



## Vacation Bible School (VBS)

June 26<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> \* 9:00 am. To 12:00 noon

Each summer Friendship United Methodist Church hosts a fun and spirit-filled week of Vacation Bible School (VBS) for ages 3 through completion of 5<sup>th</sup> grade. This year's theme is Maker Fun Factory and

will excite kids to learn about God through games, interactive Bible stories, music and more. To register please use our church website [www.friendshipmethodist.org](http://www.friendshipmethodist.org). The cost is \$10.00 per child which buys a T-Shirt for your child or children. Hope to see you this summer.

Volunteers for Crew Leaders are still needed. Must have completed 6<sup>th</sup> grade or older.

Must enjoy working with children in small group settings.

**ALL VOLUNTEERS MUST REGISTER ON THE WEBSITE!**

If you have any questions, please contact or call Ev Klahr at: 443-550-3209.



**Christmas in April for the Cooks of Friendship!** On April 29<sup>th</sup> those of us with more talent in the kitchen than with a hammer provide lunch for the Christmas in April workers and families living in the homes they are working on, and of course those of us serving the meal. Joyce Terry will be coordinating lunch. If you have a favorite

dish you would like to prepare, step up now! If you can't go to the site, we will be collecting food at the church at 10:30 am. Contact Joyce at [joyceterry@comcast.net](mailto:joyceterry@comcast.net) or 301-855-2461 for more information.

The FLOWER CALENDAR still has a lot of open Sundays for placing flowers on the altar tables. The following dates are still available: June 25<sup>th</sup>; July 9, 16, 23, and 30<sup>th</sup>; August 20 and 27<sup>th</sup>; and September 17 and 24<sup>th</sup>. The calendar is in the glass case, on the wall, in the Narthex. If you have any questions, you can contact Marge Lewis at (301) 855-6497.



Practice for the Church softball league has begun on Monday nights at Wilkerson field from 5:30-7:30. Anyone interested can call Mike Edelen at 410-610-3030 or E-mail [Norton1779@yahoo.com](mailto:Norton1779@yahoo.com). Games are on Saturday or Sunday afternoon or evening from April until July.

## THE WEEK AND BEYOND AT A GLANCE

Sunday, April 16		
Easter Morning Sunrise Worship	6:30 am	Herrington Harbor South
Easter Morning Worship	8:30 am & 11:00 am	Sanctuary
Monday, April 17		
Voices In Priase Spring Show Rehearsal	10:00 am-8:30 pm	Fellowship Hall//Upstairs Classroom
Private Voice Lessons	5:45-6:30/6:30-7:15pm	Upper Narthex
Handbell Choir Rehearsal	6:30 pm	Fellowship Hall & Music Room
Tuesday, April 18		
Jack Dorsey, Sr. Funeral & Luncheon	11:00 am	Sanctuary/Fellowship Hall
Children's Choir Rehearsal	6:30-7:00 pm	Music Room
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	7:15-8:45 pm	Music Room
Wednesday, April 19		
Senior Citizens Luncheon	12:00 noon	Fellowship Hall
Thursday, April 20		
Bible Study	7:00 pm	Fellowship Hall
Sunday, April 23		
Morning Worship	8:30 am & 11:00 am	Sanctuary
Bible Study	9:45 am	Bishop Warman Room
Sunday School	9:45 am	Education Building
Monday, April 24		
Tabitha's Circle Night out	6:30 pm	Rips Country Inn

**Welcome Bags for Our Visitors:** Welcome Friends! Friendship UMC is so glad that you are worshipping with us this morning! Please let an usher know if you are a new visitor - they have a welcome bag for you! Each bag contains information about the many programs and activities at FUMC, as well as special goodies. We hope you will visit with us and help us expand our circle of Friendship!

### Children's Message Volunteer

Do you love working with FUMC's youngest members? If so, here is an opportunity just for you! Volunteers are sought to assist with the presentation of the Children's message. Please sign up on the sheet located in the Narthex or see Pastor Wayne. The only requirements are a heart for children and a desire to share easy Bible lessons with them!



We invite you to visit the Stephen Ministry Bulletin Board in Fellowship Hall. Our Lenten Theme of Repentance has been changed to a message of Renewal. Please add a prayer to our display and clip it to the wire. Feel free to take a prayer card with you!

