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8:45 AM Praise Worship

> 10:00 AM Traditional Worship

10:00 AM Sunday School Resumes September 8

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Grace and peace, brothers and sisters in Christ -

As we begin to look and live into the fall this season, I find myself asking some basic questions. Sometimes life requires a review of what we are doing and why we are doing it. This seems a confusing time to me, so I find myself seeking to reset my fundamental commitments and to claim them anew, to root myself once again so that I can reach toward the Son of God, just as a plant does after or even during a storm.

So what are the basics? I still like the words on this subject of the priest from the movie "Rudy". His wisdom? "I know two things: There is a God, and I am not he." This is the root of our theistic understanding of the world. While no logical proof of this is available, I personally find the notion that there is no God creates a LOT more problems than does the idea that God is real. This is not a debate forum, so I am going to take these two as a given – "there is a God, and I am not he."

What is next? If there is a God, and I am not God, can I have a relationship with God? If so, on what basis? As a Christian, I believe we cannot reach God. God is not so limited, and God has reached out to us. We call the historic and literary record of God's reaching down to us 'the Bible'. The Bible is God's communication through God's chosen people, and then more directly through the person of (cf John chapter 1) Jesus Christ and his disciples.

The Bible offers a relationship between people and God. That relationship is direct (prayer, visions) and indirect (literary, historical, and through the witness of others). This relationship is not between peers – it is between pot and potter, as we will explore

on Rally Day. The pot does not change the potter but is fundamentally the creation of and intention of the potter expressed in the physical world. How does this relational asymmetry between God and creature express itself in the lives of the people? In praise and worship. We



praise God because we who are not God are grateful to God for allowing us to know and be guided by God and God's spirit.

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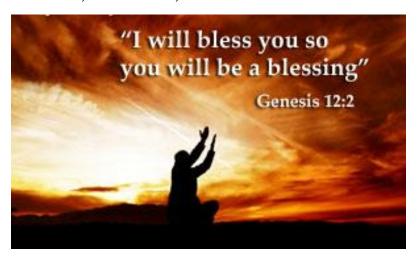
This encounter with God through prayer and praise calls us to seek to live in

response to God's good gifts of life, love, forgiveness, peace, and calling. This life of response is driven



by what God said to us through the Bible

and Christian community. In these, God invites us to choose this day whom we will serve (Josh. 24), to care for each other (Matt. 25), to "seek justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with our God" (Mal. 6), to turn the other cheek, to seek the welfare of our city, to do good to those who hate us, and to pray for those who persecute us, among others. We call these things mission, and doing them helps us to remember who, and whose, we are.



Then we return regularly to Hunts or other places like it to remember in our worship and praise – "there is a God, and I am not he." See you in church, godspeed –

Pastor Travis

September

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Communion	2	3	4	5	6	7
8:45 am Praise Service 10:00 am Worship Service 10:15 am	Labor Day Office Closed	Pastor's Sabbath 7:30 pm Praise Team	12:30 pm AA 10 am – 3 pm The Clearing	NO First Thursday 7:30 pm Chancel Choir	7:30 pm Men's Fellowship 6 p.m.	10:00 am Women's Fellowship Meeting to discuss
Summer Sunday School	8:30 pm AA		House Sidewalk Sale 7:00 pm SPPRC Mtg.	Rehearsal	Cub Scout Registration 7:30 pm AA	Kitchen Shower in October
8 "Rally Day" 10:00 am Combined Outdoor Service 10:15 am Sunday School 11:15 am Luncheon	9 10:30 am Bible Study at Blakehurst 7:00 pm Trustees Meeting 8:30 pm AA	10 Pastor's Sabbath 7:30 pm Praise Team	11 12:30 pm AA 7 pm Missions Meeting 7 pm Finance Committee Meeting	7:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal	7:30 am Men's Fellowship 11:30 am Funhunters to Jerry D's 7:30 pm AA	5:30 pm to 8:30 pm Happy Hour at Chris & Anne Smith's home (Childcare at Hunt's Church)
15 Missions Sunday 8:45 am Praise Service Guest Speaker 10:00 am Worship Service Guest Speaker 10:15 am Sunday School 11:15 Handbell Choir & Children's Choir	16 10:30 am Bible Study at Blakehurst 8:30 pm AA	Pastor's Sabbath 7:30 pm Praise Team	12:30 pm AA 7:00 pm Church Council Meeting	7:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal	7:30 am Men's Fellowship 7:30 pm AA	9 am Project Morning 10 am to 12:30 am Fall Fest 3 pm to 9 p.m. Neighbor using parking lot
22 History Sunday 8:45 am Praise Service 10:00 am Worship Service 10:15 am Sunday School 11:15 Handbell Choir & Children's Choir 29 8:45 am Praise Service	10:30 am Bible Study at Blakehurst 8:30 pm AA	24 Pastor's Sabbath 7:30 pm Praise Team	12:30 pm AA 7 pm Preschool Board Meeting	7:30 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal	7:30 am Men's Fellowship 7:30 pm AA	28 Rain Date for the Fall Fest 4 p.m. to 8 a.m. Cub Scout Campout
10:00 am Worship Service 10:15 am Sunday School 11:15 am Meeting with UMW President 11:15 Handbell Choir & Children's Choir	10:30 am Bible Study at Blakehurst 8:30 pm AA					



