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#### Joint INOVA Blood Drive for St. John's and Springfield Christian

SAVE THE DATE!! September 16, 2012 from 8:00 AM-12:00 noon, is the date for the INOVA Blood Drive to be held at St. John's UMC. There is a great need for all blood types to keep the hospitals in the area supplied for surgeries and emergencies.

Most healthy people can donate. Those 16 years of age can donate with an INOVA Blood Donor Services Consent Form signed by a parent or guardian (available in Donaldson Hall). Those 17 years and older may donate without a consent form and there is no upper age limit. You must present a photo ID (such as a driver's license). There are some travel and medical restrictions. For specific information about your eligibility to donate you may call the Donor Advocate at 571-434-3628.

To make your life saving appointment to donate on **September 16**, call St. John's church office at 703-256-6656 or sign the poster in Donaldson Hall at St. John's. Ask about doubling your donation with ALYX.

### MEET OUR NEW BISHOP!

REV. YOUNG JIN CHO Virginia Conference Bishop



Bishop Young Jin Cho, Arlington District Superintendent was elected a bishop and consecrated at the 2012 Southeastern Jurisdictional Conference, he assigned to come home to Virginia to lead the Virginia Conference for the next four years.

Young Jin Cho was born in South Korea and graduated from the Methodist Theological Seminary in Seoul, Korea, where he received a Th.B. and a Th.M. He came to the United States in 1979 and continued his studies at Wesley Theological Seminary in Washington, D.C. (M. Div. and D. Min.). He was ordained in the East Annual Conference of the Korean Methodist Church in 1977 and transferred to the Virginia Conference in 1983. He was the senior pastor of the Korean United Methodist Church of Greater Washington (KUMCGW) in McLean, VA for 22 years and served as District Superintendent of the Arlington District.

During his tenure at KUMCGW, the church went through three building projects and developed and implemented the Five-Year Long Range Plan four times, and this church has grown to be one of the most vital congregations in the Virginia conference. The KUMCGW also has started two Korean United Methodist churches in cooperation with the Virginia Conference and organized and hosted three conferences for Korean United Methodist churches as a teaching church: "Root and Wing" Conference for the ministry for second generation (1991), "Vision Conference" for young pastors (2002) and Korean UMC Leaders' Conference for laity (2005). Throughout his ministry, Rev. Cho has envisioned the church led by the vision of Christ.

In his ministry as a District Superintendent, Rev. Cho continued to focus on Christ's vision for the Arlington District. After prayerful discernment, his ministry has been concentrated on three areas: developing new faith communities, revitalizing existing churches by transforming clergy leadership and strengthening connectionalism. For the past seven years the Arlington District has started more than ten new faith communities and introduced many training events for the clergy and laity to strengthen spiritual foundation of ministry. He always emphasizes that Christ should be the Lord in our mission and ministries, and prayer should go first.

In addition to his ministry at KUMCGW and Arlington District, he has served the church and the community in various capacities; president of the Korean Wesley Foundation, president of Partner's Church Association for the renewal of the Korean United Methodist Church, president of Board of Directors of Durihana, Inc.(mission organization helping N. Korean refugees), the Virginia Conference Board of Ordained Ministry, Board of Discipleship, the Commission on Ethnic Minority Local Church Concerns, 250 Task Force which developed "All Things New" plan, and a General Conference Delegate (2008). Rev. Cho received the Denman Evangelism Award in 1991.

He and his wife, Kiok, (Deacon in Full Connection) have three children, Grace (also her husband Tony, and their newborn son, Luke), Sophia (in Korea), and son, Chris.

While it is uncommon for a newly-elected bishop to be returned to his or her home conference, it is allowed in paragraph 406 of The United Methodist Book of Discipline, as long the jurisdictional Committee on the Episcopacy recommends it by a two-thirds vote and the jurisdictional conference approves by a majority vote.

