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From Pastor Carrie

Christ is Risen! He is Risen indeed!

Our partnerships with St Mark's United Methodist Church and Darnestown Presbyterian Church made for a powerful and moving Maundy Thursday Tenebrae worship. The brilliant pink and blue background at the Easter Sunrise service on Sugarloaf Mountain, the pancake breakfast shared around overflowing tables, the children's egg hunt with the most adorable kids you have ever seen, the comradery at the Fellowship hour, and two Easter Worship services giving glory to our Resurrecting King who is resurrecting us, it was hard not to feel the Spirit amongst us! A HUGE thank you to all who were involved behind the scenes with cleaning the worship spaces, flower placements, bench building, ushering (getting to the Mountain at 5:00 AM,) food prep, breakfast table tear down, Kerr Hall chair set up, music planning and egg hiding, as well as to all the leaders upfront in making music come alive! When we work together, it is a glorious thing to behold, so thank you church for your participation in making Easter be as wonderful as it could be.

With the celebration of the resurrection of Christ, now, we start our 6-week journey to Pentecost! During these next 50 days (celebrated on June 9th), we will encounter Jesus in different settings and in many ministry contexts. Jesus comes into our lives wherever we are, but doesn't leave us there. He stretches out his hands to Thomas in an upper room, he makes breakfast on the beach for his disciples after an amazing haul of fish was dragged in, his mom requests more wine on a happy occasion of a wedding- and he makes jars full out of just water and we will explore the effects of Jesus' healing touch! All of these encounters with Jesus are life changing experiences- transformation at its best!

- May 5 Breakfast On The Beach
- May 12 A Request From Mom
- May 19 Effects of Healing
- May 26 Memorial Day Celebration
- June 2 Encounters with Jesus
- June 9 Pentecost!

As summer rolls around we will be moving to one blended-service of worship in the Sanctuary starting May 19th and ending on September 8th, with an all church picnic after worship to close out our summer schedule. (Please read the Worship ministry team report and the Session report for more info on this.) We are looking forward to what God will do this summer in our midst! For the summer services, we invite all who would like to join the summer music team- we need singers and instrumentalists, so come and join the fun and use those God-given gifts of music! Please speak with Jasper if you are interested.

Please continue to pray for all who are on our prayer list, but especially Jane Dassen. Recently, in honor of Jane's nearly 60 years of service, we conferred upon her the title of "Music Director Emerita." A small group went to her house to celebrate several weeks ago and we will continue the celebrations each week in May with small groups of friends as we take over the cards and sweet thank-you notes for her ministry among us. Please deposit your cards in the box in the back of the Sanctuary or in Kerr Hall. They will be collected each Sunday and given to the group who goes to Jane's that week.

May the Spirit continue to blow in and through us and our church!

Blessings!
Carrie

Good times at the Sight and Sound Theatre ®Production of *Jesus*



Easter Morning



The Bench-Building Crew



Upcoming & Recurring Events

The **Praise Team** meets most Wednesdays at 7 PM in Kerr Hall. Contact Jasper at 706-405-5262 if you're interested, or you can just come join us.

M&Ms (Mission and Merriment group) meet the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month in P-W Hall, from 11 AM – 1 PM. At each meeting, we start with a devotion, have a brief business meeting and then make fleece blankets for local charities. Some members of M&Ms also knit and crochet prayer shawls and hats at their homes.

Contact Marj Turbyfill at 301-972-0265 if you are interested in receiving any of the items we provide or for more information.



BPC Fundraiser



JOIN US AT BASSETT'S

19950 Fisher Avenue, Poolesville

ALL DAY, Thursday, May 16th

11AM – 9PM, eat-in or carry-out

Bassett's will contribute 10% of all profits to BPC to support our mission-related activities.

Bassett's menu has something for all!

Soups, salads, sandwiches, pizza (including gluten-free and vegetarian) and entrees. <http://www.bassettsrestaurant.net/>

Lunch Bunch will meet at NOON.

