

# JOHN WESLEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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***“Remember the Sabbath”***

*“Remember the Sabbath day, and keep it holy.” — Exodus 20:8*

The Commandment above, the 4th of the great 10 Commandments from God, recorded in Exodus 20, reminds us of how important it is, how essential it is, to rest! ... and how important it is to remember! Resting and remembering is how we keep the Sabbath holy.

Exodus identifies the Sabbath as a day. “Remember the Sabbath day,” it says. However, Sabbath need not, and should not, be limited to a day. Jesus himself famously answered when questioned about the Sabbath, “Sabbath was made for humanity, not humanity for the Sabbath.” (Mark 2:27) Sabbath came into being, first, to be a blessing to God! After God’s 6 days of creation, the 7th day, the Sabbath day, offered God valuable rest! This rest was so valuable that God commanded into being a day for us to rest!

Our Sabbath day of rest can be extended to 2-day rest on a good, restful weekend: and to 3 days on one of those glorious holiday weekends! A day of rest becomes several days of rest, up to a week or more, when we take a vacation. Sabbatical Leave is offered by many employers, allowing employees to rest from their work for months at a time. A “sabbatical year” may even be taken by certain professions.

Summer often offers wonderful time for Sabbath! Perhaps you’ve already had valuable and restful vacation time this summer, are enjoying it right now, or have it coming up soon. In addition to the blessing of Sabbath during our vacations, summer relaxes many schedules and allows more time for Sabbath-like rest and

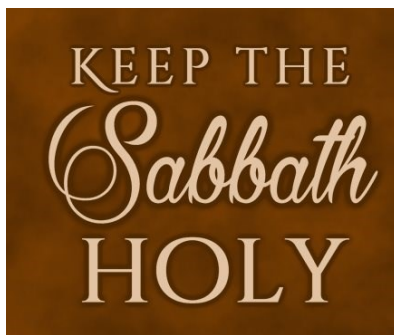
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renewal. The kids are not burdened with "school nights" and homework. Many workplaces are used to summer schedules adjusted to their employees' time away, including those off days granted to devoted workers who have unexpected opportunities arise for a valuable family or personal day or long weekend away.

I love how the commandment about keeping Sabbath says that we must keep it HOLY! ... which is to say, "keep it Godly." Keep the Sabbath something that does God's will! Keep the Sabbath so that it blesses our relationship with God, grows our Love for God, and strengthens our bond with our Lord Jesus Christ!

It also stands out that the commandment about keeping Sabbath says that we must REMEMBER it! We must remember that God's awesome creation required that even God needed to rest! We must remember that! Remembering that helps us remember how unique and special God's days of creation were! It also helps us remember how unique our One-and-Only God is!



And all this reminds us that there's no better time than Sabbath time, to remember what's most important for us to remember! ... about God, about ourselves, and about our relationship with God! There is truly no better time to remember and recall the Blessings God has bestowed upon us than while we are resting and relaxing from the daily and weekly toils of our lives!

Resting and Remembering is how we keep Sabbath holy!

Last night, on a Monday night, on the spur of the moment, my family and I decided to take a drive out of town to a favorite theater to watch a movie we had been wanting to see. Normally, Monday nights for me are filled with meetings, and it's a school night for my daughter. But because it's summer, last night was a night free from all that. It was a night of rest, of Sabbath, and because of that, it became a movie night! And by the end of the day, it became a Sabbath for remembering, for remembering how special my family is! ... and why we love movies so much ... because of the love God has given us for stories and for telling stories, including the gifts God has given Calleigh for writing! It all helped our Monday be more Holy!

May you be richly blessed this Summer with Holy Sabbath that allows you to rest ... and remember!

Pastor Doug

## SHARING TEAM REPORT

Sharing Team last met in June to share thoughts and ideas...

