



THE HIGHLIGHTER

Highlights from Trinity United Methodist Church

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From the Pastor's Pen...

Grace and Peace to you!

Back to school time! School supplies, backpacks, and new routines! One of my favorite passages for this time of year is found in Ephesians 6:10-18. It begins with ***“Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil’s schemes.”*** And ends with ***“And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord’s people.”***

May you find your strength in our mighty and all powerful God. I encourage you to read this scripture and to put on the whole armor of God that God so graciously provides for us.

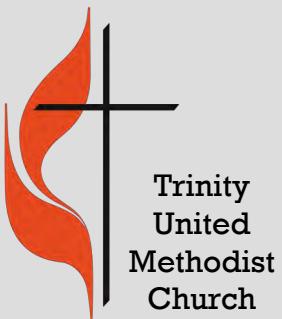
Shalom,
Pastor Becki

TUMC Mission Statement:

“To ignite such a passion, for Jesus Christ and His teachings, that it sets our world on fire.”

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Blessings, Thanks & Prayers

Prayers for Those Who Have Been Hospitalized Recently...

Addison and Owen (Rick and Kathy Smith's twin grandchildren), Andrew (Marti Booros' grandson), Fred Davenport, Madelyn "Kitty" Hoffman, Philip Mohler and Tay Vaughn (Marcia van Gemert's husband).

Praise God for New Life...

Congratulations to Warren and Dawn Rice, who welcomed a grandson, Maverick David Rice, to the family on August 19. Proud parents are Tyler and Brooke. Maverick is also loved by grandparents, Bob and Carol Ann Scrivener.

God's Blessing Upon...

- † Kristin Wasson and Paul Thomas, who were united by the Christian Marriage Covenant at Trinity on July 23.
- † Jack and Faye Hammett, as they celebrate the 69th anniversary of their marriage, which was at Asbury Methodist Church in Barstow on September 16, 1950.
- † Mark and Debra Stachnik, as they transferred their membership to Stony Knoll UMC in East Bend, NC.

Our Sincere Sympathies to...

- † Pastor Jim and Janet, as they grieve the death of her good friend, Anne Grebenstein Johnson.
- † Dolores McClanahan and family, as they grieve the death of her husband, Alfred "Buck" McClanahan.

Visitation List...

Dorothy L. Bowen - 4915 Sandy Point Road, Prince Frederick, MD 20678

Mildred Bowen - 990 Dan Bowen Road, Prince Frederick, MD 20678

Glenn Conner - 165 Dares Beach Road, Prince Frederick, MD 20678

Arlene Downs - 4540 Dares Beach Road, Prince Frederick, MD 20678

Ruth Everhart - 600 Dana Drive, Prince Frederick, MD 20678

Bill & Mary Hawxhurst - 35 Gray Inn Court, Prince Frederick, MD 20678

Kenneth & Carole Jean Hutchins - 1710 Old Adelina Road, Prince Frederick, MD

Donald & Madelyn Hutchins - 2220 Henry Hutchins Rd., Prince Frederick, MD

Chip Jaworski - 1960 Shiloh Lane, Prince Frederick, MD 20678

Don and Marilyn Russell - 3487 Cassell Blvd., Prince Frederick, MD 20678

Betty Southard - 1665 Mallard Point Road, Prince Frederick, MD 20678

Eddie & Charlotte Wood - 5050 Hallowing Point Rd., Pr. Fred., MD 20678

Asbury Solomons - Solomons, MD 20688

Fred Davenport - 11450 Asbury Circle, #421

Charlotte Hall - 11740 Asbury Circle, Apt. #1404

Margaret Hayes - 11740 Asbury Circle, Apt. #1308

Madelyn "Kitty" Hoffman - 11100 Asbury Circle, Health Care Center

Mary Irvin - 11480 Asbury Circle, Room #322

Jane Schmidt - 11740 Asbury Circle, Apt. #1420

George Wells - 11750 Asbury Circle, Room #225-HC



Charlotte Hall Veteran's Home

Eileen Moser - Bldg. 3, 29449 Charlotte Hall Road, Charlotte Hall, MD 20622

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Calendar for Bible Study Groups