Soul Sisters will meet at 6:30PM.

Take the night off. Bring your family and friends!

Thursday evening is Team Feud at 8PM.

Cash prizes awarded, kids welcome!

- **Lunch Bunch** will meet at NOON. For reservations, contact Anne Davies at 301-922-4332 or nannedavies@verizon.net by Monday, May 13th.
- **Soul Sisters** will meet from 6:30-9 PM. Come join us anytime between for fun, fellowship, and food with friends.



Saturday, May 18th, 8:30 AM-12:30 PM

There are now two ways to participate:

1. Donate gently used items (deliver to the Vail Education Building)

a. **Thursday 5/16, 2-5 PM**

b. **Friday 5/17, NOON-3 PM**

Contact Lisa Fiedler at 240-731-6586 if those days/times are inconvenient for you and we will try to work out an alternative.)

Tax deduction receipts are available. The money earned from the sale of donated items will go toward funding our youth group's summer mission trip.

2. Reserve a space/table for \$20 and sell your own stuff. Please call or text Angela Smith on (240) 750-0555 or e-mail 72smitty@gmail.com with subject: "Yard Sale" to participate.

Please note that we will not accept mattresses, couches, car seats, cribs, undergarments, stained clothing, broken items, items missing parts and pieces or outdated electronics.

Please contact Lisa Fiedler if you have any questions regarding donations or reserving selling space. Call or text 240-731-6586 or email to fiedlerl@aol.com.

Thank you! We are looking forward to this successful event!



From the Session

Growing into our Ministry Team Structure

Over the last two years, Session has implemented a Ministry Team structure that has been successful in many churches. The goal is to divide the leadership of the main church functions among the seven elders. Those lead elders, then, are to organize volunteers to participate either on an ad-hoc basis or as a member of the team.

Session has determined there are six teams.

- The Worship Team (led by Mark Stunder) is responsible for managing the worship services and planning for the holidays and scheduling communion.
- The Mission Team (led by Glenn Karta) works in collaboration with the Board of Deacons on ways to “connect all to God’s love and grace.”
- The Faith Formation Team (led by Dee Smith) leads all ages through forming their faith from child to youth to adult.
- The Christian Fellowship Team (led by Anne Davies and Brenda Reid Jones, manages special events, the regular Sunday Fellowship time, and groups such as Lunch Bunch, Soul Sisters, and SunDates.
- The Buildings and Grounds Team (led by Bob Hoyt) collaborates with the Board of Trustees on overseeing the physical structures, grounds and the cemetery.
- The Administration Team (led by Hammet Hough) helps to oversee the operation of the church, its finances and personnel.

The elders hold the big picture (mission and vision) for the whole Church. Late last year, Session and the Congregation approved a new mission statement that serves as a filter for all of the Ministry Team work – Connecting all to God’s love and grace.

You might be called upon by the leaders to participate in an ad-hoc activity or as a full-time member of their Team. Many hands make light work! Read on to see what the Teams did in April and what is coming in May.

April Highlights – The Spirit is Moving

Take a look at how the Ministry Teams created connections throughout Lent. There have been strong indicators that the Spirit is moving among and through our Church.

- Session approved the appointment of Jane Dassen to the position of Music Director Emerita. Jane’s health has precluded her from playing the organ recently, so she offered her resignation. With grateful hearts and a song on our tongues, Session was pleased to present Jane with a certificate, a gift and a moment of hospitality in her home. Celebrating nearly 60 years of service to God, we all pray for and wish Jane a speedy and complete recovery. If you would like to send Jane a card, a memento, a recognition, just bring it to Pollock-Williams Hall. We will make certain she gets it. This is the work of the Worship Ministry Team.
- The Faith Formation Ministry Team welcomed three new members on Sunday, April 7.
 - Karla and Chris Schmidt were baptized and welcomed into membership. Any adult baptism is a wonder to watch, but this was particularly moving to have them both be baptized.
 - Norma Russell was welcomed into membership through reaffirmation of faith.