A Service of Celebration on the assignment of Young Jin Cho as Resident Bishop of the Virginia Conference will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 22, at Reveille United Methodist Church, 4200 Cary Street Road, Richmond. Reception will follow the service in the Reveille Fellowship Hall.

This bio was taken from the Virginia Conference web site (<u>www.vaumc.org</u>) and I encourage you to go online and read more about our new Bishop, his visions and his ministry.

The St. John's family welcomes Rev Cho as our new Bishop!

Jean Summers

Lay Leader to Annual Conference



## Message from our Pastor



Many of you have completed your summer travel and vacation. Welcome back! I trust that your travel and time spent away from home was relaxing and trouble free. Just as many folks are settling back into their normal routine, we at St. John's are also gearing up for our Fall activities. Permit me to highlight some of our upcoming activities that are scheduled over the next couple of months.

First, I wish to thank Barbara Turpyn for leading the worship service on September 2 and delivering the sermon. Thanks for your message and the enthusiasm you bring to all that you do.

I have been asked to serve on the Alexandria District Lay Leadership Committee (nominating committee). We will meet on September 6, so if you have an interest in serving on one of the Alexandria District offices, or on the bi-district Alexandria/Arlington level, please contact me soon so I can have that information when I attend that meeting.

- September 9 is our Fall Sunday School Kick-Off.
- Don't forget the United Methodist Men's National's Game on September 9.
- September 12 is our United Methodist Men's Cookout. All men are welcome. Just give us a call to let us know how many are coming.
- The United Methodist Men Chili Cook-off will be September 23.
- September 30 is our United Methodist Women's Children's Sabbath Day Celebration along with a family luncheon following worship. We will also have a dedication of our teachers on that day.
- Charge Conference is scheduled for October 4 at St. John's. This year we will be doing an individual Charge Conference which should allow greater opportunity for sharing.
- On October 6 our United Methodist Women will host the Alexandria District United Methodist Women at St. John's.
- October 20 is the date of our District Conference. The location is Old Bridge United Methodist Church.
- October 20 we will gather at St. John's Youth choir talent show concert followed by a campfire and storytelling.
- October 21 will be Emmaus Sunday.
- October 23 is the United Methodist Women's Harvest Banquet.
- On October 28 we will observe All Saint's Sunday.

As you can see, we have lots planned as we celebrate what it means to be the Church. There are many other events planned, but I thought it might be helpful if you had some of these dates a little early. Please go to the website as other dates and events are added.

As many of you know by now, we have a new Bishop. Our Bishop is Young Jin Cho, the former District Superintendent of the Arlington District. The conference web-site (vaumc.org) has an excellent article on Bishop Cho's emphasis on prayer. That is where the power of the church has always been. Please pray for the church, that Christ will lead us and that we will follow as our Lord directs us.

As always, I thank God daily for your faithfulness. Pastor Bill

### United Methodist Men



If you are a man who would like to be part of a SWELL organization, join St John's UMC United Methodist Men (UMM).

We're SWELL because we: SERVE God WORSHIP Him through a variety of activities ranging from Bible Study to work projects ENJOY fellowship LIKE to eat at our monthly breakfasts (normally the second Sunday of each month) LEAN on one another in good times and bad.

#### Play Ball!

On Sunday, September 9 at 1:35 PM the United Methodist Men will host St. John's Day at Nationals Park. Join the fun as the league leading Washington Nationals take on the Miami Marlins. Everyone is invited to attend! Tickets are \$23 each and order forms are available

in Donaldson Hall or on the St. John's Homepage. In order to take advantage of group rates, completed order forms and payment are due no later than **September 2**. Additional information and instructions are contained on the order form.



#### UMM Cook-Out

On **September 12**, at 6pm the Methodist Men will sponsor a cookout for all the men in the church. Come to Donaldson Hall for a time of fellowship, fun, planning and devotion. Hamburgers, Hotdogs and other picnic delicacies will be served. Please feel free to bring your favorite dish to share.