- ◆ Family Festival was held on the four Thursdays in July, from 5 – 7 pm, hosted by Grace UMC and John Wesley UMC. July 6 and 20 at Grace UMC; July 13 and 27 at JWUMC. Meal, games, music and arts were provided.
- ◆ UMW Sunday is August 27. An Ice Cream Social will follow.
- ◆ The church picnic is Sunday, September 10 at Halfway Park, Pavilion 4. More information can be found elsewhere in this newsletter.
- ◆ Sherry Fritsch, Parish Nurse, will be starting the blood pressure screenings again, once a month, in the fall.
- ◆ There has been a request to open the Sanctuary on Tuesday evenings from 5-7:30 pm for people to come in and pray. This is being taken under consideration to move forward, with an established plan. Watch for more information to follow.
- ◆ JWCOR (Committee on Relief) continues its ministry to help the homeless through their Tent Drive and ministering to the immediate community. There is also a campaign for donations for CASA's Domestic Violence Commission. An outdoor picnic is being discussed for a Saturday in September.
- ◆ Information is out, noting that the Historic House of Worship tour will return this year on December 26.



The next meeting will be held Monday, August 14 @ 7:00 pm via ZOOM.

Call the church office or Barb & Greg if you would like to received the Zoom link.

Blessings,

Barb & Greg Hoover

## WESLEYAN CLASS SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Wesleyan Class has continued meeting during the summer months.

We have a hymn, a short devotion, and a prayer, followed by a 20-minute lesson and discussion.

Our class starts at 9:00 am on Sunday mornings, finishing up around 9:45 am – just in time for the 10:00 am worship service.

We invite others to come and join us – from youth through adult. We hope you will drop in one Sunday morning.

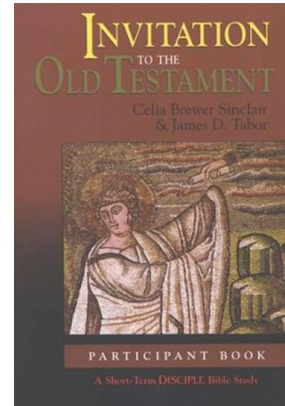
Blessings to you!



## WEDNESDAYS HEAVENLY LIVING WORKSHOP

We have an opportunity to engage in an 8-week Zoom discussion (Meeting ID: 828 4006 3526 Passcode: 404756) each Wednesday evening from 7:00 pm until 8:30 pm beginning September 13, 2023. Please join us!!!!

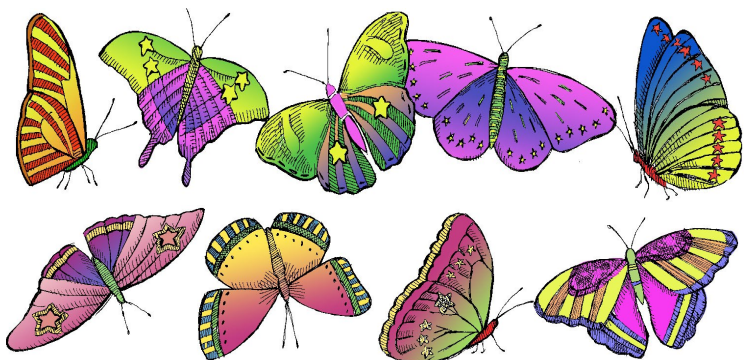
**“Invitation to the Old Testament:  
Short-Term Disciple Bible Study”**



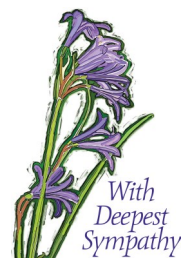
This study approaches the Hebrew Scriptures by inviting participants to hear the story of God and God's calling of the people of Israel through the many "voices" of the biblical text. Narrative, poetry, history and prophetic utterance all have their own distinctive characteristics and purposes, arising out of a particular historical, social, and cultural setting. To understand fully the story of God's covenantal relationship with Israel calls for listening to these various ways the story is told throughout the Old Testament.

