



The 2022
Season of Stewardship

Thank you for worshipping with us this morning. We extend a special welcome to our guests.



For Children: We have trained nursery staff (paid nursery attendant as well as adult volunteers) for ages 0-4. The nursery is located on the first floor outside of the Community Room. (Accessible by the stairs from the Church Street Entrance or via the elevator). Children ages 5 and above are invited to stay and worship with their families. Children's programs, books, and crayons are located in the rear of the sanctuary near the welcome table.

Hymn selections can be found in the black hymnals in the pew racks or printed in the bulletin. If you are visiting and did not stop at the welcome desk in the downstairs lobby please stop by after the service they would love to meet you or, please feel free to reach out to someone sitting near you and ask them questions about the service or church. Many of our visitors ask us about the time of offering. This is a time in our service when we respond to God's gifts of love by offering the gifts of our lives. For many of us, this is when we make a financial gift towards the ministries and programs of our church. We also use this time to ask God how we might use the gifts of our hands and hearts in sharing God's love. If you are visiting, there is no obligation to give a financial gift. We are just glad you are worshipping with us. At this time we are taking offering at the end of the service. Plates for offering will be placed at the doors as you exit the sanctuary. Thank you.

We ask that you please silence your cell phones during our worship service. We also ask that you refrain from applause after our choirs sing and allow the music to resonate in the quiet of the sanctuary and in your hearts. Our musicians are playing and singing for the glory of God. They know you appreciate their efforts and their gift.

Rest rooms (equipped with changing stations) are located on the first floor of the church building and outside the Community Room and the Nursery.

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EVANGELICAL REFORMED CHURCH

United Church of Christ

- An Open and Affirming Congregation -

September 19, 2021

17th Sunday After Pentecost

10:30 a.m.

*All who are able may stand.

Chimes Concert at 10:00 a.m. from Trinity Chapel's steeple

Greetings and Announcements

Acts of Love and Story Telling from Angela Brittain

Prelude

*Sonata in Bb Major, RV 47 - A. Vivaldi
David Howard, cello*

***Call to Worship**

Jesus challenges us in today's gospel

Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.

Then Jesus took a little child and put it among them;
and taking the child in his arms, he said to them:

Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me.

And whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.

We are still learning today what Jesus came to teach us two thousand years ago. To change the world we must change the way we love and welcome all children!

May we learn to love all children as if they were our own!

***Opening Prayer**

Dear God,

Jesus has called us to welcome children as a way to welcome you.

So please, hear our voices as we welcome the children in our midst:

We welcome you in the name of Jesus Christ!

And please, dear God of compassion and justice, hear our voices:

With the presence of our children we welcome you!

Teach us the way to make the last first and to be servants of all.

Guide us in your way of humility and service.

Show us how to become disciples of Jesus Christ

your Child and our brother.

We ask for blessings on all your children in our holy family. **Amen.**

***Call to Confession**

Let us think about all the children in our own lives, our community's life, and in our world. What are their needs; where do we fail as individuals and community in welcome, nurture and care for them? *(Silence)*

***Prayer of Confession**

Almighty God — creator, shaper and sustainer of all life,

And loving God:

We confess that we have not loved you with our whole hearts;

We have been careless with the creation you so lovingly crafted,

And deaf to its song of praise.

We have taken to satisfy our selfish desires, rather than our need

And been indifferent to the consequences

As your world's song of praise has been silenced.

Because of our greed and carelessness, the world is hurting, and many of your most vulnerable

children are suffering as a result.

Please forgive our indifference.

***Assurance of Pardon**

We give thanks for our savior and teacher Jesus Christ, who was born among us as a child needing nurture and care, and grew to reveal your power to make all things new.

We give thanks and rejoice that in Christ we are forgiven and given strength to grow in discipleship. Move us to love and care for your world

And make us ready to work for the good of all creation.

Through the love and power of Jesus Christ.

Thanks be to God!

Thought for the Day

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven

hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done

on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

(Teachers and children ages 4 through 2nd grades may be dismissed for Children's Church, located in the Alcove on the lower level of the Sanctuary.)