#### St. John's Chili Cook-Off and Luncheon

Come join the fun at St. John's Chili Cook-off on **Sunday**, **September 23**. Whether you would like to enter you favorite chili recipe into the competition or simply sample a variety of these zesty dishes, this is the event for you. All who attend will be given an opportunity to sample the various recipes that have been entered into the contest and vote for their favorite one. The recipe receiving the most votes will be awarded a gift card and will be entered into the St. John's Chili Hall of Fame. Following the contest, join us for lunch for chili with all the fixins!

If you pride yourself on being a true chili chef, we invite you to enter your recipe into the contest. All you need to do is bring a pot of your chili on the 23<sup>rd</sup> and then wait for the praise, honor and recognition that will surely follow! If interested in cooking, please notify Ron Kinzer (<u>RKinzer@fairfaxva.gov</u>), Terry Donald (<u>donaldtkb@verizon.net</u>) or Tip Holcombe (<u>guy.holcombe@ngc.com</u>) no later than September 16 that you will be entering the contest. You may also contact Ron, Terry or Tip if you have any questions.



### St. John's Music Ministry Choir Program and Schedule Fall 2012 – Spring 2013

	Kick Off Event	Regular Meeting Time	Participation In Worship Service		
Sanctuary Choir (members: from young adults to senior adults)	Pot Luck Dinner on Thurs- day, September 6 at 7:00 p.m. (choir room)	Thursday at 7:30 p.m.	Presents Anthem in Wor- ship Service Every Sunday Present Anthem with Sanc- tuary Choir on the 1 <sup>st</sup> Sun- day of Each Month		
Senior Saints (Singing Ministry at local assisted living communi- ties) (members: senior adults of 65 year old and beyond)	Thursday, August 30 at 10:30 a.m. Meeting & at 11:30 a.m. Fall Luncheon at the Kilroys Restaurant	(All Events are at 10:30 a.m.) 1 <sup>st</sup> Wednesday of each month – Rehearsal 1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday of each month – Aarondale 2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month – Arden Courts 3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month – Hermitage 4 <sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month – Annandale Adult Health Care			
Youth Choir Teens With Incredible Singing Talents & Youth Instrumental En- semble (6 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> graders)	Friday, September 7 at 5:30 p.m. – Pizza Party and at 7:00 p.m. – Vocal Work- shop with Ian Lane (Music Director of Fairfax UMC)	Sunday at 8:30 a.m. Breakfast, vocal warm up, rehearsal, and Sunday School	Presents Anthem/Music in Worship Service Every Sunday		
<b>Children's Choir</b> from 4 year old to 5 <sup>th</sup> grade)	Sunday, September 9 starts with the Sunday School Program	Sunday during Sunday School	Presents Anthem in Wor- ship Service Once a Month		
Bells of Praise (intergenerational choir)	Wednesday, August 29 at 5:30 p.m. Clean and Shine the handbells & at 6:30 p.m. dinner at the Outback Restaurant	Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.	Presents Music in Worship Service Once a Month		
Bells of JoyWednesday, September 5 at 5:30 p.m. First Meeting(intergenerational choir) (new beginning level)		Wednesday at 5:30 p.m.	Goal: Presents Music in Worship Service Once a Month		
Golden Chimers Wednesday, September 12 at 11:00 a.m. First Re- hearsal		Wednesday at 11:00 a.m.	Special Occasion		

#### **Concert Dates of Fall 2012**

Sunday, September 23 at 3:00 p.m. – Prelude Chamber Ensemble Fall Concert Saturday, October 20 at 4:30 p.m. – St. John's Youth Talent Show Concert (This is a fundraising event for St. John's Youth Choir Spring 2013 Choir Trip to Lancaster, PA.)

Saturday, November 17 at 1:30 p.m. – "The Harp Goes Pop" Harp Ensemble Concert Sunday, November 18 – St. John's Organ Re-Dedication Concert at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, December 9 – St. John's Youth Instrumental Ensemble & Prelude Youth Strings at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, December 16 – St. John's 2012 Christmas Concert at 10:30 a.m.

