$90.00	_____
_____	\$90.00	_____

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

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_



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**NEW MEMBER CLASSES** will be held on Sunday, September 25 and on Sunday, October 2. The class will meet in the Adult Ed. Room right after the 10 a.m. worship service.



If you are interested in becoming a member or wish to understand what membership means, please contact Pastor Gary at [Gary@HuntsUMC.org](mailto:Gary@HuntsUMC.org) or on his cell phone at 410-963-8618)



or contact the church office  
(at 410-339-7770 or email [Beth@HuntsUMC.org](mailto:Beth@HuntsUMC.org))

New Member Sunday will be on October 16, 2016.



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