



# FIRST DAY !

Weekly News and Opportunities at  
The First Presbyterian Church of Howard County  
August 13, 2017

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## TODAY



### **LEMONADE ON THE LAWN AFTER BOTH SERVICES TODAY:**

Lemonade on the Lawn, hosted by Ruth Circle,  
following the 9:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. worship services.

**LITURGIST:** Carolyn (10:00)

**USHERS & GREETERS:** Ron (9:00); Chrissy, Mispa, Melanie (10:00); Laura, Jonathan, Jonathan (Tech Crew)

**FLOWERS THIS WEEK** are given to the glory of God by Alice & Gus in celebration of 56 years of glorious marriage; by Doria in memory of the 5<sup>th</sup> year of Francesca's passing on August 8, 2012; and by Sue in loving memory of her mother, Doris.

The flower arranger is Melanie.

**WE LIGHT A REMEMBRANCE CANDLE** this morning to remember Doris, mother of Sue, who died on August 6, 2002 and to remember Francesca, daughter of Doria, who died on August 8, 2012.

**ZENTANGLE® ARTIST:** Thanks to Evelyn for the Zentangle® art in this week's worship bulletins.

**WE WELCOME SOLOIST** Mr. Ryan Johns at the 10:00 a.m. service.

**CHILDREN'S WORSHIP:** All worship begins in the Sanctuary.

*At 10:00 a.m.:* After the Children's Prayer and Lord's Prayer: Children ages 4-7 may go with Ms. Kathy Moore to *Godly Play*. Parents can pick up their children following worship in rooms 110 & 113.

**WORSHIP BAGS:** Worship bags are available to enhance the worship experience for children. Please return everything to the bags (except the pipe cleaners) and return the bags to the ushers at the end of the service.

**WAM SUMMER ART PROJECT:** We're folding origami paper cranes! Folding cranes is a meditative practice. In many Asian cultures, the crane is a symbol of peace and wholeness. So we're folding cranes – as many as we can – all summer to be used in an art installation for World Communion and Peacemaking Sunday this fall. You can learn how to fold cranes, and fold a few every Sunday after worship. You can find the Folding Cranes table either in Branch Hall or outside under the trees near Lemonade on the Lawn. Young children (and others!) can help us create paper by watercoloring.



## GUIDE TO PRAYER FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 13, 2017

**Please pray for:** Jeff, Joan, Burta, Marvin, Paul, Jerry, Gertrude, Jim, Bob, Carol, Stan, Bette, Shirley, Al & Beth

**Non-Resident Members:** Frank & Betty, Marion, Vivian, Russ & Barb, Virginia

**Bereaved:** Jean, Vivian, Christina and family, Shirley

**Upcoming Surgery:** *Agnes*

**Recovering from Surgery:** Dave, Jimmy, Irina, Ginny, Sarah, *Maria (former DCE)*

**Hospitalized:** Web (Bayview)

**Hospice Care:** Dottie (home hospice)

**Deaths:** *May the peace of Christ be with Linda, in the death of her mother, Dorothy on August 10, 2017.*

**Friends & Family:** *Carolyn's mother, Ruth, in home hospice*

**PCUSA Mission Coworkers:** Jeff and Christi Boyd in Congo; Amanda Craft and Omar Chan with the Presbyterian Border Region Outreach (PBRO) along the US-Mexico border; Jed and Jenny Koball in Peru.

*Please contact the church office, 410-730-3545 or one of the Pastors:  
Morton Harris, 443-824-3768 or Sue Lowcock Harris, 443-824-4305  
with the prayers and concerns that you would like to share.*



### PEOPLE ON THE WAY

**Florence Nightingale** (May 12, 1820 – August 13, 1910) and **Clara Mass** (June 28, 1876 – August 24, 1901), renewers of society.

When Florence Nightingale, daughter of a wealthy English family, decided she would become a nurse, her family was horrified. In the early 1800s, nursing was done by people with no training and no other way to earn a living. Florence trained in Germany and worked to reform hospitals in England. She led 38 nurses to serve in the Crimean War; the sanitary conditions were so terrible more soldiers died of illnesses contracted in the hospital than of battle wounds. Florence suspected that sanitation was the cause. She returned to London a hero, and resumed her work for hospital reform.

Clara Mass was born in New Jersey, and volunteered as a contract nurse with the US Army in the Spanish-American War. She encountered yellow fever serving in the Philippines. During an experiment, which included receiving bites from mosquitos, she contracted the disease and died.

**We also remember: August 15, 1961.** Two days after sealing off free passage between East and West Berlin with barbed wire, East German authorities begin building a wall on August 15 – **The Berlin Wall** – to permanently close off access to the West. For the next 28 years, the heavily fortified Berlin Wall stood as the most tangible symbol of the Cold War – a literal “iron curtain” dividing Europe.