#### St. John's Organ Upgrade

David M. Storey, Inc of Baltimore, MD – Casavant Organ Company appointed organ technician worked on the electric wiring of two organ chambers in the sanctuary on August 23 & 24 to prepare for the installation of the renovated organ console and repaired pipes set on September 10 – September 28.



YOUTH NEWS



Summer may be coming to an end, but the fun for St. John's Youth is just beginning! There are several events in the next few months just for Teens and their families.

The new Fall Sunday School program begins on **September 9**. Following is a schedule for Youth activities on Sunday -

- 8:30 AM Youth Choir, under the direction of Dr. Kitty Yang, Director of Music.

8:50 - 9:10 AM "Breakfast for Champions" (Donaldson Hall). A light breakfast of bagels and cereals will be available to families. Take the "scramble" out of life and have breakfast at St. John's!
9:15 - 10:15 AM (Rally Room) Teen Faithweavers, led by JR Stratton and Jen Kuehnle. This Fall, Teen Faithweavers will be doing a variety of activities during Sunday School: studying scripture, discussing its application to their lives, visiting other church worship services, and engaging in hands-on-mission ministries. On occasion, they will join the Adult Faithweaver class for study and discussions during Sunday School.

Additional activities planned for Teens in September -

- September 7 5:30 PM. T.W.I.S.T. Pizza Party, followed by a vocal workshop at Fairfax UMC. Contact: Kitty Yang at <u>kittycyang@verizon.net</u> or 703-256-6655.
- September 16 Tenth Avenue North Concert to benefit Rising Hope UMC @ Hylton Memorial Chapel, Woodbridge, VA - 6:30 PM. Free Tickets available. Contact: JR Stratton @ jstratton97\_98@yahoo.com or call Church Office at 703-256-6655.
- September 30 Children's Sabbath. St. John's Children and Youth will participate in the Worship Service.

#### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

October 8 - Youth hiking event at Great Falls, VA October 20 - Youth "Talent Show" Concert & Dinner October 27 - Youth trip to "Corn Maize" October 28 - Pumpkin Carving following Worship





### **Church News**



St. JOHN'S UMC BLOOD DRIVE \*SAVE THE DATE: SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16\* Circle the Hours - 8am - 12 noon Join our team of donors:

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It only takes a drop to get a unit of blood flowing. The entire process from check-in, health questionnaire, vitals, donation and snack time should take about an hour.

If you've given before ---Thank you! If you can no longer donate - thank you for past donations.

If you'd like to join our team of "LIFE SAVERS" - please join us on **Sunday**, **September 16**. Ages 17 to ageless (16, with parental permission form, and must weigh at least 110 lbs).

Sign-up sheets in Narthex and /or Donaldson Hall. Bring a friend!

SOMEONE NEEDS A LITTLE OF YOUR BLOOD A LOT!!! Please sign up or call Judy Bennett at 703-425-7636 for more information or details.

#### Thank you from the Altar Guild

The altar guild committee would like to extend a hardy thank you for ordering flowers over the past years. As



always, we enjoy bringing the Narthex and Sanctuary to life with the variety of arrangements. Michael's Florist who provides us with the flowers every Sunday does a phenomenal job in preparing the arrangement. For years past we have been paying \$25.00 for the flowers. Due to increase in supplies, fuel for delivering flowers, the cost has gone up starting September 1st to \$30.00. If you would like to place flowers in the church in honor or memory of someone, please sign up in Donaldson Hall. A member of the altar guild will call you for your information. Or you can call the church office to leave a message and someone will contact you. If you wish not to take your flowers home, we give them to the shut -ins or those that are sick. Again, thank you for your continued support. The Ladies of the Altar Guild.