We have books for class participants. Please pick them up in September from the sanctuary table. Discussion Topics:

1. Making of the Hebrew Bible – September 13
2. Creation Story of Israel – September 20
3. Out of Bondage – September 27
4. Promise & Problem in the Land – October 4
5. Israel Has a King – October 11
6. Division & Rise of Prophecy – October 18
7. Exile & Response – October 25
8. Restoration & Renewal – November 1



Our Love and Sympathy  
extend to the family of  
Mary Margaret O'Hara  
on her death

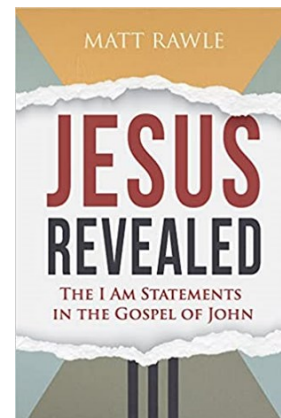




## THURSDAY ZOOM STUDY

We have an opportunity to engage in a 6-week Zoom discussion (Meeting ID: 828 4006 3526 Passcode: 404756) each Thursday from 2:30 pm until 4:00 pm beginning September 14, 2023. Please join us!!!!

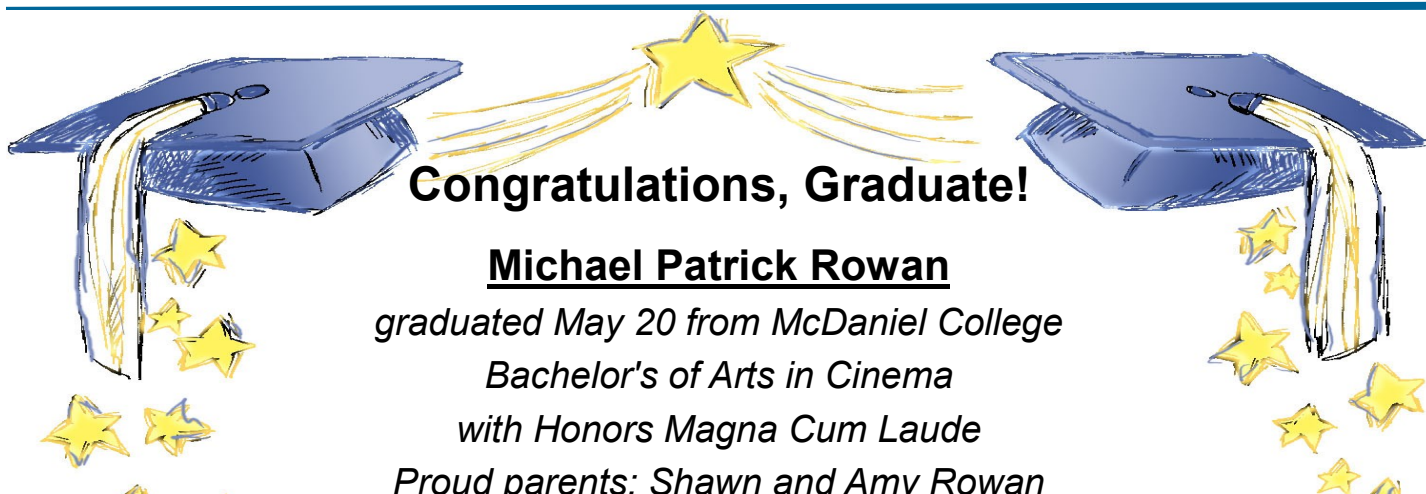
**Discover Jesus' character**  
**through the "I Am" Statements in**  
**"Jesus Revealed" by pastor and author Matt Rawle**



Light. Bread. Shepherd. Life. The Gospel of John uses these and other symbols to paint a picture of who Jesus is. Through the I Am statements, Jesus describes himself with rich images, showing us that he is both fully human and fully divine and calling us as his followers.

In *Jesus Revealed: The I Am Statements in the Gospel of John*, author Matt Rawle explores the "I Am" statements in John as works of art that resonate throughout the Gospel and all of Scripture. He shows how these words point beyond themselves to the deep mystery of Jesus Christ. Join Matt on this journey and experience the profound truth at the heart of the "I Am" statements: that Jesus is light and life, and He calls us to Himself and offers us the hope of resurrection. Discussion Topics:

1. I am the Light of the World (John 8:12) – September 14
2. I am the Bread of Life (John 6:35) – September 21
3. I am the Good Shepherd (John 10:11) – September 28
4. I am the Vine (John 15:5) – October 5
5. I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life (John 14:6) - October 12
6. I am the Resurrection and the Life (John 11:25) – October 19



## THE SOUNDS OF JOHN WESLEY UMC — UPDATE

To recap the progress of the Sounds of John Wesley UMC Capital Campaign, we go back to 2019. Upon establishing the Sounds of John Wesley Campaign, we began by including Sound System upgrades (Note this was pre-pandemic modifications), new Carillon bells, a Music Ministry program, and organ repairs (3 phases), for an estimated total of \$70,000. All of these... in order to make a joyful noise to the Lord, in our sanctuary and beyond! A Sounds of John Wesley Task Force was formed.