***Hymn** *Won't You Let Me Be Your Servant?*

- No. 539

The Scriptures

Psalm 1

OT Page 89

Mark 9: 30-37

NT Page 45

Reader: The word of God for the people of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

Solo

*Sicilienne- G. Fauré
David Howard, cello*

Sermon

Prayers of the People

Prayer Response *Lord Listen to Your Children Praying*

- K. Medema

Lord listen to your children praying, Lord send your Spirit in this place.

**Lord listen to your children praying, Send us love, send us pow'r,
send us grace.**

Presentation from the Green Team

Offering of Tithes, Gifts and Lives to Christ's Service

O God, you who have given us life, you who have made every child a holy child, we give you thanks. May we open our hearts now and give generously to you and to your church - for the sake of the children who are our future.

Offertory *As a Little Child*

- J.M. Martin
Senior Choir

***Presentation of Gifts**

***Prayer of Dedication**

As endless as the sky is your love for us, O God. Endless, too, is our love for you. Receive these gifts, offered as tools to help us – through our church – to do your work in the world. Amen.

***Closing Hymn** *Pray for the Wilderness*

- No. 557
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Pray for the wilderness, vanishing fast,
pray for the rain forest, open and vast;
Pray for the waterfalls, pray for the trees,
pray for the planet brought down by degrees.

Learn from the elephant, eagle, and whale,
learn from the dragonfly, spider, and snail;
Learn from the people in neighboring lands,
learn from the children who play in their sands.

Work for the justice created things need,
work for the health of each plant and its seed;
Work for the creatures abuse has betrayed,
work for the garden God's wisdom once made.

Trust that God's Christ overcame nails and wood,
trust that earth's people will turn to the good;
Trust that creation forever will grow,
trust that God's goodness to us overflows.

Pray for the atmosphere, pray for the sea,
learn from the river, the rock, and the tree;
Work till shalom in full harmony rings.
Trust the connection of all living things.

***Benediction**

Go forth and welcome all God's children,
making the last, first, and becoming a servant to all.
Like Jesus, take a little child and put her among you;
take her into your arms, and remember,
Whoever welcomes one such child welcomes God!
Go forth to change the world as Jesus has commanded by
offering welcome, justice and compassion to all children and to the "least of
these." Go forth in God's welcome and love.

***Sevenfold Amen**

- No. 814

Postlude



Worship Notes The Call to Worship and Prayer of Dedication is from: To Change the World, Welcome the Children: Service Prayers for the Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost was written by the Rev. Bonnie Tarwater of San Diego, CA. The Prayer of Confession is from 2011 www.thesanctuarycentre.org/whereworldandworshipmeet

The flowers on the altar this morning are in memory of loved ones by Jack Stush and Audrey Rayfield.

The **yellow rose bud** on the stand is in honor of my recently discovered half-brother, Master Sergeant Michael Joseph Dremel (USAF-Retired), who served in the Iraq War.

Today: Sept. 19, 2021

Liturgists: Linda Coyle

Deacons: Mark Ulrich and Darryl Glick

Elders: Tyler York

Greeters: Tom & Rachel Ford, Starr Schaeberle

Welcome: Holly Davis

Sound: Kelly Esslinger, Amanda Spencer,
Jeff Schaeberle

Chimers: Saturday: Tricia Coffey
Sunday: Tricia Coffey

Next Week: Sept. 26, 2021

Jo Ann Fritz

Betsy Selby and Andrew Beadle

Peter Brehm

Felecia Bishop, Sue Pinner, Patti Peterson

Pat Condo

Rodney Martin, Jeff Baker, Ethan Kline

Dick Williams

Kelly Esslinger

If you are interested in sponsoring the yellow rose, please contact the church office.

Attendance Last Sunday: 8:30 – 21; 10:30 – 127



Every Sunday at 10:30

<https://sundaystreams.com/go/ERUCC>

Want to listen to the sermon again? Visit our Youtube channel:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC9_hGBb5tBHeZuvqBvSbX5w

You can get to the link on our homepage at www.erucc.org



Worship Next Week: September 26

Sunday is from Mark 9: 38-50. In a cultural context where who is in, who is out, and who is right is an important concern, the first disciples find themselves preoccupied with another who is not a part of their group. The story in Esther 7:1–6, 9–10; 9:20–22 describes a woman shows great courage and fortitude in overcoming the social and political roadblocks to saving her people and her integrity as part of her community of belonging. The epistle of James 5: 13-20 gives us a picture of the early church that cares for those among them who are sick. Rev. Richard Leslie will be preaching this morning as Pastor Daniel attends the wedding of her nephew in Philadelphia. The Pomeroy family will be sharing their thoughts on our stewardship theme, “Acts of Love.”