This month we get to celebrate a number of special Sundays, allow me to highlight them:

- September 8: **Rally Day**: Combined outdoor service at 10, breakfast at 8:45, special commissioning of our Sunday School Teachers. Theme: In the Potters hands
- September 15: **Mission Celebration**: Rev. Frank Trotter will be our guest preacher.
- September 22: **History Sunday Celebration** 246 years and counting We will focus this year on Hunt's memories.
- September 29: **Dedication of the sidewalk and The Faith We Sing books** We still have a few songbooks that are not claimed for individual dedication. *If you would like to dedicate one to a specific person in honor or memory, please contact Barbara Anastasion by September 8.*
- Looking ahead, on October 6 we will celebrate World Communion Sunday and kick off our "Bring a Friend" season for October. A special sermon series on 2 Timothy will feature advice from a mentor and we look to especially welcome and celebrate all who are able to bring a friend (or 6) to worship with us in this season.

I hope to see you often as we have so very much to celebrate here at Hunt's.



On Monday, September 9 at 10:30 a.m. we resume our regularly scheduled Bible Studies. We meet at Blakehurst (If you haven't been, stop at the front desk and they can direct you). There are no homework requirements. We begin our new study: **Christian: Not What You Think**. This 8-week study, authored by Andy Stanley, does have an associated book (not required) to supplement our discussions, if interested, contact Pastor Travis or Beth Woody. This workbook's cost is \$10. – All are welcome.



Handbell Choir/Children's Choir Rehearsals resuming September 15

It's that time again – both the Handbell Choir and the Children's Choir will begin rehearsals on September 15. I know that I am personally looking forward to hearing the children's first performance on World Communion Sunday (October 6)! For more information about either choir, please speak with Barbara Anastasion or Jordan Smith.



Pastor Travis





Many thanks to the Vacation Bible School families for contributing food items to the Assistance Center of Towson Churches. They were delivered and very much appreciated. We are looking for people to volunteer to help with the Thanksgiving Baskets this year (and to also help next year) with this project. Please call Lynn Henss 443-600-2325 or email lbhenss@aol.com

September is the month that Hunt's focuses on the Board of Child Care (if you want more information about





the Board of Child Care the website is **boardofchildcare.org**, and you will see all of the fantastic things they do to make life better for children in need.) Look for the special envelope in your packet or there will be envelopes in the pews.

Also, please don't forget to save the Box Tops for education. Each box top is worth 10 cents!!!!



We are collecting school supplies for our Food for Thought children through September 8th (Rally Day). These children are food-challenged, so there is no money for school supplies. Please fill the bins in the church to overflowing to help these children. Remember to start collecting food items for the Food for Thought kids, as we will resume doing the food bags in October. If you want to help with the buying, bagging, and/or delivery, please call Marcia Conlin.

Thanks to everyone who made casseroles this summer. Now that fall is starting, the need will be greater. Look for some new recipes from Samantha Moritz.



We are so proud of our Camp Hope kids and support staff for the great work they did in Western Maryland and our hard-working Baltimore County Christian Workcamp team. YOU ALL ROCK!

Thanks to the generosity of the Hunt's Church family, we were able to send the Helping Up Mission \$1500 from the Special Offering that Sunday (June 9th). Were so excited to announce, that the HUM Choir and band will be coming once again in June 2020. The date will be selected in the spring.