Following the receipt of a generous donation designated for the sound system, we were immediately able to get the majority of the planned sound system improvements completed by Christmas 2019. In January 2020, the first needed phase of the organ repairs took place. Then Covid-19 entered the picture and the world came to a screeching halt. In June 2021 to re-evaluate the campaign, it was agreed the Carillon bells would be funded by Memorial funds and therefore removed from the campaign. (They were installed in 2021) By that time, the sound system modifications had been done and also Phase I of the organ repairs.

Therefore the Music Ministry Dream Fund and Phase II and III of the organ repairs remained as the unfinished portion of the campaign. In June of 2022, the Music Ministry Dream Fund morphed into John Wesley Music Lessons Ministry, with a drafted business plan, preliminary brochures, proposed contract documents, and a dedicated committee. Donations specific to that program were received. The Music Ministry Dream Fund was removed from the Sounds of John Wesley campaign in order to allow them to proceed at their own pace and funding, without having to report to the Capital Campaign. So the balance of the work remaining under the Sounds of John Wesley was the organ repairs. Based on having enough funds, we agreed to proceed with Phase II, which consists of re-leathering three more reservoirs. Phase II is a necessary repair but not an urgent repair. We paid the downpayment in order to hold the 2022 price and it will be worked into the schedule when they are able.

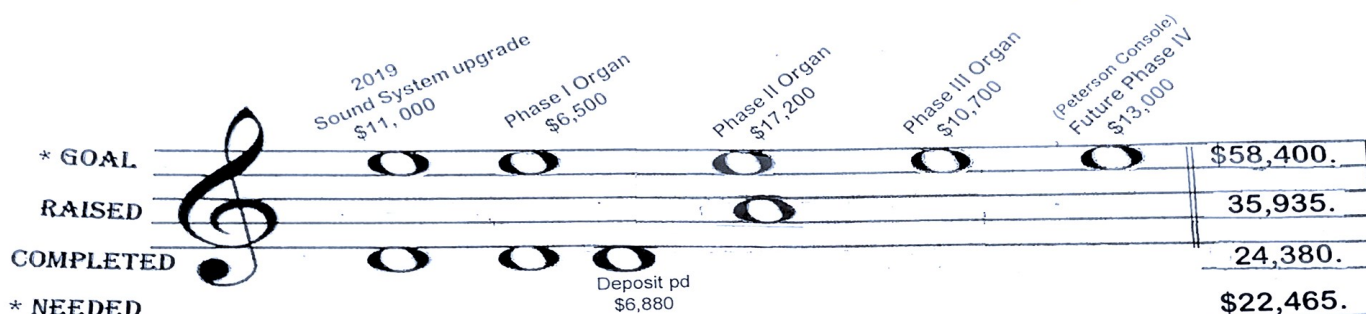
Note that our magnificent Moller organ is comprised of 36 registers for a total of 43 ranks and is insured for \$1,260,000 (replacement cost).

Phase II cost is \$17,200. We have paid the \$6,880 downpayment; the balance due will be \$10,320 when completed. Therefore that means we currently already have \$1,235.00 to start funding of Phase III, which shouldn't need to be done for another couple years— or for the Peterson console, should that fail first. The visual shown below is as of June 30. We remind you the Sounds of John Wesley giving envelopes are included with your regular envelopes.

Thank you for your prayers, commitment and generosity.

### The Sounds of John Wesley UMC Task Force

Barb Hoover, Carol White, Ken Harnage, Pastor Doug Hoffman





# SAVE THE DATE! JOHN WESLEY CHURCH PICNIC

Sunday, September 10  
Marty Snook/Halfway Park  
Pavilion #4



## Annual Picnic

We have the same pavilion as last year – Pavilion #4 – but a different month. This year the picnic will be in September – September 10; the same day that the fall schedule resumes.

