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Mission Statement: "We invite everyone to become disciples of Christ by loving and serving God and actively living out their faith."

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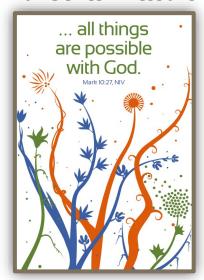
October Sermon Series: "Lessons from Mark"

World Communion Sunday

"Lunch is on Jesus" Psalm 26:1-7 Mark 6:30-44 Music: the Choir

10

"For Richer or Poorer" Psalm 22:1-5 Mark 10:17-27 Music: Bell Choir



"A 'Mite-y' Widow" Psalm 104:1-9 Mark 12:41-44 Music: the Choir

24

Graham Witt leading worship Music: the Choir

31

"The Heart of a Child" Psalm 146:1-10 Mark 10:13-15

Join in

WORSHIP

Sundays at

10:00 AM

in the

Sanctuary

or view it

Live-stream on YouTube

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Promised Land Quartet in Concert



Saturday, October 9 at 6:00 p.m.

Dayton UMC Sanctuary Free Will Offering. **Light Refreshments** follow.

Spread the word and invite your friends & neighbors!

No Tricks - Just Treats!

We are ecstatic to announce that our 5th Sunday potluck dinners will resume October 31st! Bring a dish to share and **Polluck** join us for lunch after worship in the fellowship hall.

> Volunteers are needed to set-up and clean-up. Contact Lena Osborne at LenaRO@aol.com.



SERVING

Nursery

- 3 Amy Simmons
- 10 Jan Alley
- 17 Jennifer & Ellianna Appleton
- 24 Elaine Heatwole
- 31 Anna & Abby Simmons

Children's Church

- 3 Kim Nieder
- 10 Denise Lough
- 17 need a volunteer
- 24 Abby & Anna Simmons
- 31 Emma Jackson & Chloe Nieder

Pew Stewards

- 3 Stacie Jackson
- 10 Linda Covington
- 17 Margaret Thornton
- 24 Mary Nieswander
- 31 Elaine Heatwole

Coffee Social

- 10 Beverly & Steve Smith
- 24 Lois Lineberry & Jennifer Appleton
 - Held on the 2nd & 4th Sundays of each month. Check for a sign-up or contact Lena Osborne

Greeters

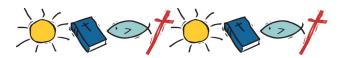
Sign-up in the narthex to volunteer

Flowers

- 3 Communion
- 10 available
- 17 Kathy Day
- 24 Lois Lineberry
- 31 available

We greatly appreciate the beautiful altar arrangements recently shared by the Lineberry/Appleton family and the Steele family in memory of loved ones. If you like to remember someone special, there is a flower chart in the narthex where you can sign up for a Sunday.

CONNECTING



F.I.S.H. (Friends In Service to Him) is B.A.C.K....

...and anyone is welcome to join in any Sunday! They are watching "The Acts of the Apostles," an 8-week course through RightNow Media. Class starts at 11:15 or "as soon as we can get everyone gathered up from coffee social." The videos run about 20 minutes followed by discussion. The class is led by Robin Simmons and Jay Ralston and meets in the corner room of the downstairs education hallway. https://www.rightnowmedia.org/content/series/499781.



Serve the Lord with Gladness!

Come into His Presence with SINGING!

(Psalm 100:1-2 ESV)

The Choir is seeking new members and everyone is welcome. No previous experience or music reading ability required. We practice in the sanctuary on Thursdays at 7 PM. Want to join just for the Christmas Cantata? That would be splendid! Those rehearsals will begin in October. Contact director Nicole Jenkins for more information.



We are excited to announce that we again offering **Children's Church every Sunday!** This program is for kids Pre-K thru Grade 2. Children are asked to sit with their parents for the beginning of worship then Pastor Jenny will dismiss them, following Children's Time to a room downstairs.

We'd like more teachers in the rotation. See the list above. If you'd like to help, contact Kim Nieder or Denise Lough.



If you are reading this *before* October 1st - Dayton Days is Saturday, Oct. 2! If you are donating soup or items have them to the church by 5:00 pm on Friday.

