

Reisterstown United Methodist Church

Our Church Matters

Issue 10

October 2014

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From the Pastor

Experiencing God

Some years ago, Bishop Yeakel was going to come to our church to help us celebrate a huge milestone: paying off the mortgage. He sent me a letter asking that I provide him with the church's history so that he could prepare the sermon for the day. About ten days before the service, he called me and asked if I had sent him the right document. I was a bit flustered, a little panicked that I may have messed up – with the bishop, no less!

However, I had sent him what the church had. The church had been several different denominations, all predecessors to the United Methodist Church (they were Evangelical United Brethren before the merger in 1968), and their "history" was pretty much the list of names and addresses of the buildings. The bishop's question made me realize that I never again wanted a church that I had the privilege of serving as pastor to see their "history" as a procession of buildings or addresses or events but as experiences of God's presence and grace in our lives. (I apologize to those who have heard this story before. It was a milestone for me!)

Being a person of faith or being a faith family means, at its core, being related to God – praising, connecting with each other and with God through fellowship and caring, sharing and learning together, serving in missions and in leadership, and witnessing to how God meets us in our lives. We are very good at reporting on what we have done, talking about what we need to do, what we need to keep buildings presentable and in good repair, listing all of our projects and things like that. My spirit is often restless when I get to wondering about whether we recognize God's activity in our lives or God's presence in the world or God's voice of encouragement or direction or correction.

It makes me wonder: do we have a theological language?

So, I'd like to try a little experiment. For the next month, before you get out of bed each day, say the first line of the 23rd Psalm: The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. When you are ready for bed each evening, ask yourself: How did God lead me today? When did God fill my need?

I'd love for you to share some of your answers with me! (cont. on page 2)
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Blessing of the Pets, October 5, 5 pm, with a visit from a doggie ice cream truck after the service!

Charge Conference, October 11, 2 to 4 pm, at Glyndon UMC – everyone is welcome to come and participate in the conversation. (Please note that only the church council members may vote for this meeting.)

Potluck on October 12 after the 10:30 am service – don't miss out on the fun!

Hoe Down, October 26 – a time of fun for the whole family.

Details for all of the events can be found in this newsletter.

We will be welcoming **new members** into our fellowship on **November 9** at both services. If you are interested in becoming a member of the church, please let me know. There are 2 preparatory meetings for new members:

October 19, about 11:45 (following the 10:30 service). Lunch will be served, and we will discuss some basics of being United Methodist.

November 5, 7 pm – Church Leaders meet with new member class to share opportunities for participation at RUMC. Light refreshments will be served.

November 9, new members will join the church at BOTH services (whichever one you regularly attend) and there will be a special coffee hour to get acquainted with the congregation.

More information about church membership can be found in the next article.

Blessings on you,

Vivian

How to Become a Member of RUMC

Membership in a United Methodist Church means taking on several responsibilities by making several promises.

We promise to pray for each other and the church, to be there — our presence, to offer our gifts of both time and money, to serve in the church and beyond the church, and to witness to our faith.

It is not necessary to be a member of RUMC to participate in pretty much all of our ministries. There are a few offices that a non-member cannot hold because of our church law, but other than that, you are welcome to be a fully participating part of the RUMC faith family. We will care for you in every way (such as funerals, weddings, etc.), whether you are a member or not.

It is my prayer that many of those who visit will feel called to become members of the church, but you are welcome to be part of our faith family for as long as you wish without becoming a member.

That said, there will be 2 opportunities in 2014 to become a member of RUMC: in April and again in the fall. Our membership process requires that you commit to attend 2 gatherings before new member Sunday and then be present on the special Sunday.

The Gatherings:

Sunday, October 19, about 11:45am. In the Fellowship Hall Vivian will meet with the prospective new members to talk together about being United Methodist. Lunch will be provided.

Wednesday, November 5, at 7 pm, the prospective new members will meet with the leaders of the church who will share about our ministries and get to know the new members.

Sunday, November 9, new members will join the church *at both Services* (whichever one you normally attend), and a special coffee hour will be held so that new members may be acquainted with the congregation.

If you are interested in becoming a member of RUMC, please let the pastor know via email or the Connection Card. Or call the church office if you'd like to talk about it first!

From the Music Corner

As happy feelings flow through me, I experience joy in my heart and peace in my soul.

On Sunday September 21st, the music of the 10:30 service reminded me of what it means to be a musician for Christ. One had to let go the unhappy, negative emotions that sometimes creep into daily living.

Once we became aware of the presence of God, we greatly desire to maintain a continuous, permanent awareness of His presence.

On Sunday morning, we were truly one with God. For this experience, my heart rejoices. Thanks be to the Holy One and our music makers.



Serving Jesus the Christ
Bill Myers, Director of Music Ministries



SAVE THE DATE:

**Outback Comes to
RUMC**

Friday, October 17th
6:30 – 8:30 pm

Tickets will go on sale in October
Cost is \$16 and tickets must be purchased in advance
Contact Bill Myers or
Lynda Stewart
for more information



Saturday November 1st

BOARD OF



HOLIDAY
PREPARATIONS

It is not too soon to begin planning your donations for the holidays at Board of Child Care. Again this year Thanksgiving baskets will be given to the Foster Care Families. Our contribution will be cranberry sauce, green beans (15 oz. cans) and low sugar powdered drink mix. **All donations are due by the last Sunday in October** in order to determine what is still needed for the Nov. 13th packing date. Place your gift in the Board of Child Care box in the Narthex.