Hospital and Prayer List – Your pastor wants to be available when members of ERUCC are in the hospital. Please let us know so that we can visit with you and your family and provide support. We always ask permission before adding a name to be included in the prayer list or in the verbal announcements on a Sunday morning. There are many for whom we pray and visit whose names are not listed in the bulletin by their request.

Prayer List - Prayer List – Please remember the following people in your prayers: Ed Hoffman

Peggy Githerman, Tom Frazier, Family of Lt. Andrew “Stew” Alcorn IV, The Laird Family, Jeannette Johnson, Emogene Wyand, Fran Wenner, Neremiah Castillo (niece of Andrew Beadle) Bonnie Devilbiss, Michelle Smith (friend of Darryl Glick and Mark Ulrich), Maria Csiba (mother of Tamara Tamas), Trish Carey, Betsy Fisher, James “Jimmy” Sutphin (friend of Dan Smith), Danielle Hankey (friend of Ben Mercier), Leslie Tennant (mother of Maria Tennant), The McCarty family, Nikki Keller, Barbara Lee (sister of Milt Crutchley), Alyce Schimd (sister of Dennie Schmid), Tina Prescott (daughter in law of Barbara and Bill Prescott) Mary Remsberg, Susan Matesa (friend of Dan Smith & Austin Byrd), Susan McCauley (niece of Jack Stush), Heleen (sister of Karin Mens), Kathy Blue Shores (friend of Jean Fish and Barb Biser), Terry Smiley (uncle of Scott Smiley), Shawn Smiley (cousin of Scott Smiley), Gretchen Manuel (niece of Audrey Rayfield), Ann and Cal Theiss (parents of Katharine Alley), Frank Tymczyszyn (brother in law of Nancy Jones), Debra Reedy (friend of Jean Fish and Barb Biser), Jess Pautz (friend of Sean Sexton).

*We ask you to remember all of those currently serving in the Armed Forces.
Your prayers and cards are welcomed and appreciated by those on our prayer list*

ERUCC Youth

Sunday, September 26th from 7-8:30 pm. Paige and Veronica are planning a craft. Come to the Community Room

Saturday, October 2nd Weather permitting we will be going kayaking Details forthcoming.



ACTS OF LOVE - A Season of Stewardship and Reflection

September 19-October 10th



Thank you! Your faithful contributions, your generosity and stewardship have enabled ERUCC to continue its spiritual, communal and social justice ministries and mission in Frederick and beyond. Your giving is an Act of Love.

This year's *Season of Stewardship* begins this Sunday and culminates on **Consecration Sunday, October 10**, when we will offer our financial commitment to the church for 2022 through our pledges.

We have chosen *Acts of Love* as our theme because it expresses the many ways we have held each other together in loving respect and caring during the disruption, uncertainty, and changes of this past year.

Over the next four weeks, you will hear stories from different members of our church family about acts of love they have experienced at ERUCC and what those acts have meant to them. Our church bulletin covers will show images of a few of the many acts of love given throughout the year. This Sunday, Angela Brittain has generously offered to tell her story.

As you listen to these stories and see these images, we invite you to reflect on your own stories, to be curious about acts of love you have offered or received, about your relationship to God, your values, your relationship to money, and about the contribution you will give to support the church as it lives out God's love in action.

*And, whether or not you make a pledge, on **Sunday, October 10, Consecration Sunday**, join us in celebrating* this day at an ***Ice Cream Social*** after the 10:30 service, hosted by the Stewardship and Generosity Committee. ***Come have a Consecration Sundae!***

We are the church together and we look forward to going on our spiritual journey together and celebrating with you on October 10.