Pavilion #4 is the last pavilion back (and easily accessed off of Bower Avenue, if you're coming from that direction). There is parking right there by the pavilion, the area is pretty flat. There is also playground equipment at that pavilion.

The committee is starting to work on plans, but the time will be 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm, as in the past. We plan to have chicken again and maybe a special cool treat from the Christ Cream truck after the meal. Some vespers and hymns, and as always, fun and games and good fellowship.

Chicken, drinks, and place settings will be provided. Bring a dish to share.

Additional details will be out closer to the date.

Please let us know if you are planning to attend. We are going to try to accommodate your choice of chicken pieces. So complete the form below or call the church office.

Reservations are due by Tuesday, September 5.

~ Sue Baker, Barb & Greg Hoover and Your Family Life Committee ~

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE! DON'T FORGET TO WEAR YOUR JOHN WESLEY T-SHIRT.



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JWUMC CHURCH PICNIC – Sunday, September 10  
2:00 - 5:00 pm – Marty Snook/Halfway Park – Pavilion #4  
Chicken, drinks, and place settings provided – Bring a Dish to share

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

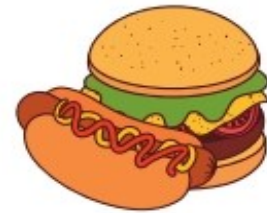
No. Adults: \_\_\_\_\_

Children's names and ages: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Please note your Fried Chicken preference:

\_\_\_\_\_ Breast    \_\_\_\_\_ Wings (2)    \_\_\_\_\_ Thigh    \_\_\_\_\_ Leg





**September 23, 2023**  
**John Wesley UMC Cookout for the Homeless**

**We need your assistance.** We need grills, volunteers, donations, covered dishes, paper plates, forks, buns, ketchup, mustard, relish, pickles, chips and beverages.

**Lunch will served approximately from 12:00 - 1:30 pm.**

We will be feeding lunch to our homeless community and to the Rescue Mission. We will serve hamburgers, hot dogs and a beverage.

**Free ice cream from Christ Cream will be available at 1:30 pm.**

Monetary donations can be made to **John Wesley UMC**.  
Make sure you put **Homeless Cookout** on the check.  
Questions can be sent to [Larry3271@gmail.com](mailto:Larry3271@gmail.com)  
Church secretary Karen, 301-733-0391  
Monday through Friday 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

We are doing this to share Jesus with those less fortunate. We have been helping the homeless here in Hagerstown since December of 2022 with coat and tent drives.

**We are grateful for all the donations (past and present )  
to help serve our community.**







## Homeless Cookout Lunch

On September 23, 2023, we here at John Wesley UMC will be having a lunch cookout for the Homeless. We need grills, volunteers, donations, covered dishes, hot dogs and hamburgers, buns, paper plates, forks, ketchup, mustard, relish, pickles, sodas, water, juice, and other beverages. We will be working with the Rescue Mission on this meal. We will be opening in prayer then have lunch. After lunch around 1:30-1:45 pm, there will be free ice cream from Christ Cream. All donations can be made to John Wesley UMC. Please please make sure you put on the check "Homeless Cookout."

All questions can be sent to [Larry3271@gmail.com](mailto:Larry3271@gmail.com), Church secretary Karen at 301-733-0391 Monday through Friday 9 am to 2 pm. We have been helping the homeless here in Hagerstown since December 2022 with coat and tent drives. We are doing this to share Jesus with those less fortunate. And I want to send out special shout outs for all the donations and to those who have donated to help serve our community: CRC, John Wesley UMC, HARC, Downtown Christian Fellowship in Frederick, Pastor Jeff Mowen and his wife Diane, Burnt Cabins Bible Church in Greencastle, CASA/Marsha, Otterbein UMC, Asbury UMC, Brook Hill UMC, CAC, REACH, Home Sweet Home Foundation, JWUMC secretary/Karen.



Please see the flyer on page 8 and pass it out to any homeless individuals and also to anyone who may want to help volunteer with a grill.