In early December a Christmas Store will be set up for the children served by the Board of Child Care to "purchase" gifts for their family members. The Auxiliary collects new and like-new items and sells them at very low prices and provides a gift-wrapping service. The items are sold separately or organized into gift baskets.

Use your imagination along with common sense. Avoid stuffed animals and sharp objects. **See page 15 for shopping list**



The National Christian Choir

BENEFIT CONCERTS

FOR

Imagine No Malaria

October 25, 2014

2:00^{PM} & 7:00^{PM}

Oakdale Emory UMC

3425 Emory Church Road, Olney, MD 20832

Tickets - General Admission \$20

Tickets - Director's Circle \$30
(Preferred Seating)

Tickets available at www.bwcumc.org

Save the Date
Blessing of the Pets

Sunday, October 5, 2014—5 pm
Church Lawn (weather permitting)

All animals need to be leashed or in a carrier so as to make sure everyone is safe and comfortable!



Food Pantry and Community Kitchen



The Food Pantry reached a new high, handing out 230 bags in August. In addition, we handed out school supplies to around 75 students.

Unfortunately, our donations dropped off this summer, right when our need grew. We had to purchase a lot of food over the summer, tapping into our financial reserve. Can you help with a financial or food donation? Or perhaps you know a business that might hold a food drive or make a year-end donation?

We have been able to add meat to our bags, thanks to the generosity of the Westminster Rescue Mission. They have shared their overflow of donated meat twice a month.

For the months of November and December, we would like to add holiday items to our bags. We are now collecting stuffing, mashed potatoes, gravy, cranberry sauce, dessert mixes, cookies, etc. in addition to our regular staple items.

We are also accepting fall and winter clothes at the food pantry. Remember that we have no storage space for off-season clothes; please do not send in shorts and summer items. Clothes must be clean, and in good condition.

The Community Lunch served 52 in September. We also sent home 35 take-out meals and froze 26 meals for the food pantry. Our next lunch will be October 4 at 11:30. If you would like to help with prep work on Friday or Saturday, please contact Lani Hoffmann at 410-526-6967 or lani05@verizon.net.

UMW COMBINED MEETING

Join us October 2nd at 7:00 pm in the RUMC Library for Fellowship and to learn more about the **Alpha Pregnancy Center** located right across the street from the church. All are welcome. **We will be holding a baby shower for the center.** Items will be collected during the months of

September and October and can be placed in the bin in the Narthex. All items should be new.

Check out the shopping list on page 9 for a detailed list of needed items.



WASHED ANEW SAVE THE DATES

Coffee Houses

OCTOBER 11, 2014

6-8 PM FELLOWSHIP HALL

NOVEMBER 8, 2014

6-8 PM FELLOWSHIP HALL

**Please note—these
are ALL FAMILY
EVENTS**

**Bring the ENTIRE
Family!**



INDOOR "FLEE" MARKET

Where you'll flee with bargains instead of going home with fleas



Rummage Tables: Household items, clothing, toys, etc.

Crafters/Vendors welcome
spaces available (8' table & 2 chairs) for \$15.00

Saturday, October 4th - 8 am till 3 pm



St. Paul's United Church of Christ

in Fellowship Hall - Corner of Bond & Green Streets in Westminster
office@stpauls-ucc.org / www.stpauls-ucc.org

Proceeds to benefit church's general fund.

Contact Renee Fink (call or text 410-259-6333) or Betty Hull (call 410-848-2657) for details.



We talk to God

Need Prayer? Call

1-800-936-6893

Email: PrayerCenter@bwc.org

Baltimore-Washington Conference

The Garden of Gethsemane Prayer Center

11711 East Market Place

Fulton, Maryland 20759-2594



The Garden of Gethsemane Prayer Center

is in need of your service to help pray with individuals that are in the need of prayer on our phone lines at the BWC Conference center in Fulton, Md. We are looking for 5 individuals from each District of the Baltimore-Washington Conference UMM or UMW. Each Volunteer will a 2 hour block at the Conference Center to answer the prayer lines for individuals requesting prayer. The calls can also be routed to your home. A training seminar will take place on October 18, 2014 at the Annual Meeting at the Westphalia UMC 9363 Darcy Road in Upper, Marlboro, Md. Please contact Darwin Hebron at (410) 412-6103 or contact him by email: dhebron@bwcumm.org if you wish to be a volunteer.



1. Kids -- School is back in session. Remember our children and youth sections when it comes time to do a book report.

2. Adults -- Are you ever asked to present devotions at a group meeting? Never fear; the library has a sizable collection of resources found in our Inspiration section.

You will find poems, stories, Bible verses and prayers all connected to various themes. Take time to browse. You will be amazed at what you can find.

3. Book Club will meet Wednesday, October 15 at 7:00 in our library. We will discuss the novel *Orphan Train* by Christina Baker Kline. Between 1854 and 1929 "orphan trains" ran between the East Coast and the Midwest farmlands transporting thousands of abandoned children with the intention of finding homes for them. Some were lucky; some were not. Vivian Daly, now 91 and living in Maine, was one of those children. Molly Ayer is a troubled teen trying to stay out of juvenile hall. She takes on a service project to help Vivian clean her attic. An unexpected and wonderful friendship develops between these two characters.

From the Shelves

Are you ready for another helping of chocolate? If so, there's a new "Chocoholic Mystery" for you in our church library.

