

THE MESSENGER

Cunningham United Methodist Church Newsletter

Bible Study

*Mondays @ 7pm (6:15 meal)
Beginning September 16*

Explore with Pastor Amy the humanity of the apostle Paul on Monday evenings. The study is based on the Bible and N.T. Wright's *Paul: A Biography*. Most persons meet for a pre-study meal. For more info contact Carla Lee (carlal_98@yahoo.com).

Feeding the Hungry

*Monday, Sept. 2 & 30
11am-2pm*

CUMC cooks and serves a nourishing meal for Charlottesville's hungry on the first and fifth Monday of each month. If you are interested in helping with this ministry, please contact Bill Peters at 434-825-7044. All ages are welcome.

Methodist Men (UMM)

*Tuesday, Sept. 3
6pm*

The UMM will meet on at the Gathering Place. All men are welcome. Contact David Eddy (davidncarol5047@aol.com).

Homecoming Celebration

*Please join us for our Homecoming Celebration on
September 22, 2019.*



Maddie Garrett

Worship will be held at 11am this day. Following worship we will gather for a potluck luncheon.

Maddie Garrett, one of Cunningham UMC's rising young adults, will bring the message! Maddie's faith developed at CUMC, where her roots have grown strong and deep. While in high school, she and another member of the youth

group designed a mission trip for the youth. Recently she completed a Calling 21 internship with the Virginia United Methodist Conference. She spent this summer immersed in the life of Evergreen UMC in Leesburg, discerning God's call on her life, and learning the inner workings of the church. She also served as CUMC's lay delegate to Annual Conference. She is currently a junior at the University of Mary Washington.

**Please RSVP at cumc-office@comcast.net
or 434-591-1363.**



September Birthdays

- 9/1 - Bobby Stanley
- 9/3 - Craig Conboy
- 9/3 - Anne Luniewski
- 9/9 - Kim Conboy
- 9/12 - Nancy Sindy
- 9/13 - Kathy Souls
- 9/15 - Chandra (CJ) Jonkman
- 9/15 - Stanley Tokarz
- 9/17 - Brock Robinson
- 9/19 - Lane Trophy
- 9/19 - Zach Kent
- 9/21 - Mabel Powell
- 9/23 - Kevin Keeney
- 9/23 - Anna Nichols

Church Council News

Church Council met on August 20, 2019. The following are noted:

- ◆The Building for the Future Committee reported that CUMC is currently converting our construction loan to a mortgage. This should occur by the end of August. The monthly loan payment will be \$1,256.16.
- ◆Celia Landis was approved to be an offertory counter.
- ◆The Trustees reported that a donor has offered to fund railings on the stairs into the Gathering Place. They are currently seeking estimates.

Treasurer's Report

as of 7/31/19

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| Union Bank Checking Account Balance | \$40,577.29 |
| Union Bank 2640 (building fund) | 20,797.82 |
| Subtotal Checking Accounts | \$61,375.11 |
| Investments | |
| -VUMDC | \$18,317.38 |
| Other Assets | |
| -Contribution Transit Account | \$51.38 |
| Total Cash Assets | \$79,743.87 |
| Unrestricted Fund Balance | \$11,355.30 |

Partners In Ministry Update

as of 8/25/19

| Source | Committed | Received |
|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| 34 Pledges | \$469,180.00 | \$456,818.00 |
| Other Contributions | <u>\$167,805.74</u> | <u>\$167,805.74</u> |
| Total | \$636,985.74 | \$624,623.74 |



September Liturgists

- 9/1 - Rose Brogan
- 9/8 - Rich Kalchbrenner
- 9/15 - Charlene Frazier
- 9/22 - Dick Sindy
- 9/29 - Maddie Garrett

September Ushers

- 9/1 - Betty Meyer & Andy Peterson
- 9/8 - Jackie Peters & Betty Meyers
- 9/15 - Betty Meyers & Mike Wilkerson
- 9/22 - Paul Muddiman & Kristy Muddiman
- 9/29 - Paul Muddiman & Kristy Muddiman

September Communion Servers

- 9/8 - Rich and Mary Kalchbrenner

September Happenings

Promotion & Bible Presentation

Sunday, Sept. 8 at 9:30am

We will be returning to our regular Sunday morning schedule and promoting some of our students to a new class. We also will present our third grade students with Bibles with their names imprinted on the front.

Hand Chime Choir Resumes

Sunday, Sept. 8 at 5pm

The hand chime choir resumes on Sunday, September 8 at 5pm. Are you interested in learning to ring? We are happy to accept experienced ringers, as well as people who have never played. Please contact Carla Lee (carla_l_98@yahoo.com) if you are interested in learning more.

Rita Ralston, Ronald McDonald House

Tuesday, Sept. 10 at 7pm

The UMW invites all the CUMC community to enjoy a presentation by Rita Ralston, CEO of the Charlottesville Ronald McDonald House on Tuesday, September 10 at 7 pm in the Gathering Place. Come learn about the extensive services that benefit hospitalized children and their families.

United Methodist Women

Tuesday, Sept. 17 at 9:30am

The UMW's next meeting is September 17 at 9:30 am. Please join us as we continue plans for our upcoming bazaar on Nov. 9.

Annual Charge Conference

Sunday, Sept. 29 following 9:30am worship

CUMC's annual Charge Conference is scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 29 following the 9:30 am worship service. Our District Superintendent, Danny Kesner, will preside.