We are still looking for some people to take over the Christmas Shoe Box project. Hopefully, we can get a committee together to continue this wonderful mission project.

LET'S SAVE THE CHRISTMAS SHOEBOX MINISTRY!

Look for the information about MULLIGAN'S FOR MISSIONS.

PLEASE GET A GROUP TOGETHER TO PLAY OR SPONSOR A TEE.

THE MONEY MADE MAKES IT POSSIBLE FOR US TO SUPPORT ALL OF OUR MISSION WORK

Board of Child Care

The Board of Child Care is thrilled to have been selected as WMAR ABC2 Baltimore's Built Upon a Dream grant recipient!

Modeled after ABC's very popular Extreme Home Makeover show, instead of selecting a family, the Built Upon a Dream TV special chooses an area charity to help. WMAR ABC2 brings together some of the region's best builders, contractors, architects, and dozens of volunteers to make the show possible.

The Board of Child Care's focus is going to be on their **Baltimore Campus** gymnasium, weight room, canteen and dining hall. We've already gotten started on the weight room renovation with some help from T. Rowe Price and the Towson Elk's Club.

The Board of Child Care is still in need of donations for their TV show!

They are looking for:

- Gently used gym cardio equipment (e.g. treadmills, elliptical, stationary bikes)
- Area contractors, plumbers, electricians, painters, and floor specialists who want to get involved
 - Opportunities large and small!
 - Vendors must be licensed and bonded in Maryland to participate
- Cash donations to purchase smaller items and furnishings
- Musical instruments
 - Drum kit
 - Electric guitar
 - Bass
 - ➤ Amplifiers and ¼" audio cables
 - USB microphones to clip onto instruments > feed to laptops for recording
 - Audio geeks who can help us set up a recording studio!



1214 N. Wolfe Street -- Baltimore, MD 21213



Welcome to another school year! We are very excited to get back to school. Children have been stopping by to say hello, teachers have been busy getting their classrooms ready, fresh paint is on the walls and the playground has been "spruced" up and ready for action!

Our first day for students will be on **September 4** with "Sneak a Peek"! Children and their families are invited to checkout their classrooms, meet their teachers and meet new friends! It is a very exciting day for everyone!

The first day of school will be September 5. Afterschool will start this day as well.

- ❖ We are happy to announce our new 5:30 dismissal for afterschool! Please help us spread the word!
- ❖ We have also implemented a new PreK Plus program that will run until 2:30.
- ❖ We will be having Spanish classes this year as well as a STEM program.

Our annual Fall Festival will be Saturday, September 21, from 10:00-12:00. All are invited. Please stop by to say hello. There will be a moon bounce, face painting, arts and crafts, games, snacks and much more.



Church members are given a 20 percent discount for enrollment in the preschool. Please contact the preschool office (410-296-3500) for more information.

As the school year gets underway, I would like to invite you all to make yourselves known to our families and staff! Please consider being a "Mystery Reader", doing a craft, or sharing a skill with our children. We love to show off our wonderful school and the children love meeting new people.

I hope you all had a great summer. Fall is right around the corner! Thank you for

your continued support.

Kelley Unger
Director
Hunt's Church Preschool



Baltimore County Christian Workcamp

The 36th annual Baltimore County Christian Workcamp is history; now we start preparing for our 37th BCCW to be held July 19-24, 2020, hopefully, once again at Hunt's which has been BCCW's base since 1993.

Fifteen sites were visited during the recent July 22 week; Hunt's took responsibility for two of them.

Our first site took three days, delayed by a torrential thunderstorm late on Monday afternoon, followed by fighting the mud the next day. It was for a veteran and his wife in

Pikesville, for which we applied and received a grant from the Home Depot Foundation in the amount of \$1,709 to build a ramp system. The Foundation provides community grants, especially to benefit veterans. We built a 5' x 6' landing at the back door, a 11' ramp to the right to a 5' x 5' landing, a 21' ramp to the right (squeezing through two metal gate posts 3' apart) to

almost the ground level, and then a 34' "boardwalk" ramp (squeezed between her house overhang and a hedge) to the front sidewalk. In addition to the ramp length of 77', there were six steps built off the 5' x 6' landing, along with a gate at the top.