In "*The Chocolate Jewel Case*," Lee McKinney Woodyard's beloved Warner Pier, Michigan, is plagued by a series of burglaries. The crimes become personal when Lee and her husband, Joe, are held hostage during one of the burglaries. To make things more complicated, a man shows up claiming to be Joe's father, who's been presumed dead for thirty years! Lee has a real "gem" of a case on her hands this time. Check it out for yourself.

-Beth Waters



REISTERSTOWN UMC YOUTH MINISTRY EVENTS & PROGRAMS

Youth Group Pool Party- Youth in 6th -12th grade Welcome!

Sunday August 31st 3:30-7:30PM @ Raab's House
629 Barnes Ave. Westminster, MD 21157
410-871-0708/ lauraraab@comast.net

Confirmation Classes start September 21st 9:35-10:30AM

Confirmation classes are designed to help youth in 8th grade or older prepare to re-new their promises made at their baptism and claim the name "Christian" for themselves. Classes include lots of discussions, games, fun group projects, field trips, and mission projects. Confirmation Sunday is typically held on Pentecost. (May 24, 2015) We meet on Sunday mornings from 9:35- 10:30AM September through May upstairs in the education building next door that's called "308". Other times may be scheduled for field trips, to make up classes due to inclement weather, or schedule conflicts.

Communion distribution help needed.

Please contact Sue Wright if you are available to help with communion distribution on the 1st Sunday of each month. (Rotating schedule) 410-833-6738/ jrswright@verizon.net

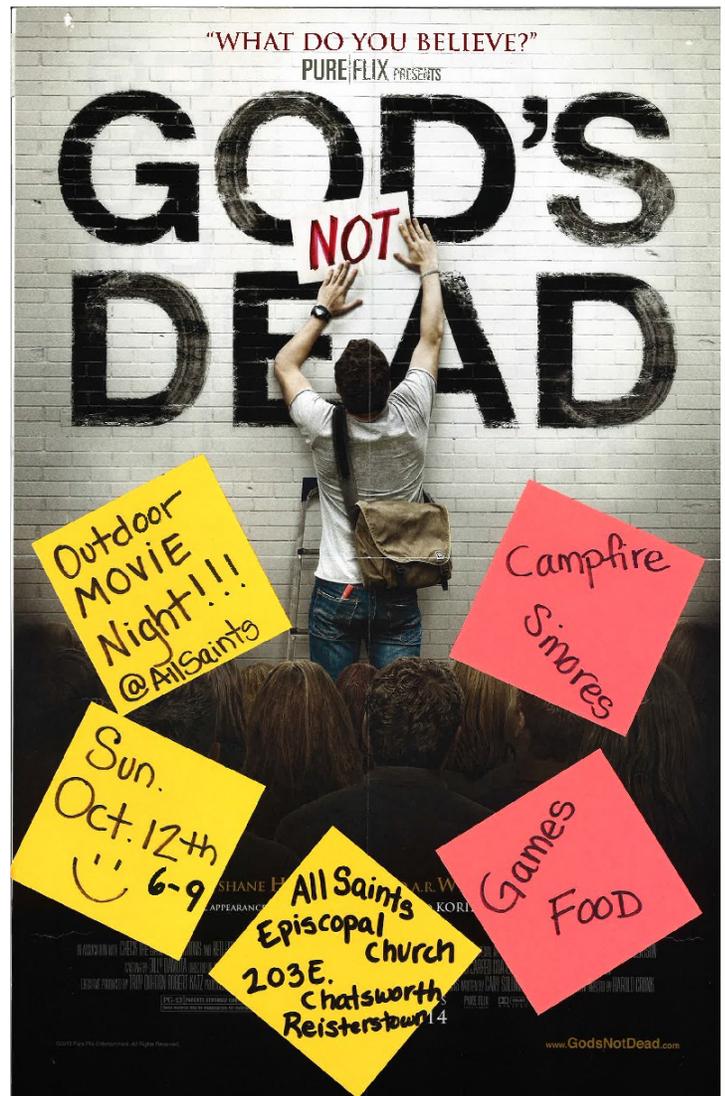
Acolytes for 10:30 Worship Services

Are you interested in serving in this ministry or want to know a little more? Contact Susan Harry or Kate Strom, 443-722-6495/ kgra-ham108@yahoo.com for more information and scheduling.

Look for more info to come but mark your calendars now for the **YOUTH**

Blessings,
Susan

gwtwsue2@comcast.net
410-245-7190 C#



SHOPPERS CARDS/GIFT CARDS

Shoppers cards/ Gift cards on sale the 3rd Sunday of Oct. The date of the next deadline 10/19/2014. Stop by the Fellowship Hall between services to place your order. Forms are on the bulletin boards. Start thinking ahead for Christmas. These cards can be used to purchase food for Thanksgiving and gift cards to give to others to buy food. Shoppers cards are the same as cash or using a credit card. RUMW makes a profit on each card and the money is used for Missions. Please buy our cards and use them for gasoline, food, eating out and as a gift. Christmas sale of cards begins on November 9 and will continue every Sunday until December 7

Call Tammy Nash for more information @ 410-239-8394.

Order forms are on the Bulletin boards. Buy and use our Shoppers Cards. Please!



Winter Clothing Give Away
Saturday, November 1, 2014
8:00 AM –12:00 PM
Reisterstown United Methodist Church
Fellowship Hall

The RUMC Men's Fellowship, United Methodist Women and Local Missions request your generous donations of new or nearly new winter clothing to help those in need in the Reisterstown Community keep warm throughout the winter.

