



TRAPPE/FAITH CHAPEL NEWSLETTER SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER 2019



Message from the Pastor

Dear Friends,

There are signal events that are inscribed on our minds and souls for our entire lifetimes. Weddings are such occasions. The bringing together of a man and a woman creates a new family out of their existing families. With their union comes the possibility of children and the generations continue to go on and on.

In my pastoral life I have conducted almost 900 weddings. One of the questions I love to ask a couple is the name of the minister who married them. Most of the time they can't remember. That is fine with me, because the minister should not be their focus. The focus is on the couple and their future destiny as married persons.

As my daughter's wedding was approaching, many people asked if I was doing the ceremony. I told them I was not performing the ceremony, because I wanted to do what I have never been able to do in all the almost 900 weddings that I have conducted – be the father of the bride.

Now, that I have been the father of the bride, its memory remains very precious to me. Only disease can take it from me.

As Christians, the realization of what God has done for us in Jesus Christ is that kind of life-clarifying event that shapes how we live in the world. There is no better song to sing to illustrate its power than "Jesus loves me this I know for the Bible tells me so."

See you in Church!

Rev. Gary L. Moore

SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER PRAYER

MINDFUL PRAYING

Find a place that is quiet and peaceful. Read slowly Psalm 23. Let your mind focus on Jesus' words: "My peace I give unto you. . . Let not your heart be troubled." Sit quietly, then pray:

"Dear Lord, Your mind is filled with peace. I know that I may have in me your peacefulness. Your quietness is now entering my mind. I accept Thy healing peace now given me. And for this blessing of creative quietness I give Thee thanks. Amen."

Have a Prayer Request? Prayer Line: 410-822-5095

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

Thursday Senior Choir Practice

2nd & 4th Saturdays Breakfast and Yard Sale

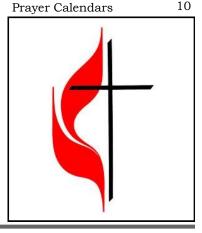
2nd Sundays Fellowship following 11:00 Worship

<u>3rd Sundays</u> UMW Meeting following 11 am worship

3rd Wednesdays Every Other Month Administrative Council/Trustees

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LIBRARY NEWS by Charlotte Edwards

School is starting and parents everywhere are trying to settle their children for another academic year, a mission nearly impossible for many families. Parents can be just as unsettled in trying to accomplish this task. Our library has much of the help you may need or may need to share with someone you know. We have 3 books by Dr. James Dobson: *Parenting isn't for Cowards*

n: Parenting isn't for Co Dare to Discipline Bringing Up Boys.

They are old but timeless for addressing the basics.

Also there is *Children Are from Heaven: Positive Parenting Skills for Raising Cooperative, Confident and Compassionate Children* by John Gray, PHD, and *The Gift of Fatherhood* by Dr. Aaron Hass. This book has something for addressing the many aspects of family life.

A favorite of our family is *Building Men Who Matter* by Brother James Kelly. This man taught at our grandson's school and was truly a voice of reason. Our Adam is front and center in the group of boys pictured on the book jacket. All are great kids and are a product of Brother James' devotion to youth and teaching.

As old as I am I still feel like the beginning of September is a call for changes in my daily routine and setting the goals that I will probably have to reset or reinforce on New Years Day. Adults have to get out of vacation mode, too. There are so many books in the library for instructions, information or inspiration to address countless concerns. They vary from spiritual guidance to financial information and all matter of problems in between. Take time to peruse the shelves and share the books as needed.

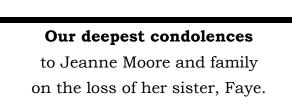
The Little Library outside is slow coming back but it will be back. Thanks to our Tucker we now have a base to put it on. It now needs to be painted.

Don't forget to read some fun books. We have them, too.

Happy Reading!



Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. Sven Job, Rev. Moore's son-in –law & daughter, Courtney, who were married on August 3 in Germany.



Joy and Sorrow.



Welcoming Rev. Moore back

OUR NEW DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT by Rev. Gary Moore

We warmly welcome **the Reverend Elmer N. Davis, Jr.** to the Easton District, as our District Superintendent. His ministry theme is: "I Can, I Will, I Must." It is taken from Philippians 4:13.