The resident had also asked for a storm door on her back door; we did not have time to do it, though there was another workcamper who came to the site and installed it.



Our second site was in Halethorpe. Our initial tasks included tearing off all of the



2" x 4" treads on an existing deck and removing the handrails still in-place, completely razing the back 9' of the existing deck, as well as removing an existing ramp to the deck as it was too steep. We then installed additional posts around the new deck footprint and installed new 2" x 6" treads on the shortened 9.5' x 15' deck. The new ramp coming off

the deck included some of the salvaged lumber; it was 49' long, with

a 3' x4' landing at the deck, then a 11' ramp (parallel to the deck) to a 4' x 9' landing, and finally a left turn to a 25' ramp to the driveway surface. In addition to the ramp/deck length of 64', there were three steps built off the deck. At the end of Friday, we were not done; however, all of the treads were on and the system was usable, but without most of the rails.



The following Thursday some of us went back to install the rest of the rails in a half day. On the way back around the beltway, three of us stopped at the Pikesville site to do some follow-up work.

During the first five days of construction, our crew, consisting of both Hunt's volunteers and other workcampers whom we "recruited" to get the work done, varied from a maximum of 11-15 per day; during the day; as people came and went, we often had less than those numbers. On the sixth day we had seven workers at the max. Only two of us were there the entire working day for all six days.

Some of the photographs of the finished projects are on these pages; larger photos will be on the Missions bulletin board.

We want to thank Hunt's and its members for their continual support of BCCW in a myriad of ways:

- Approval by the Missions Committee for Hunt's to be the host and base for BCCW.
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- Those who contributed to the special 2018 Advent and 2019 Lenten offerings, as one half went to BCCW, which received \$921.50.
- Those who made other monetary contributions to BCCW, including \$2,000 from the Carroll's-Gill's Endowment Fund.
- Those who donated items for our silent auction, including, but not necessarily limited to, Charlotte and Bruce Douglas, Lynn Henss, Glenn and Linda Keatts, Shirley Lin, Ellie Lott, Cynthia Sparks, Tom Parrish, Anne and Chris Smith, Joe and Jackie Stigall.
- Those who helped set up tables and chairs, as well as opening the walls, on July 22.

- Those who supplied desserts to the dinner, including, but not necessarily limited to, Mary Ellen Lippy, Cynthia Sparks, Meg Whiteford.
- Those who attended the silent auction and who bid; we raised >\$2,000.
- Those who supplied desserts for the lunches, including, but not necessarily limited to, Linda Keatts, Mary Ellen Lippy.
- One who helped with registration: Mary Ellen Lippy.
- Those who made Monday breakfast possible: Jodie Waters (who coordinated it and purchased the food), Robin Bosley, Lynn Henss, Shirley Lin, Mary Ellen Lippy, and Ellie Lott.
- Those who helped one or more days, at one or more work sites: Krista Broschart, Bruce Douglas (and his grandson Andrew Waxman), Rich Goodale, Glenn Keatts, Linda Keatts, Travis Knoll, Steve Lippy, Daniel McMillan, Dave McMillan, David McMillan, Keith McMillan, Lizzie McMillan, Pat Parrish, Tom Parrish, Diane Paulson, and Joe Stigall.
- BCCW's photographer: Howard Lin (when he is not being Hunt's photographer) who endeavored to get photos of all of the sites when individuals were working.

Special thanks to Glenn Keatts who, again as crew "chef" [sic], visited and designed the projects, estimated quantities, ordered and picked up the supplies, hauled them from the Westminster Home Depot, coordinated and oversaw the work by the revolving door of volunteers each day, returned the excess lumber and supplies, etc. Glenn was at a disadvantage this year as his number one helper, his wife Linda, was working in Florida during the first week. On Monday afternoon, Glenn was either an eternal optimist or slave driver as we heard the thunderstorm warnings on the cell phones and we heard the thunder getting closer and closer; however, we kept working and working . . . and ended up getting drenched. (The latter is getting to be the routine as that occurred last year too.)

The residents at both sites seemed pleased with what we provided; hopefully, we were able to improve the quality of their day-to-day lives in order that the veteran is able to get into and from their house easier without having to navigate steps and that the Halethorpe husband is able to more easily get his wife from and into their house in her wheelchair.