Sunday

Faith Foundations
Adult Sunday School Class
 9:15 AM – Room 102
 Bob Finlayson

New Covenant
Adult Sunday School Class
 9:15 AM – Parlor
 Rick Cox

Special Needs
Young Adult Sunday School Class
 9:15 AM – Room 312
 Pastor Becki Wessinger

Tuesday

Ladies of Grace
Women's Bible Study
 10 – 11:30 AM – Church Library
 Mona Monsma & Sue Clark

Wednesday
Open Bible Study
 10 AM and 6:30 PM
 Fellowship Hall
 Pastor Jim
 and Friends

Thursday
Men's Bible Studies
 5:30 AM
 At the homes of:
 John Godfrey (410-586-3282)
 Fred Haller (410-586-9898)
 Morris Hawkins (410-535-0681)

Fairfield Health & Rehab Center

Ron Sauer - 1454 Fairfield Loop Rd., 108 B, Crownsville, MD 21032

Harmony at Martinsburg

Leah Belle Jones - 13857 Apple Harvest Dr., Martinsburg, WV 25403

The Hermitage at Solomons

Louise McCumber - 13325 Dowell Road, Solomons, MD 20688

Jason Gohn

6451 Loudon Avenue, Elkridge, MD 21075

Our fellow church family member, **Colonel Ann L. Brown** assumed the responsibility of Commander of 759th Logistics Readiness Flight, Joint Base Andrews, Maryland. She leads a unique flight of Field Grade Logistics Readiness Officers who augment Headquarters United States Air Forces in Europe and Air Forces Africa with logistics and transportation crisis action team support. As such, she ensures rapid movement and in-transit visibility of cargo and passengers transiting through or deploying within host nations spanning three continents and encompassing 22 million square miles. She also serves as the 459th Air Refueling Wing's Logistics Readiness Officer career field advisor for over 20 logistics officers. Col. Brown entered the Air Force in 1989, graduating from the University of Virginia and receiving her commission through the Reserve Officer Training Corps. She has served in a variety of logistics positions during both her active duty and reserve careers, including flight commander, Installation Deployment Officer, major command staff officer, squadron operations officer, squadron commander, expeditionary squadron commander, and group commander.



May the Lord's blessing be on you, Ann, and all you do in this service.

Join Us!!

Sunday, September 8

RALLY DAY

at Trinity

**9-9:45 am ~ Sunday School
Open House**

**10 am ~ one Worship Service
on the Front Lawn**

11:30 am ~ Lunch

**Feel free to bring your own chair.
Dress in casual, comfortable clothing.**



**Blessing of the
Backpacks**

We invite all students, teachers and educators to bring their backpacks, literal or figurative, with them to the Worship Service on September 8th for a special prayer and blessing as they begin a new year of school.

Missions in Action ~ VIM Trip Successful

Our 2019 UMVIM Navajo Nation trip in July was a success. The 17 member team had 5 Trinity members (Chris Bates, Anne Weems, Lori Willis, Jack Woodford, Sandra Woodford) and 12 members from Tom's Creek UMC in Emmitsburg, MD. The team travelled 7/10 and returned 7/19/19.

We'd like to thank those who gave their time to drive the team to and pick us up from BWI.



Our sister church is located on the RoughSide of the Mountain in Sheep Springs, New Mexico on the Navajo Nation reservation. This was the sixth Volunteer in Mission team that has gone from Trinity to support our Navajo brothers and sisters in Christ. Although many of us keep in touch with each other on a regular basis, it is always so good to have fellowship and spend time together as we work, share meals and sightsee, as well as worshiping together when we visit. Some of our time at RoughSide of the Mountain this summer was spent attending evening revivals at the annual Camp meeting that Light in the Mountain church sponsors each summer. On Saturday, there was a Jericho walk (hike) for several miles through Narbona Pass, which is a beautiful area of the mountains. Our main project was to build an addition on to the church so that they can have restrooms and a kitchen area, as well as expand the sanctuary. It was a HUGE project, but God brought the team members needed for this project together and in the time we were there, the addition became real - foundation set, walls up, roof on - so it is under cover. On the following page are pictures of the church building when we arrived and then when we left the next week.