Items to consider donating include:

Coats Hats Blankets Sweat Shirts
Sweaters Gloves Jackets Sweat Pants
Mittens Shawls Scarves Winter Boots
Thermal Socks* Thermal Underwear*

***only new socks and underwear will be accepted**

Donations will be collected in designated bins in the Narthex and at the entrance to Fellowship Hall on Sunday's before and after both services from September 21 – October 25.

Volunteers are needed to set up the evening before and to assist on the day of the event. Your time can be a precious gift to individuals in need!

Please contact Rick Fairhurst today at 443-680-2995 or mens.fellowship.rmc@gmail.com to volunteer or for details on donating.

Join us at the 11th Annual



Thursday October 16, 2014
5:30-8:30 pm

Irvine
Explore • Respect • Protect Nature

11201 Garrison Forest Rd
Owings Mills

A portion of the proceeds will benefit The Community Crisis Center and the Reisterstown United Methodist Church Food Pantry

Thank you to our
Corporate
Partners:



For Taste of the Town:

Tickets are \$35.00 in advance and \$40.00 at the door. However, seats are limited and it is suggested you get your tickets in advance. You can register for the event at the Reisterstown, Owings Mills, Glyndon Chamber of Commerce's website:

www.romgchamber.com





Note from the RUMC Kitchen



Thank you to the cleaning elves who spent several hours working in the kitchen last week. The shelves of the cabinets have been cleaned and organized. The refrigerator and freezer have been cleaned and all questionable food discarded. All food dates have been checked and items marked so we can use those in order of expiration. All utensils, pots and pans, etc. are now in the assigned drawers and cabinets which are marked for easy access. Lastly, the carts we use constantly are being cleaned and scoured as I write this message. Please remember to put things back where you found them when using the kitchen facilities. We have a lot of people using our kitchen, more than ever before. If we all do our part to keep things clean and organized it will make it easier for all involved. Special thanks to Judy, Joanne, Cindy, Alice, Linda, Lani, Bonnie, Charles and Lois. You guys are awesome!! Oh, late note, our special guy, Tommy came in and my stoves are now spotless!!!! Thanks to all of you!!

10/2

Geraldine Hare

23 Franklin Valley Circle,
Reisterstown, MD 21136

10/6

Gordon Dix

514 Berrymans La.
Reisterstown, MD 21136

10/10

Elsie Smith

205 St. Mark Way, Apt. 216
Westminster, MD 21158

10/11

Liz Livermore

4 Meadow Mist Court,
Reisterstown, MD 21136

10/15

Willard Eysaman,

1017 Nicodemus Road,
Reisterstown, MD 21136

10/22

Sandy Thawley

333 Town Green Way,
Reisterstown, MD 21136

10/31

Jeanne Bagwell

312 Leyton Road,
Reisterstown, MD 21136

10/3

Doris Martin

302 Bryanstone Rd.,
Reisterstown, MD 21136

10/10

Howard Goodrich

218 Highmeadow Road,
Reisterstown, MD 21136

10/10

Janet Harry

18710 Falls Road
Hampstead, MD 21074

10/14

Velvia Goodrich

218 Highmeadow Road
Reisterstown, MD 21136

10/21

Paul Boniker

9718 Ashlyn Circle,
Owings Mills, MD 21117

10/29

Edwin Benner

40 Hillside Terrace,
Glen Rock, PA 17327

OUR MEMBERS IN SENIOR COMMUNITIES

Augsburg Lutheran Village

Margaret Merkel

Carroll Lutheran Village -

Ann Garman

Francis Koenig

Louise Meyers

Elsie Smith

Nancy Welsh

Betty Leppo

Fairhaven

Marvin Chenoweth

Bernardine & Bob Walker

Lorien Center

Viola Evans

Mercy Ridge

LaRue Allewalt

Peggy Miller

Salony House

Sibyl Stevens

Springwell Senior Living Community -

Frank Simmonds

Tremont Place

Betty Flohr

OUR MEMBERS AT HOME

Ethyl Baker

Bertha Cooper

Shirley Krause

Mary Jane & Stewart Reed

SERVING OUR COUNTRY

Joshua Coleman, Rosemary Dragunas' nephew, United States Air force, serving in Ramstein, Germany

Lindley Garcia, Carol Judkins' friend, serving in the USMC—not currently deployed

Elizabeth Haines Greenway, Marion Yohn's granddaughter

Ryan Hirsch, Lauren Trail's husband, Army National Guard

Jamal Jones, friend of Rachel Brown, U.S. Marines, deployed to Libya

Steven Lee, Carol & Danny Lee's son, Senior Chief, Navy, (21 years) not currently deployed

Vance Listwan, Rachel Listwan's son, AB stationed in Turkey,

Dennis Mack, Thelma Mack's nephew, serving in the Army,

Jon Sadler, 23 years at Army Corp of Engineers

Marcus Veney, friend of Rachel Brown, U.S. Army, deployed to Egypt,

**Thank you for your service
RUMC is holding you in prayer**



Robine Rahley, our Office Administrator and her husband are currently looking for an inexpensive vehicle—if anyone has an extra vehicle that they're looking to sell—please contact Robine in the office during the week. Thanks!