Rev. Davis is the son of the late Elmer Neal Davis, Sr. and Julia Diane Davis. Born in Salisbury, Maryland, he received his education in Wicomico Public School System where he graduated from James M. Bennett Senior High School. Despite all odds and negative innuendoes, he graduated from Wor-Wic Community College where he received an Associates of Arts degree in Criminal Justice. He later enrolled in the Eastern Shore Criminal Justice Police Academy in Salisbury, Maryland. This training enabled him to serve his community for 22 years as a police officer and resulted in being promoted to the position of Lieutenant at the Salisbury City Police Department.



Elmer Davis was reared with Christian morals and values, which has helped him to continue his spiritual walk. Prior to adhering to God's call, Rev. Davis served as a Lay Speaker, the President of the United Methodist Men, and a Trustee and member of the Usher Board at Mt. Nebo United Methodist Church in Columbia, Delaware.

In October 1992, God took his hand and led him on his Christian journey. Rev. Davis was appointed in 1998 as the Pastor of St. Marks United Methodist Church, Princess Anne. With such love, dedication and faith in the God who leads him, Rev. Davis realized the need to continue his education. With much discipline, he graduated with honors, receiving a Bachelor's of Science degree in Human Resources Management from Wilmington College. Continuing to excel academically, Rev. Davis later received a Masters of Divinity at Howard University School of Divinity.

At the June 2011 United Methodist Annual Conference, Rev. Davis was ordained Elder in full connection. Then in July 1, 2011, he was appointed to St. James United Methodist. Currently, Pastor Davis was serving as the Senior Pastor of Whatcoat United Methodist Church, Dover, Delaware. He is the Chairperson of BMCR (Peninsula-Delaware Conference) and the at-large member of the Northeast Jurisdiction of BMCR. Pastor Davis is also a member of the Board of Ordained Ministry. Highly respected and regarded as a leader in the city of Dover, he is an active member of the City of Dover advisory committee and the chaplain at the Dover City Police Department.

He is the husband of 27 years to Tyronna A. Davis and from their union, two children were born: Cameron E'mar Davis (31) and Eshyra Neale Davis (21). Rev. Davis and Tyronna are the proud grandparents of Kamaryn J. Davis (9) and Zion A. Davis (2).

The District will officially welcome him on **Sunday, September 15, 4:00 p.m. at St. Mark's Church in Easton**. There will be a mass choir and he is inviting anyone who wants to come and sing to join them that afternoon. Two practice will be held for the Joint Choir: September 9 at 12 at 6 pm at St. Marks in Easton. The choir will wear their church choir robes or dress in black and white.

What are you interested in studying?

As pastor, I am interested in what books of the Bible you might want to study? What questions of faith and theology you may have? Sermon suggestions? Give them to me Sunday morning or email me: trappe362@gmail.com.

Did You Know?

You can receive the **Tidings** Newsletter digitally. Just email the editor at cswsewell@gmail.com to be added to the digital mailing list. You will help save mailing costs, receive the newsletter early, and see it in beautiful color. You can also view it in color and see back issues at the charge website: **www.tfcumc.org**

Information from Elizabeth Ferguson

MARTHA'S CLOSET

Martha's Closet keeps getting better and better. If you have not been there recently, or even if you have, please check it out. There always seems to be something new and interesting. Shirley Adams and her dedicated and inspired crew work tirelessly. From its beginning to August 10, 2019, this activity has earned an impressive total of \$170,780.50 for our charge. Kudos to all who show up to help out. You are blessings to our congregation and our community.

VEGGIES

Among the gifts of summer are veggies and those willing to share their bounty. Many thanks to the Sewell, Myers, Oakhill, and Adams families for sharing so much - and to Albert for making sure we are aware.

SECOND SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP

Thank you to all who have volunteered to provide Second Sunday Fellowship - and please consider volunteering again. There is a sign up sheet on a clipboard in the back of the church. Also, if anyone has a suggestion for a better place to put the sign up sheet or any other suggestions, please tell Elizabeth Ferguson 410-476-4857.

STAINED GLASS MAGIC



On August 25 in his sermon, "Teaching with Purpose," Rev. Moore talked about the stained glass window at Wesley Chapel in London showing Jesus embracing a WWI soldier. He talked about how beautiful and almost magical it was with the light streaming through and how he wished he could show it to us. Well, here is the window in a picture Rev. Moore took when he visited Wesley Chapel. It's striking here. Can you imagine how much more striking it would be in person?



Our Congregation during the August 25 sermon.

You are invited to join us every Sunday at 8:45 am at Faith Chapel and at 11 am in Trappe to hear Rev. Moore's great, funny, informative, challenging sermons.

