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From Pastor Daniel

Many of us are planning summer trips—to the mountains, the beach, camp grounds, theme parks, cities, and family gatherings.

As you know, I love traveling. I appreciate the various perspectives that come from experiencing different cultures, eating different foods, listening to different music, and engaging in conversations with people about who we are and what we value.

Over the past few months, I have been reading books about travel as a spiritual act, and how to travel as a pilgrim rather than as a tourist. Being a tourist is fun and enjoyable. Being a pilgrim is also enjoyable—but there is a difference. There is an intentionality in experiencing travel as a journey rather than a trip and traveling like a pilgrim rather than a tourist.

Journeys are movements from one place to another, often to an unfamiliar, foreign place. There we encounter strangers and experience hospitality and insights that we would not experience in the same way if we were at home.

The beauty of traveling like a pilgrim or considering travel as a journey rather than a trip or vacation is that we prepare our minds and hearts for new insights and understanding that can transform our lives.

I pray that you may have journeys where you encounter newness and the sacred in the coming weeks and months. Leave space open in the schedule. Try not to fill every minute. Be prepared to be uncomfortable, for in those moments there may be a breaking open in your heart and mind.



Barbara



WORSHIP NOTES: JUNE 2022

Scripture notes from Seasons of the Spirit

JUNE 5 ~ PENTECOST

The Holy Spirit breaks down barriers preventing the proclamation of the good news of Christ Jesus. On this Day of Pentecost, we will hear how the Holy Spirit breaks Babel's barriers. Our readings will be from Genesis 11:1-9 and Acts 2:1-21.

The Rev. David Cooney will be preaching and leading worship this morning. The Senior Choir will be singing. This morning communion will be served to you as you are seated in the pews. You are encouraged to wear red, the traditional color for Pentecost.

JUNE 12 ~ TRINITY SUNDAY

Our scripture readings for this Sunday are Romans 5:1-5 and John 16:12-15. Jesus told the disciples he had much more to tell them, but it would be too much to bear. They would have to depend on the Spirit of Truth for further instructions. What does it mean to trust the Holy Spirit to help us live into the future with hope?

The Rev. David Cooney will be preaching and leading worship this morning. The Senior Choir will be singing.

JUNE 19

This week's readings will invite us to turn our whole selves—body, mind, and spirit—toward God, who envelops us in grace. 1 Kings 19:1-4, (5-7), 8-15a. This week introduces the prophet Elijah who is in conflict with the prophets of the rain god, Baal. As in the Elijah story, the gospel reading shows God having power over nature and human life. In Luke 8:26-39, Jesus visits a gentile region and meets a person overcome by demons. On the way there, Jesus has calmed the lake storm. Now he calms this troubled gentile.

JUNE 26

In Luke 9:51-62, Jesus and the disciples are on a journey to Jerusalem. The disciples, angry when a village does not welcome them, want to call down fire from heaven. Jesus shows them a new way, teaching them, and us, to love our enemies. Paul in Galatians 5:1, 13-25 spells out what it means to pick up the mantle of discipleship. We are called to live by the Spirit, give up "the works of the flesh" and let God's love speak through us in our care for our neighbors.

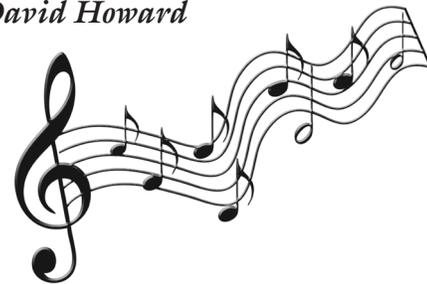
SUNDAY MORNING ADULT EDUCATION: JUNE

LET'S TALK

9:30–10:15 a.m. (Community Room)

JUNE 12, 19, 26 ~ SPIRITUAL MUSIC

led by David Howard



Composers throughout the centuries have been inspired to write sacred music based on texts drawn from the Bible and elsewhere. In three sessions, I would like to explore some of these settings. In our time together we will read, listen to, and discuss music by JS Bach, Arvo Part, Monteverdi, Stravinsky, and Violeta Parra. I am looking forward to sharing with you some of my very favorite compositions. ~ David Howard



Bus to "Poor People's Campaign Assembly and Moral March on Washington and to the Polls" Saturday, June 18, 2022

Frederick Rally Point for Bus
66 Waverley Dr.

