

## Hunt's Memorial United Methodist Church

# The Point

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#### **Service Schedule**

8:45 AM Praise Worship

10:00 AM Traditional Worship

> 10:15 AM Sunday School

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To the Saints at Hunt's -

Happy Easter. It is so strange not to be able to say this from the sanctuary with the choir behind me, the congregation gathered, and flowers everywhere. I am so grateful to Sarah for the idea of the flower collage –It is included in this newsletter in case you have not already seen it. Thanks to Beth, Sarah, Margie, and our submitting photographers. It has been shared broadly and appreciated by many. There are indeed still Easter flowers even if they are not this year clustered in our sanctuary.

What does out faith mean without worship to allow us to gather, to catch up and share life together, to encourage one another and to provoke one another in good works? Is it really Easter without a glorious anthem and music of praise? It is - but it is also different.

Different is stressful. Disruption is often perceived as a threat. When will the disruption end and what will the "new normal" that emerges afterward look like? Like everyone else, I do not know. Some disruptions are temporary, and some leave permanent scars and changes. Is this a great depression type of event or a 9/11 sort? One changed things at the center of our culture, and the other changed only the margins for most of us. America in 2010 looked a lot more like America of 2000 than America of 1938 looked like America of 1928. So which sort of disruption is this one? I do not know. We are still living together into the brave new world, so to speak.



Can our faith stand up to hard times and disruption? I also do not know the answer to this question for myself or for you, but I know that the church has so far never failed. It has taken losses,

it has retreated and advanced, but it has not failed. I am persuaded that it will not fail now. So the question for me is "what will I (we) be like on the other side?" Will my (our) faith grow or retreat in a time like this? What should I (we) hold on to, and what should I (we) leave behind?



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In times of distress and disruption, it is natural to hoard resources. To make certain that you have enough because who knows what will be available tomorrow, so best to stock up today. The Bible speaks of the storehouse - and the wise ant stores up food in the summer for the winter to come (Proverbs 6:6). However, the storehouse isn't, scripturally, only to be used for your own lean times. It is to be shared (Malachi 6:10), that "there may be food in my house" for distribution to the needy.

As I look about, I discover that God has gifted me with an abundance of resources and allowed me to be ready when shortages come. I have been blessed with enough for my family, and more. ACTC's cupboard is growing bare. There is shortage. It is time to share. I pray that your own life is sufficiently gifted with enough for you and yours, and enough to share with others in their need.



But not all have this particular kind of surplus. Ok, then what have you been given an abundance of? Maybe time? If you have time,



let's talk

and a phone, you can connect with others - sharing life and encouragement with others. Praying for each other, encouraging and being encouraged by others... This is within reach for almost all of us. Let's take inventory - what has God gifted us with? If we look, we will find a great deal of blessing in our homes, in

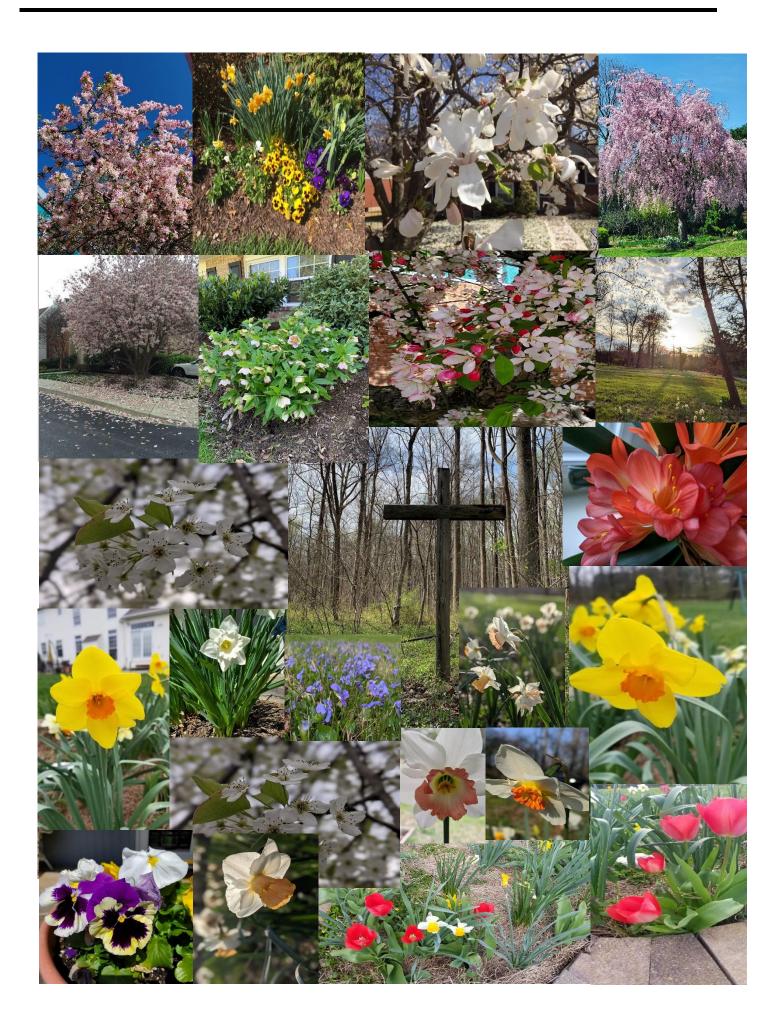
our schedules, and in our lives. Which part of these gifts and blessings can be shared? How can we share them in ways that build up the kingdom, ourselves, and