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Check future newsletters for more information regarding this trip and this project.

Please continue to hold our brothers and sisters in Christ at Light in the Mountain Church in your prayers.

We would like to thank all who provided support to this team (prayer support, volunteer



support and financial support). Our Silent Auction fundraiser helped to afford the materials needed for this project. All of the volunteer help for the Silent Auction was greatly appreciated. Special thanks to those who donated items for the Silent Auction and Bake Table fundraisers -

Salsarita's
BRICK Wood Fired Bistro
No Thyme to Cook
Barefoot Wellness
AppleBees
Wentworths
Flagship Cinema
Scalped Salon
Firehouse Subs

Hand crafted items by artists in our church family -

Helen Mister
Sandra Woodford
Darryl Hansen
Rob Rallo

And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose.

Romans 8:28

Trinity United Methodist Church Women's Softball Reunion



**Calling all "United Bunch" women,
who played softball on
Trinity United Methodist Church Women's Softball Team,
and their families for a fun reunion softball game!**

**September 15, 2019
Hallowing Point Park Field #1
1:00 - 3:00 pm**

Bring a glove and bat, if you have one.

**Don't feel up to running the bases, then join us to
cheer on the players
and laugh with the whole 'bunch'!**

Please share this with others.

If you are coming to the reunion, please contact:

**Connie Sutton ~ 443-624-9903
gobblergirl13@gmail.com**

or

**Marlyn Sutton ~ 443-624-1453
riverqueen1@verizon.net**

Christian Education at Trinity

~ VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL UPDATE ~

Many thanks to everyone who helped out with ROAR 2019!! From decorating, teaching, being Crew Leaders, registration helpers, CD and Bible Buddies sellers, food preparation, clean up, donating craft items and food items, photographer, to the children and adults who attended, none of this would have been possible without your help and support.



We tried our first ever Adult VBS class this year and it was a huge success!! Twenty adults attended!! We reached out to the parents of the children attending and they came!! What an exciting time. Each day, we ranged from 97 to 115 in attendance. God answered our prayers abundantly.

We owe a huge debt of thanks to South Potomac Church in Waldorf, MD for their amazing decorations and their life size creations of our Bible Buddies. Savanna, the giraffe, was a huge hit and it was amazing to watch the kids and adults eyes light up when they saw the 16 foot tall giraffe standing in the Sanctuary. Also, St. Andrew's UMC in Edgewater, MD contacted us and donated a Rhino and an Elephant, among other items, to help with decorating. The Rhino and Elephant were the product of a competition the Church had to see which kids could come up with the most creative safari animals for VBS. We got to enjoy the winners!!

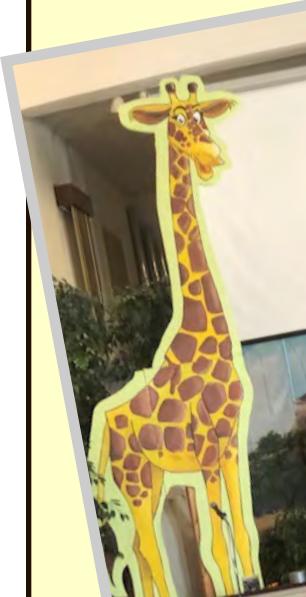
We couldn't have pulled it off without your help and the help of our community.



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~ RALLY DAY IS COMING ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2019 ~

We will be celebrating Rally Day and the Opening of Sunday School for the new school year on September 8th. During the 10:00AM service, we will have a Blessing of the Backpacks!! Students, teachers and support staff are encouraged to bring their backpacks so that we can bless them and pray a blessing over our students and teachers as they embark on an exciting journey of learning this school year.

During this special service, those students entering the 3rd grade will receive a new Bible to use during Sunday School and private devotional times at home or with family.

We will be having an OPEN HOUSE for Sunday School from 9:00-9:45AM at which time you can visit your child's classrooms, meet their teachers, register for Sunday School and participate in some special activities. Feel free to drop in anytime between 9:00-9:45AM on September 8th.

~ SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS ~

On Sunday, September 15th, our Sunday School classes for PreK-Young Adults will continue their study of the Gospel Project. We have completed one year of the curriculum and we will begin Year 2 this school year.

Our first year of the Gospel Project has been a huge success. The children have been learning a lot and are happy to share their new knowledge. The Middle School, High School and Young Adult classes have had some very interesting discussions and lessons.

The topic for discussion during the Fall Quarter will be: A Nation Divided. We will be talking about Elijah and Elisha, the Northern Kingdom of Israel and the Southern Kingdom of Judah.

Our classes for Sunday School will be meeting in the following classrooms:

- † Infants and Toddlers: In the Nursery
- † Age 3 – Kindergarten: Room 306
- † 1st and 2nd Grades: Room 303
- † 3rd, 4th and 5th Grades: Room 307
- † Middle School Class: Room 311
- † High School Class: Room 313
- † Young Adult Class: Room 312
- † New Covenant Class: Parlor
- † Faith Foundations: Room 102

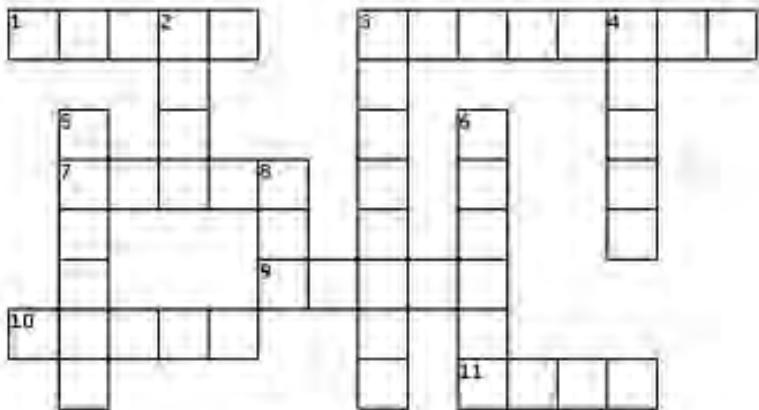
Yours in Christ,
Janet Swecker

"Stop doubting and believe!"

John 20:19-31 (NIV)



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ACROSS

1. To believe in something for which there is no proof
3. A follower of Jesus
7. The body parts at the end of the arms
9. A pointed and headed fastener designed to be pounded into wood
10. To be in a state of pleasure or delight
11. An entrance into a building or room

DOWN

2. One of two babies born at the same time
3. Unwilling to believe that something is true
4. Free from conflict; getting along with others; opposite of war
5. The disciple who would not believe without seeing
6. Not open
8. Breaking a religious or moral law

Words Used

door	sin	Thomas	nails
closed	hands	happy	disciple
peace	doubting	Faith	twin

Youth Ministry & Fellowship



Well, it's that time of year again!! Time for Youth Group to kick into high gear for the 2019-2020 School Year. We are planning to begin our Sunday evening meeting time on Sunday, September 8th, from 6:00PM-7:30PM. So, if you are in grades 6-12, we would love to have you become part of our group. If the weather is nice, not raining, we will gather on the sidewalk by the entrance to the church from the parking lot. If it is raining, we will meet in the Youth Room which is located downstairs right next to the Fellowship Hall.

I hope that you all have had a great summer and I look forward to meeting with you again. For those who went to ASP this summer, I am looking forward to hearing about your trip.

I pray that you will consider joining our group this year. We will be planning some fun activities, lessons, games and movie nights!

Congratulations to Karin Lozier upon her graduation to Cadet in the NJROTC program at Calvert High School and upon her recent winnings at her Horse Show.

See you soon,
Janet Swecker





ASP 2019



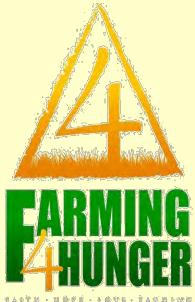
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Harvest Day

“Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God’s grace in its various forms”. 1 Peter 4:10 NIV



Come join Trinity’s “Harvest Day” with Farming 4 Hunger at Serenity Farm on September 28, 2019 from 9:00 am till 12:00 pm. This is an opportunity to “Serve Seriously” by helping to harvest, sort and pack fresh produce from the field that will be sent to food banks within our community. Harvest Day is for all ages and is a unique opportunity for families to serve together.