- An estimated 75 children and family members joined us on the lawn for a community Easter egg hunt and pancake breakfast, then participated in the 9:30AM family Easter worship service. We were thrilled to see familiar faces from the Friday Night Movie and Dinner project from last July, along with new faces who we hope we will see again! Sponsored by the Faith Formation Ministry Team, this became the second annual community Easter event!
- The Worship Ministry Team leaned into organizing the Easter Sunrise Services. We drew an estimated 250-300 people to the East View Lookout on Sugarloaf Mountain. This ecumenical worship service is led by Boyds Presbyterian, but involves six other local area churches. The sunrise was spectacular this year!
- Easter Sunrise Services wouldn't happen if it weren't for the volunteers who help set up and tear down the benches. Special thanks to the dozen volunteers who worked on Saturday morning to build the benches, and with heroic effort on Monday, a small crew led by Bill Leaman, broke the benches down. (Did you know the wood planks used for our benches were first used in President Truman's inaugural parade bleachers?)
- The Mission Ministry Team has been focused on developing a relationship with a local Germantown school. The community partnership with Daly Elementary School continues to be a valuable connection. Our recent diaper-and-wipe drive has helped dozens of economically-challenged families. This will continue throughout the rest of the school year so bring your donations to Pollock-Williams Hall and we will get them to the school.
- The Worship Team agreed to move to a single worship service at 10AM throughout the summer (starting May 19). It will be a blended service (contemporary and traditional) and will be held in the sanctuary. See the article on the changes for more information.
- Our good friends at St. Mark's Methodist hosted our church and Darnestown Presbyterian for a beautiful and moving Maundy Thursday worship service. They were exceptional hosts for a before-the-worship fellowship time buffet. Thank you, Worship Ministry Team, for organizing this special day.
- The Faith Formation Ministry team is excited to offer our first youth-focused mission trip. Nothing like getting your hands dirty to learn about the Lord and the impact you can have on someone else's life. Our youth group, Ablaze, will be participating in a mission outreach trip to Lexington, NC July 7-13. We already have nine signed up! Lexington faces a particularly difficult time as industry has largely left the area, leaving only an aging and elderly population behind. They have many needs, home repair and basic maintenance among them.
- The Trustees and Buildings and Grounds Ministry Team did an awesome job of cleaning up the cemetery, mulching the beds and getting ready for Spring! Everything is looking great!

A View to the Future – May Highlights

Our Ministry Teams are working on May and beyond. Join them to help connect all to God's love and grace. Here are just a few of the highlights for May.

- May 16: The Christian Fellowship Ministry Team has planned a restaurant fundraiser at *Bassett's* in Poolesville. Take a night off from cooking and come support our mission-related activities. Bassett's will donate 10% of profits. (Please see the BPC Fundraiser article in this newsletter for more details.)
- May 18: The Faith Formation Ministry Team is helping manage the May 18th Community Yard Sale. This is a fund-raiser for the Youth Mission Trip to Lexington NC in July. We need to raise at least \$1,000 so please bring your cash! You can purchase a table for \$20 and sell your own treasures or you can donate your treasures to the youth, and they will sell it. (Please see the Yard Sale article in this newsletter for more details.)

Next meeting: Monday, 5/6 at 7 PM in P-W Hall.

From the Trustees / Buildings & Grounds Team

The Board of Trustees met on Tuesday, April 23rd. Volunteers gathered on Saturday, April 13th to clean up our cemetery. Testerman Lawn Service had already edged and mulched the beds (cost \$625) so that was one job volunteers didn't have to tackle. A handicap parking sign has been installed on the circular driveway between the Sanctuary and P-W Hall. The contract for the mowing of church grounds has been finalized with the Harners. The cost for each mowing will be as follows: for the cemetery - \$400; for the field behind the church parking lot - \$100; for the manse - \$40. Three vacuum cleaners (two for the CE Building and one for P-W Hall) were recently purchased. The total cost for the three cleaners was \$929.99.