our neighbors?



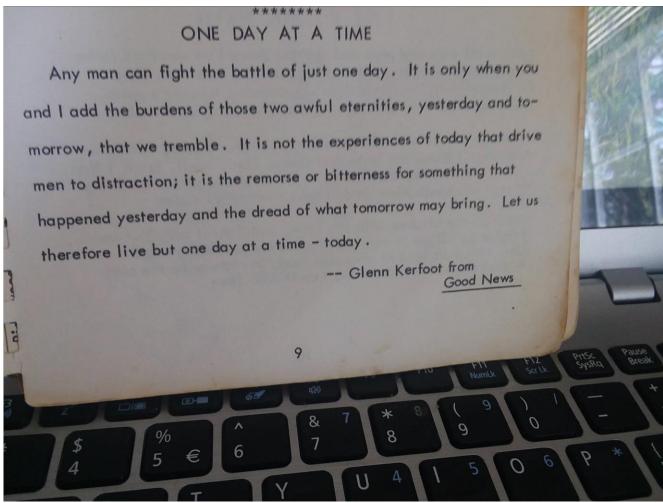
If we look with these eyes, we may find that for such a time as this we have been called to live and do the will of God. If we do this, we will come out of this disruption, of this time of stress and different lives strengthened in our faith. Through the fire and through the storm, one thing remains. Hold fast to God and live as fully as you are able to within God's will. If you (I, we) do this, your (my, our) faith will grow and strengthen.

Godspeed, my friends. - Pastor Travis



This calendar contains our normally scheduled meetings and worship services. However, we are certainly aware that circumstances may well cause modification of any or all of these scheduled events.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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Every Sunday 11:15 a.m. Children's Choir Practice	Ma		Hospital & Home Coordinator for May:		7:30 am Men's Fellowship	2
11:15 a.m. Handbell Choir Practice			Ellie Lott		7:30 pm AA	
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Submitted by Cheryl Eisenhauer



Thank you, Hunt's family, for your heartwarming cards, phone calls, and text messages with supporting comforting words. My family was very much touched. Thank you, Pastor Travis, for presiding over Brenda's funeral service. Brenda was a quiet and shy person. She will be greatly missed.

Shirley Lin and Family

Shirley's sister passed away on March 16th.

## Moment in Time...Identity of 1910 Photograph Confirmed

Among the church files, I recently came upon this old photo of a lovely young woman wearing collegian cap and gown. On the back someone had written **Elsie Draper Burgan**, followed by the comment, "I believe she is the daughter of Rev. Burgan". I was intrigued, since I knew Reverend Burgan to be Hunt's minister in the early 1900's. It was Rev. Burgan who in 1910 wrote and published the booklet <u>The Story of Hunt's Methodist Episcopal Church</u>. This history has since proven to be an invaluable resource for all those wanting to learn about the early years of Methodism and Hunt's Church.

Delving into the identification of the young woman in the photograph, I found that indeed she was Elsie Draper. She was not Rev. Burgan's daughter; she was his wife to be. This photograph is her gradation photo on the occasion of her 1910 graduation from Goucher College. Her full name was Elsie Busteed Draper. The 1910 Goucher college yearbook indicates that she graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree in English. She was noted as being from Brooklandville, MD.