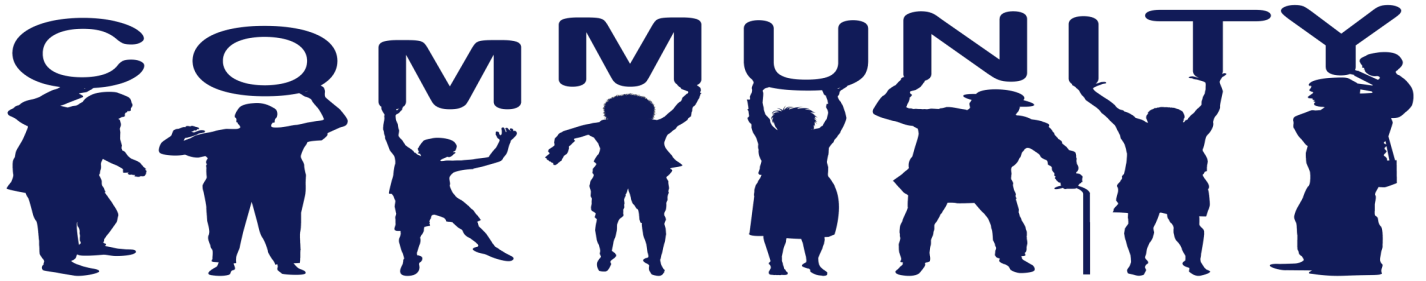
## VALUABLE OUTREACH!!

What a year it has been for us offering new, valuable outreach to neighbors in our immediate community! In addition to Micah's Backpack and the other difference-making outreach we've been offering for years, it has been such a blessing to venture into new outreach! Thanks to the terrific leadership of our new Committee on Relief (JW COR), we completed 2 coat giveaways last January and March, and we served an Easter Dinner at REACH. We already have a stock of coats heading into our next coat giveaway this October. Very soon, we will be having our next coat drive to add to that stock, for our October giveaway.

This summer we have been blessed to give away dozens of tents and sleeping bags, along with other supplies, to our neighbors with housing insecurity. We have carried out this giveaway in close consultation with Cindi Messersmith of Shepherd Pratt and other community professionals from the Hagerstown Homeless Coalition, which includes representatives from the Hagerstown Police Dept. We are very careful to give away these valuable supplies according to the clear guidelines provided by these partners. **Any donations you make to this outreach results in the giving of valuable supplies**, given in **strict accordance with our town's laws** and to best meet the needs of our neighbors!

Thank you for prayerfully considering your ability to give to our ongoing outreach. Thank you to all in our congregation that have already donated supplies or made monetary donations to our relief work. We look forward to the continued growth of our difference-making outreach ministry!





**We are opening the Sanctuary for PRAYER on the  
1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays of the month from 5-7pm!  
Any one in need of prayer may come!**



## Domestic Violence Commission

The Domestic Violence Commission is still collecting funds and other needed supplies (feminine products, diapers, wipes) for CASA. CASA is one of the top centers in Hagerstown for battered women and their children. This campaign will continue until the end of September when everything raised will then be given to CASA.



## TRUSTEES PROPERTY COMMITTEE REPORT

We feel you will agree that since hiring Larry Gibson as Custodian/Caretaker, our church building has taken on an improved appearance. Not only cosmetically, but also a safer environment when entering the premises. Larry and Heather are always willing to do what is needed for the good of the church. And because they do many of those things as a team, Heather has also been offered some coordinating hours to mesh with Larry's responsibilities. Thank you, Larry and Heather!



Items to report on or update include:

Church Clean-Up Day was held on Saturday, June 3. About 20 volunteers came to help clean up and beautify the church property. Lunch was provided.

### Church Building

- Four new large, updated directory signs have been hung. The existing signs were very outdated for anyone trying to find a specific location in the church.
- Repairs have been made to the floor area right inside the door of the Men's 1st floor Restroom. This has been an ongoing issue, that hopefully has now been resolved
- Roland Slate Service, out of Baltimore, has completed the work on the Trinity window dormers and some slate roof repairs. This included replacing missing slates on both the main sanctuary roof and lower Wesleyan Room roof area, reworking flashings, and scraping, painting reflashings, and replacing Plexiglas on all six dormers.
- The annual elevator tests have been completed.
- We have contracted with Blue/Gray Towing and added signs in the parking lot. We are cautious when removing any cars, making an attempt to locate the owner first. As of now we can still park in the Broad Axe parking lot on Sunday mornings, and also the City Market lot.
- The new trash dumpster is in place and seems to be working well. There are still two of the large trash barrels remaining for convenience since there is a lock on the dumpster.