The Trustees would like to thank all that helped make cemetery cleanup day successful, A lot was accomplished. Those were Kathy, Jim & Mark Pedersen, Bill Cantler, Pam Holston, Chuck & Haney Harner, Bob & Brenda Hoyt, Cornelia Burr (who supplied all the refreshments and snacks), Carrie Yearick and Jasper Davis.



Next meeting: Tuesday, 5/28 at 7 PM in P-W Hall.

From the Deacons

The Deacons met on April 8th. The deacons will work with the Mission Ministry Team to increase the impact of BPC's mission endeavors by providing more concentrated financial support and by seeking partnering opportunities.

Next meeting: Monday, 5/13 at 7 PM in P-W Hall.

Ministry Teams



Worship Team Report, By Mark Stunder

Summer Service Starting May 19th One Service at 10:00 AM in the Sanctuary Until September 8th

At our March meeting the Worship Team reviewed the summer schedule and realized that due to scheduling (youth mission trip and pastor vacation), 5 out of 8 Sundays, particularly early in the summer, would become single-service Sundays. Throw in a church picnic and the semi-annual meeting later in the summer... that's a lot of Sundays that would have one service. So, the Worship Team recommended, and Session approved **one service at 10:00 AM in the Sanctuary for the period May 19th to September 8th**. The one service will be in a blended (traditional & contemporary) format. Communion on first Sundays will be by the server (individual cups/bread) method. The service will include technology (e.g. PowerPoint display).



Ever think about time? The change in our summer worship time, got me thinking about the topic of time. Here are some time constants to ponder:

- We all have 24 hours in a day and 60 minutes in one hour. No more or no less.
- Unlike the song by Cher, you can't "turn back time!"
- The sun rises and sets at a certain time, defining day vs. night.
- You have a definite time on earth: You are born, and you die.

Wonder why church services around the country have traditionally started at 11:00 AM? America was once an agrarian society. Farmers needed time to milk their cows and do farm chores before church. 11:00 AM allowed that time to happen and it gave farming families a chance to fellowship and have a supper after church before starting back to the farm. The 11:00 AM time stuck to today, even though many churches offer alternate/other times.

The Bible is full of scripture related to time. Some examples:

- 2Peter 3:8 *But do not forget this one thing, dear friends: With the Lord a day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like a day.*
- Romans 5:6 *You see, at just the right **time**, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly*
- Psalm 90, a Psalm by Moses, which compares God's time to man's time. See: <https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Psalm+90&version=NIV>
- And of course, Ecclesiastes 3: *For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven: a time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted.* For a famous 1965 #1 hit song adaptation of Ecclesiastes 3, see: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TqXEc41xTtw>

Bible clock time itself is interesting. It's based on 12 hours of daylight with the Jewish day starting at the end of the 12th hour and is generally divided up as:

The first hour = 6 to 7 AM

The second hour = 7 to 8 AM

The third hour = 8 to 9 AM

The fourth hour = 9 to 10 AM

The fifth hour = 10 to 11 AM

The sixth hour = 11 AM to 12 PM

The seventh hour = 12 to 1 PM

The eighth hour = 1 to 2 PM

The ninth hour = 2 to 3 PM

The tenth hour = 3 to 4 PM

The eleventh hour = 4 to 5 PM

The twelfth hour = 5 to 6 PM

Jesus referred to this twelve-hour day when he said in John 11:9 *"Are there not twelve **hours** of daylight? Anyone who walks **in** the daytime will not stumble, for they see by this world's light."*

Many scripture passages refer to specific hours. For example, Jews prayed in the temple all the time, but the most common hours were the third, sixth and ninth hour of the day. The Gospels indicate that Jesus was hung on the cross during the 3rd hour (8-9 AM), darkness fell over the land during the sixth hour (11 AM-NOON), and he died in the ninth hour (2-3 PM). And at Pentecost, Peter rebuked those saying the disciples were drunk, talking in tongues (Acts 2:14-15):

But Peter, taking his stand with the eleven, raised his voice and declared to them: "Men of Judea and all you who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you and give heed to my words. For these men are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only the third hour of the day."