Martha's Closet Is Booming by Charlotte Edwards

Martha's Closet is booming. Donations roll in regularly and our customers are regular and wonderful. We are a destination for many. There is always something new to see even, if it has really been there for awhile. Where else can you come to buy a grand piano or an **electric organ** for an affordable price? We aim to please. We can get troops to deliver larger items as needed or to pick up donations.

Our furniture inventory includes bed frames, a hutch, a curio cabinet, loveseat and chairs. There is glassware for all occasions, medical equipment, and small appliances. Need an ice cream maker? We have two. We even have **a wedding dress** in our large supply of wearing apparel. Summer clothes are now on sale. They are marked down from our usual price of 1 dollar. Fall and winter items come out soon.

Our books just seem to multiply. We have cookbooks, books on travel, gardening, health care, animal care, fiction and non-fiction. Kids' books not sold this summer will be taken to White Marsh for their book fair. Hobbyists can find quilting books and supplies, stamp collecting items, picture frames, and so much more.

Parents bring little kids, and they can always find some thing to play with. We have a lot of nice puzzles and games.

Shop here first for all holiday decor. Our Christmas closet is bursting at the seams. Don't forget to peruse the free table. The UMW still has a considerable stock of greeting cards and cookbooks to purchase for gifts.

If there is a special need for a friend or family in the community, please let us know so we can help to meet their needs. We have plenty to share.

Consider volunteering your time to this worthwhile mission. There is a lot to be done and many new friends to make in the process. Join us any Wednesday and two Saturdays a month. It is the place in Trappe where the elite meet, and you can always find something you don't know how you ever lived without. We welcome you all to Martha's Closet.



Need a wedding dress? Come to Martha's Closet.

How about an electric organ or a tripod for your camera? That's right! Martha's Closet!!



On June 21, 2019, we saw a truly good man go home to God-Kirby Metz.

Kirby did many things for the church, serving on many committees, attending meetings, working at the Country Breakfasts, gardening, overseeing Trustees projects, and just being his warm, welcoming self. He rarely missed Sunday School classes and was always willing to teach and speak his mind about various topics we studied. If you needed an encouraging word, Kirby had one. If you had a need, he generously gave of his time, talents, and money. He had many friends here and out in the community. His wife and family were the center of his world, and he adored his grands. <u>You touched our hearts and our lives, Kirby</u>.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL by Nancy Dunn

We were **Down on the Farm** during our 2019 Vacation Bible School on August 5-8. The farm had sheds, and we visited two of them—Stories and Crafts—each night.

During Crafts we made dream catchers, tie dye shirts, cow bells, and wheat bouquets to represent the stages of Joseph's life. We heard stories about Joseph dreaming while watching sheep with his brothers, his experience in prison, and back home celebrating with his family. Throughout all the challenges, Joseph remained strong in his faith. Hopefully the twelve children will remember to stay strong in their faith.

Many thanks to all our contributors and volunteers who prepared, studied, and led VBS, and to everyone who brought their children. You all are much appreciated!



UNITED METHODIST WOMEN'S DINNER IN JUNE



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Administrative Council/Trustees Highlights: August 21, 2019

Financial reports submitted from Faith Chapel UMC, Trappe UMC, and Memorial Fund and all are up-todate. Received 2020 Apportionment figure for Trappe UMC and it will be \$764 less than 2019.

Donations for the next Quarterly Giving will go to Care Packs of Talbot County students: collection date is Sunday, September 29.

The new roof over the Sunday School entrance and Handicap Access door at the side of Trappe church is complete with some painting of trim around the door for the church to do.

The Sep/Oct Newsletter will be out soon.

Installation date for the new District Superintendent, Rev Elmer Davis will be at St. Marks UMC in Easton, MD Sunday Sept. 15. There will be a joint choir for this service with practices on Monday, September 9 and Thursday, September 12 at St. Marks. Rev. Davis would like each participant to attend both practices. If you are interested in participating in this choir, call Isaiah Embert at 443-786-6806.

Vacation Bible School's 12 students enjoyed their adventures, and volunteers were greatly appreciated.

Request for donations to the Church Fuel Fund will be sent soon.

Trappe and Faith Chapel UMC's Charge Conference will be Tuesday, December 17, at 6:00 pm.

Rev. Moore asks if there is interest in subjects from the Bible for sermons, bible study, etc.

