

The *Spirit* of Otterbein

From the Pastor's Desk

July 2021



Greetings from Pastor John Mayden, Jr.,

Did you hear about the new bridge being built in Martinsburg, West Virginia? It is not a physical bridge made by human hands. No, this bridge is a spiritual one that will connect three existing congregations: Otterbein United Methodist Church, Trinity UMC, and St. Luke's UMC to form the Martinsburg Cooperative Parish on July 1, 2021. Another way of saying it is, one church on three campuses which means that you will have three opportunities on Sundays to worship. These times are 9am at Otterbein UMC, 10am at Trinity UMC and 11am at St. Luke's UMC. I don't know about you, but I have always liked to have options for worship times.

This bridge also makes it possible for these three storied churches to become one in Christ, share 3 pastors and the gifts and assets of these congregations with each other. Doesn't this sound great!

This isn't it! The bridge will extend beyond the walls of the parish into Martinsburg and Berkeley County, WV. Please join us in this collaborative effort as we expand this life-changing bridge into Eastern West VA and transform lives through the Gospel of Jesus Christ. I look forward to partnering with you as we grow together in Christ in this new and exciting way.



Announcements:

St. Luke's UMC is looking for volunteers to help make pies and crafts. If you are interested, you may join them on Tuesdays at 8am in the basement of the church on New York Avenue. No special skills needed! Thank You!



FLOWER SPONSORS NEEDED

The Altar Guild has completed the flower calendar for 2021. There are several open dates for flowers. These open dates are:

July 18, 2021

August 1, 2021

August 8, 2021

August 15, 2021

October 24, 2021

October 31, 2021

If you are interested in having flowers in memory or in honor of someone, please contact Linda Sponaule at 304-901-2545. If we are unable to fill these open dates, then there will be no flowers on those dates.

MISSION MOMENT

Our "Things You Can't Eat" Ministry gave out 60 bags in May and 80 in June!

Upcoming TYCE Ministry Giveaway Dates:

July 28th

August 25th

10:00 am



WORSHIP WATCH

9:00am Service

DATE	HIGHLIGHTS
July 4	Pastor Carol Rhan
July 11	Pastor Mike Cantley
July 18	"Rest a While" Focal Scripture: Mark 6:30-34, 53-56 Pastor John Mayden, Jr.
July 25	Pastor Mike Cantley

Frederick District Update from the BWC:

- **The Board of Childcare's Falling Waters, WV Campus** is looking for used but working bikes, scooters, skateboards, and helmets. All donations can be dropped off to Amanda Martin at 715 Brown Road, Martinsburg, WV. You can also contact Amanda at amartin@boardofchildcare.org or 304-267-3300 ext. 3424.
- **Spiritual Care Volunteers for Hospice** in the panhandle of West Virginia are needed. You can train as a hospice volunteer during a 2-day class. A volunteer would meet for a social visit – read the Bible, pray with those in hospice, etc. Please contact Tony Pirrone for more information at 304-240-2817.

1st Bob Cutlip and Helen Moler
7th Stephanie Ahrens
10th Mark Palmer and Connie Simmons
13th Donna Hall
14th Ralph Brining
17th Mark Hammersla and Alivia Roach
18th Larissa Elliott and Dan Starliper
21st June Cutlip and Wanda McDaniel
22nd Jack Allen Jr.
24th Jeremy Duke
25th Eli Harless
27th Charlotte Lucas
29th Coretta Brining and Marlana Roach
30th Nikki Allen
31st Ronnie Gisler-McBee



FLOWER SPONSORSHIPS FOR THE MONTH OF JULY:



July 4 In memory of Kennie and in honor of Stephanie Ahrens birthday, given by Lydia McBee.

July 11 In memory of Hubert and Helen Lucas, given by Sam and Charlotte Lucas.

July 18 OPEN

July 25 In memory of George W. and Francis Bradshaw, given by their family.

OUR SHUT-IN RESIDENTS:

Jerry Kusner Room 220,
Elmcroft Assisted Living
200 Gloucester Drive
Martinsburg, WV 25401

Betty Raines Room 159B
Clary Grove,
209 Clover Street
Martinsburg, WV 25404

Phyllis Kusner
Springs Center
456 Autumn Acres Road (Phyllis Kusner)
Berkeley Springs, WV 25411

Raymond "Mutt" Gano Room 201
Elmcroft Assisted Living,
200 Gloucester Drive
Martinsburg, WV 25401

Barbara Lancaster Room 232
Harmony At Martinsburg
13857 Apple Harvest Drive
Martinsburg, WV 25403



Sister ACTS News:

Sister ACTS held their monthly meeting on Saturday with 27 ladies attending and lots of good things happening!! Carla Toolan provided a program on the Burke St Promise Neighborhood Community Gardens, & we donated a gardening fork, 10 pairs of gloves, 20 batteries, multiple boxes, plus a \$50 donation.

