

# ***THE SADDLEBAG***

*May 2019*

## **WALKERSVILLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

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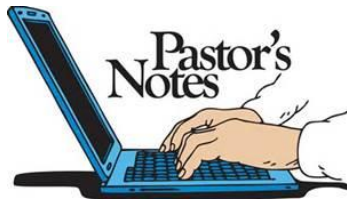
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## *Treasures...*

They come in various sizes, shapes and forms. Treasures also conger up jewels, gems and other valuable items. For me, the month of May is filled with all sort of treasures for a variety of reasons. Flowers and plants are in full bloom by now. The days are generally comfortable; sunny and warm, not too hot or cold – ideal!

May also means thoughts of mom and Mother's Day. Which brings to mind what great treasures they are (or were) in our lives. Even though my mom is no longer with me, she is always close by, in my heart. I got my love of flowers and gardening from her. I cherish many wonderful memories of both her and my dad. When I reach for those memories, it is like opening a chest full of treasures. Each one precious, with special meaning and importance. I am blessed to have had the parents I had.

This Mother's Day, if your mother is still living, do something special for her. It doesn't have to be extravagant or

expensive. I am certain she would say something like, "just spending time together is all I need and desire." If being together is not possible physically because of distance or for other reasons, a phone call, face-time or something similar would be a great option. If your mom is no longer with you, treat another important lady in your life – your wife, sister, mother-in-law, niece, aunt, friend with a special act of kindness. Let them know what a treasure they are to you.

To all moms and ladies, whether you are a mother or not ~

***Happy Mother's Day!***

In Christ's Love,

Pastor Mike



**“Committee Corner.”** Each month Committee Chair people will be submitting articles about what is happening in and around our Church Community.

## MISSIONS OUTREACH

### **Over the past month:**

WUMC has donated items needed to support the Easter Eggstravaganza and provided volunteers to run the GVCS Thrift Shop on Saturdays in April. We also purchased \$200 in gift cards to help support the Safe and Sane Program which helps with providing a safe Prom Night. Julie has booked the wall climb and gem find for October's Fall Festival.

### **Currently:**

We continue to sponsor a missionary, Erin Hogan, in Uganda. The Giving Tree is collecting items to support our people who are participating July's ASP Outreach.

### **Coming Up:**

- We committed to participate in the Summer Outreach for Walkersville Area Churches (SOWAC) program at Discovery for the week of August 5.
- We have inquired at possibility of scheduling WUMC as a church to volunteer at Alan Linton Shelter.
- Julie is looking for someone willing to head up the food at Fall Festival.
- We will be using the Giving Tree this year to support these causes:
  - June- VBS,
  - July- GVCS School Supply Drive,
  - August- Food Bank,
  - September- Fall Festival Gift Cards,
  - October- North Point Veterans Program,
  - November- ARC and GVCS Toy Shop,
  - December- Used clothing drive.

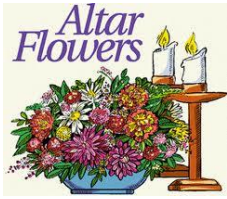
**The Extra Mile Giving Bucket Format:** The Bucket will be passed on:

- The 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of each month - with the donations going to Missions to use as needed;
- The 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays of each month - the Bucket won't be passed unless there is an emergency we'd like to contribute to.

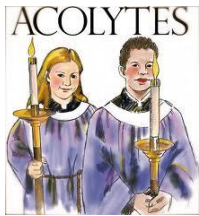
**Reminder - the Bucket is an “Extra Mile Giving Bucket”, and not intended to take away from church offering.**

**Interested in being a part of Missions? We'd love to have your help.  
Contact Julie Zebroski at 240-440-9841 or [Jzebroski0404@gmail.com](mailto:Jzebroski0404@gmail.com).**

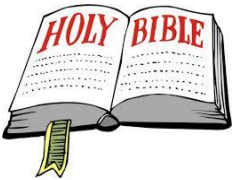
# Service Opportunities



Donate flowers for the Sunday worship services. The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the front hallway of the church. The average cost is \$35.00 for an arrangement.



Children aged 10 – 17 are needed as acolytes for the 9:30 and 11:00 worship services. To sign up, contact Robin Hirsch at 410-258-7044 or at [rphirsch@gmail.com](mailto:rphirsch@gmail.com).