Prayer Requests

OUR CHURCH MEMBERS:

Ginger Rae Gelwicks—prayers for healing
Kendra Gress—prayers for healing
Bill Hedrick for healing
Yvonne Hudgins, prayers for family, especially daughter in LV
William Lundy, pray for job training needs
Winifred Lynde prayers for strength and healing for severe arthritis

Margaret Redmond who is healing from a leg wound
John Trail, prayers for healing
Jamie Yohn - At home in Charleston, SC, until end of October, with little PT, to recuperate following second surgery

FAMILY, FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS OF RUMC:

Roger Adams, at home but has a long road to full recovery
Kathryn Yaffey Correll & David Keith Estes, special prayers
Anne Durham, Jane Peters mother, living alone for now. Pray for decisions that need to be made
Ed Garner, In Hospice Care
Gerrie Greenfield and grandchildren, BCC Workcamp homeowner
Sharon Goldstein, prayers for healing
Jonathan Green, peace for uncle with stage 4 cancer
Ann Harden—Multiple Myeloma
Jenna Hart-Hadar, Friend of Kelly Rardon—marital problems
Bill Heinrich, Kathleen Goebel's brother.
Connie Hudson, for health & to find a home in a safe neighborhood; prayers for daughter Elizabeth—healing and learn to depend on God
Victor Kothe, Son of John & Charlotte Braxton's neighbor's son
Harold Larson, Kelly Rardon's grandfather, guidance and wisdom

Gary Lenz, Peggy Reter's son-in-law, had pancreatic surgery, pray for complete healing.
Maggie McFarlane, waiting for liver transplant
Geraldine Meadows, Ron Lewis' sister, fell and broke her neck and is in a great deal of pain.
Kathy Reedy, job and strength & faith during the storm
Weston Rock, classmate of Jan Montgomery's grandson, who is fighting cancer
Jennifer Rodrique, Kathleen Goebel's daughter.
Bri Russell, Friend of Tracy Tambaoan—29 year old with aggressive form of breast cancer
Don & Celia Peters, brother-in-law of Julie and Aaron Morris, still in rehab from a stroke.
Larry & Nancy Sipes, Friends of Connie Olson—Larry recovering from surgery & Nancy is his caregiver has health issues as well
Sue Smith, In Hospice Care
Walt Smith, prayers for healing, prostate cancer.
Barb Stedding, Friend of Judy Wright
Kelley Strandberg, Linda Morrison's sister-in-law, who has stage 4 colon cancer



Christmas Bazaar & Flea Market

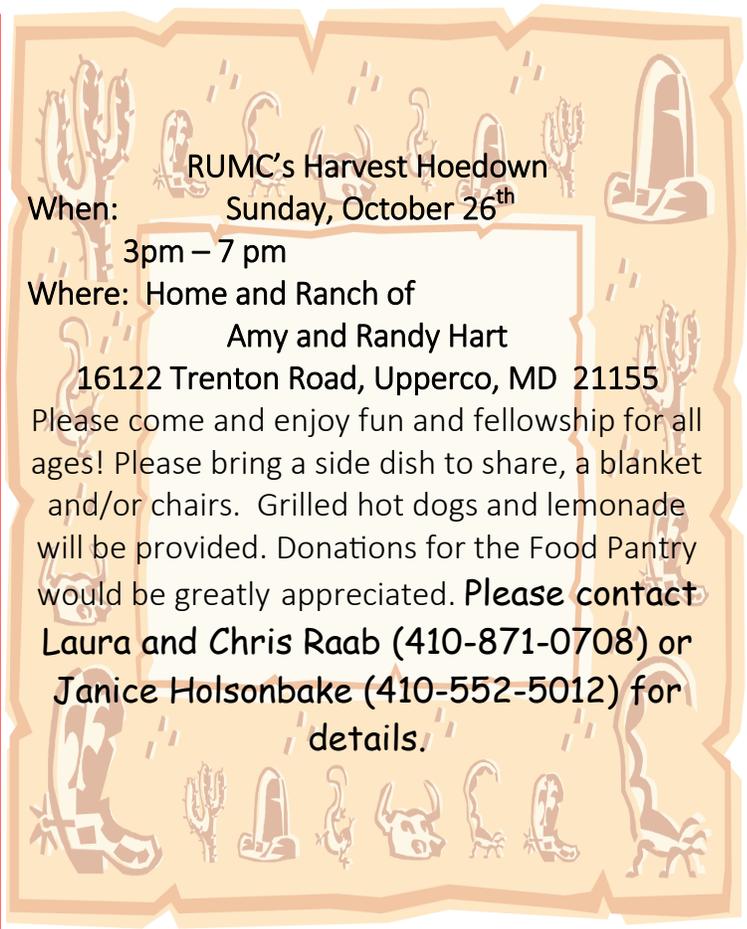
**CRAFTS, FLEA
MARKET ITEMS
AND MUCH
MORE**

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2014
9:00 AM - 2:30 PM
PLEASANT GROVE U. M. CHURCH
13500 DOVER ROAD,
REISTERSTOWN, MD 21136
(DOVER & PLEASANT GROVE RD.,
NEAR BORING MD)**

SPACES AVAILABLE
VENDORS NEEDED



For more information
and Rental space,
please call
Vola @ 410-429-3922
pgchurch@verizon.net