If you are reading this *after* October 2nd - A BIG "Thank You" to everyone who helped in anyway with our booths at Dayton Days!

Helping Children in Need



Food Backpacks to be Filled in November & December

We are again providing backpacks of food to students at Pence Middle School identified as needing meals on weekends. We are responsible for the months of November and December. **Currently**, **34** backpacks

are being sent home weekly which is an increase of 40% from last year. This will be our 5th year with this mission made possible by the wonderful support of our DUMC congregation!

Please consider helping in any of the following ways:

- 1. Monetary donations are welcomed by noting "food backpacks" in the subject line of your check and mailing or dropping off at the church.
- 2. Food donations will be collected starting Sunday, October 3rd. Boxes will be placed in the coffee social area of the church for donations. This year, the 5 churches in our district are partnering with Hope Distributed to purchase some of the food items at a lower cost but other items are still needed and are listed below. Reimbursement can be requested by leaving the receipt in your bag with you name and address at the top. Reimbursement checks will be mailed in October and November.

- ◆ Easy Mac cups
- ◆ Chef Boyardee cups
- ◆ Ramen/Cup Noodles
- ◆ Instant Oatmeal packets
- Cereal (in single-serve bowls, pouches or mini-boxes)
- ◆ Juice boxes or pouches
- ♦ Microwave popcorn
- ◆ "Little Debbie" -type cakes
- ♦ Cheese crackers (aka Nabs)
- Saltine Crackers (boxes with Individual sleeves)

3. Shopping – If you wish to be an "angel shopper", please call or email Stacie Jackson directly (scjackson@vcsb.org) to schedule a week and receive a shopping list.

Please remember *single-serving sizes only* as we are not able to divide larger boxes into individual servings. Any questions, please contact Stacie Jackson at 540-560-5300.



Apple Tree Project: Harvesting Joy and Hope

Once again, Dayton UMC will be supporting the **Kingsway Apple Tree** project which collects Christmas gifts for children of families affected by the incarceration of a parent or step-parent. Below, you will find 2 ways in which you can choose to support this mission.

Stop by the Coffee Social area on **Sunday, October 3** following in-person worship and choose a name. Shop for the desired gift, return the unwrapped gift with \$5-8 for shipping to the designated box in the narthex on Sunday mornings or during church office hours.

Deadline is November 7 for the gift return.

Send a check in the amount of \$20 for the gift plus the cost of shipping, with the designation "Apple Tree Project" in the memo line to the church office and DUMC elves will shop for you.

Thank you in advance for helping to put a smile on a child's face on Christmas morning.

Operation Christmas Child at DUMC

We are again offering the opportunity for you to participate in The Samaritan's Purse project Operation Christmas Child. Each shoebox is filled with fun toys, school supplies, and hygiene items. The boxes are then delivered to children in need around the world to demonstrate God's love in a tangible way. Since 1993, Operation Christmas Child has delivered over 188 million shoebox gifts in more than 170 countries and territories. Be on the lookout for information how you can fill and send your own shoebox. Look in the Coffee Social Room! *-Jennifer Appleton*





- 1 Jan Lambert
- 1 Beth Moseley
- 1 Janis Ralston
- 2 Nicholas Stockner
- 4 Sarah Ralston
- 5 Brendan Parsley
- 5 Norma Snyder
- 6 Doris W. Bowman
- 7 Earl Thornton
- 10 Bonnie Dellinger
- 11 Jeff Weaver
- 12 Harold Meyerhoeffer
- 15 Lolly Miller
- 16 Kim Nieder
- 17 Jenny Day
- 17 Kathy Suter
- 21 Margaret Thornton
- 23 Phil Gentry
- 24 Carter Alley
- 27 John Ralston
- 27 Chris Simmons
- 29 Cameron Jackson
- 31 Drew Eberly



24 Tom & Brenda Legg ('92) 26 Hugh & Betty Robinson ('91)

News from Open Doors

by Graham Witt

So much has changed in the world and in the life of our church in the last two years; Open Doors, our local shelter for those experiencing homelessness, is no



Warmth, shelter and support for our homeless

exception. Dayton UMC can be joyfully proud of its service to Open Doors over the last 6 years. From opening up our Fellowship Hall as a shelter for 3-4 weeks, to providing weeks of meals and sharing transportation needs with our bus, **Dayton UMC has been a blessing to Open Doors.** As Pastor Jenny has been focusing on James this month, we can see the fruit of faith through this service as we have engaged the least and the lost. There cannot be truly good works without faith; so there cannot be true faith without works.