THANKS AGAIN FOR EVERYONE'S SUPPORT!



The Clearing House Sidewalk Sale for Charity All proceeds benefit The House of Ruth of Maryland Wednesday, September 4, 2019 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. **The Clearing House** 200 W. Padonia Road Timonium, MD 21093 The sale will feature fine household furnishings – 410-561-4546 including furniture, china, linens, jewelry, and much more at drastically reduced prices. - Cash or check only -Credit cards are not accepted.

LET'S KEEP IN TOUCH: Nell Kirby is enjoying the beauty and serenity of the Michigan woods, once again. She would love to hear from her church family while she is away.

Her land-line phone number is 231-268-3126 (for 2019 only).



Women's Fellowship Meeting

The Women's Fellowship will meet on Saturday, September 7th, at 10 a.m., in the Adult Education Room. We will be discussing the Kitchen Shower that is scheduled to be held on Saturday, October 5th. There will be a pot-luck lunch (on October 5th) at 11 a.m., in VanMetre Hall. A list of needed items for the church's kitchen will be posted on the bulletin board (by the kitchenette), so that people may sign-up to contribute for the shower.

Cynthia Sparks -- Co-Chair, Women's Fellowship



From Kelly Heubeck: A "Sneak Peak" of the list: Square Hot Pads, Dish Towels, Large Plastic Cutting Boards, Metal Whisk (standard size), 2 Tall Commercial Stock Pots, 2 Long-Handle Commercial Spoons, 1 Long Handle Commercial Ladle, Good Non-Serrated Knives (variety of sizes), Air-Tight Plastic Storage Containers (for flour & sugar – The kind you pour the contents in to keep it. They sell good ones on Amazon), Kitchen Scissors, 1 Stainless Serving Cart

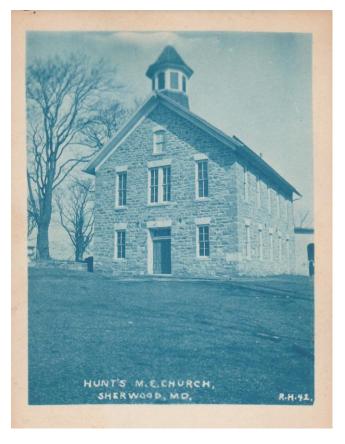
Riderwood Moments in Time ... 1824, 1830, 1854, 1913

Source: Much of the following information shared below is taken from an historical narrative written by the Greater Ruxton Area Foundation. The foundation's research contributes greatly to what is known about the early Riderwood area, home to Hunt's Church

In 1824 Edward A. Rider 2nd purchased a 150-acre farm and mill centered at Joppa Road and what is today Thornton Road. The coming of the railroad in 1830 greatly enhanced the family's commercial opportunity. A railroad station, rail-spur, locomotive watering tank, general store and post office soon made the Rider family prosperous. The railroad spur into Edward Rider's limekiln operation accounted for the area being called **Rider's Switch**.

On July 4, 1854, a tragedy occurred in the area when 2 excursion trains collided nearby just north of the present-day Joppa Road Bridge. Newspaper coverage at the time reported 29 people were killed and numerous others were injured in the accident. Those involved were returning home after having spent the holiday picnicking at Rider's Grove, a popular summer gathering area. At the time, this accident in the community of **Rider's Switch** had the infamous distinction of being one of the worst railroad accidents in the nation's history.

Local history has it that due to the lingering memories of this terrible accident the community's name was changed from Rider's Switch to **Sherwood.** The name Sherwood, Maryland can be seen written at the bottom of the postcard photograph of Hunt's Church seen here. During this time period, descendants of Revolutionary War hero General John Edgar Howard had a home in the area that they called Sherwood...possibly the reason Sherwood was chosen as the community's new name.



By 1913, the community's name changed again. In his book, *Streetwise Baltimore*, author Carlton Jones notes that the name Sherwood was later changed to **Riderwood** because of pressure from Methodist ministers. It seems that a top selling Maryland rye whiskey of the time was also called Sherwood. According to local lore, members of Hunt's Methodist Church at Joppa and Old Court objected to the name of Sherwood being associated with the ads for this popular whiskey. Church members were said to have been successful in having the community's name changed to Riderwood in 1913.