Hunger exists in our community in many different forms. Farming 4 Hunger’s Mission is to help feed the hungry in our community, whether that hunger is physical or spiritual. Healing of the mind, body and spirit is at the core of Farming 4 Hunger, based on the belief that if you serve others, you too will be fed - *“All are fed at the farm.”*



Please sign up to help with “Harvest Day” by contacting Mona Monsma (kris-kar@comcast.net or 410-231-7977) or by filling out the sign-up sheet in the Gathering Room. You can also help by keeping this ministry in your prayers and encouraging others to participate.



Trinity Planning Retreat for 2020

**Saturday, September 14
9 am - Noon**

Open to all members and friends of Trinity!

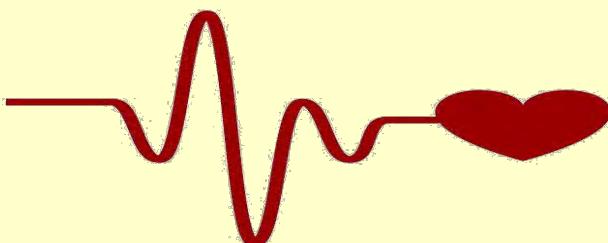
We'll be spending a 3-hour Saturday retreat dreaming and visioning of the great future God has for Trinity UMC. It's OPEN to all persons who care about and are committed to the faithfulness and success of Trinity.

Look forward to considering new ideas, strengthening existing ministries, determining how to make disciples of Jesus Christ and moving Trinity forward into the future with the vision God has for us. Bring an open spirit, an open mind and a positive attitude—we need you!

We need each person coming to register their attendance in advance. Please call the church office to do so (410-535-1782). Lead Pastor Jim Swecker will be facilitating the retreat, but this will also be an official meeting of the Church Council.

Join us for PLANNING and VISIONING for Trinity UMC's 2020.
We'd love to see YOU there!

**Trinity's next blood drive is Sunday,
September 15 from 7 am - noon.
Please consider participating.**



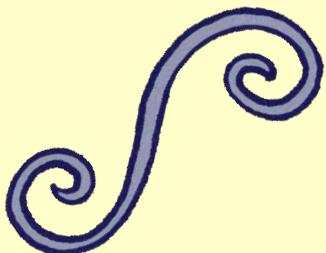
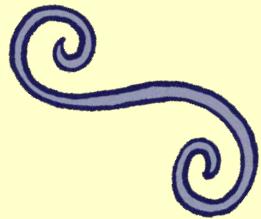
**Call 1-800-REDCROSS or log on to
www.redcross.org to schedule your
life-saving donation.**

**Contact Dawn Rice (410-535-6173) with
any questions.**

TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Open Bible Study

Wednesdays at
10 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.



Sunday Schedule

8 - 9 a.m. ~ Worship Service

9:15 -10:15 a.m. ~ Sunday School
(for all ages)

10:30 - 11:30 a.m. ~ Worship Service
(live streamed - www.trinityumchurch.org)

TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH STAFF

Sharon Godfrey	Financial Secretary
William Jenifer	Sexton
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Kathy Pinkowski	Administrative Assistant
Rebecca Adams	Nursery Attendant
Emelyn Riggleman.....	Nursery Attendant
Mary Stortzum	Lead Nursery Attendant
Janet Swecker	Coordinator of Christian Ed and Coordinator of Youth Ministry
Leah Woods	Director of Music Ministries
Jack Woodford	Certified Lay Minister
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Becki Wessinger	Student Pastor
Jim Swecker	Lead Pastor

For Highlighter questions, comments or article submissions,
contact Dawn Rice at cdr727@aol.com.

Listen to the Words...