We collected MANY undies for the Blessing Box Ministry:


19 pks for men
22 pks for women + 4 bras
18 pks for girls + 2 bras + 2 sets of long johns
12 pks for boys
1 box of diapers + 2 onesies

We collected an additional 23 new stuffed animals for Katie's Kritters for children in need.

The group decided to spend \$100 to purchase sunscreen, lip balm, & caps for Immanuel's House to distribute to their clients. **We will also be collecting new or gently used caps or sun visors for them. They can be dropped off at Sue Ann Palmer's house at 1425 W King St or bring them to the July 31st meeting.**

The group voted to make a \$500 donation to the Berkeley County Senior Center to use for respite services for their clients.

WOW!! Isn't that awesome!!

Thank you, thank you to everyone who has contributed to the success of all of our projects and to those who have made generous monetary donations which enable us to continue our mission of ACTIVELY CARING THROUGH SERVICE!!

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Prayer List

IMMEDIATE:

Lee Cutlip
Mike Emery
Lydia and Steven McBee
Dwight Neel
Janice Shipe
Mike Shipe
Mike Wheeler
Linda Winegardner
Carol Zdziera
Jim LeMaster
Vanessa Bishop
Dean Parker
Carol Hensler
Brett Twigg
Kaleb Goff
Sharon Serio
Sue Davis
Keith Hammersla
Emily Waters
Charles Workman
Jonathan
Elizabeth

LONG TERM PRAYER LIST:

Max Corbin
Bob & June Cutlip
Scott Davis
Janice Dodson
Jeremy Duke
Rion Foster
Dave Fulk
Dan Kesecker
Brenda McDaniel
Betty Ann Keiter Tabler
Cliff Sebring
Betty Allen
Katherine Ford

MILITARY MEMBERS:

Joshua Brining
Nick Foster
Brett Richards
Christopher Riser
Conner Waters

GENERAL PRAYER CONCERNS:

End to the Coronavirus
Unity in the spirit of our Nation
Drug Addiction Epidemic
Our Military & Families
Homeless
Families touched by violence

CCAP/Loaves and Fishes
National, State & Community Leaders
Police officers
First responders
Health care workers
Children's Ministry

PRAYER CHAIN MEMBERS:

Jean Butts 304-263-4427
Emily Waters 304-263-9433
Joy White 304-229-0946
Pat Wilson 304-263-5887

If you would like to become a member of the prayer chain, please let Jean Butts know.



THOSE LIVING WITH CANCER:

Carolyn Betke
Dave Betke
Sandra Biner
Vanessa Bishop
Buck Browning
JoAnn Cave
Amy Chapman
Patty Cooper
Sarah Crowell
Lee Cutlip
Mark Day
Mary Ann Fields
Virginia Fitzwater
Frank Harrison
Tammy Hatfield
David Hoffman
Melissa Holmes
Pamela Jones
Davis Keller
Joyce Kulb
Patty Lemaster
Eunice Lloyd
Sherry Manor
Bill Miller
Cathy Potts
Melissa Shade
Robert Shank
Kimberly Sisk
Lisa Thompson
Becky Weaver
Mindy Wilmer
Clinton Wright
Wilson Youngblood
Carolyn Zdziera
Beverly Zook

IN SYMPATHY:

Our thoughts and prayers are with the families of the following:

- ✠ Jack Allen
- ✠ Carol Gruver
- ✠ Brittney Siford
- ✠ Janice Fischbach

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2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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4 Worship 9:00am Pastor Carol Rhan	5	6 NA 7:00pm	7	8	9	10
11 Worship 9:00am Pastor Mike Cantley	12	13 NA 7:00pm	14	15	16	17
18 Worship 9:00am Pastor John Mayden, Jr.	19	20 NA 7:00p.m.	21	22	23	24
25 Worship 9:00am Pasor Mike Cantley	26	27 NA 7:00pm	28 Things You Can't Eat give-away 10 am - 12 pm	29	30	31 Sister ACTS with Chrystal Barcomb of the Encircle facility 10:00am

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