

JULY 2026



# *The Perry Scope*

Perry Hall United Methodist Church Newsletter  
9515 Belair Road, Nottingham, MD 21236



## A Message from the Pastor



July and August can be a slower schedule for some of us. Those are months with days which can be much the same kind of weather: hot and sunny. We may feel more relaxed. There may be more opportunities to sit and reflect as we soak up the warmth and perhaps gaze at clouds drifting by. Let me suggest a theme for your reflections: values. In our recent planning meeting, we discussed our values as PHUMC and Jesus' values. What do we hold as deeply treasured principles that guide how we view the world and how we live? Do our values as a church match what we know are Jesus' values based on scripture? Some values which we believe are Jesus' values and which we listed from scripture, although certainly not all that could be listed, were mercy, forgiveness, kindness, making time for prayer, seeking and saving the lost, loving people just as they are, allowing people free will, being trustworthy. Some of the values of PHUMC which we listed were helping those less fortunate, welcoming everyone, spreading the good news of Christ, helping our children (all of us, actually) to grow in faith. What are your values? What are the foundational beliefs and principles which guide you? As you sit in the warmth of these summer days and reflect on life, ask yourself if your values fit within God's will. We will probably all answer that they mostly fit God's will, but not as much as we might want. We are grateful that one of Jesus' values is forgiveness! May the Holy Spirit cultivate in us the values which will help us to do God's work in this world. Amen.

Blessings,

Pastor Margery

## Financial News and Updates

As a result of ongoing financial concerns and now efforts to sell the parsonage, there have been questions as to whether everyone is aware of how to support the church financially.

Options for giving/tithing are as follows:

### 1. Electronic fund transfer (EFT)

To have money automatically withdrawn from your checking account, contact Kim Cole at 443 -255 -5420.

Money can be withdrawn weekly, or monthly. A year-end statement of giving will be provided for tax purposes.

2. If you attend regularly but are not a member of the church and would like weekly envelopes for giving and a year-end record of giving, contact Pat Walter @ 443 -797 -0572.

3. If you would like to become a member of our church, contact Pastor Margery Schammel at 443 377 5991.

4. If you are a member and would like to switch from weekly envelopes to electronic fund transfer, contact Kim Cole at 443- 255- 5420.



## PRAISE BAND/CHOIR NEWS



The Praise Band/Choir is looking for additional singers/instrumentalists for our Sunday Worship Services.

Practices are on Wednesday evenings at 7pm.

Note: The ability to read music is **not** required.



Anyone interested may text or call Don Appel at: 443-991-0189.  
**We would love to 'hear' from you!**



## Folk Music Night: July 18, 7-10 p.m. featuring Jim Rezac



(<https://www.jimrezac.com/>).



Jim Rezac is a Delaware-based singer/songwriter whose music doesn't fit neatly into predefined genres. His songs traverse various moods and flavors, with some carrying an edgy vibe, others taking on a folk

or roots-like quality, and a few embracing a hint of country. He has a reputation for raw powerful honesty in his lyrics. In December of 2024, he was the featured artist at WXPN's "World Cafe Live" in Philadelphia. His set starts around 8:15.

The evening begins with an "open mic" at 7:00. The open mic resumes after Jim's set.

Admission is free, but donations are welcome. The Folk Music Night schedule, along with additional information, may be found at <https://www.folkmusicnight.com/>.

Questions may be directed to Neil Zimmerman: 410-529-7176 or [ndzimmer@comcast.net](mailto:ndzimmer@comcast.net)



## SCRIPTURE READERS

If you wish to be part of the Sunday Scripture readers, feel free to contact the office – our young adults to our seniors, are all welcome. 410-256-6479 Or Peggy Whiting at 443-257-2874



## SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS Carole Webner



Our Sunday school students have been busy this month. June 14th was our Certificate Sunday in worship. After handing out our certificates Pastor

Margery blessed us with prayer followed by games, snacks and crafts in the fellowship hall. Fun was had by ALL!