Three years later, according to an October 1913 wedding announcement in the Baltimore Sun, she married Rev. Harry Wilson Burgan (Pastor of the Guilford Avenue Methodist Episcopal Church in Baltimore) at the Havre De Grace home of her mother, Mrs. Laura B. Draper.



Earlier, according to a March 1907 Baltimore Sun article, Rev. H.W. Burgan and Rev O. H. Draper were among the 13 young bachelors attending a surprise birthday party for Costin C. Martin at the Rockland home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Martin. Among the 10 young single ladies attending was Elsie B. Draper. Most likely Elsie was in her freshman year of college at this time. Further research indicates that Rev, Otis H. Draper was the older brother of Elsie, and the good friend and colleague of Rev. Burgan.

In more recent years, in a 1984 interview with then longtime Hunt's member Male Hales, she recalled that at the age of 10, at a March 1909 spring revival meeting, she "joined the Church". She remembered the church building being just 2 rooms at the time, one up and one down, and that H. Wilson Burgan was pastor. As Mae recalled, "Reverend Burgan was a single man when he was here at Hunt's and many of us fondly called him Cousin Harry." Mae went on to explain that in those early times, the church and its activities were the center of social life, especially for the young people. She remembers there being parties of some sort most weekends. She said Rev Burgan was very popular, and almost always a guest.

Most likely Elsie Draper and Rev, Burgan got to know each other through the friendship between her brother Otis and him. Then while Burgan was assigned to Hunts, their friendship may have blossomed, eventually leading to their marriage in 1913. A July 1954 Sun paper obituary reported that Reverend Harry Wilson Burgan, age 73, died July 10, 1954. It was noted that he was survived by his widow, the former Miss Elsie Busteed Draper, and by two sisters, both of Baltimore.

**Note:** In 1906, Revs H. Wilson Burgan and O. H. Draper, along with assistant Rev John H. Marsh were appointed to serve the church circuit which included Hunt's, Stevenson, Carroll's, Gill's, May's and Texas. In 1907, the circuit was divided, and the Hunt's and Stevenson Churches were formed into a new circuit with H. Wilson Burgan as its pastor. In October 1908, Hunt's became a Station Church, with Reverend Burgan continuing as its pastor. Thus, it was that after 136 years of being served by numerous "circuit rider" preachers, Hunt's congregation was no longer on a circuit. Revered Burgan remained at Hunt's another year and a half, leaving for a new appointment in 1910.

Submitted by Cheryl Eisenhauer

## **Hunt's Church Preschool**

Writing this from home and hoping you are all staying healthy! It is a very challenging, scary time, but I feel we all find some peace in being with our loved ones.

The preschool staff has been very busy tackling the task of remote learning with preschoolers. We are using Zoom, Facebook, emails, and Facetime to ensure the children have plenty to do and that they are able to continue learning. We have done live storybook readings, lessons and even some silly competitions of "Guess the Teacher in the Video." We are sending out Science experiments, learning packets, Spanish and STEAM lessons and even have a remote learning portal for our PreK Plus class. We are also encouraging parents to use this time to really listen to their children and spend quality time with them. With today's busy schedules, it is hard to see the world through a child's eyes. This quarantine time is allowing parents to do just that. They are enjoying their children's laughter, storytelling and watching them grow daily. Our parents are being very supportive of the preschool and I receive daily calls from our students. We, the teachers, miss the children dearly and cannot wait to get back to a school day routine with them.

The Easter Egg Hunt competition was not so tough around my house this year! One of my sons is home from Salisbury University doing online learning for the rest of the year. My other two sons have their own places, so I have not been able to see them in person. One works at Georgetown University Hospital, so I really cannot be in contact with him. Strangely, they were both born on April 13, two years apart. We will be doing a Zoom birthday celebration this year. I just thank God that of all my boys are healthy and that I am able to Facetime with them daily. I cannot wait to give them a big hug!

### I hope that you had a Happy Easter!

I have you all in my prayers that you remain healthy and happy!! – Kelley Unger, Director

## Financial News...

Here is our performance this year through the end of March:

	2020 Actual	2020 Year-To-		
	through March	Date Budget	Difference	2020 Budget
Income	\$149,448	\$161,075	- \$11,627	\$386,662
Expense	\$91,801	\$99,383	\$7,582	\$418,445
Difference	\$57,647	\$61,692	- \$4,045	- \$31,783



While the income for the first three months is strong, we cannot forget that it is largely due to some donations of stock we received in January. As this was anticipated when developing the budget, you can see that we are actually running behind our plan in terms of income. Our weekly offerings are trailing last year and our budget. Fortunately, some of our expenses are running below budget as well, thus offsetting some of the impact of the lower giving. We are blessed by those who donate so much of their time to provide the labor associated with many of the church's projects. Efforts have also been taken to reduce our expenses while we are experiencing the COVID-19 restrictions.

