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Lenten Greetings from Pastor Dawn



Lent offers us an invitation from God. We are invited to set aside time to focus on our discipleship journey, to

repent, to pray, to fast, and to serve. We are invited to examine closely the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ...his love and grace, his sacrifice, his willingness to pour out his very life for our salvation. We are invited to enter into the joy and celebration of Easter...the victory of life over death, the presence of the risen Christ with the disciples, the coming of spring after a long winter. The Lenten journey is not always easy, though. We are also invited to wrestle with our own need for repentance. We are invited to confront not only Jesus' sacrifice and death, but also our own brokenness and mortality and our own need "take up our cross and follow Him".

My prayer is that you will enter into this Lenten season with your whole heart. Let this be a season where you examine carefully your journey as a disciple of Christ. Take this journey with Christ to Jerusalem. Listen closely to His words and lessons. Go with the disciples to the Upper Room and to the Garden of Gethsemane. Eat the bread. Drink the wine. Watch Jesus wash the dirty feet of the disciples. Hear Him cry out in agony in the garden. See the betrayer's kiss. Go with Mary to Calvary. Cry at the foot of the cross in sorrow. Join Mary Magdalene at the empty tomb. Listen to Jesus say

to her "Woman, why are you weeping?" and listen to Him call her by name, "Mary". As you journey, I am confident that Christ, our risen Lord, will go with you offering guidance and peace.

I pray that as we journey through the season you'll take advantage of our many opportunities for prayer, fellowship, and worship. We'll have our prayer stations in the cloister hallway every Wednesday through Lent. We have a special Family Fellowship Night with cross-making and inter-generational worship scheduled for Sunday, March 6th from 5-7. We'll share a potluck meal, make some special Lenten crosses, and then share in an informal worship time. We have special services planned for Maundy Thursday and Good Friday (see the holy week services info). Please join us!

Wherever Lent finds you, may your discipleship journey be blessed. As you journey, may you find (again) new life in Christ and may you be raised (anew) to new life with Christ.

With Grace and Peace,
Pastor Dawn



Missions Corner

Food Sunday and the Community Crisis Center



The Community Crisis Center, Inc. (CCC) is a non-Profit organization

that was founded in 1982 by ministerial and civic groups to serve local residents in need. CCC's mission is made possible by donations and volunteers. **How can you help?**

The Community Crisis Center relies HEAVILY upon donations from congregations, organizations, and businesses of emergency food items, personal hygiene products and cleaning supplies for local individuals and families. Financial donations are also welcomed to help prevent eviction and to provide utility assistance.

- **Bring your non-perishable donation every the 1st Sunday of the month (Communion Sunday)**
- **Involve your children or grandchildren, have them pick an item a week from the list and let them bring it to church.**
- **No time to shop? The missions committee welcomes monetary contributions. Please write Crises Center on memo line of check.**

Community Blood Drive

Many thanks to everyone that came out to donate blood at our Community Blood Drive on Saturday, February 27, 2016!

We collected 69 units of life saving blood! We hope everyone enjoyed the fellowship among the Reisterstown/Glyndon community and the many congregations that participated.

Youth News

Pancake Supper

I want to begin by thanking Zeenie Burns for all of her time and effort over the past 21 years to help the youth of our church put on this event. I know that for the past 8 years it has been one of my favorite activities. I am not sure anyone understands the amount of time and planning that goes into getting this event together but Zeenie makes it happen every year.

Thank you to everyone who came out and supported this dinner. The youth are always happy to have a crowd. The youth worked hard to serve and make the night a good time for all. Thank you to our wonderful kitchen crew who prepares all of the delicious food for us to enjoy. We are blessed to have each one of you.

Youth Sunday

I cannot begin you express the joy I feel in my heart for the children and youth of our church. I would like to thank each and every one of them for the gift they gave to this church. The worship was powerful and meaningful, the music was uplifting and spiritual and the congregation is blessed to have been able to hear the messages form our youth. Carrie and Barb worked tirelessly to tie all of the pieces together to make the service run effortlessly. I would like to thank Kathy for helping the Children's Choir and Peacebringers share their voices in song. Thank you to Pastor Dawn for her belief in our youth and their ability to share God's message. Thank you to Elizabeth for the music and slideshow during our potluck lunch.