### Rowe Hall

- The ceiling in one of the closets is falling down as a result of some previous water damage. This is in the process of being replaced.



## TRUSTEES PROPERTY COMMITTEE REPORT (CONTINUED)

### 131 N. Potomac Street

- An item of concern is the back sidewalk. There is some erosion of the (ramp) sidewalk at the highest elevation at the corner near the back of the house. We are currently evaluating this issue.
- There has also been some concern over shingles Larry found laying on the ground that have come off the roof. We may need to get a roofer to evaluate before it causes any leaks.

### Parsonage

- There is a concern over the boiler causing the CO alarm to go off. There appears to be no obvious reason other than possibly a downdraft. But we need to evaluate and discuss a possible solution before heating season.
- Screened-in porch repairs and tree branch trimming should be complete.

Barbara Hoover

Trustees Property Committee

## LEADERSHIP TEAM REPORT

The Leadership Team continues to place a short summary of its work in the edition of the Partner. If you have questions, concerns or an item we should be discussing, please share them with us! The Leadership Team met on July 10, 2023 and addressed the following topics:

- The 5/15/2023 minutes were moved for approval by Barbara Diefenderfer. The motion was seconded and approved.
- Jim noted that he had emailed the investment account balances.
- There were no questions about the Family Life Committee or the Trustees Report. Barbara Hoover did explain that the boiler at the parsonage is red-tagged and the property committee will be consulting a vendor to investigate.
- Jim reported that an effort to work on the church directory will be one of the volunteer tasks when a fall clean-up day is scheduled.
- Larry reported that a cookout is being planned for the homeless on September 23rd.
- During the closed session, several personnel matters were addressed.



The next Leadership Team meeting will be on Monday, August 7, 2023 in the Wesleyan Room. All are welcome. Please direct any questions to Jim Fritsch, the chair, or to the church office.

## NEWS FROM MICAH'S BACKPACK



The 2023 - 2024 school year will begin on August 28, but at this time we do not have any exact details concerning which school we will be sponsoring for the year. HARC is working on getting us into a school where we will be able to care for 15 - 20 students.

The first food bank order is in and will be picked up on August 31. Even with the food we already have on the shelves, we are ordering a total of 53 cases with a total cost of \$1322. This order will prepare us to serve 20 students for the first 13 weeks of the school year. If you are interested in helping with packing or delivering to the schools, please contact the church office. And watch the September *Partner* for updates!

Blessings,

Wilson Wright Circle I

??? Did you know that our average 2-day backpack contains approximately 17 items with an average cost of \$10 per bag???



- 1st: 5:00pm, Open Sanctuary
- 3rd: 8:30am, Men's Breakfast
- 6th: 9:00am, Wesleyan Class
- 6th: 10:00am, Sunday Worship
- 7th: 7:00pm, Leadership Team
- 10th: 7:00pm, Trustees Property Team
- 13th: 9:00am, Wesleyan Class
- 13th: 10:00am, Sunday Worship
- 14th: 7:00pm, Sharing Team
- 15th: 5:00pm, Open Sanctuary
- 20th: 9:00am, Wesleyan Class
- 20th: 10:00am, Sunday Worship
- 21st: 7:00pm, Leadership Team
- 21st: *Partner* deadline
- 27th: 9:00am, Wesleyan Class
- 27th: 10:00am, UMW Sunday Worship
- 27th: 11:00am, Ice Cream Social
- 29th: 5:00pm, Open Sanctuary

\*\* Karen will be on vacation August 8th through 11th. \*\*

### Attendance & Offering Report

June	4	41	\$ 2,962.67	July	2	33	\$ 2,030.00
June	11	55	2,295.95	July	9	51	2,413.80
June	18	53	1,329.86	July	16	41	1,179.86
June	25	42	1,919.86	July	23	44	1,152.00

~~ Blessings, Sheila & Sherry



# FAMILY FESTIVAL 2023

On July 13 & 27, our new attempt of Vacation Bible School was held. The primary intent of this summer program is to invite, welcome, and meet new children and their families from our community. We also joined with Grace UMC, just a mile away in West Hagerstown.