Weekly Education Opportunities

LET'S STUDY THE BIBLE

9:30 – 10:15 a.m in The Liz Coffey Room in the basement of the main Sanctuary Bldg

In this class, we will seek to draw out the major themes found in the Lectionary scripture texts on which the sermon will be based. Exploring the lectionary Scriptural texts before the Sunday morning worship (10:30am) service will help prepare participants to be more fully involved and more present in worship. Led by clergy members of the congregation. Rev. Lee Thomas will be leading September 19 and 26.

LET'S TALK (*Community Room*)

September 26 • *Who Will Speak for the Trees?*

The Green Team will talk about this resolution that was adopted by the UCC General Synod in July.

TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY with Pastor Daniel

11:00 – Noon in Flora Room - Starts Sept. 7th

God's Promise: I Am with You

Takes readers on a journey through scripture to consider circumstances in which God articulated God's promise of presence. This study does not delve deeply into manifestations of God's presence but rather on God's articulation of God's promise. We will see anew that God offered these words of profound comfort and commitment to individuals and communities from the time of the patriarchs to that of the prophets; from the judges to the kings; before, during, and after the exile; into the New Testament and beyond, to the end of the age.

WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY with Esther Ziegler

7:00 p.m. In Trinity Chapel

We will be using curriculum based on *The Greatest Controversies of Early Christian History and How Jesus Became God* both written and presented in lectures by Bart D. Ehrman, the James S. Gray Distinguished Professor of New Testament at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. The format of the sessions will include a recorded lecture by Prof. Ehrman followed by discussion facilitated by Esther Ziegler. The sessions cover a variety of topics spanning approximately the first 325 years of the Christian era. They range from questions about what the Bible really says about Jesus' birth to how the discovery of the "Gnostic Gospels" cast light on diverse Christian theologies from the 1st and 2nd centuries to how the Council of Nicea in 325 BC was influenced by Emperor Constantine. Join us in learning how Christians from the earliest days struggled to understand who Jesus was and who he is to us as a result of 2100+ years of evolving faith.

Weekly Education Opportunities continued

Thursday Study 7:00 p.m to 8:30 p.m in the North Conference Room

Facilitator: Richard Leslie

Text: Richard Horsley, Covenant Economics (no need to purchase unless you want to – it is a bit of a hard read).

Walking in interstellar space requires a tether. It's a lifeline that is attached from the walker to the mother ship. Among other things, it keeps the space walker from drifting away. It is a necessary connector. "Our hearts were made to find their rest in God, and they are restless until they do" (Augustine). Many of us try to "go it alone", in effect, cutting the tether that links us with the "Mother Ship", that is our mother/father God. We are drifters. This course will patiently and deeply explore the concepts of Covenant Love, Liberation Theology, and Social Justice (2000BCE-2000AD), and how they connect. Ambitious journey? Sure! Come with me. Let's travel together.

Richard Leslie, jalrl@comcast.net

275th Anniversary Celebration Book Launch and German Dinner

Saturday, September 25 • 6PM • Downtown Community Room

Join ERUCC members and friends as we celebrate the publication of the updated history of our church. With thanks to Rae Ann Butler and Stacey Collins who have led this effort, additional chapters and information will be added to the earlier work in our church history book, *Unto Us*. We thank writers Rev. Fred Wenner, Rev. Ken Daniel, Allen Flora, and Rev. Barbara Kershner Daniel. Barbara Prescott dedicated considerable time editing the new material. We also thank church archivist Jennie Russell for her work in identifying photographs and working with scanned material. Doug White scanned the earlier work for publication.

As part of the evening celebration, we will be serving a German dinner. The menu will include: German potato salad, stuffed cabbage, brats, sauerkraut, green beans, rolls and butter, and German chocolate cake. Please use the sign-up genius link below to sign up for the dinner or call the church office at 301-662-2762. We are requesting a \$10 donation for the meal.

<https://bit.ly/37Th0RV>

The evening is the kick-off for our rescheduled 275th anniversary events.

CAMINO DE SANTIAGO WALKING THE WAY OF ST. JAMES

SEPTEMBER 6 - 19, 2022

Pastor Daniel is working with David Petrucci, Petrucci Productions, in planning a pilgrimage on the Camino de Santiago.