The impact of COVID-19, which has resulted in our inability to worship together in our lovely sanctuary, is also evident in the decreased offerings in March. While we have seen an uptick in electronic giving and mailing of checks to the church office, it has not fully replaced the offering normally received on Sunday mornings. Unless we increase our giving, this trend will continue into April and likely May. For those who are able, I urge you to consider increasing your giving during this time of social distancing to help Hunt's weather this storm. Please read the article found elsewhere in this newsletter focused on giving during this period of remote worship. Since most of our expenses are fixed in the short run (salaries, maintenance, etc.), we need to do what we can to continue supporting the church in these challenging times.

The Finance Committee is also seeking financial support offered by the Baltimore-Washington Conference, the State of Maryland, and the Federal Government. The results of our efforts are not known at the time of writing this article, but we are monitoring developments closely.

If you ever have questions about our finances, please do not hesitate to contact me at tedochs@msn.com.

Yours in Christ,

Ted Ochs, Finance Chair

# Mission News

Dear friends at Hunt's, we hope that you are getting through these troubling times alright. This is a very difficult time for everyone, but there are many that do not have any food, shelter, clothing or a support group. Let us pray for everyone.

Hunt's is involved in many mission projects that are still ongoing during this time of great need. Thank You to Marcia Conlin, and her husband, Jim, for taking the **Food for Thought** food (from the storage room in the Agapé House) that cannot be distributed at this point in time because schools are closed (due to the coronavirus) to the **Student Support Network**. They also gave the **Student Support Network** five (donated) \$25 Walmart gift cards, as well as a \$150 Target gift card.

Let us pray that the people involved in these missions, as well as for all of the other care workers that are making sacrifices will stay safe and remain healthy.

As we look forward, please remember our focus missions for April and May. Camp Hope and Baltimore County Christian Workcamp, (both share the special Lenten Offering), and the Assistance Center of Towson Churches (ACTC). If you wish to support these great projects, please send your check to the church office (1912 Old Court Road; Towson, MD 21204) and I will make sure you get credit, and that the money goes to these groups.

HOPE TO SEE YOU SOON AT CHURCH AND PLEASE STAY SAFE AND HEALTHY.

Lynn Henss, Missions Chair



Hi Marcia, thank you again so much for dropping off those cards.

I thought that you and your congregation would like to know that the majority will be used for food and essential non-food items for our distributions.

We are giving two of the Walmart gift cards to a family who has special-needs children and a baby on the way and are in tremendous need. We found out about them through the wonderful coordinator of the Campfield Early Learning Center, a pre-K center for children in poverty in Baltimore County Public Schools.

Best wishes, *Laurie* 

(Laurie Taylor-Mitchell, President, Student Support Network)

## "We are all in this together"

The following was sent to Robert Sparks from his sister (in Texas) who received it from one of her High School classmates.

Here is a note of encouragement to you all. The following words will attempt to lift each of you up, bring a smile to your face, and maybe even get your toes tapping and make you want to shout to the Lord. Throughout this letter are the titles of several well-known hymns, gospel songs, and contemporary Christian music that most of you are very familiar with. See how many of them you can identify, and the answers will be in the next newsletter. I can only imagine that each of you might even turn your radio on and the TV off after being inspired by some of these great song titles and the precious memories that they raise.

In the midst of this unprecedented time of uncertainty, our communities, our nation and even the entire world are searching for a source of security and stability. There's a simple solution, Jesus loves me. As believers in the saving power in the blood of Jesus, it's even more important than ever that we demonstrate that our only hope is built on Christ the solid rock. The immortal, invisible God only wise has us all standing on the promises that we have victory in Jesus.

Just as I am writing this, I stand amazed in the presence of Jesus the Nazarene. The old rugged cross at Calvary demonstrates how His Love lifted me. Isn't it His amazing grace that shows not only us as the family of God but all creatures of our God and King that o how he loves you and me?

What a friend we have in Jesus. The sweet hour of prayer that we enjoy whenever we want to have a little talk with Jesus demonstrates His love divine all love excelling. The realization of this love for us should make this little light of mine shine all the brighter and put that joy, joy, joy, joy down in my heart even in the face of a global pandemic.