Using the conversion above, the third hour was 8 to 9 AM!

Nighttime hours are referred to as watches. The Old Testament generally had three-night watches. The New Testament adapted Roman night timing with four watches: The first watch from 6-9 PM, the second from 9-midnight, the third from midnight to 3 AM, and the fourth watch from 3-6 AM. Many scripture passages refer to these watches. For example, Matthew 14:25 says: *And in the ^lfourth watch of the night He came to them, walking on the sea.* That would be between 3 AM and 6 AM.

So don't forget that one Sunday worship starts at 10:00AM on May 19 in the Sanctuary. That's at the start of the fifth hour, Bible time. It will be a glorious time for all!

We usually meet once a month in P-W Hall. Members of the team are: Glenn Karta, Nancy Knott, Dee Smith, Mark Stunder (chair) and Marj Turbyfill. Staff members include Jasper Davis, and Rev. Carrie Yearick.

Next meeting: Thursday 5/9 at 7 PM in P-W Hall, during the first watch.

Mission Team Report, By Glenn Karta

The Mission Team is now up and running!

Our Statement of Purpose is: *"The Mission ministry works hand-in-hand with the Board of Deacons to support and promote mission activity – local and global – to bring God's love through being the hands and feet of Jesus. This ministry encourages congregational interest and involvement in many local mission activities as well as support for worldwide issues of hunger and social justice. Responsibilities include education, mission budget, and planning activities to involve the congregation in mission."*

Within this framework, we had a very productive kick-off meeting on April 2. At the outset, we were inspired by a passage on Risk-Taking Mission and Service from the book "Cultivating Fruitfulness" which was BPC's Lenten study in 2018. The team thought that the following passage was particularly significant, and could be a core value of the team: "Risk-Taking Mission and service reminds us that congregations are not ends in themselves; they are resources God uses to change lives and transform the world." We will always remember that we are God's hands and feet in our community called to serve the Almighty's heavenly purposes.

We spent a considerable amount of time considering how to make BPC's mission efforts more impactful, both for the Congregation as well as our mission partners. What would that look like? Two themes emerged—1) instead of spreading limited dollars over many ministries (last year BPC donated a total of \$16,000 to fifteen different ministries) we wanted to explore focusing on a smaller number of core partners (we are coordinating with the Deacons for their recommendations on this), and 2) we would like to maximize congregational involvement with our partners by exploring regular volunteer opportunities; in short, we would like to create a platform so that anyone at BPC immediately knows what sort of “boots on the ground” opportunities are available throughout the year.

We will be continuing our partnership with Daly Elementary, building on the hugely successful coat drive from last year that deeply affected all who participated. We have already started an ongoing monthly diaper and baby wipes drive for the needy families at the school. Each month, donations will be accepted through the third Sunday of the month (May 19 this month), after which they will be brought to the school. The response to this has been typically outstanding—in April we delivered several hundred diapers and several thousand baby wipes to the school. Keep up the great work! In addition, a group from the Team will meet with the Daly Principal on April 30 to firm up other partnership opportunities—potential events include a Friday movie night at the school this summer, a backpack and school supply drive in August, volunteer opportunities for both our youth and older members, and of course another coat drive later in the year. Stay tuned, it's going to be a busy year!

Next meeting: Thursday, 5/2 at 6 PM at Carrie and Bill's house.

Faith Formation Team Report, By Dee Smith

The Faith Formation Team met on April 4. The team members present were Anne Davies, Ginger Gibson, Mark Stunder, and Dee Smith (Chair).

The meeting was opened with a brief devotional and prayer.

The Adult Bible study which meets on Wednesday evenings at 7 PM has had good attendance. They will finish their Lenten Study on Wed. April 24, and their next study will be the book of Revelation. There are no plans at present to have a class during the summer months of July and August.