David Petrucci has traveled over 1500 miles, walking 1200, on the Camino and will offer his expertise for the trip details as well as his experience of walking. So many of us were inspired by David Howards' presentation on his Camino experience as well as our Lenten Focus in 2019 focusing on the movie, The Way. This pilgrimage is in response to the interest following our Lenten season in 2019. For over a thousand years, pilgrims have walked the Camino de Santiago across northern Spain. Along the "Way" we will enjoy traditional cuisine, historic accommodations, but most of all experience the power of pilgrimage and tracing the steps of those who have gone before us. Throughout our journey, we will explore historic cities and towns that pilgrims entered hundreds of years ago. Enjoy tours of Burgos the 19th-century capital of Castille and Leon, with its many cathedrals and churches; and small villages in Galicia. We will begin our walk from St. Pied-de-Port in France and end in Santiago de Compostela. We will hike into this legendary city, arriving at the cathedral the same way as countless pilgrims before us.

TRIP INFORMATION NIGHT: TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21st

7 p.m. ~ COMMUNITY ROOM

Or via Zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89260831611?pwd=T1N5SkdxYWJ4Q2syekFnSzhpQ3o2Zz09>

Meeting ID: 892 6083 1611

Passcode: 003521

Chimes Group will meet October 14th, 11 am at Bob Evans Restaurant on the Golden Mile. Pastor Daniels will be our speaker. Questions contact Sue Pinner, pinbenco@gmail.com.

Chimers Needed Ever wondered how the chimes are played in Trinity Chapel or have a burning desire to learn? Please join our team of chimers! No experience is necessary - you just need to know how to read music. The commitment is small - just 15 minutes on a Saturday evening or Sunday morning a couple times a month (or even once a month). We would love to teach more to carry on this great tradition. Please contact Tricia Coffey at 301-455-8720 (text) or trishcoffey1195@gmail.com (email). Thanks!

Children's/Youth music rehearsals begin September 13th. Please know that our top priority is ensuring that everyone remains safe. We understand that many of our children at ERUCC have not been vaccinated and we will be sure to wear masks and ensure social distancing during Youth Spirit rehearsals. For Children's Music and Movement rehearsals, we will be doing non-singing related music activities in order to ensure safety (bells, boomwhackers, plays, movement with ribbons/scarves, drumming, etc.).

In order to plan our activities and ensure we include as many people in rehearsals as are interested, please take the time to complete the survey available through the link below. We would love to hear your thoughts and ideas! If you have any questions, please feel contact:

Trish Coffey at 301-455-8720 or trishcoffey1195@gmail.com

Survey - <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/H7K8RFX>

Our **Handbell Ringers** enjoyed being able to bring back this great tradition to ERUCC last year. We would love to continue playing and have more of you join us. You DO NOT NEED TO KNOW HOW TO READ MUSIC to play! All of the notes in the music are marked for those who need it. To any teens and/or adults who are interested in learning more, please reach out to Trish Coffey at 301-455-8720 or trishcoffey1195@gmail.com. Rehearsal days/times to be determined.

God's Kids Club

God's Kids Club is designed for Children Kindergarten through 5th grade. Youth help for events is always welcome. Masks required for in person events.
Send questions to Kim Sexton at ksexton@erucc.org

2021 Remaining Schedule

Oct. 8th zoom event 7pm-9pm Decorate/ Carve a Pumpkin

You will need to provide your own supplies for this event

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81033127723?pwd=N0MzSnVNZFJaSXo1SIVxSUduQ1NMdz09>

Meeting ID: 810 3312 7723

Passcode: 668761

Oct. 26th Halloween Day there is no school on this Day we will meet from 9 AM to 2 PM in the community room. Come in Costume, Bring a bag lunch and an unused craft project for a bingo prize

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050B45AFA82EA13-halloween>

Nov. 12th zoom event 7pm-9pm Thanksgiving Pictionary

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81033127723?pwd=N0MzSnVNZFJaSXo1SIVxSUduQ1NMdz09>

Meeting ID: 810 3312 7723

Passcode: 668761

Nov. 21st 5:00-6:30 Care Package & dinner with the youth group & youthful minds
Bring 25 of something to go in the care packages

Dec. 10th zoom event 7PM to 9PM Decorate Christmas cookies

You will need to have your own cookies, sprinkles and frosting for this

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81033127723?pwd=N0MzSnVNZFJaSXo1SIVxSUduQ1NMdz09>

Meeting ID: 810 3312 7723

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Dec. 19th White Gift our Christmas pageant for the 275th Anniversary

Dec. 20th Breakfast with Santa for dinner 5:30 to 6:30 PM as we get closer to the date we will decide if this will be zoom, hybrid or in person.