Departs 7:28 a.m., Arrives 9 a.m. in DC.
Depart DC 3:45 p.m., Frederick 5:17 p.m.

Cost: \$40 total roundtrip

Book a seat now through

rally.co/booking/115578/171/trips

This is the bus link from the official
Poor People's Campaign homepage:
poorpeoplescampaign.org

we can
**end gun
violence**
wearorange.org

June 3, 2022 is National Gun Violence Awareness Day, also known as **#WearOrange**, a national, nonpartisan effort to raise awareness about the gun violence epidemic in America and honor its survivors.

The History of Wear Orange

On January 21, 2013, Hadiya Pendleton, a high school student from Chicago, marched in President Obama's second inaugural parade. One week later, Hadiya was shot and killed on a playground near her home. Soon after this tragedy, Hadiya's childhood friends decided to commemorate her life by wearing orange, the color hunters wear to protect themselves and others. Wear Orange originated on June 2, 2015—what would have been Hadiya's 18th birthday. Now, it is observed nationally on the first Friday in June and the following weekend each year.

JUNE 3-5, 2022

During **#WearOrange** weekend, everyone who believes we can and must solve the problem of gun violence in America will take action and stand together in a statement of resilience and fortitude as we advance our efforts.

Look for orange decorations and buildings in orange lights throughout downtown Frederick. Wear orange to honor the survivors of gun violence.

Moms Demand Action and Students Demand Action volunteer leaders and gun violence survivors, in collaboration with local community partners and the Everytown for Gun Safety Support Fund, will support a variety of **Wear Orange** events in every state and DC, bringing together everyone who believes we can end gun violence, including survivors, moms and dads, students, families, elected officials, community leaders, faith leaders, business partners and more.



CAN YOU DIG IT?! LARRY IS TURNING 40!



Shhhhh!
It's a Surprise!

Put on your hard hats and get ready to enter
the party zone for

LARRY MAPLES' 40TH BIRTHDAY!

As many of you all know, Larry has been busy planning his "surprise" birthday party for the last year! Help us keep this a secret as he doesn't know it's happening. The ERUCC church community and members mean so much to our family; we would love to have you help us celebrate his big day in addition to his other special friends and family members.

Sunday, June 12, 2022 - Noon-2 p.m.
ERUCC Community Room
Lunch and birthday cake will be served

Please send us an email if you'd like to attend so we know how many people to expect.

RSVP: to lois.maples@gmail.com by June 2.

The gift of your presence is enough!
No presents, please.



A NEW GARDEN TAKES ROOT ON ERUCC GROUNDS

“In early spring-tide, when the icy drip melts from the mountains hoar, and Zephyr’s breath unbinds the crumbling clod, even then ‘tis time. Press deep your plough behind the groaning ox, and teach the furrow-burnished share to shine.”

~ Virgil

We didn’t have an ox, but we did have a tiller, one shovel, two rakes, and four pairs of willing hands provided by Terry Logee, Cliff Barr, Linda Coyle, and Scott Harris. After a bit of work, our Green Team transformed that weedy strip of ground at the back of the church property—sandwiched between two driveways, no less—into a brand-new native plant and pollinator garden!

For just a couple inches of soil, it was amazing all the stuff that was hiding in there. We removed

several nails, two pieces of rebar, broken glass, candy wrappers, a few brick fragments, and piles upon piles of rocks. And none of this is to mention pulling and tilling the thick clusters of weeds that covered just about every inch of the strip. After cleaning it up, we continued our rehab by tilling compost into the soil and covering it with mulch. And then we planted!

The strip now contains 12 beebalm plants and a number of black-eyed Susans (the Maryland state flower—how’s that for native?). Because they’re accustomed to our region’s climate and stand up well to urban pollution, these attractive plants have a good chance of flourishing without a lot of complex maintenance. They also should attract bees and other airborne critters that can further beautify the area and help pollination happen in our community! (Don’t worry too much about the bees—the old adage holds true. If you don’t bother them, they typically won’t bother you.)

Come out some time and say hello to the newest addition to the ERUCC grounds. God’s creation manifests in all places and in all shapes and sizes. A new reminder of that literally now sits in our own backyard.