Adults and Youth are needed to read the scripture at all three service. The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the front hallway of the church.



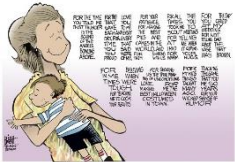
**PRAY FOR OUR YOUTH:** we'd like to have a **regular active prayer team** that will promise to pray for all of us – our youth, our leadership, our activities, our mission, and our witness. We would like for you to pray for the youth in the Walkersville area – that they might grow in their relationship with our Lord, no matter where they go to church, or even if they don't. We'd like your prayers that they might find a worshipping community that fits their needs. Of course, we would like to have a chance to be that community!



**BAKE FOR OUR YOUTH:** If you don't have the energy and time to be a hands-on youth worker, you might be able to **share baked goods or snacks** for our fellowship times, **loan us sporting or camping gear** occasionally, maybe even **share your home swimming pool** for an evening activity. **If you might be able to help in any of the above areas**, please contact Rhonda at [youthleader@walkersvilleumc.org](mailto:youthleader@walkersvilleumc.org)!!



**May 5: 10:00 Graduate Recognition and Brunch**



**May 10: Mother's Day**



**May 18: Walkersville Day**

**May 27: Memorial Day**



## Weekday School



Our students and teachers have enjoyed monthly story time with librarians from the Walkersville Library. The Young 3s and 3s classes had a special story time in April and learned about caterpillars and butterflies. Our older students will have a visit from Fountain Rock Nature Center in early May. Our 4s, Pre-K and Trans-K students will celebrate their moms with a Mother's Day Tea on May 10<sup>th</sup>.

Our last day of classes is May 23<sup>rd</sup> and our 4s, Pre-K and Trans-K classes will graduate at 10am on May 24<sup>th</sup>.

We will have one week of morning camp from June 3<sup>rd</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup>.

Registration for the 2019-2020 school year is ongoing until classes fill. Information and forms can be found on the WUMC website under the Weekday School tab. Please contact me if you have any questions or would like to schedule a tour.

We hope everyone has a wonderful summer!



Vicky Wilson, Director

(301) 845-4282

Email: [weekdayschool@walkersvilleumc.org](mailto:weekdayschool@walkersvilleumc.org)



## Youth News

**Sunday, May 5th at the 10:00 service** is the Graduation Service and Brunch.

Asking all MS and HS Youths to attend and support your HS Graduates!



**Sunday, May 5th 6:30-8:30** MS and HS Youth Group

**Saturday, May 11th** is the ASP Construction Day 9:30-12:00 am.



**Sunday, May 12th** is Mother's Day. Spend the Day with your moms and family. No Youth Group.

**Sunday, May 19th 6:30-8:30** MS and HS Youth Group.

**Sunday, May 26th** Memorial Weekend No Youth Group.

God Bless

Rhonda Ramsburg  
Director of Youth Ministries  
Walkersville United Methodist Church  
(240) 409-1984



## TUNE IN!!! Music Ministry Notes for May 2019

Date	Event	9:30	11:00	Special Info	
5/5		Easter 3	One 10:00 service, Graduate recognition, Communion		
5/12		Easter 4 Mothers Day	Flute Choir	Junior	
5/19		Easter 5	Junior		
5/26		Easter 6 Memorial Day			

**\*\*\*\*\* Unity Services will resume for the summer on June 9. \*\*\*\*\***

I'd like to share some thank you notes to our awesome musicians and friends who have shared their gifts during our Lenten and Easter seasons.

- Thanks to our WUMC Adult Choir, the Adult Choir of Mt. Pleasant, John Gibson - narrator, Teresa Martin – director, John Grimes – percussion, sound tech, Jeff Glaspell – set-up, soloists - Roger Crist, Chuck Boteler, and Robyn Ballew, for sharing our beautiful cantata, Song of the Shadows.
- Thank you Praise Team for the weekly commitment you have to continually choose and lead appropriate worship music EVERY week throughout the year.
- Thank you to our Flute Choir for adding such a special sound to our season's worship! Musicians of your caliber are rare in churches!
- Thank you Heather Ponce and Junior Choir for sharing your gifts. You add such energy to our worship!
- Last, but certainly not least, thank you John Grimes for sharing all of your many talents with the music and worship of WUMC. Your technical knowledge and presence make all of our performances heard throughout the sanctuary. Your musical knowledge means that you can adjust balance, volume, and all the other components of sound to enhance everything we do in worship. Thank you for your addition of a visual component to our worship with the projection of the children's message at 9:30, and the Facebook Live streaming of the 9:30 and 11:00 services. Thank you also for chairing the Worship Committee, helping to set up for special events all over the church, but especially for worship and music events in our sanctuary.