September 19 – One Day – Five Events

We will be celebrating becoming a Creation Justice church throughout the day.

LET'S TALK – 9:30 IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM

Maryland Environment Human Rights Amendment Proposal

We will host Rabbi Nina Cardin to speak on the proposed Maryland Environmental Human Rights amendment to the Maryland constitution. She will speak about what is in the amendment as well as the benefits of passage, possible opposition, the political process for passing an amendment and how we might become involved.

WORSHIP AT 10:30 ~ CREATION JUSTICE FOCUS

Pastor Barbara will deliver a sermon related to creation justice and the Green Team will present the new Creation Justice Banner to the church. It is also the beginning of the stewardship campaign and we will highlight the link between stewardship of our church, our community and the earth.

FELLOWSHIP FOLLOWING WORSHIP – LOCAL PRODUCE SUNDAY

Help Needed! Calling all Gardeners!

One of the most effective things we can do to reduce our carbon footprint is to reduce our meat consumption and eat locally sourced foods. We are asking all ERUCC gardeners to share the bounty of produce from their gardens. If you are a gardener, please be thinking about what healthy delicious food you can prepare and share! Beautiful bouquets for the tables are welcome too!

SPIRITUAL WALK 3-4:30PM ~ WALKERSVILLE WATERSHED (Boy Scout Camp)

Thunderstorms cancelled our June walk in the Watershed, but now it is finally rescheduled! Come enjoy sights, sounds and smells of the forest. We may hear the bellow of bullfrogs or the screams of a red tail hawk or see a great blue heron lift off from the pond. This is wonderful time to connect with nature and each other. Everyone is welcome. The trail is relatively flat.

DIRECTIONS: Take Route 26 east from Frederick toward Libertytown. Turn left on Chestnut Grove Rd. After the rural subdivision houses, the road will go steeply downhill. There will be open farmland to the left and some large houses set back from the road on the right. At the bottom of the hill there is a pull off area on the right. This is where we will park and meet.

Green Team Happy Hour 4:30 - ??

Following the Spiritual Walk, you are invited to join us for spiritual drinks. Come join us for some wine, beer, soda and snacks at the Coyle house which is just uphill from the Walkersville Watershed. 8653 Chestnut Grove Rd. Red house with a hedge in front. You can join us even if you don't make it to the walk! All are welcome.

**ERUCC 275TH ANNIVERSARY
CALENDAR OF EVENTS
September – December 2021**

SEPTEMBER

25 Book Launch with German Food picnic

OCTOBER

17 10:30AM German Service with German partners

24 3:00PM Organ Concert with Chris Lane

31 10:30AM Worship - Homecoming Celebration

NOVEMBER

7 10:30AM All Saints/Totenfest Service including the reading of the names of those ERUCC members who

have died in the past year as well as highlighting “saints” of ERUCC since our founding

14 9:30AM Conversation with Rev. Freeman Palmer

10:30AM Worship: Rev. Freeman Palmer, Conference Minister,

Central Atlantic Conference of the United Church of Christ

21 9:30AM Conversation with Rev. John Dorhauer

10:30AM Worship: Rev. John Dorhauer, General Minister and President, United Church of Christ

DECEMBER

11 Museums by Candlelight

27 Houses of Worship Candlelight Tour

TED Talk – 7 p.m. Oct. 12th with Susan David

<https://bit.ly/3iWG1SJ>

Meeting ID: 923 9891 8264 • Passcode: 313735

How to be your best self in times of crisis “Life’s beauty is inseparable from its fragility,” says psychologist Susan David. In a special virtual conversation, she shares wisdom on how to build resilience, courage and joy in the midst of the coronavirus pandemic. Responding to listeners’ questions from across the globe, she offers ways to talk to your children about their emotions, keep focus during the crisis and help those working on the front lines. (This virtual conversation is part of the TED Connects series, hosted by head of TED Chris Anderson and current affairs curator Whitney Pennington Rodgers. Recorded March 23, 2020) November 9

October 2021 Green Team News

Sunday October 3 Fellowship Hour

COMPOSTING! Yes! Composting is back! Washing dishes is back! Composting cuts the amount of food waste going to the landfill thereby reducing the carbon emissions and methane gas. Using real dishes also reduces waste. Look for signs as to where to place your food waste and paper napkins. You can help by volunteering to help with dishwashing and clean up on any Sunday.