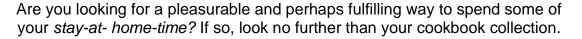
It's not always easy to truly realize that a mighty fortress is our God, but knowing that this is my Father's world and that He's got the whole world in His hands gives us all the blessed assurance that nothing is impossible when we only trust him.

It's our heartfelt prayer for each of you to have just a closer walk with Thee and know that He Lives!

To God be the glory, Amen

P. S. Here's a hint to one of the song titles – Lilies of the Field Total song titles + 35

#### How to Fill an Hour





I don't really cook anymore, but I recently spent a pleasurable hour or more looking through one of Hunt's old cookbooks. This experience was made possible by Barbara Green and Bettie Dunkin who recently located their copies of Hunt's *First Celebration* cookbook published in 1974 and shared them with me.

It appears that beginning with this edition, Hunt's published a cookbook every 10 years or so, the fourth and last one being in 2010. Earlier this year when the Women's Fellowship group was looking forward to publishing a *Fifth Celebration* cookbook, copies of the last three were located, but not the first one from the 1970's. Heeding a plea to the congregation to locate a copy of this early cookbook, Barbara and Bettie were successful in their search. Bettie said hers was passed down to her from her mother, Jean Bosley, and though it no longer has its cover, is still very much loved. Barbara, who may be one of the few at Hunt's to have all four of the Church Cookbooks, was kind enough to provide a picture of all four of them grouped together, so we now have record of them for the church files.

I was not yet a member of the Church in 1974, so have no recipes included in the *First Celebration* cookbook. However, reading through it, I came upon many recipes I still count among my Hunt's favorites today. I also came upon name after name of people I recognized, some like myself now longtime members...others no longer with us, but who had been "pillars of the church" years gone by. All in all, my time spent reading through this cookbook was a wonderful "walk down memory lane".

I think the recipe below, found on page 40 of the 1974 cookbook, and the name of its contributor will bring a smile to many. It makes me smile even now when I think about the discussion the cookbook committee must have had among themselves when they first received this recipe submission.



Banana Sandwich (Rev. Edward VanMetre, II)

2 slices bread 1 banana peanut butter lettuce

mayonnaise crushed peanuts

Apply peanut butter to one slice of bread. Then add mayonnaise. Slice the banana in half, and then slice in half again to fit the bread. Add lettuce and then sprinkle crushed peanuts over the lettuce. Add the final slice of bread. (Lettuce and crushed peanuts are optional.)

Makes a delicious sandwich for quick energy! A meal in itself!

Note: Rev VanMetre II was the beloved minister a Hunt's from 1969-1983

Information shared by Cheryl Eisenhauer

## Ways to Give When You Aren't Able to Attend Sunday Worship

As I shared in last month's newsletter, on any given Sunday, 80% of the weekly offering is received by checks and cash placed in the offering plate passed by an usher. 20% is received electronically via funds contributed using the church's online offering vehicle, both from recurring and one-time donations. While in-person worship is not possible at this time, your giving does not have to stop. Did you know that Beth continues to work out of the church office, receiving mail and forwarding checks to the counters to deposit (all while following social distancing rules, of course). In fact, we have seen an increase in checks to the church office, so for those who prefer to give this way, please don't hesitate to do so. Your check will be promptly received and deposited. The church's address is 1912 Old Court Road, Towson, MD 21204.

Electronic giving is another option, and now we have two ways to give. The first way, which has been in place for several years now, can be found on the church's website (www.huntsumc.org) by navigating to the "Stewardship" tab and clicking on "My Offering". This will take you to a site where you can create an account or give without creating an account. You can set up a recurring gift or just a one-time gift. You can also designate how you want your gift used. For those who already use this method, please consider increasing your gift or make a one-time gift to augment your regular giving to help us face the challenges before us.

We recently introduced the option of giving through an app linked to Vanco, the company that supports our electronic giving system. The app is called Give+ and is easy to use. Here is how to set it up:

- Go to Vanco's e-giving website: https://www.vancopayments.com/egiving/church-app
- Download the App
- Find Hunt's Memorial United Methodist Church on the list and select it
- Set up your account

There is even a video on the website that you may find helpful. The app is also available directly in most App stores (search for GivePlus). Please note we are not currently accepting gifts via credit card as we are still researching this option. We are also exploring other options, such as text-to-give, and hope to introduce them soon. We hope these electronic giving methods provide you one more way to financially support our church.

