

The Lamplighter

Emmanuel United Methodist Church

September 2014



Pastor Jacob Young

I greet all of you in the name of Jesus Christ. I am pastor Jacob. It has been the peak of Summer with scorching weather. Therefore, many people take a vacation during Summer time. Going on a vacation is refreshing and energizing. My family and I took a long vacation for 12 days in August. It was a great time for the family. We were able to fully enjoy our summer vacation. It was a great time in which we were free from all responsibilities, routines, and stresses. When I started my ministry in July at Emmanuel UMC, I was kind of under constant stresses and burdens because it is my new appointment and I was in a new environment. In spite of the good hospitality of the church, I was kind of overwhelmed by the new appointment, moving, and the new environment.

However, during the vacation, I tried to be free from all burdens and

fully engage myself with the vacation. I was fully relaxed and rested.

Now, I am back from vacation and doing my best to return to my routine, in spite of jet lag. During the last couple of days, I read old church documents, such as charge conference minutes, church bulletins, and attendance sheets. By reading these documents, I paid attention to what kind of ministries this church has done so far. It leads me to explore what ministerial direction I need to take from now on. Based on the ministerial efforts and works which have been made in the past, I plan to make a gradual change in the church.

Schools have just started after a long summer break with students going back to school. It was great to have Backpack Sunday on August 24. On that Sunday, I blessed the backpacks of students, praying for another safe journey of the students in the school. Also, I blessed the backpacks which would be given to students in the community. I ask you to pray for another new school journey of students.

On September 14, we will celebrate T-Shirt Sunday. Every church member is expected to wear an Emmanuel Church T-Shirt. There will be a time to take a picture of all church members as a group in between the two worship services. Additionally, there will be fellowship time in between worship services. On that Sunday, there will be no Sunday school. Therefore, feel free to join the fellowship. Emmanuel

UMC has two separate worship services on Sunday. So, it is difficult for the attendants of each worship service to have a fellowship time together. But through the T-Shirt Sunday, there will be time provided for fellowship. Also, it will be a good opportunity for the congregation to build a strong sense of solidarity and ownership of the church and to share common brotherhood and sisterhood.

Please wear an Emmanuel church T-Shirt on that Sunday. If you don't have a church T-Shirt, please contact the church office. There are Church T-Shirts available. Please join the worship service together. It will be a great opportunity to be connected and to solidify together.

I hope that all of you have enjoyed the Summer. I encourage you to come to the church and worship our Lord Jesus Christ together.

Peace,

Pastor Jacob

P.S. The church is in the process of setting a new budget for 2015. I ask you to continue to support the church with your prayer and gifts. Because of your support, the church is able to fulfill the great commandments of Jesus, "Love your God and neighbors." I pray that through the good budget, the church will be vital and effective in the ministry to the community in 2015.



Living Nativity Returning This December!

This December, Emmanuel is bringing back an old favorite, the Living Nativity, in a whole new way. Details are still being ironed out, but it will be on Saturday Dec. 20th in the evening and we will be taking it on the road!

Borgwardt Funeral Home on Powder Mill Road has graciously allowed us to use their lawn for this exciting event. We are looking for several members of the church to work on the committee for this activity!

If you are interested, email Rick Bergmann today at address: rick.bergmann@eumcbeltsville.com

Remember, it will take the help of everyone to make this event a success and this is a great way for us to get out and meet our community.

UMW Spiritual Retreat

On Saturday, August 16, 23 women participated in our first UMW Spiritual Retreat where we studied the book, *Morning Coffee with James*. Some of the things James taught us were how to persevere, how trials build our faith, about the difference of happiness and joy, how to survive thumps in our lives, how to take His wisdom and use it in our lives, how to have faith without doubting, how to control our tongues, and how to, as St. Francis of Assisi is noted as saying, "Preach without ceasing and, if you must, use words."

In spite of a refrigerator that decided to quit running, which caused us to lose food, those organizing the retreat took this as a test of how trials build our faith and the participants weren't aware we had had any thumps at all. Thanks to Deaconess Jane Grays, Alice White, and Lorna Marselas for presenting the study and to the UMW members who helped with other aspects of the Retreat. If you weren't able to attend this year's Retreat, we hope you will attend the second UMW Spiritual Retreat in 2015.



Thanks for the Music♪

Thanks to all who provided music for the 11:15 services this summer, including the Chancel Choir, Elmo Webb, Patrick McGroarty, Sophia Tobin, Victoria Galloway, Monica and Angela Hatton.

A Round of Thanks!

A big round of thanks to those who helped at the church's booth at the National Night Out event on Tuesday, August 5. We interacted with many, made friends, and hope to see some join us in worship on Sundays.