Wednesday October 6 9:00 -11:00 am

Frederick Food Security Network Garden Come help put the garden to bed for the winter. David Muns, the garden manager would truly appreciate help one last time. The garden is located on the property of the Frederick News Post at 351 Ballenger Center Dr. Meet at the far end of the parking lot diagonally away from the FNP building. Bring work gloves and water. Contact Linda Coyle (lkcoyle@yahoo.com) if you need more information.

Saturday October 9 9:00 – 11:00 am

Streamlink Tree Planting 16683 Creamery Road, Emmitsburg, MD

Streamlink is holding five large plantings this fall and we are volunteering for the first one. Let Linda Coyle (lkcoyle@yahoo.com) or any member of the Green Team know you are coming. This is great way for us to work together to care for the earth and Streamlink makes it easy!

Tree-planting events are fun for all ages. Families are welcome!

These plantings will create a forest that will help protect cold-water trout streams from stormwater runoff. This project has a direct impact on the health of the Chesapeake Bay. Come learn how and be a part of this large-scale local initiative to reforest 30 acres of Frederick County streamsidelines!

What to bring: garden gloves, sun protection, and water to stay hydrated. Wear closed-toed shoes and dress for the weather. We will plant rain or shine! The holes are pre-dug so no shovels are necessary.

To sign up individually for other dates, go to

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0c4ca4a72ea7fccf8-tree>

Sunday October 17 7:00 -8:30 pm

Sustainable Lawn Care Webinar with Paul Tukey, Director of Environmental Stewardship at Glenstone

Presented by the Multi-Faith Alliance of Climate Stewards and Interfaith Partners for the Chesapeake

Caring for the earth can begin in our own yards. Tune in to learn ways to manage your lawn sustainably with less watering, mowing and fertilizer. Please pass this information on to any HOA, golf course managers or other groundskeepers that you may know.

<https://www.interfaithchesapeake.org/lawncare>

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

September 19, 2021

Mark 9:30-37

First in Caring *Just Peace Sunday*

It has been said that in Africa, a traditional greeting and response is, “How are the children?” and “The children are well.”

“How are the children?” is not a way to inquire about the particular youth in one’s own household, but instead is an invitation to consider what is most important in the whole society, and whether that is being attended to. “The children are well” refers not just to the health of a few of the children who are known to the conversation partners, but the peace and prosperity of all of society. This question, and its response, is a way of assuring that the most important priorities of the community are placed first.

A movie available from the United Church of Christ Palestine Israel Network (UCC PIN) called *How Are the Children?* tells the stories of Palestinian children, some as young as five years old, detained by Israeli forces in the West Bank of Israel. On their website, <https://hatcnw.org/>, UCC PIN responds to some questions that arise from that first and most important question, “How are the children?”

“Since 1967, the United Church of Christ has spoken through General Synod resolutions regarding issues of peace and justice in the Middle East. Long before that, mission personnel of our predecessor denominations worked successfully to create partnerships of mutuality and ministry throughout the region. Here we provide information on various aspects of UCC witness related to the experience of children in Palestine and Israel. These links provide information regarding the 2017 UCC resolution of witness concerning Palestinian children in Israeli military detention.”*

*From the website page <https://hatcnw.org/ucc-resolutions-and-faqs/>

You can also find links to the movie “*How Are the Children?*” and guides for utilizing this powerful resource with your congregation, on the website <https://hatcnw.org/>.

Today is Just Peace Sunday. For 30 years, the Just Peace Church pronouncement has inspired a grassroots movement of UCC congregations committed to corporately naming and boldly proclaiming a public identity as a justice-doing, peace-seeking church. For more information about Just Peace, visit ucc.org.



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