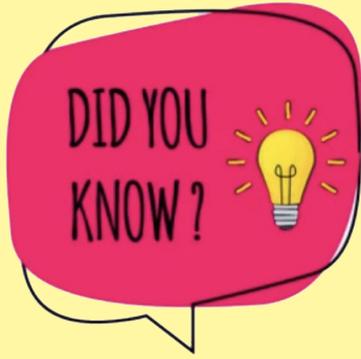


Scott Harris, Cliff Barr, and Terry Logee prepare the ground for planting.



June Birthdays

03 Jenna Duranko, Ava McCarty **04** Eliane Coates **05** Kelly Hueting, Alyssa Kline, Bob Pinner **06** Jimmy Brittain, Samuel Jett **09** Meg Grim, Matt Lagrotteria **11** Barb Biser, Tristan Jett, Larry Maples **14** Bryan Meftah **15** Danielle Carbone, Mary Grimes **16** Barbara Daniel, Mike McGreevy **19** Liam Cumber, John Olinski **21** Peggy Githerman, Val Hoffman, Stephanie Sites **24** Margaret Davis, Rodney Martin **25** Alex Cumber **26** Clifford Cumber, Ingrid Jacobsen, Gary Kallevang **28** Lucy Adkins, Tom Ford **29** RaeAnn Butler, Andre Hoffman, Beth Suydan



HERE'S ANOTHER WAY TO GIVE

From the Stewardship and Generosity Committee

Do you know there are lots of ways to contribute financially to ERUCC?

1. Cash or checks in the weekly plate. These gifts will go into the General Fund for the annual operating budget that funds so many of our programs, missions, salaries for our pastor and staff, hospitality and building uses, educational programs, youth activities, and more unless you designate another category. You can use weekly envelopes if you have them or just place your cash or check in the plate. Weekly envelopes are white; special offering envelopes have a green bar at the bottom, and envelopes to repay our mortgage and reduce our debts have a purple bar at the bottom. The offering plates are found on the tables next to the doors at the back of the church. The offerings are collected at the end of the service and taken safely to the office.

2. Automatic donations from your checking account and online donations. Some of us are giving through automatic withdrawals or online from banks or another financial institution. These methods are simple and easy to set up! If you decide to go this route, please create a "memo" to indicate the intent of your gift, such as a weekly offering, or another category. You can contact Rodney Martin, our Treasurer, at treasurer@erucc.org if you have questions about using this approach. There is no charge to the church with this form of giving.

3. Giving online through our website, erucc.org, via PayPal and VANCO. To do this, simply go to erucc.org, click on "Give to ERUCC," and you will see instructions for giving through these methods. VANCO is a financial service company that also allows us to set up automatic payments and credit card payments. Again, please use the memo line to indicate the intent of your gift. Contact Rodney if you have any questions about using this approach.

Stay tuned: next month, you will discover even more options for giving. Thank you for your generosity and many acts of love!

KENTUCKY MISSION TRIP OPPORTUNITY NOVEMBER 12-19



This fall, ERUCC members and friends will travel to Kentucky to work with Fuller Center Disaster ReBuilders, a 501(c)(3) Christian organization dedicated to serving the victims of major disasters in the United States. They were organized in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina in 2005 and have supported rebuilding in all major hurricanes since. Their client homeowners are low-income and underinsured. The Fuller Center uses volunteer labor

to make our rebuilding effort, more affordable, and it is financed from donations and grants.

On December 10, 2021, Kentucky was hit by record-setting, catastrophic tornadoes. A "long-track" twister was on the ground for almost 200 miles and hit 11 counties, including the small towns of Dawson Springs and Bremen. The Fuller Center is partnering with First Christian Church of Madisonville, centrally located between Dawson Springs and Bremen, to house volunteers and begin rebuilding these communities.

You can visit the Fuller Center Facebook page to keep up with current happenings: <https://www.facebook.com/FCHDisasterReBuilders>.

We will be leaving on Saturday, November 12 to drive to Kentucky to enjoy a free evening and Sunday prior to starting work on Monday, November 14. Please contact Keith Stickley (keith.stickley@montgomerycountymd.gov) or Pastor Daniel (bkdaniel@erucc.org) for more information or if you are interested in going. While construction-related skills are welcome, we need all kinds of skills to make the trip work, please do not hesitate to consider this opportunity.

