

THE WEEK AND BEYOND AT A GLANCE

| Sunday, December 2 | | |
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| Morning Worship | 8:30 & 11:00 am | Sanctuary |
| Sunday School Classes | 9:45-10:45 am | Education Building |
| Hanging of the Greens | 1:00 pm | Sanctuary, Fellowship Hall |
| Youth Group Meeting | 6:30-8:00 pm | Fellowship Hall |
| Monday, December 3 | | |
| Handbell Choir Rehearsal | 6:30 pm | Upper Narthex |
| Voices In Praise Rehearsals | 6:30-8:30 pm | Music Room |
| Tabitha Circle Cookie Exchange/ Secret Santa | 6:30 pm | Location t/b/d |
| Tuesday, December 4 | | |
| Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal | 7:15-8:30 pm | Music Room |
| Wednesday, December 5 | | |
| Seniors Luncheon | 12:00 noon | Fellowship Hall |
| Thursday, December 6 | | |
| Advent Study | 7:00 pm | Fellowship Hall |
| Monday, December 10 | | |
| Handbell Choir Rehearsal | 6:30 pm | Upper Narthex |
| Voices In Praise Rehearsals | 6:30-8:30 pm | Music Room |
| Stephen Ministry Meeting | 7:00-9:00 pm | Older Adult Classroom |



TODAY AT 1:00pm

The time has come for us to decorate our church for Advent and Christmas. Please help us join in the celebration. If you have any questions, please contact Stacy Church at 410-991-1033.

The Seniors' Christmas Luncheon is scheduled for Wednesday, December 5, 2018 at 12 noon in the Fellowship Hall. Please RSVP to Bonnie in the Church Office – 410-257-7133 by December 2!

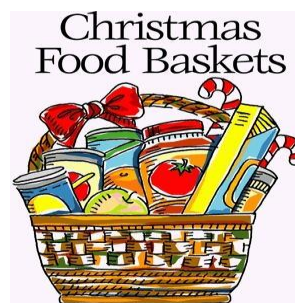


*A Daily Scripture and Reflections for Advent sheet is available in the Narthex.
One per family please!*



Probably 3 to 4 million people left Egypt during the Exodus. While it took God one night to get Israel out of Egypt, it took 40 years to get Egypt out of Israel. Exodus begins the story of Moses and the story of Moses constitutes about one-seventh of the whole Bible.

FUMC is partnering once again with St. James Episcopal Church once again to stuff Christmas Dinner Baskets for Neighbors in Need on Saturday, December 22nd. If you were able to participate in some way for the recent successful Thanksgiving Basket holiday effort this is a similar event. We will be accepting donations to purchase dinners for 80 local families. A donation of \$32 will provide a complete turkey and fixings dinner for a family of four. Your donations can be made payable to Friendship United Methodist Women and placed in the collection plate or in the shoe box in the Narthex. Those interested in volunteering to stuff the food baskets can show up at St. James on Saturday, December 22nd between 7:15 AM and 8:30 AM and stay as long as possible to help fill the bags, load cars and share God's blessings with all those involved in this worthwhile event. Call Sarah Vansant at 410-212-0944 if you have any questions about the event.



The Board of Trustees is pleased to inform you of our Scholarship Fund for student **members** of Friendship United Methodist Church seeking post-secondary education, who have achieved 2nd or 4th year College standing or 1st year Trade or Graduate School standing as defined by the FUMC BOT. **The deadline for submission of a completed application, with a copy of your transcripts, is January 28, 2019.** Late and incomplete applications will not be considered. The award will be presented in February of each year to the qualifying student(s). For more information, see the Requirements and Application document, which is available on our website, or copies are available from the church office during office hours.



Monday, December 24, 2018

3:00 pm – Children’s Service

6:00 pm – featuring Sanctuary Choir

8:30 pm – featuring Voices In Praise
& Voices In Praise Alumni

11:00 pm – including Holy communion

Through December 9th the Tabitha Circle is hosting a collection of men’s, women’s and children’s socks and underwear to benefit the Project ECHO Homeless Shelter in Prince Frederick. They are also in need of travel size items such as shampoo, conditioner, etc., the size you would get in hotels. Donations of such items can be placed in the box in the Fellowship Hall. The Tabitha Circle thanks you for helping to support the less fortunate in our Community this season.