As we consider future support for this mission, an update concerning changes to Open Doors seems in order. Some may not be aware but **Open Doors is no longer a 6 month shelter program but is now a year round shelter.** They are also in the process of finalizing a permanent location for a shelter starting 2022. This removes the hosting needs from our faith communities' buildings. With this new structure in mind the shelter needs and requests from Dayton UMC, as well as other faith communities and service organizations, have changed. Open Doors will now burden the entire load of facilities, meals, personnel, maintenance, utilities, etc. that faith communities provided in the past. This is a wonderful opportunity for Dayton UMC to respond where it is most capable.

Specifically, **Open Doors will need year-round dinner support** from our community. This can be on an individual or group basis, or even just financial support for meals during a week. We can also look to provide volunteer opportunities that range from serving meals to maintenance and custodial duties after guests have left the shelter. There will also be the need for donations and gift contributions, both in monetary as well as goods and supplies. These provide opportunities for our Dayton UMC congregation to reconnect and find that calling to serve that God has put in our hearts. We are all hungry to reignite our passion to serve while reconnecting with each other. This is that perfect opportunity.

The immediate need will be meals starting October. **Dayton UMC has our first meal serving later this month:** October 11, 12, 13, 15, 16 (just 5 meals). We will sign up for these meals online at: https://signup.com/go/curmdjW As always, please don't hesitate to contact our DUMC Open Doors lead with any questions:

Graham Witt, 540-383-8420, hoowitts@comcast.net.

We are sad to report that our dear friend, **Rev. Alda Gunn**, died September 21st. Please be in prayer for her family and all who love her. There will be a memorial service at Dayton UMC on Saturday, November 27 at 11:00 a.m. Cards of sympathy may be sent to her daughter,

Cecile Desmond 18 Toon Lane Lee, NH 03861. **Thank you, Ericka Gregory** for the beautiful fall containers by the front doors of the church.



We extend our sympathies to **Curtis Steele and family** on the death of his uncle, Larry Steele.

New Address:

Paige and Ann Will

102 Meadow Lane Bridgewater, VA 22812

Flora Belle Byrd

210 Virginia Ave., Apt. 303 Bridgewater, VA 22812

New Phone #

Nancy Byrd - 540-246-9152



Grades 6-12

Our next meeting will be on **October 23rd for a Fall Potluck**. The Steele family will be hosting at 525 Weavers Road. Hotdogs, pulled pork, drinks, and s'mores will be provided. We are asking each youth to bring a prepared side. The potluck will be from 6:00 to 8:00 pm. Our theme for this event will be "Turning Fear into God's Joy."

Immediately following the potluck, those who would like to go, may ride the church bus to **Fear Forest**. Those who do not wish to attend may be picked up at the Steele home at 8 PM. Note: According to their website, Fear Forest is suitable for those 12 and up. More details will be provided as the event gets closer.

All Youth in middle or high school are welcome!

Here's a photo from our putt-putt golf and lunch at El Charro outing. Everyone had a great time!



YOUNG FIRST FOLLWERS YFF

Grades K-5

Next YFF Event:

Harvest/Pumpkin Painting Party Sunday, Oct. 24th at 2:00 pm









Treasurer's Report: Jan - Aug 2021 Budget	
Contributions/Income	\$157,222.41
Expenditures	\$170,904.43
Year-to-Date Budget	\$208,178.66
Designated Contributions	\$11,980.85
Mortgage Report as of Aug. 31, 2021	
Loan Amount	\$650,000.00
Principal payments	\$136,075.20
Loan Balance	\$513,924.80
Extra payments on principal	\$572,078.89**
** Includes Original + Refinanced Mortgage	

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Can't get to worship? Watch it LIVE! Check out our YouTube Channel! **DaytonUMC-VA**



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