* Upcoming Events and Special Services
* at Emmanuel United Methodist Church

August

24 Back to School Sunday, Bless the backpacks.

September

9 Start of Fall ESOL classes

14 Wear your EUMC T-Shirt

October

5 Blessing of the Animals 2 pm Beltsville Library park
Bring your pet.

18 Apple Festival

31 "Trunk or Treat" Safe Halloween treat distribution
to kids in the EUMC parking lot

November

2 All Saints celebration services

25 Joint evening Thanksgiving service with St. John's
Episcopal Church

27 Open Thanksgiving Day dinner at EUMC

30 Start of Advent season

December

13 Breakfast with Santa

14 Christmas Cantata by EUMC choirs

20 Living Nativity (on the empty lawn adjacent to
Borgwardt Funeral Home)

24 Christmas Eve Services

6:30 pm family service Bring the kids.

11 pm traditional candle light service

THE FIRST REHEARSAL FOR THE CHANCEL CHOIR will be on Thursday,
September 4, 2014 at 7 pm in the Fellowship Hall. We welcome new members!



Imagine No Malaria

"Heal the sick...freely you have received; freely give." Matthew 10:8

Imagine No Malaria-- is an extraordinary ministry of the people of the United Methodist church, putting our faith into action to end preventable deaths by malaria in Africa.

Achieving a sustainable victory over malaria – Prevention: distributing insecticide-treated nets and teaching families how to avoid malaria.

Education: training a grassroots network of community health workers.

Communication: delivering lifesavings messages about malaria and how to prevent it.

Treatment: improving diagnosis, case management and access to medication.

Your Generosity is making a difference—malaria's death rate is almost half of what it was in 2006, 11,600+ community workers trained, 2,300,000+ bed nets distributed, 4,600,000+ lives impacted, and 300+ health clinics in operation.

The Baltimore-Washington Conference is committed to connecting with United Methodists across the globe to end deaths by malaria. The conference goal is \$1,934,400 and our District, Washington East, share is \$257,250. Based on 168 annual average attendances in 2013 at Emmanuel UMC, each worshipper is asked to contribute \$30 over three years, **\$10 a year**. Imagine a \$10 net can save a person's life; \$1,000 will save 100 lives. Malaria is preventable, treatable and beatable and for pennies a day we can make a difference and save lives.

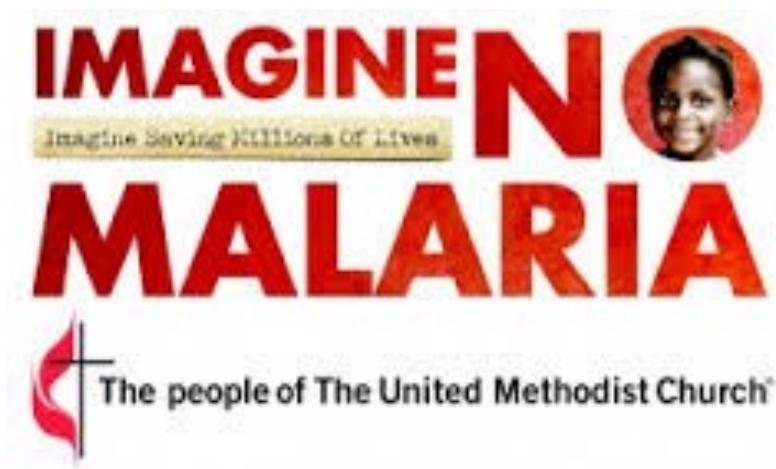
The United Methodist Women has been collecting loose change since the beginning of the year and Emmanuel's official fund raising campaign will begin in September. There are several opportunities for your participation.

Look for the **Imagine No Malaria** display in the narthex with "loose change" jar, brochures and special envelopes for your individual offering. If you make donations using the "Imagine No Malaria envelope," the contribution will appear on your giving statement.

A percentage of first Sunday communion offerings will be donated to the campaign. Each Sunday school class will be provided loose change jars in their classroom; they will also be available at ESOL, 2nd Sunday lunch and United Methodist Women meetings.

Together, we're putting our faith in action to change millions of lives.

If you have any questions about Imagine No Malaria, contact Jane Grays at email LadyjaneGra@aol.com or go to the WEB page at www.bwcumc.org/ImagineNoMalaria



Faithful Readers Book Group



Come join us in October (date TBA in our bulletin) 10 – 11 a.m. to read our first book of the season: Sinner's Creed, A Memoir, by Scott Stapp.

"It's a battle between life and death. Heaven and hell. Good and evil. It's feeling like a sinner when you're quite pure and honest. Thus the obstacles Scott Stapp, lead singer of Creed, has and is overcoming."

Questions? Contact Bryant Davis or Carol Clatterbuck

UMW Apple Festival & Craft Show Coming on October 18

Save Oct. 18th! It's the UMW Apple Festival & Craft Show! We will be accepting donations of everything except clothing starting in October. We need help with set up Wednesday, 15 Oct. from 6 - 8 pm. We also need help on Thursday and Friday during the day. Call Debbie McNitt for more information, 301-937-4291. Call Karen Mackey to rent a craft table, 301-937-3324.

Thank you for your support!