**THE ECUMENICAL PRAYER CYCLE** focuses the prayers of Christians week by week, so that over the year all the countries of the world are prayed for.

This week we pray for *Oceania – 2,000 islands that make up the nations of Fiji, French Polynesia, Kanaky, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Micronesia, Nauru, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tonga, Tuvalu Vanuatu.* Pray for:

- *The strong presence of the church in these nations;*
- *The preservation of these island nations in the midst of global warming and rising sea levels;*
- *Those who are unable to attend school.*

For more information about the Prayer Cycle,  
visit the website of the World Council of Churches: [www.oikoumene.org](http://www.oikoumene.org)

### OUR MISSION PARTNERSHIP PRAYER CYCLE FOR 2017

*We pray for the churches and pastors of Baltimore Presbytery.*

- ✦ Kenwood Church in Baltimore City – *Carrie Finch-Burris, Pastor*
- ✦ Knox Church in Baltimore City – *Michael Moore, Pastor*

## ADULT EDUCATION & SPIRITUAL GROWTH

**THE BIG READ 2017 –Gathering is TODAY Sunday, August 13 at 11:15 a.m.**

*Living Buddha, Living Christ*, by Thich Nhat Hahn

This is a book which was first published in 1995 and is often overlooked. Nhat Hahn explores the crossroads of compassion and holiness at which Christianity and Buddhism meet. In these days of increasing racial and religious intolerance and hatred, we need to explore how we are brother and sister to one another.

We'll gather **today Sunday, August 13<sup>th</sup>** after Summer Worship at 11:15-ish. So grab some lemonade and join the conversation in the Parlor, on the second floor of the Education Wing.

## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

### TAKE OUT CHURCH!

We try to remember that God goes with us wherever we go but sometimes that isn't so easy. Pick up a "Take Out Church" box from the Welcome Center before your vacation to help you stay connected with God and your church while you are away. The take-out-church pizza boxes are for families with children or youth and contain individual and family activities, prayers, games, and a few tools to help you worship. There are also red folders available for adults to try Take Out Church. Pick one up today and take First Presbyterian Church on vacation with you this summer!

TAKE OUT CHURCH



## STUDENT MINISTRIES

### SUMMER CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR STUDENT MINISTRY

**Mid Highs – Rising 6<sup>th</sup> – Rising 8<sup>th</sup> – in Lyle Buck Hall**

*Wednesday, Aug 16 – 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.*



## WORSHIP, ART & MUSIC INFO

### PANSIES FOR AKWAABA!

Akwaaba Sunday is **September 10, 2017**

Help us decorate the sanctuary with colorful pansies!

Order forms are at the Welcome Desk.

\$4.50 each for a 4 inch pot. Deadline for ordering is **Sunday, August 27<sup>th</sup>**.

Contact: the church office, 410-730-3545.



# SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

## RELAXED, REVERENT, JOYFUL

*Through Sunday, September 3, 2017*

### **9:00 a.m. – First Worship**

Thirty good minutes of hymns, prayer and a Bible lesson – especially friendly for families with young children. Everyone welcome!

### **10:00 a.m. – Summer Worship**

The best of First Presbyterian's worshipping tradition continues all summer long! Worship is the gathering of the whole church to enjoy God together through hymns and songs, prayers and praise, scripture lessons and a sermon.

Mark your calendars and plan to be part of a wonderful summer experience!

### **WORSHIP ASSISTANTS NEEDED FOR FIRST WORSHIP:**

Pastor Sue and Pastor Morton invite children to assist them this summer during First Worship, 9:00 a.m. Here are some ways you can assist them:

- Light the Christ Candle during the Call to Worship
- Read the Scripture Lesson
- Help the ushers greet and take the offering

Please speak with Virginia Callegary if you would like to be a Worship Assistant. Also, there is a sign-up sheet in the Welcome Center for First Worship. If you sign up, Ms. Virginia will be in touch with you and help you prepare to be a Worship Assistant this summer.

**LEMONADE ON THE LAWN** happens every Sunday during the summer schedule after both worship services. Meet everyone on the lawn for lemonade, refreshments and fellowship!



**ROOT BEER FLOATS** will be served after both worship services on *Sunday, August 20* – that's next Sunday! See you on the lawn for yummy root beer floats, fellowship and FUN!

**OFFERING OF FLOWERS:** You are invited to bring flowers cut from your own garden to worship on ***Sunday, August 27***. See Tidings June 2017 Issue 6 for more details.

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE

**MOVEABLE FEAST** is a charitable organization whose mission is to foster a community that cares for men, women and children living with HIV/AIDS, cancer and other life-threatening illnesses by preparing and delivering nutritious meals and groceries and providing nutritional counseling and other services. Our church provides home baked goods on the Second Sunday of each month. If you would like to help, please leave your dessert in the kitchen and mark it Moveable Feast. For additional information check them out at [mfeast.org](http://mfeast.org)

**SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE – This is the last week to bring school supplies!** The Deacons will be collecting school supplies for Running Brook Elementary School *through August 17<sup>th</sup>*. There will be bins in the Welcome Center marked "School Supply Drive." Please refer to the list of needed items posted in the Welcome Center or pick up a copy of the list while you are there. Thank you!

