

# THE WEEK AND BEYOND AT A GLANCE

Sunday, January 15		
8:30 am Worship Bible Study (cont'd. Book of Isaiah) Sunday School for All 11:00 am Worship Youth Group Council Meeting Youth Group Meeting	8:30 am 9:45 am 9:45 am 11:00 am 5:45 pm 6:30-8:00 pm	Sanctuary Bishop Warman Room Education Building Sanctuary Fellowship Hall Fellowship Hall
Monday, January 16		
Private Voice Lessons Handbell Choir Rehearsal Voices in Praise Monday Rehearsals Tabitha Circle Meeting	5:45-6:30/6:30-7:15 pm 6:30 pm 6:30-8:30 pm 7:00 pm	Sanctuary/Upstairs Classroom Upper Narthex Music Room Fellowship Hall
Tuesday, January 17		
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	7:15-8:45 pm	Music Room
Wednesday, January 18		
Prayer Shawl Ministry Meeting SPRC Meeting	7:00 am 7:30 pm	Fellowship Hall Bishop Warman Room
Thursday, January 19		
Bible Study on the book of Luke	7:00 pm	Fellowship Hall
Sunday, January 22		
Morning Worship Bible Study Sunday School	8:30 & 11:00 am 9:45 am 9:45 am	Sanctuary Bishop Warman Room Education Building

## Human Relations Day

On Jan. 15, the Sunday before the remembrance of the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday, we, United Methodists celebrate [Human Relations Day](#).

This churchwide Special Sunday is our opportunity as The United Methodist Church to extend a helping hand to those in need of hope. Our gifts make a difference by supporting ministries that advocate for social justice, serve survivors of domestic violence, nurture at-risk teens and help rehabilitate drug-addicted mothers and fathers. Appreciate your support through prayers and financial donations!

The FUMC Tabitha Circle announces its' next meeting on Monday, January 16, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall, at which we will prepare Valentines for church Shut-ins and friends. If anyone (Circle Member or not) knows of someone in need of a "Valentine hug in an envelope," please provide his/her/their name(s) and address(es) to Circle President Shari Thorne-Sulima prior to the meeting. All women are welcome to attend the meeting to help expand our Tabitha Circle of Friendship! Call Shari at 301-261-9376 with questions.



## Five-week Discipleship Study: "Membership to Discipleship"

Being a Christian is more than being a church member. We are called to be a disciple. The Great Commission of Jesus is, **"Go and make disciples of all the nations!"** To make disciples of all the nations, we need to be a disciple first. Am I a disciple? How do I become a disciple?

You are invited to ponder and answer these important questions and more. Come and join the 5-week study either Sunday morning or Thursday evening. Share your thoughts and learn from each other. Sign-up sheets are placed in the Narthex and the Fellowship Hall. Thank you for your consideration!

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. Applicant must be enrolled in a Post-Secondary School (PSS) and be a student who has achieved second or fourth year standing as defined by the FUMC BOT. Such advanced training, whether it be academic, trade or technical, may be taken at any school approved by the B.O.T. The award will be presented in February of each year to the student(s) who have followed the outlined procedure and are chosen by the B.O.T. based on the factors listed in the Requirements and Application document available from the church office during office hours, or call the church office at 410-257-7133 and a copy can be sent to you electronically. **THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF A COMPLETED APPLICATION, WITH A COPY OF YOUR TRANSCRIPTS, IS JANUARY 29, 2017. LATE AND INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.**



Ushers and acolytes are needed for 2017. Please consider giving your time and talent to this important part of worship. Sign-up sheets are in the Narthex!



FUMC is participating in the Calvert County Christmas in April program this year. We are in need of volunteers to help with the projects. More information about the type of work will be forthcoming. The project day is April 29, 2017. The minimum age requirement is 14 years old. Please contact Ray Wilkerson (410-257-6396 or [rtwilk92@yahoo.com](mailto:rtwilk92@yahoo.com)) or Chuck Muller (301-855-8688 or [scmuller@verizon.net](mailto:scmuller@verizon.net)) by February 10, 2017 to sign up as a volunteer.

Sign-up sheets for 2017 scripture readers and communion helpers for the 8:30 and 11:00 worship services are in the Narthex. Please take time to sign-up for a Sunday or two!



Please be sure to pick up your 2017 offering envelopes! They are located on a table in the front hall between the Fellowship Hall and the Narthex.

## FRIENDSHIP ZONES

Thanks to the hard work of Bonnie Revell, with the help of Bee Hobbs, a new Zone Calendar for 2017 is posted on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall.

## LEADERSHIP DAYS!

Dear Leaders and future Leaders of Friendship, you are invited to an exciting TWO-PART learning event to encourage, inspire & prepare you for a new year of ministry! Register now for both parts:

**SAT., FEB. 11, 9AM-12:30PM:** a great morning of classes for all ministry interests. Learn more about various church committees, special ministries, community ministry! Choose Good Shepherd UMC in Waldorf or Glen Burnie UMC in Glen Burnie.

**SAT, MARCH 4, 9AM-4PM:** full day workshop with Dr. Phil Maynard, author of "Membership to Discipleship." Come and learn effective ways to "grow disciples," not just church members! REGISTER NOW (last day is Jan. 31). Go to: <http://www.bwcumc.org/events/leadership-days/>



The H.O.M.E. Team is getting ready for the 2017 ASP mission trip this summer (July 2 through July 8). We will start accepting applications from the youth for the summer mission trip starting on Sunday 1/8/17. Because space is limited this year (only 15 spaces for youth) we will be taking applications on a first come first serve basis. All applications must be filled in completely and

accompanied with the payment (there are scholarships for anyone needing one). All applications must be received no later than 3/19/17. Applications are available in the Fellowship Hall, through the church office (410-257-7133), or online on our website: [www.friendshipmethodist.org](http://www.friendshipmethodist.org).

To help raise funds for our trip we will hold the Super Bowl Sub Sale again this year on Sunday Feb 5<sup>th</sup>. Order forms are available in the Narthex and there will be a box in the Narthex starting Sunday 1/8/17 to start collecting Sub orders.



**Scholarships Available:** The Baltimore-Washington Conference is once again offering college scholarships for the Fall 2017 semester. Students can apply through March 1 using an online application system. Scholarships are available to students attending or enrolling in accredited colleges and universities in the United States. Students must be an active member of a church for at least one year and be attending (or will attend) an accredited college or university within the United States full-time. Students will need to provide their official transcript (high school or college) and contact information for two church references (pastor and another member of the church). In addition, the student must have a minimum GPA of 2.5 or higher. [Learn more and apply](#). Please contact [Cheryl Cook](#) at 410-309-3446 with any questions.

The Lothian Ruritan Club is sponsoring ten \$1,000.00-per-year scholarships to be awarded to graduating high school seniors. You can pick up an application and information about the requirements in the Fellowship Hall or you can pick a copy up in the church office Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 9 am until 4 pm. This application is not available online through Friendship church.



FUMC is in search of a "Part-time Children/Youth Ministry Coordinator", who will coordinate a church pastoral ministry for children and youth. This individual will develop close communications with, and mutual support from, families of children/youth, as well as to collaborate with other community and church organizations and offices. Full description available in the Fellowship Hall or contact the office for an electronic copy.