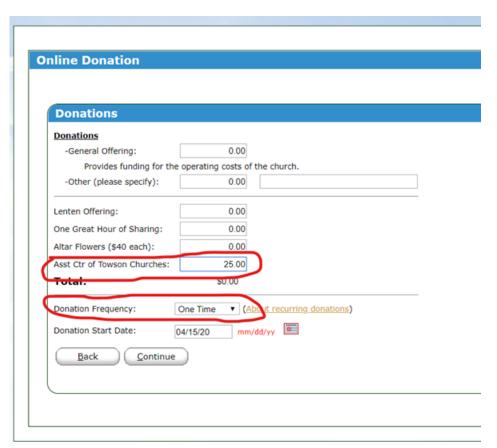
Hunt's Church has overcome many challenges during its 247-year history. COVID-19 is just the latest. Although it is preventing us from physically worshipping together these days, it cannot separate us from the love and care of God and for each other. As you focus on taking care of yourself, your family, your friends, and your community, please keep your Church community in your thoughts and prayers as well. For those who are able, please increase your financial support of Hunt's to help us continue fulfilling God's mission for us. Thank you.

Ted Ochs, Finance Chair

## Assistance Center of Towson Churches

May is the month that Hunt's supports the Assistance Center of Towson Churches (ACTC) with food and donations. With COVID-19, you may have seen that food donations at area food pantries have fallen off due to social distancing requirements, while the need for food due to economic displacement has increased. ACTC needs our support more than ever.

**The safest way for us to support ACTC during this time is with monetary support.** ACTC does bulk buying as it has funds available, and they will use our monetary donations to meet the needs as they can. In past years Hunt's has been very generous, bringing in bags of food during our month – usually including a featured item for the month. This year, please consider providing your donation to ACTC by way of a check mailed to Hunt's or through our electronic stewardship portal. You can write ACTC on the memo line or use the dedicated donation line on the stewardship portal. The church will forward the monies donated to ACTC as they are received. (By the way, electronic giving for ACTC or your regular offering is really easy to set up and use!)



**But WAIT!** What if you want to donate actual food, rather than cash? During the time that the church is closed, the McMillan family will come to your house at a mutually agreeable time and pick up bags of food you wish to donate. Before you start packing a bag, please remember, food donations should include nonperishable, **nonexpired** items in sealed packages.

Below are the items that are most needed.

- Breakfast cereal (box)
- Canned meals (pork and beans, chili, pasta meals, etc.)
- Canned vegetables (tomatoes, beans, corn, peas, potatoes, etc.)
- Canned fruit (oranges, peaches, etc.)
- Dry pasta, rice, instant potatoes (bag or box)
- Spaghetti sauce (jar or can)
- Macaroni and cheese meals (box)
- Tuna (can)
- Peanut butter, jelly (jar)
- Soup (can)
- <u>Toiletries (deodorant, lotions, soap, shampoo, toothpaste, diapers, feminine hygiene products, etc.)</u>

To protect you and us, our pick-up service will be "no contact" and we will wear masks and gloves when picking up. Please email <a href="mailto:dmcm6366@aol.com">dmcm6366@aol.com</a> with "ACTC pick-up" in the subject line or call Dave directly at 410-916-0892, if you'd like to arrange a pick-up of food. Once church has reopened, we will again accept donations in the coat room at church.



Recently, a group of friends and I were sitting around feeling somewhat helpless as to how we could help during these times from our homes. We came up with an idea that would be a win/win for lots of people... we donated money to buy meals to serve front line hospital workers at local hospitals and first responders while at the same time supporting a friend who owns a small business (and is trying to keep her restaurant afloat). We put together a campaign so that others who wanted to help could contribute too... and by a week later, we had delivered 1000 meals to the front line. However, our donations still fell short of the need communicated to us by the hospitals and police and fire departments. Our healthcare workers and the first responders do not get a break! They need your help more than ever! You can help feed a front line COVID-19 worker by going to www.cvptowson.com and donating to the One Team, One Goal campaign. All information and our story is in the link! Your \$ sends meals to the front-line workers of your choice- St. Joseph's Medical Center, GBMC, Shepard Pratt, or 1st responders. Help out today! If you donate, post it on Facebook, Instagram, or twitter with #oneteamonegoal. A \$25 donation provides 2 meals with delivery... \$100=8 meals. It takes 5 minutes to make a big difference. Hope you all are hanging there. Stay safe and well, and God bless!