God's Kids Club

God's Kids Club is designed for children Kindergarten through 5th grade. Youth help for events is always welcome.
Questions: Kim Sexton at ksexton@erucc.org.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

JUNE 20-24

9 a.m. to Noon

Community Room

*For children 4 years old
through 5th grade*

A donation of \$25 per child is suggested
Can you help with Donations for VBS?

<https://bit.ly/3wM7pZj>

SPRING AND SUMMER EVENTS FOR CHILDREN ♦ JUNE - JULY

*Note: last day of Sunday school is June 5 and the last
day of Zoom Wednesday is June 8.*

Sundays in-person at 9:30 & Wednesday Online GKC
Zoom <https://tinyurl.com/3r73nz5z>
Meeting ID: 854 6302 7021 Passcode: 252332

MAY 29 & JUNE 1

SINGING AND PRAYING

Acts 16:16-34. Rock, fabric, tag, and yarn/ribbon crafts.

JUNE 5 & 8

WHOOSH! GOD'S SPIRIT IS HERE!

Acts 2:1-21

Pinwheel Paper, scissors, straight pin, pencil, markers,
or crayons.

GOD'S KIDS CLUB IN PERSON EVENTS

JUNE 29 - 11 A.M. TO ?

POOL DAY AT DIGGS POOL

Come for a day at the Diggs Pool! Bring your bag lunch
and drinks. There is a fee to get in and a parent or
guardian will need to accompany the children.

Information and directions at
<https://tinyurl.com/3vptvsc4>

JULY 10 - 9:30 A.M.

LEARN ABOUT BEING A FIREFIGHTER

Community Room

Join the adults for Let's Talk as Sean Sexton tells us
about being a firefighter.

JULY 11 - 10 A.M.

TOUR OF THE BRADDOCK HEIGHTS FIRE DEPARTMENT

Join us as Sean Sexton and other firefighters give us a
tour of the Braddock Heights Fire Department, 6715
Jefferson Blvd., Frederick. Transportation is on your
own. Please sign up so we know how many to plan for.

<https://tinyurl.com/bde7kvtv>

GOD'S KIDS CLUB ONLINE EVENTS

JUNE 3 - 7-9 p.m.

CUPCAKE CHALLENGE!

Sign up to make and decorate your own cupcakes! Our
theme will be summer fun. You will need to supply cake
mix, frosting, and your own decorations. Cupcakes
should be baked ahead of time and we will frost and
decorate them together.

To sign up: <https://tinyurl.com/2p838bk2>

Zoom link: <https://tinyurl.com/bdd8wjyx>

Meeting ID: 810 3312 7723 Passcode: 668761

JULY 22 - 7-9 p.m.

BIBLE TRIVIA

Join us as we answer questions about the Bible

<https://tinyurl.com/bdd8wjyx>

Meeting ID: 810 3312 7723 Passcode: 668761

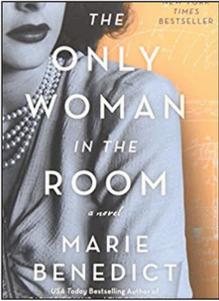


ERUCC BOOK GROUP

(Contact Pam Shepp at pam@vitalsources.com for more information)

The group meets in the Liz Coffey Room at 7:00 p.m. with Zoom option.

<https://tinyurl.com/2s4zsu76> Meeting ID: 848 7056 7574 Passcode: 226669



JUNE 28

The Only Woman in the Room
by Marie Benedict

Her beauty almost certainly saved her from the rising Nazi party and led to her marriage to an Austrian arms dealer. Underestimated in everything else, she overheard the Third Reich's plans while at her husband's side and understood more than anyone would guess. She devised a plan to flee in disguise from their castle, and the whirlwind escape landed her in Hollywood. She became Hedy Lamarr, a well-known screen actress.

But she kept a secret more shocking than her heritage or her marriage: she was a scientist. And she had an idea that might help the country fight the Nazis and revolutionize modern communication . . . if anyone would listen to her.