**FALL MISSION TRIP: SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24 - FRIDAY, 29.** We're returning to Tarboro North Carolina to work with PCUSA partner VOAD (Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster), as this area recovers from massive flooding last October. If you are interested – please contact the church office.

**JUST ONE CAN...PLUS! – August – Paper the Town Day**

The Board of Deacons' is campaigning in August for donations of PAPER PRODUCTS. This is part of our church's continuing efforts against Hunger in Howard County. Food Stamps do not cover paper products so struggling families must spend their dwindling cash for such things. Recommended items are: Paper Towels, Toilet paper, Gallon Size Ziploc bags, Aluminum Foil, Plastic wraps, Any Household Paper products. Please leave your donations in the Just One Can wooden cart across from the Welcome Center in the Upper Commons. Thank you on behalf of the Deacons and the Food-Stressed of Howard County.

**WANTED:** Eyeglasses; Musical Instruments; Hearing Aids; Adult & Children's Bikes; Portable Sewing Machines; Women's Purses or Pocketbooks; and Baseball Equipment. The churches of the Wilde Lake Interfaith Center in Columbia will send your no longer used items listed above to needy families in Latin America, Africa and inner-city Baltimore. The sewing machines and musical instruments need to be in working order; the other items need not be. Drop them off at the Wilde Lake Interfaith Center parking lot (10431Twin Rivers Rd.) on *Saturday, August 26<sup>th</sup>* from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Tax receipts given. For further info call Tom at 301-774-7069

## LOOKING AHEAD

**CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED Monday, September 4, 2017** for Labor Day.

**FALL WORSHIP SCHEDULE BEGINS on Sunday, September 10, 2017**

8:30 a.m.	Worship
9:30 a.m.	Education Hour
10:30 a.m.	Worship
11:30 a.m.	Discipleship Hour

# WEEKLY CALENDAR

## Every Sunday

**Through September 3, 2017**

9:00 a.m. First Worship

9:30 a.m. Lemonade on the Lawn

10:00 a.m. Summer Worship

Infant & Toddler Care is available all morning

Godly Play (age 4 – grade 1) during 10:00 a.m. services

11:00 a.m. Lemonade on the Lawn & Summer After-Church

## Sunday, August 13<sup>th</sup>

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MOVEABLE FEAST | SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE THROUGH AUGUST 17

9:00 a.m. First Worship

9:30 a.m. Lemonade on the Lawn

10:00 a.m. Summer Worship

11:00 a.m. Lemonade on the Lawn

Summer Big Read

2:00 p.m. Vantage House Worship Service

## Monday, August 14<sup>th</sup>

CHURCH OFFICE & BUILDING OPEN 9:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.

SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE THROUGH AUGUST 17

## Tuesday, August 15<sup>th</sup>

SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE THROUGH AUGUST 17

12:00 p.m. Staff Meeting

6:30 p.m. *Inspirit* Counseling Services Staff Meeting

7:00 p.m. Deacons Meeting

SMLT Meeting

Strengthening the Church

Year Round Stewardship Committee

## Wednesday, August 16<sup>th</sup>

BULLETIN ARTICLES DUE

SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE THROUGH AUGUST 17

1:00 p.m. Knitting Fellowship

7:00 p.m. Mid-Highs Summer Night

## Thursday, August 17<sup>th</sup>

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

7:00 p.m. Annual User Group Meeting

## Friday, August 18<sup>th</sup>

11:30 a.m. Bulletins Folded

## Saturday, August 19<sup>th</sup>

CHURCH BUILDING OPEN 8:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M.

9:00 a.m. Church Work Day

## Sunday, August 20<sup>th</sup>

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9:00 a.m. First Worship

9:30 a.m. Root Beer Floats

10:00 a.m. Summer Worship

11:00 a.m. Root Beer Floats

The Church Office is open Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

For more events throughout the week at First Presbyterian Church, please check the calendar on our website at [www.firstpreshec.org](http://www.firstpreshec.org), the current issue of *Tidings*, or call the church office 410-730-3545.

A Weekly Email is sent every Friday, if you would like to receive it please contact the church office.

To submit news or events for the weekly bulletin **First Day!** please email to: [fpcadmin@firstpreshec.org](mailto:fpcadmin@firstpreshec.org) by Wednesday at 9:00 a.m.

To submit articles for *Tidings*, our monthly newsletter, please send articles by email to: [fpcadmin@firstpreshec.org](mailto:fpcadmin@firstpreshec.org) by **Thursday, August 24, 2017** at 9:00 a.m. for the September 2017 Issue #8.