School Supplies Prepared for Distribution

The Community Outreach Ministry partnered with two local businesses to collect school supplies for children who come to our food distribution each month. We would like to thank Behnke Nurseries and Sherwin Williams of Beltsville for holding back-to-school supply drives for these supplies.

Behnke's also donated over 100 backpacks to the drive. Thanks to their generosity as well as donations from our church members we will be able to hand out 200 backpacks full of supplies for these children.

We are planning to have Pastor Jacob bless the backpacks before our distribution. We greatly appreciate the support from everyone in making this wish become a reality.



Dinner and Silent Auction

Saturday, Sept. 27, 2014 at 5 pm until 9 pm
at St John's Episcopal Church located at Rt. 1 and Powder Mill Road

Catered by: Outback Steakhouse and Chesapeake Grill - Vegetarian options will be available.

Entertainment by: A Steel Drum Band and a Jazz Singer/Pianist Duet

Silent Auction and Dinner Tickets: \$35.00 for Adults and \$15.00 for Children 12 and under.
RSVP by Sept. 15 to: Dr. Elaine Knight at elaineknight007@comcast.net or 215-512-8651
to reserve your seat at the dinner and arrange payment.

*A silent auction is one in which bids are written on a sheet of paper.
At the predetermined end of the auction, the highest listed bidder wins the item.

Altar Flowers

Sept. 7 Bobbie Deegan
 Sept. 14 Elsie Cline
 Sept. 21 Lynne Miller
 Sept. 28 Dorothy Decker

September Anniversaries

"Some people ask the secret of our long marriage. We take time to go to a restaurant two times a week. A little candle-light, dinner, soft music and dancing. She goes Tuesdays, I go Fridays."

Henny Youngman

- 1 Carrie & Roy White
- 2 Don & Mary Ann Roberts
- 2 Gloria & Jan Slingerland
- 3 May & John Stewart
- 4 Donna & Jim Tock
- 5 Bobbie & Charlie Deegan
- 6 Barbara & Jim Butcher
- 8 Priscilla & Chrispin Wray
- 9 Ernie & George Kilbourne
- 16 Mary & Ray Midkiff
- 18 Julie & Chuck Pavelka
- 21 Therese & Andrew Onukwubiri
- 24 Ada and Dennis McGlynn
- 27 Ann & Ted Ladd

September Birthdays

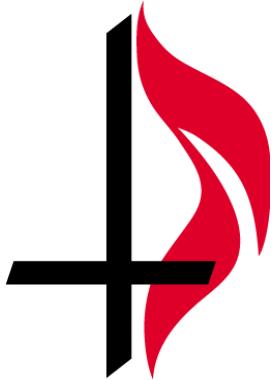
- 1 Mary Ann Vaughan
- 4 Dottie Gilbert
- 5 Gwija Park
- 6 Jody Hammond, Isaac Oluwafemi
- 8 Don Hammond
- 9 Jessica Leatherman,
- 10 Charlie Deegan, Ester Hatton
- 11 Michael Belshay, Sr., James Mackey, Jr.
- 12 Tracy Fuller
- 14 Evelyn Adkins
- 15 Elsie Cline, Jabraughn Hill, Mary Midkiff
- 18 Robert Galloway
- 21 Bob Miller, Carol Lee
- 22 Beverly Ward
- 23 Chinasa Onukwubiri
- 24 Teisha Baird
- 27 Terry Holman
- 29 Victoria Galloway, Carolyn Hicks,
Ascenna Scotland
- 30 Kathryn Griffin, Jennifer Embrey



*May you have all the joy your
 heart can hold,
 All the smiles a day can bring,
 All the blessings a life can unfold,
 May you get the World's best in
 everything.
 Wishing you a Happy Birthday!!!!*

September 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 <i>Church Office Closed</i>	2	3 7 pm Beltsville Women's Club	4 7 pm Chancel Choir	5	6
7 9 & 11:15 am Worship 10:15 am Sunday School	8 7 pm Depression/Bipolar Support Group 7:30 pm Trustees Meeting	9 10 am Prayer Fellowship 7 pm ESOL	10 7 pm Worship Committee	11 7 pm Chancel Choir	12	13 8:30 am Men's Breakfast 
14 9 & 11:15 am Worship 10:15 am T-Shirt picture & Fellowship 1 pm Youth Fellowship	15 12 Noon Ellen Hoover Circle 7 pm SPRC	16 7 pm ESOL	17 10 am Susanna Wesley Circle 12 Noon Dorcas Circle 7 pm Sisters in Spirit	18 7 pm Chancel Choir	19 11 am Community Place Café	20
21 9 & 11:15 am Worship 10:15 am Sunday School 12:30 pm Youth Fellowship	22 7 pm Depression/Bipolar Support Group	23 10 am Prayer Fellowship 7 pm ESOL	24 7 pm Church Council	25 7 pm Chancel Choir	26 7 pm Food Preparation	27 10 am Food Distribution 12 Noon UMW General Meeting
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