



Tidings

TRAPPE/FAITH CHAPEL NEWSLETTER SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER 2016



MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Friends,

As we begin to think about life after Labor Day, let us give God thanks for the blessings of this summer. I am so thankful for Nancy Dunn and all those who helped her put together our Vacation Bible School. It was great to see the children learn about God being Awesome! We need to seek God's guidance about how to do a children's ministry in this day and time.

I am planning for us to lift up the role the Bible has in our Christian life together. **October 23 is set up as BIBLE SUNDAY.** Please submit to me your favorite Bible verse by October 1st.

And we need to keep our beloved organist and member, Hilda Jane Brooks, in prayer as she recovers. I know of no one in any church who has been as faithful an organist as Jane. We wish her a speedy recover.

Keep our teachers, students, and schools in prayer as they start a new year!

See you in church on Sunday!

Rev. Gary L. Moore

PRAYER FOR SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER

Lord, you have promised to meet those who seek your face.
Come now and reveal your presence to me
as I make my presence to you.
In the name of Jesus Christ my Lord. Amen.



Remember the **Prayer Calendar**, included in this **Tidings**. We would like to list congregational members so that we can pray for each other, but we would like your permission to list your name. Please let Rev. Moore know if we can list your name on the Prayer Calendar. His contact information is listed below, or you can email him at trappe362@gmail.com

Pastor's Office Hours

The Pastor's Office is inside Trappe Church. When you enter the side door into the Education Unit, it is immediately on your left.

Here are the hours I am planning to be in the Office:

*Tuesdays: 10:00 – Noon *Wednesdays: 9:30 – Noon *Thursdays: 10:00 – Noon

If you need to meet with me at other times, please call me at 410-714-2004.

ONGOING CALENDAR

Thurs

Senior Choir Practice

2nd & 4th Saturdays

Breakfast and Yard Sale

2nd Sundays

Fellowship following 11:00

Worship

2nd Wednesdays

UMW/UMM Meeting

and Bible Study

3rd Wednesdays:

Every other month

Administrative Council

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UNITED METHODIST WOMEN by Leona Schmidt

In looking back over the last nine months, the United Methodist Women were very active with various activities including an afternoon tea and fashion show, soup day during a breakfast, celebrating Everyone's Birthday including a surprise for Ida Hickman since it was her birthday on that day, recognizing mothers and fathers on their special day in May and June, and ending with a dinner in June.

We will begin our new year with a meeting on September 14th at 6:30pm and plan for our coming year. Hope all women of the both Churches will come to help with the planning on that evening.

FAITH NEWS by Diana Bojko

Editor's Note: Diana has spent her summer recovering from surgery instead of writing for the **Tidings**. She is doing well, and her Faith News will return in the next issue. We use this space to send Diana a Get Well message:



CHARGE CONFERENCE

Our Charge Conference with our District Superintendent, Rev. Dr. Shirlyn Henry Brown, is set for

Wednesday, October 26 at 6:00 p.m.

(Note the time.) Reports are due to Rev. Moore by Sunday, October 2nd.

All church members are invited to attend.

A Charge Conference is the annual leadership meeting of Faith Chapel and Trappe churches to set key resources, such as leadership for the next year, pastoral compensation, and election of certified lay servants.

Check out the Charge web site at <http://www.tfcumc.org>

FINANCIAL SUMMARY

TRAPPE UMC

January 1 – July 31, 2016

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| Contributions | \$43,976.86 |
| Expenses | <u>\$36,437.09</u> |
| Difference | \$ 7,539.77 |

FAITH CHAPEL

January 1 – July 21, 2016

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|----------------|-------------------|
| Contributions | \$5,180.95 |
| Breakfast/Yard | <u>\$4,120.00</u> |
| TOTAL | \$9,300.00 |
| EXPENSES: | \$8,498.00 |

Thank you for your support of each church's ministry! The Lord loves a cheerful giver!

ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS: JULY 21, 2016

- Rev. Moore presented The Building Study Committee findings which included:
 1. The Needs-Doing list of church and parsonage items;
 2. The Simpkins Roofing Consulting Services reports on the Wesley Hall, Church, and Parsonage roofs; and
 3. The Immediate Recommendation, which was to go forward with the most serious item, the Wesley Hall roof.
- The Council agreed to establish a committee to present a detailed proposal with estimates of costs and benefits and a Timeline for accomplishing the project.
- The next meeting date of the Administrative Council/Trustees will be on the third Wednesday, September 20, 2016, at 6:30 pm. The third Wednesday may become the standard meeting day.
- The donation for West Virginia relief through UMCOR was \$438 with more to come in.
- Nancy Dunn reported 78 attended the Bells of the Bay Concert.
- Vacation Bible School will be Monday -Thursday, August 1 – 4, for ages 4 -9 from 6:00 – 8:00 pm, with a Light Supper provided. Nancy reported plans are coming together, and it's hoped there will be good attendance.
- A commendation letter will be sent to Rev. Charlotte Nichols, who will be leaving Scott's UMC to a new appointment on September 1, 2016.
- The annual Pre-Paid Fuel Fund letter will be sent out soon. The goal is to raise \$4500 to cover fuel and electric costs for the heating season.
- The Trappe/Bruceville Charge Conference will be on Wednesday, October 26, 2016 at 6:00 pm.

MARTHA'S CLOSET

Trappe: \$75,146.40
Faith : \$70,932.50
Total 1998 to present \$146,078.90

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is also available (and in color) on line at
<http://www.tfcumc.org/>

FROM THE THANK YOU BOX

To Nancy Dunn: Thank you for doing such a great job with the decorations for the Bells of the Bay Concert.