Stewardship

As of July 31, contributions to the Operating Fund were behind budget by \$7,069. As you plan your giving for the remainder of 2019, please prayerfully consider CUMC's ministries.



Youth Group

Youth group is open to all students grades 6-12. Theresa Simmons and Pastor Amy will co-lead the program.

Youth Group Kicks Off

Sunday, Sept. 15 at 6pm

Youth group will kick-off for the year on Sunday, September 15. We'll meet at the Gathering Place.

Contact Theresa Simmons with questions (theresajsimmons@hotmail.com).

District Youth Gathering

Sunday, Sept. 29 at 2:30pm

All youth are encouraged to attend the District Youth Fifth Sunday Praise and Worship Gathering from 3-5 pm at Mt. Olivet UMC. Those traveling together will leave CUMC at 2:30pm. Contact Theresa Simmons to RSVP.

Save The Date

New Adult Sunday School Class

Sunday, Oct. 6 following 9:30am worship

October 6 we will be starting an adult 5 week Sunday school class after the worship service entitled "Walk As Jesus Walked." This Class will feature a brief video by noted Christian author Ray Vander Laan on location in ancient cities. He will be showing sites of archeological significance and elaborating on their Hebrew history for early Christian's like Paul. This will be followed by a discussion to encourage a deeper understanding of faith in our daily lives. Please let Richard or Marilyn Payne (rpayne26@comcast.net or 434-207-3390) know your interest in attending.

United Methodist Women Book and Brunch

Saturday, Oct. 19 @ Mt. Pleasant UMC

October Discussion and fellowship will focus on *One: Unity in a Divided World* by Diedra Riggs. RSVP to Linda Merhar (LMerhar@aol.com) by October 10.



Blessing of the Backpacks: Pastor Amy blessed backpacks during the August 4th service, praying for a safe, productive, healthy, and fun school year for all.

Prayer Requests

As of September 1, 2019

Present Requests

- Morgan Baker
- Catherine Campbell
- Craig Conboy
- Charleene Frazier
- Susan Kreps
- JoAnna Nelson
- Kay Ruckdaschel

Lost Loved Ones

- Hilda Smith: aunt & godmother of Jennifer Wilkerson
- Judy Orcutt: sister of John Dunning; boss of Tricia Callahan
- William 'Bill' Wilson: uncle of Jennifer Wilkerson
- Joan Showmaker: friend of Joyce Black

Long Term Requests

- Gabriel Albers
- Judy Baker
- Bev Blankenbeckler
- Paul Bodmer
- Bonnie
- Charles Bourne
- Tracy Bourne
- Barbara Brackett
- Bowen Henry Brashares
- Ellis Brown
- Theresa Brown
- Jim Butcher
- Zaden Clark
- Wayne Craig
- Sally Dunning
- Janice Eanes
- Evelyn
- Lucy Fillmore

Long Term cont'd

- Jean Foley
- Emory Foskey
- Doug Frazier
- Carol Frost
- Jim Gianniny
- Oliver Daniel Glick
- Robbie Greenlee
- Marla Gregory
- Dana Hawks
- Carol Henderson
- Kevin Keeney
- Bill Kent
- John Kinzel
- Mike Landis
- Kenny Larsh
- Bishop Sharma Lewis
- Joe Mannina
- Kim Maxey
- Rob Maxey
- Lisa Merwin
- Rebecca Moorefield
- Cindy Munro
- Dottie Nickerson
- Betty Piccione
- Colton Prince
- Charles Ruehle
- Ritchie Schaeffer
- Laura Stoneman
- Rosemarie Sutton
- Andi Wheeler
- Karen White
- Peter Willis
- Sheila Willis

Additional Requests

- Ellen Koch: an officer with the Alexandria Police Department

CUMC College Students

- Emily Baker
- Kendall Baker
- Morgan Baker
- Victoria Berman
- Conner Brophy
- Caleb Carney
- Jacob Carney
- Nathan Carney
- Jacob Critzer
- Maddie Garrett
- Nicole Kent
- Harrison Lee
- Emily Liles
- Noah Perry
- Towler Wescoat

CUMC Home Bound & Assisted Living

- Marilee Black
- Edna Clark
- Ann Peed
- Carl & Adalene Peters
- Pam Smith

September 2019

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| | Office Closed – Labor Day 11am – Feeding the Hungry | 10am – UMW Work Day | 7pm – Choir Practice | | | |
| 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 |
| 5pm – Hand Chimes | | 10am – UMW Work Day 7pm – Speaker Series: Rita Ralston, Ronald McDonald House | 7pm – Choir Practice | | 11:15am - Ronald McDonald House feeding 5pm – Singles Gathering | |
| 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 |
| 5pm – Hand Chimes 6pm – Youth Group | 7pm – Humanizing Paul Bible study | 9:30am – UMW Meeting 11:30am – Prayer Shawl 7pm – Church Council | 7pm – Choir Practice | | | |
| 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 |
| 11am – Homecoming Service & Luncheon 5pm – Hand Chimes | 7pm – Humanizing Paul Bible study | 10am – UMW Work Day | 7pm – Choir Practice | | | |
| 29 | 30 | | | | | |
| 10:45am – Charge Conference 3pm-District Youth 5pm – Hand Chimes | 11am – Feeding the Hungry 7pm – Humanizing Paul Bible study | | | | | |