RUMC's Harvest Hoedown

When: Sunday, October 26th

3pm – 7 pm

Where: Home and Ranch of

Amy and Randy Hart

16122 Trenton Road, Upperco, MD 21155

Please come and enjoy fun and fellowship for all ages! Please bring a side dish to share, a blanket and/or chairs. Grilled hot dogs and lemonade will be provided. Donations for the Food Pantry would be greatly appreciated. **Please contact Laura and Chris Raab (410-871-0708) or Janice Holsonbake (410-552-5012) for details.**

CALLING ALL WRITERS AND REPORTERS

We want this to be YOUR Newsletter, not just an announcement "Newspaper." Did you attend a Coffee House, help out at the Food Pantry, volunteer with His Hands and Feet? We want to hear your story on how God touched you through any of these and anything else that you can think of. If you are interested, please contact the office or submit an article about what God is doing in you or in your ministry, your family, your work—or wherever you see the Lord working! God is at work and we need to be sharing that with one another to uplift, encourage and proclaim the goodness of the Lord!



We are grateful for the connections and prayer support at RUMC during this difficult time. During these critical health issues for me Dick will be celebrating his 75th birthday on Monday September

22. Many at RUMC were there for his 70th birthday party and made it a special time for him and for the family.

Again we appreciate the relationships we have at with our sisters and brothers at RUMC.

Blessings,
Ann (Harden)



Dear Friends

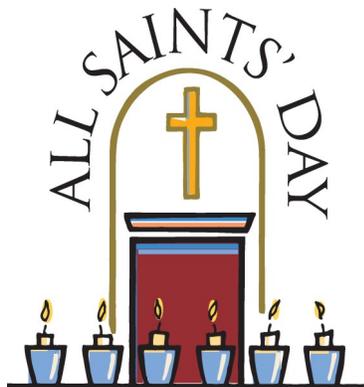
Just a short note to say thank you for the prayers, thoughts and cards, I have been ill for over 2 years with various issues. I was sad as well as angry with God because I thought that I would never feel well ever. Finally, about 2 weeks ago I woke up and felt fantastic. There is a God! One more thing, I will be having another surgery on my left foot and ankle. When, I don't know. Soon I hope. Get it over with.

God Bless each and everyone of you
Love, Ginger Gelwicks

All Saints' Sunday November 2, 2014

If you have lost a loved one since October 1, 2013 and would like to have them remembered during our All Saints' Service, please provide the following to the church office by October 12, 2014:

- * Date of birth
- * Date of death
- * A picture you would like displayed
- * Their relationship to you



Also, family members are asked to bring a candle and holder to the service so that your loved one can be remembered

Terri Lynn Nut Sale



Circle of Friends
Reisterstown UMC
246 Main Street
Reisterstown,
Maryland 21136
Questions?

Contact Jill 410-526-6721

Looking for a healthy snack? Getting ready for holiday baking? Need a great gift idea?

The Circle of Friends has just what you are looking for.....**Nuts, Nuts and more Nuts.** Pecans, Walnuts, Cashews, Pistachios, Almonds, Mixed Nuts, Trail mix, Healthy Nut Mixes, Milk and Dark Chocolate Fruit and Nut Bridge Mixes.

Orders with full payment **due October 12th** to Jill Wright, Bonnie Liebermann or Lani Hoffmann. Make checks payable to COF. Pick-up orders November 16th in the library from 9:30-10:30. ORDER FORMS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE WELCOME CENTER IN THE NARTHEX

His Hands and Feet...and Ears

Imagine how we felt when we met with four of the men on a Thursday evening and learned that their "camp" in the woods had been demolished by the authorities. Until now, the group had been observed but left alone. And now, "for no reason" it was gone, their charcoal grill demolished, their tarp confiscated, and their "stuff" thrown in the dumpster! We passed out some picnic lunches and bottled water, and listened. And listened. I guess we are also God's ears....

One man said he loved the Gospel of John and spoke from this book most of the night. He said he's read the Bible but doesn't have one now. His face lit up when we promised to bring him one, and we would like to provide a Bible for the other men who are interested as well. Another man, with tears in his eyes, said that he feels God calling him...calling him to change his life, to stop drinking, and come back to church.

The group is concerned -- they see the geese in V formations up above and know that cold weather is coming. One of them spent last winter in the camp, with four-degree weather. Another has only been out of work for four weeks and needs a steady job -- he has a wife and three children back home, and is assisting his father in delivering sermons each week (the father uses Spanish and the son translates into English)! At least three of the men are bilingual.

SAVE THE DATES

2014 - 2015 CHURCH POTLUCKS

You are invited to share in a meal and wonderful fellowship with your church family just bring a dish to pass, come and enjoy.