The Adult Fellowship class that meets on Sunday mornings at 9:30 AM in the sanctuary has been using “Wind in the Wilderness” by DJ Del Rosario for their Lenten study. At this time there is no firm plan for a summer class, as the congregation will be going to one service.

The Youth/ Ablaze group has been meeting on Sunday afternoons at 2 PM, this is a change from the previous 5 PM meeting time. The Youth are currently using the “Dive” curriculum and we have enjoyed several spirited discussions on “Jesus wants us all in” and “selfless surrender”, upcoming Sundays will focus on “counting the cost” and “accepting the cost” of following Jesus.

There are currently 9 youth and adults registered for the upcoming mission trip to Lexington, NC in July. Donations are being accepted to help defray costs of \$460 per person. There will be a fund raiser in May, and a community yard sale, the youth will run a donation table as well as refreshments being offered.

We are looking for volunteers to provide childcare at the 11:00 AM service on a rotating basis as needed and also for the upcoming single summer service.

Next meeting: Thursday, 6/6 at 7 PM in P-W Hall. There will be no May meeting

Spring/Summer 2019 Youth Schedule

Sun	May 5	2:00-3:30PM	Cinco de Mayo Celebration and Yard Sale Prep
Sun	May 12	Mother's Day	Take Your Mom to Lunch! - No Youth Group
Fri	May 17	6:00- 8:00PM	Yard Sale Prep
Sat	May 18	8:00 am-Noon	Yard Sale Fundraiser!! 8:00 am-Noon
Sun	May 19		Recovering From Yard Sale! – No Youth Group
Sun	May 26		Happy Memorial Day Weekend – No Youth Group
Sun	June 2	2:00 – 3:30PM	Dive- Accepting the Cost (Start of "Invest in Our Youth" Fundraiser (Buy stock shares!))
Sun	June 9	9:30AM	Worship Graduate Recognition
		4:30-6:00PM	End of Year Par-Tay!
July	7-13		Mission Trip to Lexington, North Carolina
July	TBD		Daly Elementary- Dinner and a Movie
Wed	Aug 28 or Thurs.	Aug. 29	Daly Elementary School Supply Drive at the Mobile Home Park
Sun	Sep 15		Rally Day!

Fellowship Team Report, By Anne Davies & Brenda Reid Jones

The Fellowship Team met on April 8. Anne Davies, Brenda Jones, Brenda Hoyt, Darlene Kerr, and Carrie Yearick attended. Everyone who is interested in helping plan and lead fellowship events is VERY welcome to participate.

In response to suggestions at the Congregational Meeting, we will be having "Cookies and Conversation" on the deck outside Pollock-Williams for Sunday Fellowship, weather permitting. Coffee and lemonade will still be available inside. The Praise Team will be hosting Fellowship in May and the Mission Team will be hosting in June. Please feel free to sign up for a single Sunday any time. On Mother's Day, a group of men plan to host. Thanks to those who hosted in April: The Worship Team, Anne Davies, The Faith Formation Team, and all who participated in the potluck. It was especially nice to see so many of the 9:30 service folks make their way to P-W for Fellowship!

Thanks to Brenda Hoyt for the pretty boxes for cards and letters to Jane Dassen. We had hoped to have a celebration of her almost 60 years of service, but her health will not allow it. So we want to send her thanks and well wishes in writing. Please add your card to one of the boxes.

Bassett's in Poolesville has offered to donate 10% of the profits from the entire day of May 16 to BPC. We have, therefore, planned to hold both Lunch Bunch and Soul Sisters at Bassett's that day. We encourage EVERYONE to plan to have at least one meal at Bassett's on May 16.

It is time to organize Sundates. Those of us who did this last year found it to be a rewarding and fun way to get to know other church friends.



Sundates: A Fun Way to Get to Know Others in the Church

Do you like to share a meal with others? Do you like to eat out with friendly people? Want to get to know others in the church better? Consider joining the Sundate group.

What is a Sundate?