Wednesday, April 19

12:00 NOON

All Seniors are invited to this free luncheon lovingly prepared by Bonnie Revell. Our program will be a time of sharing our memories of Friendship Church. This material will be used to help write the next chapter of our church's history. RSVP to Bonnie Dean at the church office – 410-257-7133 or [bsuedean@friendshipmethodist.org](mailto:bsuedean@friendshipmethodist.org).



### Seniors' Lunch



### Building Community for Aging in Place: Neighbors Helping Neighbors

**Monday, May 1 \* 11:00 am**  
**Deale Library \* 5940 Deale-Churchton Rd.**

Come for coffee and comradery and learn about *Partners In Care (PIC)*, a local nonprofit organization whose mission is to empower older adults to remain independent in their homes and active in their communities. Linda Dennis, Anne Arundel County Site Coordinator for *PIC*, will speak about the many ways people can become involved in a unique culture of service exchange that enables participants to contribute to the well-being of their neighbors and themselves.

*Partners In Care* members provide services that include transportation, handyman services for safety and small maintenance tasks, help with paperwork or managing applications for food and/or fuel assistance, friendly visits, and other important advocacy needs. In return for their time, members receive credit towards services they might need in the future.

Those in need of services, interested in volunteering, or curious about the mission to create communities of support for older adults are encouraged to attend.

## VOICES IN PRAISE

Save the Date! Voices In Praise will present *Sentimental Journey: A Celebration of Swing* on Saturday, June 24 at 4pm and 7pm at Southern High School in Harwood, Maryland. This concert and silent auction event will be a swingin' good time for everyone! **Voices In Praise is looking for event sponsors (individuals or businesses), as well as items for our silent auction.** If you can help, please contact Tina Wilkerson ([rtwilk92@yahoo.com](mailto:rtwilk92@yahoo.com) or 410-257-6396) or Holly Reynolds Lee ([HollyRLee@gmail.com](mailto:HollyRLee@gmail.com) or 301-728-1748). Thank you!



### Yes, it's time to think about the summer Breakfast Club Ministry!

In 2011 Mt. Zion UMC began its Breakfast Club Ministry for the purpose of providing bagged breakfast meals to children in our southern end of Anne Arundel County. These children attend Lothian and Tracy's elementary schools, and often the only meals they get during their day is through the free or reduced breakfasts and lunches provided at their school.

The Breakfast Club will run for 9 weeks, from June 19 – August 18, Monday through Friday. This is 2 weeks longer than last year because schools will be ending earlier in June and the summer break has been extended until after Labor Day.

As we have done for the past few years, in addition to bagged breakfast meals, on Fridays we will also be giving a weekend bag of extra food to families. Our desire is to make sure the families have sufficient food to carry them through the weekend.

For more information, you may contact Donna at 301-399-0040 or by email [d.catterton@yahoo.com](mailto:d.catterton@yahoo.com). You may also call the Mt. Zion church office at 410-867-4035. **A meeting for all volunteers will be held on Wednesday, May 3 at 7:00 pm at Mt. Zion Church in Lothian - many volunteers are needed for this ministry. We thank you in advance for all that you can do to help as we feed God's children.**

Friendship's Children's choir has returned! All children in pre-kindergarten through fifth grade are welcome to come and make a joyful noise to the Lord. We meet on Tuesday evenings from 6:30 PM until 7 PM. Holly Reynolds Lee will serve as the interim director and Sandy Griese will serve as the accompanist. If you have any questions, please contact Holly (301-728-1748 or [Hollyrlee@gmail.com](mailto:Hollyrlee@gmail.com)) or Sandy Melson Griese (443-968-2612 or [smgriese42@gmail.com](mailto:smgriese42@gmail.com)). We are looking for a permanent director for this ensemble. Please contact Jim Sulima (301-261-9376), Chair of the SPRC Committee if you are interested.



This year the Sunday School classes are participating in a Lenten Missions Project raising money to support Freedom Hill Horse Rescue. Freedom Hill Horse Rescue, located in Owings, works to save neglected, abused, and unwanted horses that are typically difficult to adopt. These horses are often older, have sustained injuries, or developed chronic disease. **Our goal is to raise \$200 to purchase needed supplies and we are almost half-way there!**