The next Sunday was Father's Day and several of the students helped to pass out a thoughtful gift to all the gentlemen of our congregation.

**THIS SUMMER: Sunday school classes will be meeting as usual this summer.** Mrs. Debbie will be teaching 7th-12th grade, Mrs. Joyce will be teaching 5th-6th grade, and Mrs. Carole will be teaching K-3rd grade.



**VBS at our HUBS:** If you are interested in VBS for your children this summer our HUB churches will be holding

programs.

Camp Chapel will be holding VBS July 7-9th at 6-8 pm.

Hiss UMC will be holding VBS June 22-26th from 6-8 pm. Please call the church or check on-line for registration.



**SUNDAY SCHOOL POOL PARTY:**

**WHEN:** July 12th ; 2- 4 PM will be the Sunday School Pool Party

**WHERE:** The home of the Barlow's . 9113 Bowline Rd. Nottingham, 21236

**RSVP:** Please let Gloria know if you are attending by Wednesday, July 8<sup>th</sup>. Gloria can be reached by calling her number or texting 443-690-1195.

**WHAT TO BRING:** Remember to bring your towel, sunscreen and your favorite pool float.

**IMPORTANT:** Children under 16 must be accompanied by a parent(s)

**LOOKING AHEAD -- FAMILY WORSHIP**

This summer's family worship dates are July 12th, August 9th and September 13th.

Thank you all for your continued support of our students and our Sunday School Program.



**MEMORIALS**  
*Diane Lawrence*

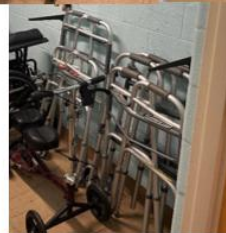


A donation has been made to the Memorial Fund in memory of Ed Konig, one of the hidden champions of our congregation.



**MEDICAL EQUIPMENT AVAILABLE**

Did you know that your church has available medical assistance equipment – crutches, canes, walkers, and toilet enhancement? If you, a loved one, or a close friend needs to borrow for use of any of these types of equipment, please contact the church's office – 410-256- 6479





## FIBERS OF LOVE

Lori Gall



While the fall/winter/spring months were wonderful for sharing and working with love on all the beautiful blankets – F.O.L will be taking a summer break.

**Next FOL Meeting :**  
**Thursday, September 24<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm**

**Hope you can join us**



## Thrift Store News

By Kathy Loggins



Did you know: We have received many great donations so our inventory is always changing. Our customers never know what great bargains they might find. The thrift store carries a variety of clothes, from infants to 3x men's and ladies clothing. We have small household items, bedding, books, and many more treasures. Come check us out, you may be surprised what you find.



**NOTE: The thrift store will be closed on Saturday, July 4th.**

## **\*\*\*THRIFT SHOP IS IN NEED OF YOUR**



### **HELP:**

Your thrift shop is in need of volunteers and would love for you to join it's wonderful crew of volunteers! Schedules are made to generally have 3 volunteers work each Saturday from 9-12. Schedules are made in advance but sometimes emergencies or illnesses leave the thrift

shop short-handed. If you would like to be part of this wonderful mission, please contact Kathy Loggins [katlog04@aol.com](mailto:katlog04@aol.com)– she would love to hear from you!



## United Methodist Women of Faith

By Jeannie Ross

At our June meeting, the PHUMC United Women of Faith had a meaningful discussion surrounding Fathers. Debbie Siegert started the meeting with a reading from Luke 15:11-32 about the man, his two sons and killing the fatted calf in celebration of the return of the younger son. We also did a worksheet on Fathers in the Bible.

We

shared pictures of our



own Fathers, along with special stories/memories about them.

**We will NOT be meeting in July.**  
**Our next meeting will be on August 13th at 7:00 pm.**

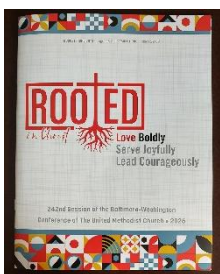
It will be held in one of the rooms on the second floor, due to a conflict with the Fellowship Hall.