Golden Chimers....HANDS NEEDED September 12, 2012, the Golden

Handchimes Chimers, senior hand chime group, be-

gins its 10th year. Two pairs of hands are needed to play all notes in 3 octave set of chimes. Three sets of hands could be accommodated. Anvone who likes to cook, sew, do arts and crafts, hit a ball, or eat has the necessary motor skills or hand- eye coordination to play chimes. Materials provided for any new skills. Benefits are great! Playing a musical instrument awakens sleepy brain cells, develops new pathways, and new combinations among these cells; it's like doing push-ups for the brain. A plus occurs when group has mastered a musical selection well enough to share with St. John's congregation. Only requirement is desire to learn something new. If interested, contact Hazel B. Marshall, director, 703-941-3191 or hbmarshall1@cox.net or come to St. John's Library, September 12, 2012, 11:00 AM.

#### **Providing Communion Elements**

Thank you to the families and individuals that have provided communion elements over the past year. We have



gone through our list of names and it's time once again to have another sign up sheet. If you, your family or group would like to provide communion elements, the cost is \$15.00 which is the cost of the bread and juice, which we will purchase for you. You have the opportunity to walk in the elements, serve or you can just provide the elements and we will provide the servers. If you are interested please sign up in Donaldson Hall at the Birthday table. Any questions please contact Emily Pederson 703-256-3370 or Patti Parker pp@usatcell.com





#### SECURITY REMINDER

St. John's volunteers who perform the <u>Weekend</u> <u>Security Checks</u> are continually finding exterior doors unlocked or not properly closed in both church buildings. All users of church buildings must ensure exterior doors are closed properly and locked after their activity or event is completed. By doing this important step, you help our church maintain the first level of protection against thief, vandalism and or the destruction of property. Thank You

#### Acolyte Training

Attention - Youth in Grades 7th through 12th

There will be an acolyte training session on Saturday, September 15<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary for those of you that are interested in being an acolyte or cross bearer. If you are interested in being an acolyte, please contact Patti Parker, 703-451-6331 or pp@usatcell.com as I can start preparations. If for some reason, you can't make it on Saturday, and are interested in being an acolyte, please contact me and I can work around your schedule.

#### Social Hour Update

Thank you to the Acolytes/ASP Team for hostessing Coffee Hour in June; Emmaus for hostessing Coffee Hour in July and PSPR for hostessing in August. September the Zumba Class and Finance Committee will provide support for Coffee Hour. Come by Donaldson Hall between 10:00 - 10:25 and from 11:30 - 12:00 and have an opportunity to share time with friends and meet new friends.

#### St. John's Scholarships

Two scholarships that are managed by the Scholarship Committee were awarded to St. John's students on Graduation Sunday.

The St. John's Music Scholarship was awarded to Allison Kraft, who will study voice at George Mason University.

Reid Moore, recipient of The Wen Ke Yang Science Scholarship will study engineering at VA Tech.

Three scholarships were awarded by the United Methodist Women.

Caitlin Hill, who will be attending James Madison University;

Allison Kraft, who will be attending George Mason University, and

Nikki Meaney, who will be attending William and Mary.

We are so proud of these St. John's students and are looking forward to following them through their college years.

#### ECHO News

ECHO is in full swing assembling back packs with age appropriate school supplies for clients with school age children. Urgently needed items are: backpacks, spiral notebooks, glue sticks, composi-



tions books, #2 pencils, 3 ring binders up to 2", highlighters, and calculators new or used.

The ECHO food bank is very low on these items: potatoes boxed dry, pancake syrup, rice, dried beans, jelly, flour, sugar, dry milk, band aids, laundry detergent, canned fruit, canned pasta, peanut butter, tuna, facial tissue, and deodorant.

ECHO is seeking two adult volunteers to supervise a group of 10 or fewer teens on different volunteer projects in the ECHO building on the first and third Wednesday evenings each month from 6:50 until 9:00 pm. More info is available at <u>ECHOAdmin@verizon.net</u>.