Information shared by Cheryl Eisenhauer



Join the Funhunters on Friday, September 13th for a delightful luncheon at

Jerry D's Restaurant 7808 Harford Road Baltimore, MD 21234

If you are planning to attend, please contact Lynn Henss at 443-600-2325, so that she can make the necessary arrangements for our entire group to sit together.

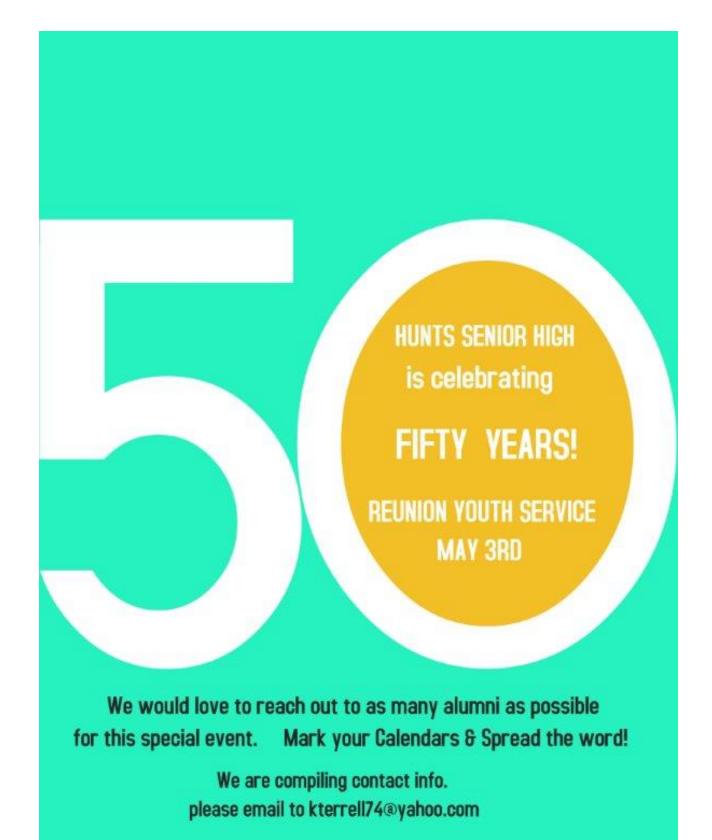




Senior High will be starting up their meetings on Sunday, September 22nd.

They are looking forward to welcoming our incoming freshmen and some new friends!





UNITED METHODIST WOMEN INFORMATION MEETING

Hi Ladies,

I was contacted by Robin Henry, the President of the Baltimore Suburban District UMW recently. She would like to see more of the local churches have UMW again. I have scheduled a visit on Sunday, September 29, 2019 following the 10 a.m. worship service, for her to come and give us information about it. Please be assured that this is an information only meeting and not a commitment to join.

I would appreciate an RSVP to <u>l.flavin@verizon.net</u> or text to 410-746-3433 if you plan to attend.

I would like to have some light refreshments and if a good turnout, may use VanMetre Hall instead of the Adult Education Room. If anyone can help me with refreshments, I would appreciate it.

Hope to see many of you there!

*Linda Flavin*Lay Leader

Lay Readers' Schedule

	8:45 a.m. Service	10:00 a.m. Service
September 1	Dave McMillan (Sr.)	Ted Ochs
September 8	David Junkin	Melissa Regan
September 15	Jody Waters	Lewis Knoll
September 22	Caleb Knoll	Rich Goodale
September 29	Margie Anne Bonnett	Monica Starleper

USHERS FOR SEPTEMBER'S SUNDAYS

September 1	Keith McMillan and Ellie Lott
September 8	Keith McMillan and Melissa Regan
September 15	Keith McMillan and Margie Rock
September 22	Keith McMillan and Fred Smith
September 29	John Pollard and Hope Pollard





Reconciling Ministry Information

The results of the Hunt's springtime survey revealed that our church has a strong interest in reconciliation, so the Church Council commissioned an ad hoc committee to initiate the discernment process. Ultimately this process will determine whether or not Hunt's would like to become a Reconciling Congregation in association with the Reconciling Ministry Network.

A reconciling congregation is a United Methodist local church that makes a public statement welcoming all persons, regardless of sexual orientation, race or ethnicity, to participate fully in its congregational life.