To Rev. Moore: Thank you for choosing to remain with us another year!

To our musicians: Thank you for the beautiful music, organists and pianists, H. Jane, Dottie, Sarah, and Bo.

To Sarah Sewell: Thank you for Everything you do. You truly are an amazing person! The gardens look beautiful, too :-)

Do you want to thank someone? The Thank You Box is located on the organ.

Place your thank you in the box, and it will be included in the next newsletter.



Thank You!

LIBRARY NEWS by Charlotte Edwards

A -is for August: my favorite month. **U** - is for urgent: although nothing should be in August.

G - is for gears: which should all be in low. **U** - is for unique: there is no holiday in August. **S** - is for savory: the smells of the barbecue or crab feast. **T**—is for treats: which should all be refreshing- like ice cream and lemonade. Recent statistics have shown that reading 3.5 hours a week will extend your lifespan by 2 years. So, if we pursue all these ideas in the next few weeks before our thoughts turn to the busy holidays, summer reading should be a huge priority for all of us. Our inside and outside libraries can provide an endless supply of reading material. There are inspirational books providing problem solving guidance, biographies of all kinds, fiction, and general Biblical information. One challenge could be the LEFT BEHIND series by Tim LaHaye.

A new addition to the library is WAKING UP IN HEAVEN by Crystal McVea and Alex Tresniowski. It is as the sub-title says, "A True Story of Brokenness, Heaven, and Life Again." Crystal didn't believe in God or Heaven. Her life was in shambles until the day she stopped breathing. This beautifully written journal is a tribute to God's healing and His "relentless pursuit" of a soul to bring love and redemption.

Another good book is TWELVE ORDINARY MEN by John MacArthur. This book reinforces the message of Mr. Tim Poly, who was our guest minister a couple of weeks ago, about the Fire that Jesus brought to ignite the hearts of the people. Read how His mission was accomplished by twelve ordinary men and what He wants us to do for Him. Twelve men became a force that changed the world, and maybe our TUMC family can find the path to becoming a force to reckon with in Trappe.

Happy Reading as you get into low gear for the remainder of the summer and work on extending your life by two years.

P.S. That's 30 minutes of reading a day - a wonderful goal.

GET WELL WISHES

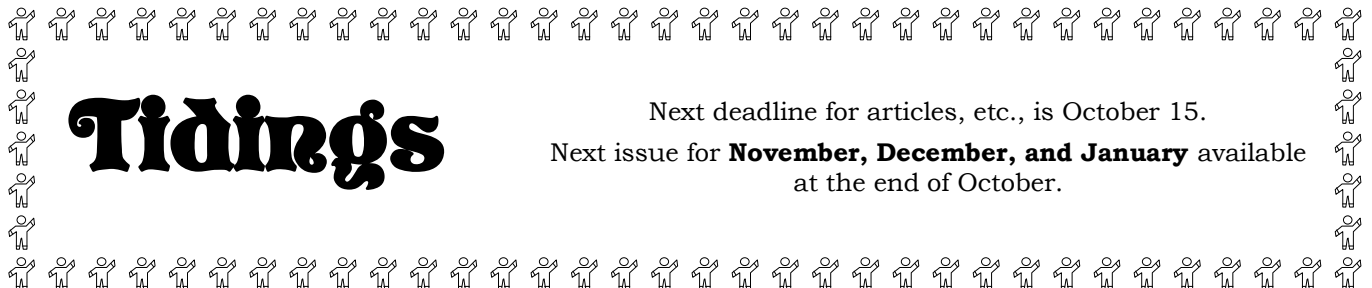


Both Ellen and her husband Alvin Whitby have been “under the weather.” Please keep them in your prayers, and we all send get well wishes their way!

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES



Happy Anniversary!



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Next deadline for articles, etc., is October 15.
Next issue for **November, December, and January** available at the end of October.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS by Nancy Dunn

We started the summer with another Bells of the Bay concert. About 70 attended. The Americana program included flags and pictures of TUMC family who served our country. Following the program, strawberry shortcake was served, and it was a big hit!

Summer continued with Vacation Bible School. We averaged 15 children each night. I appreciate everyone's assistance. It does take a village to provide these programs.

Thinking ahead to the holiday season, I'm looking for a musical group to entertain us during the tree lighting event.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL by Elizabeth and Albert Myers

The Vacation Bible School theme this year was Surf Shack:
Each night there was a different saying with a Bible story:

God creates. (Creation)

God helps. (Moses)

God loves. (The Baptism of Jesus)

God calms. (Jesus calms the storm)

God sends. (Breakfast on the beach with Jesus)

Whenever the saying of the night was mentioned, the children responded,

"Amazing!"

We enjoyed food (tacos, pizza, Mr. Charles and Miss Mary Rae's pancakes, cookies, and fruit), songs, crafts, and a Bible story each night. Albert says he liked the story about Moses in the basket and creating the "bottle of water," which was a bottle filled with water, oil, words about baptism, glitter, and letters. Albert and I enjoyed going to VBS each night and making new friends.

Thank you to Mrs. Nancy Dunn for organizing VBS and to all the volunteers who helped each night.



Story time



Nancy Dunn,
VBS Director



Welcome display



Charles Adams, Pancake Maker



Charlotte, Craft lady



Kim Hardesty, Science Experiment,
Dance, and Music Lady



Tasty food!



Rachael Esposito, Puppeteer,
and Friend



Rachael Coyne, Story Teller



Nancy and Rachael
with the Surfers



Mary Rae Adams building boats



Charlotte's Sand Castle

Photos curtesy of Christy Edwards