October 12, 2014

Fall Harvest

11:45 am Asbury Fellowship Hall

November 30, 2014

First Sunday in Advent

Chrismon Event

5:00 pm Asbury Fellowship Hall

January 18, 2015

In the Bleak Mid-Winter

Soup and Salad

11:45 am Asbury Fellowship Hall

March 15, 2015

Chili with Potato Bar with

RUMC Men's Fellowship

11:45 am Asbury Fellowship Hall

Meal provided

OCTOBER THROUGH DECEMBER RUMC EVENTS

OCTOBER

1	7:00 pm	Yellow Roses Bible Study @ Holsonbake's
2	7:00 pm	UMW Combined Meeting/Baby Shower for Alpha Pregnancy Center/Library
4	8:00 am	Men's Fellowship Breakfast/308
4	11:30 am—1 pm	Community Kitchen Luncheon
5	9:00 am	Flu Shots, Library
	11:30 am	Joyful Noise Handbell Choir rehearsal, Library
	12:00 noon	Children's Musical rehearsal, NSC
	1:00 pm	Children's Musical Character training, Music Room
	5:00 pm	Blessing of the Pets, Front Lawn
7	7:00 am—4:00 pm	Mission of Mercy
11	2:00-4:00 PM	CHARGE CONFERENCE—GLYMDON UMC
12	9—11 am	Flu Shots—Library
12	11:30 am	Pot Luck Luncheon
	11:30 am	Youth Group Outdoor Movie Night @ All Saints
17	5:30 pm	MD Sings/Outback Fund Raiser/ Fellowship Hall
18	9am-4pm	Women's Retreat
	10:00 am	Children's Musical Staging/Sanctuary
19	11:45 am	New Members Luncheon, Fellowship Hall
	12:00 noon	Children's Musical/Vocals/NSC
23	7:00 pm	His Hand and Feet/Library
25	7 am—2 pm	Blood Drive
25	4:30 pm	Church Supper/Fellowship Hall
25	TBD	RUMC Youth Reisterstown Spooktacular
26		BOARD OF CHILDCARE DONATIONS DUE
	9:30 am	JOY Cookie Walk
	11:45 am	Joyful Noise Handbell Choir rehearsal, Library
	12:00 pm	Children's Choir, vocals, Sanctuary
	3:00 pm	Hoedown @ Randy & Amy Hart's House
28	7:00 am—4:00 pm	Mission of Mercy (tentative)

NOVEMBER

1	8:00 am	Men's Fellowship Breakfast/308
	7:00 pm	Yellow Roses Bible Study @ Holsonbake's
2	12:00 pm	Children's Choir—staging, Sanctuary
5	7:00 pm	New Members with Church Leaders/Library
7	6:00 pm	Chancel Choir Recording, Sanctuary
8	6:00 am	Pancake Breakfast, Fellowship Hall
	4:00 pm	Chancel Choir, recording, Sanctuary
	6:00 pm	Washed Anew Coffee House/Fellowship Hall
9	11:30 am	Joyful Noise Handbell Choir rehearsal, Sanctuary
	4:00 pm	Chancel Choir recording, Sanctuary
11	7:00 am—4:00 pm	Mission of Mercy
14	1—6:00 pm	Holly Fair Set up
	6:00 pm	Chancel Choir recording, Sanctuary (tentative)
15	1:00 pm—8:00 am (16th)	Holly Fair, Fellowship Hall
16	DEADLINES for: Newsletter, Gift Card orders, Rada Knives Orders	
	9:00 am	Blood Pressure screening, Northside Chapel
	11:45 am	Coffee with the Pastor/Parlor
	11:45 am	Joyful Noise Handbell Choir rehearsal/Library
18	NO STAFF MEETING	
22	6:00 am	Kiwanis Pancake Breakfast/Fellowship Hall
23	8:45 am	Thanksgiving Breakfast, Fellowship Hall
	10:00 am	Thanksgiving Service (ONLY ONE SERVICE)
	11:30 am	Joyful Noise Handbell Choir rehearsal, Sanctuary
25	7:00 am—4:00 pm	Mission of Mercy (tentative)
27	7:00 pm	His Hands and Feet/Library
30	11:45 am	Joyful Noise Handbell Choir rehearsal/Library
	12:00 pm	Children's Choir staging, Sanctuary
	5:00 pm	Pot Luck—Chrismon Event
	6:00 pm	Youth Group-Chrismon's Live Nativity—front lawn

DECEMBER

1	7:00 pm	Yellow Roses @ Holsonbake's
6	8:00 am	Men's Fellowship Breakfast/308
7	12:00 noon	Children's Choir—Vocal review/staging/Sanctuary
9	7:00 am	Mission of Mercy
13	4:00 pm	Christmas on Main
14	9:30 am	Cookie Walk/Fellowship Hall
21	12:00 noon	Children's Musical—run through/Sanctuary
	5:00 pm	Longest Night
23	7:00 am	Mission of Mercy
24	3:00 pm	Children's Christmas Musical Dress Rehearsal
	4:30 pm	Christmas Musical/Sanctuary

MEETINGS and EVENTS – Regularly Scheduled

Every Monday – 10 am to 12 pm AA
 Every Monday – 7 to 8:30 pm NA
 Every Tuesday – 10:30 am – Staff Meeting (with FULL staff quarterly)
 Every Tuesday—6:30 to 8 pm Washed Anew Rehearsal
 Every Wednesday – 10 am to noon – Library Committee
 Every Wednesday – 6 to 8 pm – Food Pantry Open
 Every Wednesday – 7:00 to 8:30 pm Praise Band
 Every Thursday – 7 to 9 pm - Adult Choir
 Every Thursday – 7:30 to 9 pm – Nueva Jerusalem
 Every Friday – 8 to 10 pm NA
 Every Saturday – 9 to Noon – Food Pantry Open
 Every Saturday – 9 am to 2 pm – Maryland Sings
 Every Saturday – 9:30 to 11:30 am AA
 Most Sundays – 11:30 to 12:30 – Joyful Noise Handbell Rehearsal
 Every Sunday – 6 to 8 pm – Youth Group

