

THE WEEK AND BEYOND AT A GLANCE

Sunday, December 15		
Sunday Morning Worship	8:30 am	Sanctuary
Sunday School	9:45-10:45 am	Education Building
Sunday Morning Worship "Blue Christmas Service"	11:00 am	Sanctuary
Ladies Circle Cookie Sale	Following worship	Fellowship Hall
Monday, December 16		
No Handbell Rehearsal		
Voices In Praise Rehearsals	6:30-8:30 pm	Music Room
Tuesday, December 17		
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	7:15-8:45 pm	Music Room
Wednesday, December 18		
Senior's Christmas Luncheon	12 noon	Dockside Restaurant
Thursday, December 19		
Advent Study	7:00 pm	Fellowship Hall
Friday, December 20		
Voices In Praise at the National Christmas Tree	6:00 pm	Washington, DC
Saturday, December 21		
Cantata Rehearsal	9:00 am	Sanctuary
Sunday, December 22		
Sunday Morning Worship – Sanctuary Choir Cantata	8:30 & 11:00 am	Sanctuary
Health & BP Check	After 8:30 & 11:00	Fellowship Hall

Our Service:

Ministers	All Members and Volunteers at Friendship
Secretary	Bonnie Dean, bsuedean@friendshipmethodist.org
Music Team	Sandy Melson Griese, Chrys Hill, Micah Cooley
Children & Youth Ministry	Courtney Eversfield, cymc@friendshipmethodist.org
8:30 am Ushers	Harry Hill & Bonnie Revell
11:00 Ushers	Richard Chaney, & Wheeler Green
Counters	Will Fowler & Pat Shumate
Electronic Giving Counter	Larry Myers
Friendship Time	<i>No Friendship Time due to construction</i>
Altar Guild for December	Marge Lewis 301-855-6497
Stephen Ministry Coord.	Paula Madden 443-262-2635 (C)
Pastor	Rev. Thomas E. Young, Jr., revtyoung@friendshipmethodist.org

Our Presence:	Worship Attendance Last Sunday	175
	Average Weekly Worship	170

Our Gifts: Please strive to tithe! The Bible asks us to tithe 10% of our income to God. Many of our members are doing this already. How about you? You may give your offering electronically (EFT). Call the church office to set it up. ***Stewardship is rather a way of life than an annual campaign. Thank You for your faithful stewardship!***

PRAYER CONCERNS OF FRIENDSHIP CHURCH

Delores Ward, Monique Anderson's mother Maris Kneeland, battling cancer and health issues, Jerome Stallings, Jerry Burdsall, Tyler Madden. *If you would like someone added to our prayer list, please contact Bonnie in the church office – 410-257-7133.*

The flowers on the altar today are given by Terry Baum in memory of her mother Betty Rawlings, and in honor of the December birthdays of her grandson Austin Cox and her daughter Katrina Graham

The church office will be closed from December 20, 2019 through January 6, 2020. Please contact Pastor Young at 443-646-5653, email: revtyoung@friendshipmethodist.org; or Bonnie Dean at 410-257-2029 with any pastoral needs

The Ladies Circles will be having a cookie sale TODAY following the 8:30 and the 11:00 am Worship Service in the Fellowship Hall.



Cookie Sale



There will be a CHRISTMAS TREE in the hall between the Sanctuary and Sunday School building. Place a card on the tree sending Christmas greetings to everyone with one card and no stamp. You can place a donation in the basket that will go to SCAN.

Friendship Seniors Christmas Luncheon

*Wednesday, December 18, 2019
12:00 noon
Dockside Restaurant*

Escape from the hustle and bustle of the holiday preparations and join us for a relaxing and delicious Dutch treat lunch!



RSVP to Bonnie Dean by Sunday, December 15 (410-257-7133)

The FUMC is partnering with St. James Episcopal Church once again to stuff Christmas Dinner Baskets for Neighbors in Need on Saturday, December 21st. We will be accepting donations to purchase dinners for approx. 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 bags can show up at St. James on Saturday, December 21nd anytime between 7:15 AM and 8:30 AM. If you want to arrive later and help with distributing the bags to the recipients, we can certainly use your help between 8:30 and 10:30AM. Call Sarah Vansant at 410-212-0944 if you have any questions about the event.

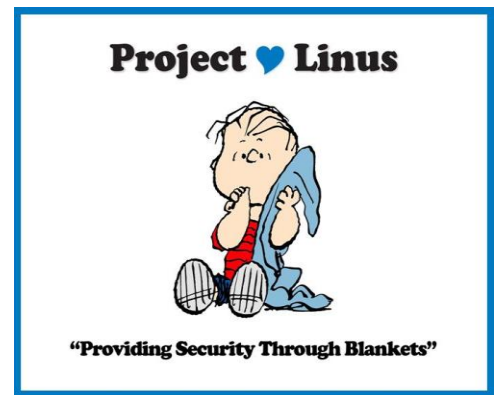
Christmas Food Baskets



FUMC Fabric Drive

Collection Runs 12/1/19 - 1/12/20

FUMC Youth is collecting fabric throughout the month of December to make blankets for a non-profit group called Project Linus. This group donates homemade blankets to children in hospitals, homeless shelters, etc. There will be a donation bin in the Narthex. *For details see Courtney!*



If you are looking for a "Toys for Tots" location to donate you can take NEW UNWRAPPED toys to Rausch Funeral Home in Owings - they have a collection box there and would welcome donations!



Lighting the Advent Wreath is a custom that began with Lutherans and Catholics. Each candle has a special name. First is Hope, second is Preparation, third is joy, fourth is love and the last candle is the Christ Candle.

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 26, 2020.** 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 in the Fellowship Hall, or from the church office during office hours.



You are invited to attend the Good News Jail & Prison Ministry Prayer Breakfast in support of Jennifer Road Detention Center/Ordnance Road Correction Center

Thursday, January 9, 2020

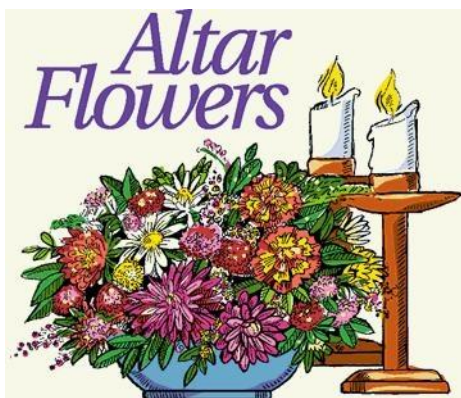
7:30-9:00 am

Trinity United Methodist Church,
1300 West Street, Annapolis, MD

RSVP: 410-222-4549 or

Chase.wood@goodnewsjail.org or brit.fletcher@goodnewsjail.org

No cost to attend, a free will offering will be taken to benefit the Chaplains Ministry



The 2020 flower calendar is now posted in the glass wall case in the Narthex. If you would like to sponsor altar flowers in memory of or in honor of a loved one or friend be sure to sign up! If you have any questions, see Marge Lewis.



Be sure to check out the glass case in the Narthex for the Christmas display by Oden and Debbie Warman.



Christmas Eve SERVICES

*Tuesday, December 24, 2019
(all services will contain candle lighting)*

6:00 pm – Music by the Sanctuary choir

8:30 pm – Music by Voices In Praise & Alumni

11:00 pm – Communion