Each evening began at 5:00 pm with a short meal for the kids, their families, and our volunteers. We continued until 7:00 pm with a series of music, activity, games, and arts and crafts that will keep the kids moving and having a ball. Each evening had a Bible-based theme and message. The themes and messages were taught through each meal, song, activity, game, and artistic expression. Fun was had by ALL.



## Happy August Birthday

- 1st: Ken Harnage  
James Haught
- 3rd: Ryan Peters
- 4th: Lucile Dieterich
- 6th: Harvey Bradford
- 7th: Julie Fritsch  
Andrew Routzahn
- 9th: Doris McMurtrie  
Vangie Osborne
- 14th: Debra Hoover  
Steven Mesner  
Richard Willson
- 17th: Kathleen Miles
- 21st: Becky Mesner  
Betty Willson
- 26th: Rev. Kay Barger  
Jeremy Baughman  
Tommy Hart
- 28th: Gregory Mesner
- 29th: Patricia Enders  
Gwendolyn Grimm
- 30th: Caitlin Robison
- 31st: Chad Baker

## Happy August Anniversary

- 8th: Bob & Barbara Jones
- 10th: Richard & Jerri McNew  
Sam & Patsy Murray
- 11th: Ryan & Wendy Chapin
- 27th: John & Lorene Gillespie

*(If your birthday or anniversary is this month and does not appear on this list or appears incorrectly, please call the church office or email us at [jwumcmd@yahoo.com](mailto:jwumcmd@yahoo.com) and let us know. Thank you!)*



# PUZZLE PAGE



Use simple ingredients and your imagination to bake these fluffy, cloud-like treats.

**What you need:**

- 3 egg whites
- ½ tsp. vanilla extract
- Mixer
- 1 Tbsp. cornstarch
- Parchment paper

**What you do:**

1. Preheat oven to 300°. In a mixing bowl, combine egg whites and vanilla. Mix at medium speed until frothy.
2. While whisking, gradually add sugar and cornstarch. Keep whisking at high speed until stiff peaks form.
3. Spoon mixture onto a baking sheet lined with parchment paper. Create fun shapes.
4. Bake 20 minutes. Cool and enjoy!



## Creator of the stars

The stars and sky testify to God’s amazing power and creativity.

*Directions: Use the clues and Bible passages to fill in the blanks. Then transfer the circled letters (in order) to the spaces below to complete a verse of praise.*

God determines this and calls each star by name. (Psalm 147:4)

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The heavens are the work of God’s what? (Psalm 8:3)

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What does God bring out one by one? (Isaiah 40:26)

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God made two great lights to do this. (Genesis 1:16)

○ \_ \_ \_ ○ \_ \_

God promised Abraham this would be like the stars. (Genesis 15:5)

\_ \_ \_ \_ \_ ○ \_ \_ \_ \_

The sun, moon and stars have this. (1 Corinthians 15:41)

\_ \_ ○ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ ○

The lights in the sky serve as what? (Genesis 1:14)

\_ \_ \_ \_ ○ \_

The heave\_\_s declare the \_\_lory \_\_f \_\_od;  
the ski\_\_s \_\_roc\_\_aim the wo\_\_k of his ha \_\_ds.

PSALM 19:1, NIV

Answer: number, fingers, host, govern, offsprings, splendor, signs; The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands. Psalm 19:1, NIV

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CHANGE SERVICE REQUESTED

## AUGUST 2023 *PARTNER*

### VISION STATEMENT:

*“We strive to be a Christ Centered Church, advancing the Kingdom of God  
by nurturing and ministering to all peoples.”*

### MISSION STATEMENT:

*“Our Mission is to make disciples for Jesus Christ through: Vibrant Worship, Christian Fellowship,  
Spiritual Growth, Loving Service, and the Sharing of God’s Word.”*