A powerful book based on the incredible true story of the glamour icon and scientist, *The Only Woman in the Room* is a masterpiece that celebrates the many women in science that history has overlooked.



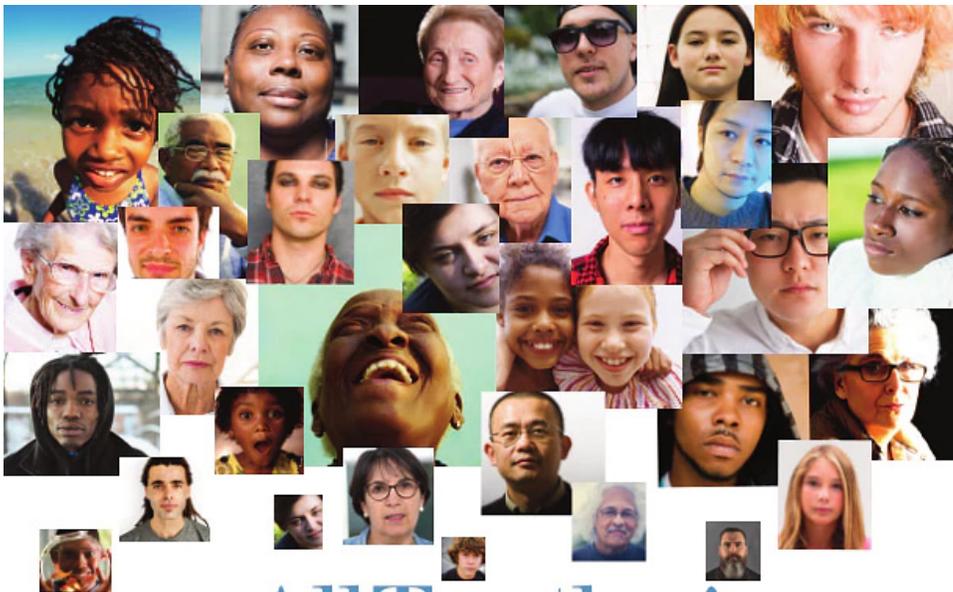
JULY 26

The Last Chance Library
by Freya Sampson

Lonely librarian June Jones has never left the sleepy English village where she grew up. Shy and reclusive, the 30-year-old would rather spend her time buried in books than venturing out into the world. But when her library is threatened with closure, June is forced to emerge from behind the shelves to save the heart of her community and the place that holds the dearest memories of her mother.

Joining a band of eccentric yet dedicated locals in a campaign to keep the library, June opens herself up to other people for the first time since her mother died. To save the place and the books that mean so much to her, June must finally make some changes to her life. For once, she's determined not to go down without a fight. And maybe, in fighting for her cherished library, June can save herself, too.

Strengthen the Church Offering • June 5



All Together!

The Strengthen the Church (STC) Offering reflects the shared commitment of people across the United Church of Christ to cooperatively build up the UCC. Conferences and the national setting equally share the gifts given by members and friends through their local congregations. The funds raised support leadership development, new churches, youth ministry, and innovation in existing congregations. By your generosity to this offering, you build up the Body of Christ.

As God calls our congregations to be the church in new ways, your generosity will plant new churches, awaken new ideas in existing churches and develop the spiritual life in our youth and young adults. Most congregations will receive the STC offering on Pentecost Sunday, June 5, 2022.



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BE JOYFUL. BE KIND. GIVE THANKS.

DO GOOD. Angela Brittain ~ *Designer, Trinity Chimes*

BE THE LIGHT. ENCOURAGE OTHERS. C

Scott Harris ~ *Editor, Trinity Chimes*

photo courtesy Jenna Duranko



June-August

The Frederick Center is a 501c3 organization that serves the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer (LGBTQ+) communities. Since its inception in 2012, The Frederick Center has grown into a well-respected organization advocating and supporting our community which now proudly bolsters over 500 program events each year. They are leaders in advocacy and education. They have an HIV test kit distribution program, and over eight support groups open to the public.



Coins for A Cause is a program launched by ERUCC's **Mission and Social Action Committee**. Through *Coins for a Cause*, we support organizations that make a difference here in Maryland that are not supported in our annual budget. A different beneficiary organization is chosen each season. Donations can be placed in the offering plate or added to your online giving.