A Sundate is a small group of people (around 8) who meet for dinner and conversation once a month on a Sunday evening. Dinner can be at a restaurant, at a someone's home, or at Kerr Hall.

Each month one person signs up to be the host. The host can select the restaurant (separate checks) or choose the food to serve at either their home or at Kerr Hall. And Potluck works, too.

Meals aren't elaborate – the primary purpose is to spend time together and get to know each other a little better.

If you are interested in joining the Spring Sundates group for May and June, please sign-up on the Sundates sheet posted in P-W Hall.

Next meeting: Monday, 5/20 at 6 PM in P-W Hall. Please join us if you can. We would love to have your ideas and help.



Pray for grieving:

Family and friends of those who passed away during April:

- Erika Jill Stoleru
- Leroy Bird (Mary Beitzel's brother)
- Leslie Happ

Pray for healing:

Mike Ahearn, Betty Allnutt, Ian Armstrong & family, Taylor Barnes, Jeffrey Barrientos, Karla Barron, Stephanie Bennett, Tom Blackman, Linda Reise Brainard, Callier family, Aaron Cantler, Mark Cantwell, Gloria Delle Cese, Jeannette Cochran, Jane Dassen, Nancy Daughtry, Dean, Averil Donat, Larry Dorsey, Joyce Floyd, Allen Forney, Blair Gibson, Ginger & Steve Gibson, Gregory Glaude, Perri Green, Greg, Anne Gupman, Amy Gupta, Joe Healy, Gene Hoilman, Ruth Hoyt, Pam Huff, Jason Johnson, Joe Katran, Larry King, Eddie Kiser, Renie Kiser, Kreg Kephart, John Labbe, Ellen Landriau, Janet Manuel, Jane Mote, Nass, Don Pleasants, Tony Pirrone, Tracey Plummer, Justin Rosner, Mabel Sizemore, George Smith, Mark Sutch, Mark Turbyfill, Andrea Kempner Wink, Veronika, Arthur & Mary Virts; those who have recently lost loved ones, active members of the armed services and their families, members of our church, those affected by natural disasters and tragedies. Pray for those recovering from their war wounds, for victims of violence and war throughout the world.

Mission & Merriment have prayer shawls to give to anyone, church member or friend.

To request a prayer shawl, please contact Marj Turbyfill at 301-972-0265.



Appreciation and Gratitude to:

- ❖ Everyone who hosted an April fellowship:
 - Worship Team
 - Anne Davies
 - Faith Formation Team
 - All who contributed to the pancake breakfast or potluck
 - All who helped with the Sunrise Service activities
- ❖ Margaret Leaman & Kay Curtis for cleaning the church.
- ❖ Everyone who helped with the Cemetery cleanup.

The **2019 Sanctuary Cleaning** schedule is on the bulletin board in the church vestibule. Please sign-up to clean for one month. May is still available!

The **2019 Per Capita** for each communicant member is **\$41.73**. Per capita is what BPC pays to *The Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.)*, in order to cover the denomination's general administrative expenses. If you choose to help offset this expense, you may use the first blue envelope in your offering box designated for "per capita apportionment."



- May 2 – Mission Team meeting
- May 4 – CAC Treehouse *tour de cookie* bike ride
- May 6 – Session meeting
- May 9 – Worship Team meeting
- May 12 – Mother's Day
- May 13 – Deacons meeting
- May 16 – *Bassett's* Restaurant Fundraiser - all day
 - ★ Lunch Bunch at NOON
 - ★ Soul Sisters at 6:30 PM
- May 16-17 – Yard Sale Item Drop-off
 - ★ Thursday, 2-5 PM
 - ★ Friday, NOON-3 PM
- May 18 – Yard Sale
- May 20 – Christian Fellowship Team meeting
- May 21 – Presbytery meeting
- May 23 – Newsletter deadline
- May 26 – Potluck Fellowship
- May 27 – Memorial Day, Office Closed
- May 28 – Trustees/Building & Grounds Team meeting