*The PHUMC United Women of Faith group usually meets on the second Thursday of the month at 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.*

**All the women of the congregation are welcome to attend.**

**HOPE TO SEE YOU August 13<sup>th</sup>**





## **BWC HIGHLIGHTS 2026**

To My "Siblings In Christ" as the one thousand plus participants of the 2026 BWC Annual Conference were addressed. This endearing title called attention to and emphasized our relationship to one another!

**The 242nd Session of the Baltimore-Washington Conference of The United Methodist Church,  
Location: The Baltimore Hilton, May 27 - 29,  
2026**

**Theme: Rooted in Christ, LOVE Boldly, Serve Joyfully, Lead Courageously Scripture: Ephesians 3:16-19, Emphasis this year on Loving Boldly**



The Holy Conferencing was presided over by Bishop Latrelle Miller Easterling, Presiding Bishop of the Baltimore-Washington &

Peninsula-Delaware Conferences. The Holy Conferencing was called to order on Wednesday May 27th by Bishop Easterling. She also brought the Opening Worship Sermon. You can find a video of the sermon on YouTube. We Celebrated an infant baptism and Remembered the Sacrament of Our Baptism. It was a beautiful and meaningful ceremony!

The Laity Session was led by Ameillia Duroska, the new BWC Conference Lay Leader. Attendees were asked to sit with members of their district. I was asked to be a table host for one of the Reservoir District tables. It was a blessing to be able to serve where needed and to get to know other members of our District. Our Session speaker was Ken Willard, Author of "Beacon of Hope: Rooted in Christ, Reaching with Love" The topic was Evangelism and Witness.

### **Highlights**

\*All Congregations were encouraged to Contact and Connect the Vitality Team through Bill Brown,

Director of Congregational Vitality. [bbrown@pdcbwc.org](mailto:bbrown@pdcbwc.org). The goal is that 100% of the Congregations in the Conference become 100% Vital!

\*There was a blood drive available to collect blood from blood donors and with a focus on Project Spirit for Sickle Cell donors.

\*The Annual Conference Offerings Supported: **Seeds of Security (SOS)**- Which offers healing and a safe haven for Survivors of Domestic Violence and Intimate Partner Violence.

**Board of Ordained Clergy Renewal Leave Fund**  
- Goes to healing and wellness opportunities for pastors in need.

\*I was able to make contacts with some Hub/District members and conference friends.

\*Some of my pictures are posted on the BWC Conference FaceBook page as well as my personal FaceBook page.

\*Pastor Margery and I spent time together worshipping, working and sharing some meals!

### **Speakers**

The Bible Study Session was led each morning by Bishop Gregory Vaughn Palmer. He also delivered the sermon at the Ordination and Commissioning Service. He is a retired bishop of the United Methodist

Church and currently serves as Executive Secretary of the Council of Bishops. He is also a Senior Advisor with the Texas Methodist Foundation.

Reverend Narae Kim, preached at the Service of Remembrance. She serves as Associate Pastor at Severna Park United Methodist Church.

Dr. David Scott, currently serves as pastor of The Journey of Faith Church in Waldorf Maryland, He is among this year's class to be Commissioned as Provisional Elder

**There were several workshops available along with tables offering information representing United Methodist Organizations**

### **Commissioning and Ordinations**

3 Deacons Ordained

1 Commissioned as Provisional Elder

8 Ordained as Elders

**24 Retirees Celebrating 566 years of Service**

Thanks and To God Be The Glory for His Faithful Servants!

### 2 Church Closures were Announced

Oldtown UMC - Oldtown Charge  
Asbury UMC - Hagerstown Charge



Thank you Perry Hall UMC, Siblings for asking me to represent our congregation. It was an Honor To Serve You and Our Father God!  
To God Be The Glory!



### **BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES**

Sending the happiest wishes to our birthday and anniversary celebrants!