Next Ad/Min-Trustees Meeting will be Wednesday, October 16, 2019 at 6:30 pm.

An Opportunity to Support our Community and an Eagle Scout

Josh Cherry is doing an Eagle Scout Project, collecting canned goods and other non-perishable food items to be available to anyone who is in need of a good meal. The food can be accessed at the Trappe Firehall in a covered storage space along the lines of our outside Little Library.. He has asked that our congregations help support his efforts by donating food items. Kick-off of the project is on September 21. Any support you can give will be greatly appreciated.

Please Note

UMW is changing its meeting time to

The Third Sunday following 11 am Worship Service at Trappe

Collection on September 29

Oatmeal packets Single serving cereals Filled crackers Raisins Applesauce cups Fruit cups Peanuts (small packages) Trail mix (small packages) Cereal bars Toaster pastries Canned tuna Easy mac (single serve) Instant lunch noodles Canned pasta (prefer pop top) Granola bars Pretzels (individual bags)



| Dates to Remember | | | | | |
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| September | 10 9/12 | 6:15 pm 6 pm | Bishop's Day on the Easton Conference Joint Choir Practice | Union UMC, Federalsburg St Marks, Easton | |
| 1 | 15 | 4 pm | Installation of Rev. Davis as Easton DS | St. Marks, Easton | |
| i | 21 | | Kick-Off of Eagle Scout Project | Trappe Fire Hall | |
| 1 | 29 | | CarePack Donations due | | |
| October | 15 | | Deadline for Tidings Nov/Dec/Jan | | |
| 1 | 16 | 6:30 pm | Admin Council/Trustees Meeting | | |
| December | 17 | 6 pm | Charge Conference | | |

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES





Individual birthday & anniversary listings not included in the on-line edition

SSS Choir Practice begins on September 5

We are so fortunate to have a choir at Trappe UMC. They even travel on occasion to Faith Chapel. Listening to the songs and singing brings one's spirit a little closer to God! It is a wonderful way to worship and glorify Him. If you like to sing and/or play a musical instrument, talk to Director Jerry Adams about sharing your talents. JJJ Something mysterious and exciting is coming your way the FIRST SUNDAY IN November

at 11 am!

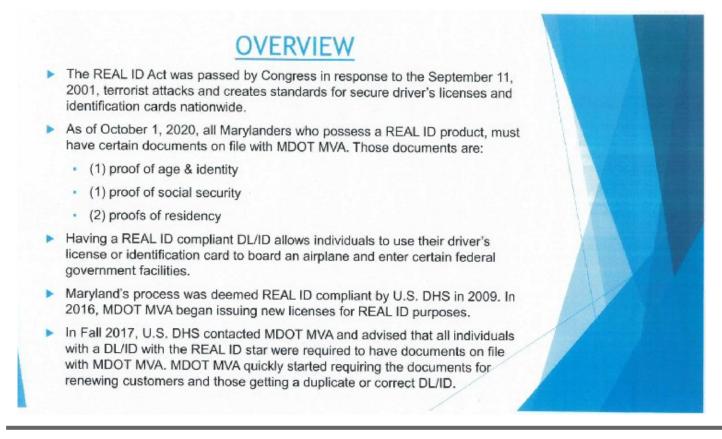
Stay Tuned to find out more!!!



Next deadline for articles, etc., is October15. Next issue for **November, December, & January** available at the end of October.

Tidings September/October 2019

REAL IDS INFORMATION shared by Ken Myers



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

| Cooks | Coffee Brewers | Sunday School Teachers |
|----------------------|----------------|----------------------------------|
| Dishwashers | Acolytes | Gardeners |
| Pancake Flippers | Greeters | Door Locker Uppers & Unlockerers |
| Egg Scramblers | Singers—SATB | Scrubbers |
| Yard Sale Organizers | Musicians | Dusters |
| Cookie Bakers | Library Aides | And Many More |

Contact Rev. Moore, Nancy Dunn, Jerry Adams, or somebody if you have time and talents to offer. You are needed and will be appreciated!

The Benefits Package is out of this world!

Have you checked out the charge web site at http://www.tfcumc.org/

Here are a few of the things you can find on the site: This Week at T/FC, **Tidings** Newsletter, Daily Devotional Scripture Reflections, Contact Information, Help in Time of Need, Prayer Chain, Church History, What We Believe, Photo Albums, Martha's Closet, Calendar of Activities and more.

It's easy to navigate, and you will find a wealth of information there!