1st Monday – Worship Design Team (7 pm)
 1st Tuesday – Worship (7 pm)
 1st Wednesday – Evangelism (5 pm)
 1st Saturday – Community Kitchen
 1st Thursday – UMW (7 pm)
 2nd & 4th Mondays – History & Records (9:30 am)
 2nd Tuesday – Finance (6:30) and Trustees (7:30)
 3rd Sunday – Newsletter Deadline and Gift Card orders
 3rd Sunday – Blood Pressure Screening
 3rd Tuesday – SPRC (7 pm)
 3rd Tuesday—Quilting Bees (7 pm)
 3rd Wednesday – 7 pm – Missions
 4th Tuesday – Church Council (7 pm)

SMALL GROUPS

Every Monday 10/13-11/17—New Testament Bible Study/308
 Every Tuesday – Sisterhood/308
 Every Wednesday – Men's Fellowship/308
 1st Thursday - UMW
 2nd Wednesday – Circle of Friends
 2nd and 4th Friday – Prayer Shawl Ministry
 3rd Tuesday – Quilting Bees
 3rd Wednesday – Book Club
 4th Monday - JOY

NOTE: the current and updated every time we update it in the office calendar is available online at: https://www.google.com/calendar/embed?src=rumcoffice1777%40gmail.com&ctz=America/New_York (Just copy and paste into your web browser if it doesn't open.)

SHOPPING LIST

FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS ARE NEEDED YEAR ROUND:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Canned vegetables | <input type="checkbox"/> Canned fruit/applesauce | <input type="checkbox"/> Tuna | <input type="checkbox"/> soup and crackers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> peanut butter and jelly | <input type="checkbox"/> Pasta and Spaghetti sauce | <input type="checkbox"/> cereal | <input type="checkbox"/> Macaroni and cheese |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Toiletry Items | <input type="checkbox"/> Stuffing & Mashed potatoes | <input type="checkbox"/> gravy | <input type="checkbox"/> cranberry sauce |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Deodorant | <input type="checkbox"/> toothpaste | <input type="checkbox"/> shampoo | <input type="checkbox"/> liquid dish soap |

COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES

small, light weight items that can ship in a shoebox.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Candy; | <input type="checkbox"/> Toys like slinkies | <input type="checkbox"/> playdoh | <input type="checkbox"/> mini lego sets |
| <input type="checkbox"/> dorm room items | <input type="checkbox"/> school supplies | <input type="checkbox"/> gift cards. | |

Gift cards can be \$10 or \$25 to stores like Walmart, Target, Panera, Starbucks, Dunkin Donuts and gas stations.

DENTAL KITS FOR HEALTH CARE MINISTRY

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Toothbrushes | <input type="checkbox"/> Toothpaste | <input type="checkbox"/> Mouthwash | <input type="checkbox"/> Floss |
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ALPHA PREGNANCY BABY SHOWER ITEMS

Baby toiletries Such as:

- shampoo,
- baby bath,
- baby powder
- Rattles and Teethers
- Baby Blankets
- Diapers (especially larger sizes) - we go through TONS of diapers!!!!
- Wipes

Small items such as

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| <input type="checkbox"/> onesies | <input type="checkbox"/> Baby food |
| <input type="checkbox"/> socks | <input type="checkbox"/> baby cereals |
| <input type="checkbox"/> bibs | <input type="checkbox"/> Baby Formula: specifically Similac BLUE |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Newborn to 4T clothing | |

AND IF FOLKS WANT TO GO IN ON SOMETHING TOGETHER—THEY WILL TAKE GENTLY USED & CLEAN LARGE ITEMS

THERE ARE A BUNCH AVAILABLE AT THE MISSION IN WESTMINSTER

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| <input type="checkbox"/> car seats | <input type="checkbox"/> strollers | <input type="checkbox"/> bouncy seats |
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BOARD OF CHILDCARE HOLIDAY GIFTS (all non-aerosol products please)

***Baby products,**

- toys,
- books
- clothing for infants
- clothing for toddlers

***for women and teen girls:**

- bath and body products
- make-up
- small make-up bags
- nail polish
- perfume
- hair brushes and combs
- mirrors
- deodorants
- toothpaste and toothbrushes
- wallets or change purses
- packs of tissues
- jewelry
- scarves, gloves, hats

***for men and teen boys:**

- bath products
- hair products
- toothpaste and toothbrushes
- pocket combs
- deodorants
- after shave or colognes
- socks
- ties
- handkerchiefs
- flashlights
- sports team items
- scarves, gloves, hats

***for boys and girls**

- Books
- coloring books and crayons
- markers
- toiletries
- toys, games
- hair items

***other:**

- candles
- handbags
- baskets you have been saving but do not need

candle holders

sweatshirts

picture frames

tee shirts

LIST FOR FALL 2014 JOY COLLECTION FOR CARROLL COUNTY SAFE HOUSE

Some items we are in need of :

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Paper towels | <input type="checkbox"/> Toilet paper | <input type="checkbox"/> Tall kitchen trash bags |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Laundry detergent | <input type="checkbox"/> Women's socks | <input type="checkbox"/> Umbrellas |
- Home Depot gift card for "Guaranteed Hair & Grease" – our pipes get very clogged and it is the only chemical that will clear them. (We use 3 bottles monthly).
- Women's underwear size small & medium (May I suggest a gift card from Kohl's or Wal-Mart) so they can buy what sizes they need



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WORSHIP TIMES

8:30 am Praise Service

**9:30 am Grow Hour
(Sunday School)**

**10:30 am Spirited Traditional
Service**

**Cribbery available during all times for infants
through toddlers.**