Hoping your special day is filled with happiness!

- Denise & Buzz Boyd  
48<sup>th</sup> Anniversary July 14
- Andy & Linda Gaylor  
Anniversary July 15
- Debbie Siegert  
Birthday July 21
- Tyler Rogers  
Birthday July 21
- Andy Gaylor  
Birthday July 26
- Cindy Sebald  
Birthday July 27



## SPREADING THE WORD

### Summer Lunches Are Back!

We are proud to offer free summer lunches at 15 branches this summer, starting Wednesday, June 24, through Friday, August 21. Anyone 18 and younger can receive a free meal, but they must be eaten at the branch. Full schedule:

#### Noon

Arbutus, Cockeysville, Lansdowne, Owings Mills, Randallstown, Reisterstown, Rosedale and Sollers Point branches

#### 12:30 p.m.

Catonsville, Essex, Loch Raven\*, Parkville-Carney, Perry Hall, White Marsh and Woodlawn branches

\*Loch Raven Branch participation subject to change due to building maintenance.

### Pantry News



Every month on the second Thursday, a beautiful truck appears and delivers donations from the Maryland Food Bank. The donations **provide about 45%** of the food the pantry gives out each month. The donations require five super heroes ( Mike, Don, Bob, Dennis, and Dave) to unload the pallets outside in all kinds of weather, bring it into the hallway, storage room, and the pantry. The men are an amazing team that fills the shelves, the donation bags, and the storage room within 90 minutes (no easy task when you are talking about **over 2 tons** of food!)

# WHAT'S HAPPENING IN JULY

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Pastor Vacation June 28<sup>th</sup> – July 5<sup>th</sup>

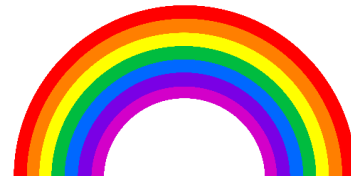
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- 2- WISH 11 AM  
KC Dance 6 – 8 pm
- 3-
- 4 – **250<sup>th</sup> Birthday of America!**  
Thrift Shop CLOSED  
Pantry CLOSED
- 5 – Coffee Hour after church
- 6- Pastor Back from Vacation
- 7 – Parsonage Sale Task Force 7 pm  
*- Global Forgiveness Day*
- 8 - Choir and band rehearsal 7  
*National Ice Cream Sundaes Day*
- 9 - - KC Dance 6 – 8 pm  
Fiber of Love Summer break
- 10 –
- 11 – Thrift Shop open 9 am-12 pm
- 12 –Sunday School Pool Party 2-4 pm  
Communion Service  
Coffee Hour After Church
- 13 - Choir and band rehearsal
- 14- Trustees Meeting 6:30 pm
- 15– Choir and band rehearsal 7 pm
- 16- KC Dance 6 – 8 pm
- 17 -
- 18 - Thrift Shop 9 am-12 pm  
**\*\*Folk Music Night 7 pm**
- 19 – Coffee Hour after church
- 20 - -
- 21 –
- 22 —
- 23 – Ad Council 6 pm  
KC Dance 6 – 8 pm
- 24 –
- 25 – Thrift Shop 9 am-12 pm
- 26 – – Coffee Hour after church
- 27
- 28
- 29 – Choir and band rehearsal 7 pm  
*National Lasagna Day*
- 30 – KC Dance 6 – 8 pm
- 31 -

**\*\*COME JOIN US**

# JULY AWARENESS

## Disability Pride Month –

**Celebrates the achievements and rights of people with disabilities while promoting inclusion and accessibility**



### PHUMC Mission Statement

*We are a Christ centered community compelled by God to share God's unconditional love with everyone, outwardly focused and growing in faith.*

### HUB EVENTS 😊

Information/registration is available online

Camp Chapel UMC

VBS 7/7-7/11 6-8 pm

Linden Heights UMC

VBS 7/27 – 7/31 5 – 7:30 pm