Birthright is an agency for pregnant women, located in Prince Frederick. Their services are always free, confidential and non-judgmental.

They provide information about Pregnancy, Childbirth, Adoption, Prenatal Care, Community Programs, Parenting Skills, and Child Care. They provide Referrals for Medical Support, Financial Resources, Housing, Legal, Social Assistance, Professional Counseling, maternity and baby clothes, and the below items.

Diapers (Newborn - size 4), New diaper bags, Wipes, Baby wash, Baby shampoo, Baby lotion, Diaper ointment, Similac formula, New baby bottles, Baby food(stage 1 and 2), New or gently used infant clothes (size 0 - 24M / 2T), New or gently used baby blankets, Receiving blankets, Crib sheets, Maternity clothes new or gently used. **There will be a box for donations in the Fellowship Hall.**



Your 2019 offering envelopes for are available in the front hall between the Narthex and the education wing of the church building. Please pick yours up today!

Clarification on Giving to Local Nonprofits

We are truly excited and grateful that you are considering giving to some of our local, nonprofit organizations. The Missions Team provided you a list of various organizations to which you can give your donations. There is some confusion about how to give to assure that your monetary gifts reach the proper nonprofit group.

The ONLY organization or group on the list of local nonprofits that is affiliated with and part of Friendship United Methodist Church is Home Team/ASP of Friendship UMC. To give to the HOME Team/ASP simply make your check payable to FUMC and put HOME Team/ASP on the memo line.

If you are giving to any of the other local nonprofit organizations on the list AND you wish to give through Friendship United Methodist Church, you must do the following:

1. Make your check payable to: FUMC
2. On the memo line: write the name of the nonprofit group you wish your monetary gift to go to
3. Drop your check in the offering plate

This is important: If you make your check payable to the nonprofit group and drop it in the offering plate, your check will be returned to you and will not be processed. We cannot and will not deposit or handle checks made payable directly to any organization or group. Checks MUST be made payable to FUMC for the church to handle the money. An example: you cannot write a check payable to Comcast and then give that check to Deale Hardware. Your check will either be returned to you or it will be discarded.

Your other option is to make your check payable to the nonprofit organization and mail your check directly to that organization. Many nonprofit organizations also encourage giving online through that organization's website. I have taken the time to list below the name and address of the nonprofits if you wish to send your donations directly to them. Please forward your receipt to Missions@friendshipMethodist.org so that the church is aware of your gift.

Breakfast Club Ministry
Mt. Zion United Methodist Church
122 Bayard Road
Lothian, MD 20711
www.mzumc.com/breakfast-club

Hospice of the Chesapeake Foundation
John and Cathy Belcher Campus
90 Ritchie Highway
Pasadena, MD 21122

Project Echo, Inc
484 Main Street
PO Box 2764
Prince Frederick, MD 20678

Relay for Life (American Cancer Society)
PO Box 22478
Oklahoma City, OK 73123

Safe Harbor, Inc.
PO Box 801
Prince Frederick, MD 20678

South County Assistance Network (SCAN)
c/o St. James Parish
5757 Old Solomons Island Road
Lothian, MD 20711

Voices In Praise, Inc.
3175 Hickory Ridge Road
Dunkirk, MD 20754

Calvert Hospice
238 Merrimac Ct
Unit 238
Prince Frederick, MD 20678

United Methodist Volunteers in Mission
100 Centerview Drive
Suite 210
Birmingham, AL 35216
If check is payable to FUMC, on the memo line enter: UMVIM, SEJ, Advance #901875

Community United Methodist Church of Crofton
Zimbabwe Mission Trip
1690 Reidel Road
Crofton, MD 21114
<https://cumc.net/give>

Good News Jail & Prison Ministry of AA County
www.Goodnewsjail.org/givingtuesday

Thank you for your generosity and understanding.

Michael Walls
Chair, Finance Committee