## Thank You!

I have had opportunity to receive the outpouring of care and concern of Hunt's Congregation. Cards, calls, emails, and expressions of concern and prayers have poured in during my illness. I have also vicariously heard from a great many about mystery Easter Bunny visits, calls, and connections being maintained everywhere I turn. Thank you for encouraging one another, for reaching out, and for caring. It is a wonderful thing that we have stayed as connected as we have even when physically isolated from each other.

Keep up the good work!



Pastor Travis

# SENIOR HIGH NEWS

The counselors did a caravan drive-by to say "Hi" to all the Senior High youth on Sunday evening, March 22<sup>nd</sup>. It was great to see everyone's smiling faces from a distance as we went house to house!

## 50<sup>th</sup> Annual Youth Service Is A Go!

This year's Youth Service will be shared on Sunday, May 17<sup>th</sup>.

While can cannot invite everyone to gather at Hunt's to worship with us to celebrate the Senior High Ministry, we can come to you!

Please share this news with Alumni

from the past 50 years as well.



## **Baltimore County Christian Workcamp (BCCW)**

What is the BCCW mission? For the past 36 years, home repair and assistance throughout Baltimore County by volunteers. Most of the work during the year is done during one full week, starting on the third Sunday in July.

Who are the BCCW volunteers? Most are affiliated with different churches in Baltimore County, as well as occasionally from other Maryland counties, plus even out-of-state in some years. Last year the ages of volunteers ranged from 6-86, though anyone under 16 needs an adult with them.

Where is BCCW's base and host church? Hunt's (since 1992)

What <u>normally</u> happens during the BCCW week? On the Sunday of the BCCW week, there is a silent auction fundraiser at Hunt's from 4:00-6:30 pm, with a dinner at 5:30 and then orientation. From Monday-Friday, at 7:30 am, volunteer workers come to Hunt's in order to pack lunches and to have breakfast prepared by a church group. Teams, crews, and individuals go to a work site of their choosing to do a variety of home repair tasks inside and/or outside. Each evening, there is a dinner hosted by a different church or organization, with a BCCW wrap-up and a communion service on Friday.

**Is there a Hunt's BCCW team?** For the past seven years or so, Glenn Keatts has been a crew chief for the Hunt's crew, which has been augmented as necessary by other volunteers. Hunt's crew's "specialty" and preference has been the construction of ramps and decks.

How does Hunt's supports BCCW? In addition to being the location for planning meetings throughout the year, and being the base and host for the BCCW week in July, Hunt's financially supports BCCW with half of our special Advent and Lenten offerings; half of our garage at the Agape House is used for storage for BCCW "stuff"; we support the silent auction with donations, attendance, and bidding; and we provide the Monday morning breakfast.

<u>HOWEVER</u>, with this COVID-19 situation, will there be the 37th BCCW this July as we have done so in the past? We do not know at this time.

Will there be a "modified" BCCW this July? We do not know at this time. Possible changes could include no activities at Hunt's, e.g., no planning meeting, no Sunday dinner at Hunt's, and no breakfasts/packing of lunches at Hunt's, as well as no dinners at other churches. Other changes could be no inside work on any of the houses, only outside. If social distancing is still recommended, outside painting or yard cleanup may be feasible. Crew sizes may need to be smaller. If social distancing is not necessary, then possibly ramps could be constructed. BCCW coordination of work sites and who goes where would be a challenge.

Will there be a "modified" BCCW later in the year? We do not know at this time. Changes could be as above, plus it could be up to each crew or team to assemble a crew and to schedule when they would work, i.e., it would not have to be a specific week. BCCW would need to coordinate possible work sites.

Hopefully, there will be more clarity by the beginning of June. After 36 continuous years, we do hope that, somehow, we can continue the annual BCCW tradition, albeit, if necessary, on a more limited basis or scale, to help others in need with home repair and assistance.

Therefore, stay" tuned" for updates on BCCW, through The Point or broadcast emails, as well as, optimistically, in the not too distant future, church bulletins.

Steve Lippy



The Kidder-Thomas Scholarship Fund resulted from generous bequests under the wills of Sam Kidder and Jean Thomas. The sum has been invested along with subsequent donations, and the income earned from this investment is for scholarships for "worthy students who are members of Hunt's Church."