#### THANK YOU!! THANK YOU!! ST. JOHN'S FAMILY!

Sunday, August 19, was a great day at St. John's as the United Methodist Women celebrated their special day. Again the St. John's family answered the call to missions for North Springfield Elementary School and ECHO. The congregation filled 25 backpacks for the students at the school and several large bags of school supplies for ECHO! That was a fabulous response to the UMW Day and we truly thank each of you. We enjoyed a great sermon, beautiful music and solo, good food, kids water play, and the monthly special mission project making gift bags of key chains for the students. The highlight of the morning was honoring Mrs. Corene Danehower and Mrs. Betty Ayscue as charter members of UMW since July 1957. The ladies of UMW say "Thank You" to the St. John's family for all their support.

United Methodist Women is open to all women – you need not be a member of the church. UMW offers wonderful fellowship and opportunities for spiritual growth in knowing God and Jesus Christ through our Christian calling to address the needs of others. Please mark your calendars for upcoming UMW events below – and bring a friend!

Jean Summers President UMW

#### MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

September 15 - "Spiritual Life Event" for Alex District UMW @ St. Stephen's UMC. 11:30 AM (Registration), Noon - 4 PM. Cost: \$15 includes Lunch Program: "Blessed To Be A Blessing" presented by Mary Jane Rawley, VA Conference Spiritual Growth Coordinator

September 30 - "*Children's Sabbath"* Worship Service hosted by St. John's UMW. Church-wide Luncheon to follow.

October 6 - "District Day" for Alexandria District UMW @ St. John's UMC. 8:30 AM (Registration), 9 AM - Noon. Guest Speaker: Libby Hinton, President, UMW VA Conference

October 23 - *St. John's UMW "Harvest Banquet"* 6:30 PM. Cost is \$8.00 Meal prepared by St. John's United Methodist Men. Set Up: Reed/Wohlford & Lowery.

**October 27-28** - 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of UMW, VA Conference @ VUMAC, Blackstone, VA. All UMW members are invited to attend. Contact: Brenda Romenius at <u>brendaromenius@yahoo.com</u> if you are interested in attending.

CIRCLE RESPONSIBILITIES Kitchen/Cards Greeters SEPTEMBER Friends Women in Action OCTOBER Lowery Joy



## United Methodist Women

#### Candle Burning 2012

Candle Burning is a Virginia Conference UMW project which was started in 1990 to fund missions. Through the Candle Burning project UMW members have the opportunity to be in mission with women, youth and children who need help in the United States and around the world by making a donation to honor or remember special people in their lives.

During our December UMW Christmas Meeting we burn a candle to represent the donations received. After totaling contributions we determine how many minutes of UMW mission work we have supported. The cost is sixty cents (.60) per second, \$36.00 per minute or a donation of any amount.

Please complete the form below and return it with your check (payable to St. John's UMW) to your Circle Treasurer or Vicki Holcombe by **October 23**.

Please print clearly				
Your Name: Recipient Name <u>Example: Mary Jones</u>	Time in Seconds 2	In Honor/Memory of Memory		\$1.20
Example: Sally Smith		Honor	\$5.00	



New for Sunday School

There are some new programs coming to St. John's UMC on Sunday mornings! Beginning on September 9<sup>th</sup>, all Sunday School and Sunday Adult Bible Study classes will be held 9:15 – 10:15 AM. A light "Breakfast for champions" will be offered to Sunday School families in Donaldson Hall, 8:50 – 9:10 AM.

#### Sunday School 9:15 - 10: 15 AM

*Children's Grow. Proclaim. Serve, for ages 4 years - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade.* [Room S-5] The children gather initially as a large group for Bible scripture and Music, and then break into age appropriate groups for craft and learning activities. The children will also engage in mission activities that stress caring for others. The first 4 weeks of the class will focus on the story of Moses, from his birth to leader of the Hebrew people.