Becoming a reconciling church is essentially a statement from our church affirming that we are created in the image of God and that all people are worthy of God's love and grace. To be a reconciling church <u>does not</u> mean that our church will leave the UMC. It <u>will not</u> affect our church building or endowments. It <u>does not</u> compel a pastor to perform same-sex marriages.

During the discernment process, reconciliation information will be made available in church, in meetings with key church groups and in a panel discussion. This panel, open to any interested person, will present information on reconciliation in VanMetre Hall on Saturday, October 12 at 6:30 p.m. There will be time for questions and for all voices to be respectfully heard. Dessert will be served.

Our congregation is encouraged to prayerfully consider this important issue. Between services on Sunday, October 20, a church conference, as sanctioned by the bishop, will be held. A vote by ballot will be taken on whether to become a reconciling congregation. Results will be announced before the conclusion of the meeting. Hunt's will become a reconciling congregation only if the vote in favor of reconciliation is at least 70% of the ballots.

Further information will be available on Rally Day.

Any questions may be directed to the ad hoc committee members.

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This month's **Thank You** is for a very big deal indeed. Some are aware, but others may not be, that the Preschool is now operating under new management. In April of this year we converted our operating license to the Church's incorporation, converting the previously somewhat

independent Preschool Board to the Preschool Committee operating as a fully integrated mission of Hunt's UMC.

This took a great deal of time and effort, and required a lot of thinking, planning, and coordinating to occur. It allows the structures of the church, especially the Lay Leadership (Nominating), Finance, Trustees, SPRC, and Council to more effectively support and assist the preschool to continue to function effectively going forward.

A great many people's efforts need to be appreciated in this monumental task – but I will focus on a few especially noteworthy contributors: Cathy Junkin, our fearless and tireless Board/Committee Chair did a lot of work to make this happen, Bob Sibley and Linda Keatts as our treasurers worked out payroll and financial coordination issues, Ken Parrish helped in a variety of ways to steer and enable this process and especially to help with the CJIS coordination, and Kelley Unger, our Director, who spent a great deal of time coordinating with

the MSDE and our local representative Paul Skoda as well as identifying and coordinating various support and legal requirements (inspections, etc.) to enable this to occur. Supporting them in a wide variety of significant ways were the entire Preschool Board/Committee, the Finance Committee, the Trustees, the Church Council, and a variety of advisers and helpers among whom we must mention Marcia Conlin and David Woo who helped us with a variety of issues from a legal perspective.

As a part of this process, a new set of guidelines has been developed by the Church Council in coordination with the Preschool Committee and other groups within the church to help us live into this new more coordinated reality. The working group that headed up this effort was ably led by Ted Ochs. If you would like a copy of the guidelines, please contact Pastor Travis, or any member of the Preschool Committee and we can get you a copy. This working document helpfully clarifies the roles and expectations for all of the above-mentioned groups and others in the ongoing functioning of the preschool ministry here at Hunt's.

On behalf of the congregation and its leaders, I want to thank all who have made this transition so successful, and hopefully set us up for even more success in this ministry going forward. **THANK YOU!**

Pastor Travis

The 17th Annual Hunt's Memorial "Mulligans for Missions" Golf Tournament

When: Saturday, October 5, 2019 12:00 Noon Light Lunch 1:00 PM Shotgun Start Where: Oakmont Green Golf Course Hampstead, Maryland Cost: \$100.00 per Golfer Prizes: Low Gross, Low Net, Closest to the Pin, Long Drive Tee Sponsorship: \$100 donation from anyone who purchases a sign for 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 Mission Committee. We will help find a foursome if needed --Register me individually or my foursome as follows: Name: Golf: Handicap: \$100.00 \$100.00 _____ \$100.00 \$100.00 Enclosed is my check payable to Hunt's Memorial UMC for a total of \$. .

Address:______ City _____ State____ Zip____





Items Accepted: All clothing, shoes, sneakers, belts, purses, blankets, sheets,

pillow cases, drapes, and **stuffed** toys only.

(Your donation will not be cut up or shredded.)

Please ... no rags, fabric scraps, toys (except for stuffed ones), or household goods.

*Hunt's receives revenues based on the estimated weight of clothing recycled.



To help keep your donations clean and dry, please put them in plastic bags.

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