Trustees of the Fund will consider applications for scholarship aid each year. There are three trustees that oversee the fund: Co-Chairs of the Church Council (Nancy Kennedy, Cara Ehrlich), Chair of the Finance Committee (Ted Ochs), and Chair of the Board of Trustees (Lisa Lipman).

## Applications must be received by June 30, 2020.

Additional applications are available at the Church Office. The completed application should be submitted along with an official transcript of high school or college grades, preferably through the spring of the current year.

Scholarships are for Hunt's congregation members who are undergraduate students enrolled full-time (12 credits or more per semester), and graduate students enrolled part-time or full-time (6 credits or more per semester), in an accredited college or university in the United States.

In awarding scholarships, the Scholarship Trustees will primarily consider the applicants':

- Academic merit
- Financial need
- Church involvement and activities
- Community involvement and leadership

The total amount of scholarships available is the fund's earnings since last July. Generally, the awards have been in the range of \$250 to \$750. It is the Scholarship Trustees goal to meet and make their decisions in the month of July.

Applicants must make an annual application for each year of full time undergraduate or part or full-time graduate status.



## **Hunt's Memorial United Methodist Church College Scholarship Application**

Academic Year \_\_\_\_\_

Ple	ease Type or Print Legib	<u>ly</u>	Date				
1.	Last Name	First	Middle				
2.	Permanent Address		City/State	Zip			
3.	Daytime Phone #	aytime Phone # Evening Phone # _					
4.	Occupation (if any) form 1040 (Report income line 11)	Income \$e from previous calendar year.	Annually-Line 4	IRS Form 1040 EZ or line 33 ficant change, note below on			
5.		ge in which you are now enrolle been accepted yet, what is your		school seniors – If you have			
6.	Present academic status:						
	HIGH SCHOOL Senior	(Name and Address of high sch	nool)				
	COLLEGE: Freshman	☐ Sophomore ☐ Junior ☐	Senior □ Graduate □	]			
7.	Are you or will you be a ful	ll-time degree candidate?					
8.	Male □ Female □	Date of Birth	Marital Status				
	Are you Self-Supporting? (If so, income line must be completed above - # 4)						
	If married, name of spouse Spouse's Annual Income						
9.	Your Parent(s) Name(s)*						
	Address						
	Daytime Phone # Evening Phone #						
10.	Parents' Dependents (other	er than yourself): Number	Ages				
11.		ch as major medical bills, etc. – another sheet if you wish)	please explain anything whi	ch will help us understand			
12.	Your intended vocation						
13.	List prior colleges attended	d, if any, and dates attended					

<sup>\*</sup> Self-Supporting or married applicants need not respond to questions 9 and 10

This statement must be compl	eted before your appli	ication can be	reviewed:		
Academic Period for which thi	Month	/to to	/ Month	Year	
<u>Full Year Estimated Expenses</u> best estimate)	(If you have not made	e a definite de	cision on which scl	nool you will attend	, give us your
Tuition and Fees	\$				
Books	\$				
Housing	\$				
Food	\$				
Clothing & Laundry	\$				
Medical Care	\$				
Transportation (itemiz					
	\$ \$				
Other Expenses (Item					
	\$				
	\$ \$				
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$				
Please note: On a separate she listed). Special circumstances will help the committee in its t	that may affect your	financial siti	ation should be ex	plained. Any infor	may also be mation that
Full Signature of Student			Date		
	App	lication Proc	edure		

- 1. Applicants shall submit:
  - a. An official transcript (with raised seal stamped) of grades (high school or college) to the Hunt's Church Office, Attn: Scholarship Committee, Non-Official copies of grades will not be accepted as transcripts: it is the applicant's responsibility to get all materials to the committee on time.
  - b. A personal statement (one half to one page) from the student briefly describing his/her activities of church and community involvement and leadership during the past two years.
- 2. The Committee reserves the right to accept or reject any application.
- 3. Students will be notified on or about September 1 of awards for the current academic year. Payment for the full academic year will be made directly to the student.
- 4. To renew scholarship, the above procedure must be repeated annually.
- 5. Completed application, student statement, and a current transcript of grades must be mailed to the Hunt's Church Office (1912 Old Court Road; Towson, MD 21204), Attn: Scholarship Committee, postmarked no later than June 30.

## The Upper Room Devotional Guide Booklet

If you would like to receive a copy of the May-June devotional booklet, please contact the church office.



## Hunt's Memorial United Methodist Church 1912 Old Court Road Towson, MD 21204