**Confirmation Class** for 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> Grades. [Church Library] In preparation for Confirmation, children learn about the Bible, traditional observances of Christian holidays, The Lord's Prayer, Apostles' Creed, and the Ten Commandments. From time to time the class will be joined by their "Friends in Faith," adult and senior teen church members who will support them in this important growing period in their spiritual and church lives.

**Teen Faithweavers** for 8<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> Graders. [Rally Room] Teens meet for Bible study, conversations on Christian values in today's world, and hands-on-mission activities. Teen and Adult Faithweavers will share some classes together.

*Adult Faithweavers* [Resource Center] This parents class provides Bible study for adults, as well as discussions on parenting by applying God's truth to everyday life. On-the-go families will receive a weekly e-mail bulletin to continue their faith conversations during the week.

#### Adult Bible Studies 9:15 - 10:15 AM

Adults who are looking for spiritual and scriptural learning enrichment have a variety of classes to choose from during the Sunday School hour:

**Bible Study - Old and New Testaments**. [Room S-9] Study of the Books of the Bible, alternating from the Old and New Testaments.

*In the Book*. [Parlor] Members share the variety of interpretations of scriptures from individual member's Bibles. Study is structured through the use of handouts that address the preceding weeks' daily Bible reading assignment.

*Life Applications*. [S-2] A flexible setting to study and talk about God and the spiritual side of our lives.

*Methodist 101* will be offered Sunday in October [Donaldson Hall]. This 4-week class is ideal for adults who are new to the United Methodist Church, or members who would like to learn more about Methodist history, theology and principles. Class size will be limited, with plans to repeat the program in the future.

## Sunday School



#### Children's Worship - 10:30 - 11:30 AM

In addition to Sunday School, a separate **Children's Worship** service for children ages 4 years - 3rd Grade will be offered during St John's Worship Service. The Children's Worship incorporates worship, music and activities to assist children in their worship learning experience. Volunteers are needed to lead Children's Worship. A sign up sheet is in Donaldson Hall. NOTE: Nursery is provided during this time for ages up to 3 years old.

<u>Thursday morning Bible Study</u>, led by June Aylor, 10:30 AM - Noon [Church Library]. The class studies the Old and New Testament scriptures, Christian values and traditions, through weekly readings and discussions.

#### Upcoming Family Programs

From September - December, we are planning to hold several activities for children of all ages! Here are just a few --

September 30 - Children's Sabbath. Hosted by United Methodist Women, this Worship Service calls attention to children and their needs, followed by a church-wide luncheon.

October 20 (6:30 - 8:00 PM) - Storytelling by the Campfire. Remember those nights at summer camp sitting around the campfire? Here's your chance to relive them! Come out and roast marshmal-lows and listen to stories by a professional Storyteller!

November 11 - LEGO Luncheon. A church-wide luncheon, that will include building objects from the Bible with LEGO's. Join in this friendly competition to help children build Noah's Ark, Solomon's temple, and the Tower of Babel with LEGO's.

**December 16 - One Starry Night**. During the Sunday School hour, walk through the church and visit the sites and characters from the Christmas story. Meet Roman soldiers, Pilate, Census takers, Mary and Joseph as you experience the events leading to the birth of Jesus.