Highlighting Youth and Young Adults

Terri Dotterer attends the 9:30 worship service with her husband Mike. Her two children Nathan and Amelia attend Sunday school. Terri loves attending the Family Fellowship times and is a part of the Young Families Group. Terri serves on the Missions committee and took many of the pictures for our directory.

Terri runs the MOPS group here in our church. They meet on Thursday mornings. MOPS provides and opportunities for moms to meet other moms, have some quiet time away to chat, eat, learn or craft in a gentle and understanding environment.



Terri is also a teacher in our preschool.

This is her second year teaching for our preschool. Terri says, "I love our little sanctuary downstairs and I am grateful to be a part of it."

Upcoming events

- *Family Fellowship, March 6th 5pm-7pm
- *Youth Worship, March 13th 5pm-7pm
- *Youth Movie Night, (6th grade and up) March 20th 5pm-7pm
- *Youth Worship, April 10th 5-7
- *Family Fellowship, April 17th 5-7
- *Youth Progressive Dinner, April 24th 5pm-7pm

The youth are invited to join us on March 2nd and March 16th for Prayer Stations. This will be a great opportunity to learn and understand more about Lent and ourselves.

From the Trustees

A huge THANK YOU to everyone who helped with our church clean up! What a fantastic response and productive day. We aren't done yet, so keep a look out for our next inside work day to help keep our church looking beautiful.

Our first phase of our roofing project is just about complete and we are looking at phase two now.

Please keep this project in your prayers and on your heart and support it any way you feel you can. Together we will continue to be a warm, friendly, and welcoming church.

Egg Hunt!

The Young Families group will be hosting their 2nd annual Easter egg hunt on Sunday, March 20 at 1pm. All are welcome! Come join us at the back parking lot by the playground and invite your neighbors too! In addition to the egg hunt there will be balloon animals, games, and maybe a craft.

Please consider donating candy to fill the eggs. Individually wrapped nut free candy will be collected through March 13 in a box in the lobby.

GUMS

The preschool is looking for "artists." Please let Laura Oneto or Terri Dotterer know if you have something we could share and display at this year's Art Show on April 13th.

The preschool will be holding an Open House on April 14th from 9:30 am until noon. Please tell anyone you may know with small children about our great preschool so that we may fill the classroom with little ones.



Remember our friends with a card or a call!

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HOLY WEEK SERVICES & ACTIVITIES AT GLYNDON UMC

- Mar 20 Palm Sunday Worship –
Morning Glory Informal Worship 8:30
Traditional Worship 9:30, & 11 am
Community Lunch & Easter Egg Hunt – 12 pm
- Mar 23 Prayer Stations in the Cloister Hallway – 1 – 9 pm
- Mar 24 Maundy Thursday Worship – 7 pm
- Mar 25 Good Friday Worship – 7 pm
- Mar 27 Easter Worship –
Morning Glory Informal Worship 8:30
Traditional Worship 9:30, & 11 am

PLEASE COME JOIN US!



March 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 7:00p GirlScouts	2 1:00 – 9:00 p Prayer Stations 7:15p Youth Choir 7:30p Chancel Choir	3 8:30a Al-Anon 7:00p Covenant Bible Study (at Jan Bradley's)	4	5 8:00 a Men's Breakfast
6 ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING 8:30 Peacebringers Rehearsal 8:30a Morning Glory 9:00 Children's Choir Rehearsal 9:30 Traditional Worship 9:30 Sunday School 11:00 Traditional worship 12:30 Girlfriends Lunch J&P Glyndon 5:00p-7:00p Family Fellowship	7 7:00p Missions 7:30p Candlelighters	8 7:00p GirlScouts	9 1:00 – 9:00 p Prayer Stations 7:15p Youth Choir 7:30p Chancel Choir	10 8:30a Al-Anon 10:15a MOPS 7:00p Covenant Bible Study (at Jan Bradley's)		
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