There are probably others that I should thank. I apologize in advance if I left you out! Thank you to our congregation for your continued support of music in our worship!

God gave many people here at WUMC the gift of musical talent. **It is your duty to share your gifts!** If you would be willing to serve in worship, please contact Nancy Mullins at the church office or at [music@walkersvilleumc.org](mailto:music@walkersvilleumc.org). Please note . . . there are places for more music at ALL services!!

I am arranging musical components for **summer worship**. (I can't believe it's close already – on the calendar at least!) Please say "yes" when I ask you to share your musical gifts. As always, volunteering is the easiest way to get your choice of Sundays and services!! (Hint, hint!)



## NEWSFLASH!! A SPECIAL BIRTHDAY IS COMING UP!!



On **June 9** after our 10:00 Unity service, we will be sharing in a pot-luck community birthday party for **GEORGE FISHER WHO WILL BE TURNING 99 on June 21<sup>st</sup>**. Please put June 9 on your calendar and watch bulletins and the June Saddlebag for further information. Contact Nancy Mullins or Robin Hirsch if you'd like to help out!



### WUMC Vacation Bible School:

**July 22 – 26. Times to be determined.**

We are also looking for help with this community event!! If you can volunteer to help decorate, prepare snacks, be a crew leader or other help with other needs, we would be grateful. Please contact Paula at [children@walkersvilleumc.org](mailto:children@walkersvilleumc.org) with any questions or if you are able to help.

### **FUTURE ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**ALL announcements and updates MUST be submitted by email prior to NOON on Tuesdays!** Any information received after Tuesday will have to wait until the following week. All announcements should have a **clear ending date**. Email the information to Maryalice at [secretary@walkersvilleumc.org](mailto:secretary@walkersvilleumc.org).

### **SADDLEBAG ARTICLES:**

All Saddlebag articles must be submitted by the 15<sup>th</sup> of each month, prior to the publication. For example: articles for the May Saddlebag are due on April 15<sup>th</sup>.

### **EMAIL BLAST REMINDERS:**

Just a reminder when asking the office to send a church-wide Email Blast for news and information, the email blasts are **only** sent to the family's designated 'Household' email. There is only one Household email per family. If you need to send information to specific individuals, a church-wide email may not reach everyone. For example: emails being sent to committee members should be sent to them directly, not via a church-wide email.

**Reminders to all members:** Please make sure the office is using the email address you want as your Household email to receive the church-wide Email Blasts. For example: if you are not currently receiving the Saddlebag, your Household email address may need to be updated.

## **Communication of Church Events**

The following protocol was approved by Church Council to communicate church events and building usage:

Any event that affects the body of the church (including events which are taking place outside the facility, such as at someone's home or local restaurant, retreat, etc.) or use of the facilities should be on the church calendar. Every event, meeting, outside contractor, in-house repair that may affect use of the facility or may create a conflict with other events **MUST** be communicated in writing (preferably via email) to the Administrative Assistant. The email should be sent to [secretary@walkersvilleumc.org](mailto:secretary@walkersvilleumc.org) and should include space being requested, date and time of event, any need for prep (decorating, food prep, etc.), any post-event need (such as paint drying time, clean-up, removal of decorations, etc.). This will allow for notification of the appropriate people to assure the facility is clean and available with no conflicts. Your cooperation is appreciated.



# CRAFT FAIR



SATURDAY MAY 11, 2019

9:00 AM – 3 PM

Mt Pleasant Ruritan Hall, Crum Rd & Rte. 26

## *CRAFT & PLANT VENDORS*



*BAKE TABLE*



*FOOD ALL DAY*



### Vendor Rental

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|---------------------------|---|
| ○ <b>Inside</b>           | <b>1 table - \$25; additional tables - \$20</b> |
| ○ <b>Outside Pavilion</b> | <b>Large space with 8' table - \$35</b>         |
| ○ <b>Outside Lawn</b>     | <b>Larger space \$25</b>                        |

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