Seek Ye First

Verse 1

**Seek ye first the kingdom of God
And His righteousness
And all these things
Shall be added unto you
Allelu alleluia**

Verse 2

**Man shall not live by bread alone
But by ev'ry word
That proceeds
From the mouth of God
Allelu alleluia**

Verse 3

**Ask and it shall be given unto you
Seek and ye shall find
Knock and the door
Shall be opened unto you
Allelu alleluia**

We sing
beautiful
songs and
hymns
every Sunday.

Do you ever
really listen
to the
words...

click here
(to sing along)

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Trinity's Annual Fall Fest

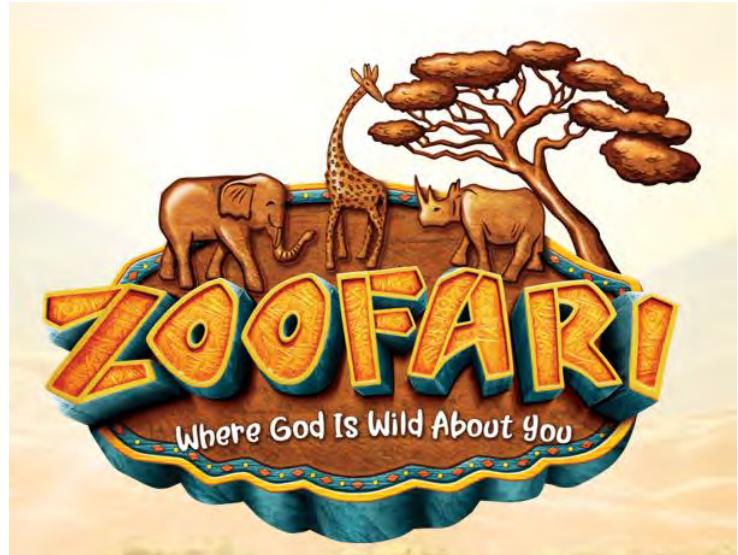
Sunday, October 27, 2019

3:00 – 5:00 p.m.

90 Church Street, Prince Frederick, MD 20678

Untamed Family Fun!

Join Trinity families as they celebrate on the front lawn featuring: the Blessing of the Pets, Zoofari -Where God is Wild About You (follow-up to VBS Roar), Corn Hole Tournament, Touch Football, Cake Walk, Bon Fire and, of course, our annual Trunk or Treat.



Please bring your lawn chairs or blanket. This event is open to the whole community.



BLESSING OF THE PETS – Celebrate the pets that make our lives special. If you can't bring your pet, feel free to bring a picture of your pet or a stuffed animal to be blessed.

There will be a sign-up in the Gathering Room for trunks and donations of cakes and candy. This event is for all ages.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Wes or Darlene White at 410-535-5758 or dhwhite59us@yahoo.com.

Trinity United Methodist Church

SEPTEMBER 2019

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
1	2 Labor Day ~ Church Office Closed	3 Missions Meeting 6 pm	4 Covered Dish Supper Bible Study 6:30 pm	5	6	7
8 Rally Day	9 Trustees Meeting 7 pm	10 Worship Meeting 7 pm	11	12	13	14 2020 Planning Retreat 9 am
15 7 am-noon Blood Drive ~ Women's Softball Team Reunion 1 - 3 pm	16	17	18	19	20	21
22 Christmas Musical Auditions 4:30 pm	23	24	25	26	27	28 Farming 4 Hunger Harvest Day 9 am - noon
29 ASP Mission Day ~ New Member and Baptism Sunday	30					

Weekly Ministries

Sunday

8:00 am Worship Service
9:15 am Sunday School (for all ages)
10:30 am Worship Service
6:00 pm Youth Group
6:00 pm Young Adult Bible Study & Fellowship
6:30 pm Bell Choir
7:00 pm AA Meeting

Monday

7:30 pm Calvert Dance Band Rehearsal

Tuesday

9:30 am Stroller Strong
10:00 am Women's Bible Study

Wednesday

10:00 am Open Bible Study
6:30 pm Open Bible Study
7:00 pm Unclouded Day Rehearsal

Thursday

5:30 am Men's Bible Study
6:30 pm Praise Team Rehearsal
7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

Saturday

9:30 am Stroller Strong