## Birthdays, Anniversaries, and Remembrances

#### September Birthdays



- Pamela Eggerton, Michael LaMon, Marcy Mullet, Corey Quigley, Eric Steinbuechler
- 2 Linda Meaney
- 3 Kristen Durbin, Devin Moore, Kim O'Neill, Hollis Williams
- 4 Elijah Saunders, Nikki White
- 5 Lynne Baker
- 6 Tamara Kinney, Don Lahr, Mitchell Meaney
- 7 Sandy Listopad, Dale Wilson
- 8 Philip Guglielmo
- 9 Kathy Gilchrist, Freda Robertson
- 10 Karen Novack-Freuler, Michele Schuck
- 11 Nolan Britt, Christopher Serino
- 12 Katlyn Wilson
- 13 Paul Leasure, Stephen Minard, Jean Summers
- 14 Suzanne Dorick
- 15 Maxine Marshall, Kevin Zink
- 16 Rachel Baker
- 17 Kay Donald, Sarah Etheridge, Wilda Getman, Maryann Lacheman
- 18 Dylan Gill, Katie Pacak, William Walton
- 20 Brian Anderson, Carly Eike, Anne Hill, Corrie Hoffmann
- 21 Alison Andrews, Sharon Lee
- 22 Jim Brasse, Dee Dodd
- 23 Megan Hoffmann, Ron Kinzer, Stephanie Wilson
- 24 Ann Lovell, Jennifer Ward
- 26 Marcia Aylor, Cahterin Kemp
- 27 Michelle Burnett
- 28 Luke Catania, William Gill, Julie Kinzer
- 29 Marty Bickford
- 30 Erin Boynton

#### September Anniversaries



- 1 Bob & Lois Augustad
- 7 Christopher & Heather Serino, James & Susan Stalp
- 20 Jeff & Kathleen Stanton
- 26 Marvin & Jennifer Ward
- 27 David & Cathy Klineburger

Keep Marguerite Bickers, Luke Catania IV, Vicki Collins, Leonard Etheridge, Tiny Hartzell, Linda Hitchcock, Betty Johnson, Ed Jones, Jonah Kuhlman, Ann Langley, Margaret Marsh, Barbara Murray, Anne Stegall, Macel Thompson and Connie Ward. Extended Family: Nancy Gonzales, Henry and Kay Lind, Joy Sadoti, Patricia Nelson, Bill and Betty Smith, Bert Wood, Jr., Dolores Martin, Danny VanGorder, Robert N. Giannini and Anita Lawrence.

#### Law Enforcement and those Serving in the Armed Forces

Jared Davis, serving in the Army Intelligence Branch at Ft. Meade, MD.

Des Walton, serving with the Army in Bangkok, Thailand.

Patrick Nelson, brother of Sandy Greer deployed to Afghanistan.

Jeremy Honaker, nephew of Debbie & Jerry Ashby, deployed to Afghanistan.

Matt Stratton, serving in the Army, Guantanamo Bay

If you have a family member serving on active duty we would like to include their name on this prayer list. Let the office know.

### St. John's United Methodist Church

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Service	7:30pm Scouts	Registration	9:00am 1st Day CECE	(Aarondale)	5:30pm Youth Choir	*
11:30am Social	980 (D.H.)	4:30pm Zumba	5:30pm Bells of	10:30am Bible	(Pizza	
Time (DH)		Class (DH)	Joy Mtg	Study	Party)	
			6:30pm Bells of	(Library)	7:00pm Youth	
			Praise	6:15pm Zumba	Choir	
				Class (DH)		
				7:30pm Sanctuary Choir (Ch		
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9 8:30am Youth	10 7:30pm Scouts	11 10:30am Jackson	12 11:00am Hand	13 10:30am Sr Saints	14	8:00am Prayer
Choir	980 (D.H.)	Circle	Chimes	(Arden Ct)		Ministry
9:00am Sunday		12:30pm Tuesday	5:30pm Bells of	10:30am Bible		(Library)
School		Players	Joy	Study		10:00am Acolyte
10:30am Worship		(Delia's)	6:00pm UMM	(Library)		Training
Service		4:30pm Zumba	Cookout	6:15pm Zumba		
11:30am Social		Class (DH)	6:30pm Bells of	Class (DH)		
Time			Praise	7:30pm Sanctuary Choir (Ch		
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Choir		Arrow (DH)	5:30pm Bells of	Study		
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9:00am Sunday		1:15pm CECE	11:00am Hand	10:30am SR Saints		
School		Staff Mtg	Chimes	(Annadale		
10:30am Worship Service		4:30pm Zumba	(Library)	10:30am Bible		
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