

## MARKET STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH SEPTEMBER 2021

#### Mission Together (from August 22's message)

So much have been going on lately. Near and far, we witness fellow brothers and sisters suffering- displaces residents (due to wildfire, flooding, etc.), earthquake in Haiti, humanitarian crisis in Afghanistan, to name a few. Some of you may be going through crises or major transitions in your lives. Sad news are all over in the paper. On top of all this, Covid-19 has claimed over 635,000 lives and there are 38.6 million confirmed cases (as of August 27) in this country alone. We want to ask ourselves: is there anything we can do? Where do we begin?

Yes, there are things you can do. Here are some examples...

- UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) umcor.org
 International Disaster Response and Recovery: #982450
 US Disaster Response and Recovery: #901670



(You may give credit to your church – Type "Market Street, Winchester VA")

- Help Afghan refugees: vaumc.org/resources-to-help-afghan-refugees
- Help people in Haiti: vaumc.org/resources-to-help-haiti-in-its-effort-to-recover
- **Support local ministries** such as WATTS, CCAP, Gleaning, etc.
- **Support ministries of Market Street** through prayer, presence, and giving.
- **Do your part**" in preventing the spread of Covid-19 masks, distancing, etc.
- **Pray** pray for all who suffer, but also for the wisdom and courage to live out our faith We may not make everything right in the world. But we may be able to do something or to touch someone. May we put "God's armor (Ephesians 6)" on live out the act of love for one another.



## Fall Sermon Series Fail: what to do when things go wrong

September 19 – October 17 Our Sunday School class will study the same book. Please see page 4 for more information.



Worship



#### Joint Outdoor Worship AND MISSION SUNDAY

Sunday, September 12 at 10:00 am at Jim Barnett Park ROTARY SHELTER (\*\*note the change)

It will be a great opportunity for Market Street and Greenwood to worship together as one charge. We also plan to clean the park afterwards –

please plan to stay as long as/as short as you are able! Rain or Shine.

#### Our Staff

Pastor

Rev. Keiko Foster

Admin. Assistant

Kathy Freeland

Director of Music

Dr. Steve

**Jennings** 

Church Musician

Connor Crotzer

Youth Director

TBA

Custodian

Linda Campbell

#### Our Leadership

Administrative

Council Chair

 $Wilma\ Jennings$ 

Lay Leader

Donna Dailey

Finance Chair

Roddy Annan

Treasurer

Judy Hagan

Staff Parish

Relations Chair

Toni O'Connor

Trustee Chair

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Ed Henshaw

Children's Choir

Director

Linda Hart



Can you believe School has started? Hopefully, our children will be able to get back to some kind of "normal" this school year. We had the Blessing of the Backpacks on August 22nd.



Also, we had a presentation on the Society of St. Andrews on August 22nd. Hopefully some of us can do gleaning this year and help supply food to those in need. This is a great outreach for our church and community.

On Sunday October 17th, Andea Cosans, Executive Director of CCAP, will speak to our congregation. We have done many things in the past for CCAP, but as you know there is always other needs, for non-profit organizations. She will highlight some of those areas. Another opportunity for Market Street and its members to reach out.

It is easy to bring in items for CCAP and drop them in the basket and go home and feel good about what we did. But think of how much better we will feel if we go out and meet these people and help them make better lives for themselves.

Blessings to All, Donna Dailey, Lay Leader

### Market Street Church continues to serve as WATT's COOLING SHELTER

We continue to open up our Fellowship Hall so WATTS guests can have a safe and cool indoor space.

WATTS staff will be present during the operating hours.

August 1- October 31, 2021 Monday-Wednesday, Friday, Saturday — Noon-5 pm Thursday — Noon –4:30 pm



#### Calling ALL Volunteers!! It is Gleaning Season!

What is gleaning? Gleaning is the act of collecting leftover crops from farmers' fields after they have been commercially harvested. In our area, gleaning is available for corn, peaches, and apples. Dates and locations are based on farms' availability.



**Who is Society of St. Andrew?** It is America's oldest and largest gleaning organizations. They coordinate gleaning opportunities for our area.

#### How can I help?

- -Participate in local gleaning. It's a great opportunity for families!
- -Donate. A special offering will be taken on August 22
- -September is National Hunger Action Month—pray that all have food

Contact Joyce McKay (joyce,mckay@yahoo.com) if you would like to know gleaning opportunities.



#### **WATTS at Market Street**

This year Market Street is hosting WATTS program on November 13-21 (NOTE that it is Saturday through following Sunday)

Item needed: Paper products, snacks, bottled waters, and other items
\*\* Collection of items begins in October \*\*

We still need dinner for: Saturday, November 13 and Monday, November 15 If you know a community group, church group, etc. who can help, please let Sharon (540-664-6364) or Kathy (540-247-6660) know.



#### Attention Leaders at Market Street Church! Charge Conference 2021

This year's Charge Conference is scheduled to Saturday, October 2 at 10:00 am.

It will be a group session via ZOOM.

More information is come.





Health Tips this month will be brief with a prayer request. As many of you may be aware, Valley Health is requiring all employees to be vaccinated for the Covid-19 virus. If an employee wishes to not "take the jab" they can no longer work for Valley Health. I see both sides of this issue. I understand the hospital wanting to ensure patients are safe and at less risk of contracting the virus from a staff member who is vaccinated versus a staff member who chooses not to receive the vaccine. I also understand a nurse who in the midst of Covid when there wasn't a vaccine taking care of very sick patients and risking their own health in the process and did so without hesitation. That nurse may now choose to not receive the vaccine for various reasons and will have to look elsewhere for employment. This doesn't seem fair. I wish there were a middle ground or some sort of compromise but as my Grandmother would say you can wish in one hand and spit in the other. I pray as we learn more about the virus and testing as well as data relative to the safety of the vaccine that we can find a compromise for healthcare workers who choose not to receive the vaccine and still allow them to safely care for patients. We are going to see staff shortages, especially in nursing that is going to put a strain on those who remain working the front lines of patient care. Until staff can be replaced, services will likely be prioritized. Pray for the administrators as they navigate this issue as well and for the remaining staff, and for those who must leave their work and look for employment elsewhere. I respect those who are on both sides of this issue.

I listened to a podcast by a physician who reviewed Covid data/research coming out of Iceland. The interesting thing about Iceland is that it has a relatively small population of about 350,000 people and it is isolated to some degree. They are able to collect more meaningful data as a result. Researchers found three symptoms that were the most reliable as far as predicting whether someone had Covid-19. They were headache, body aches, and dry unproductive cough. Surprisingly fever wasn't on the list. So it's similar to common cold symptoms. So if you should have any one of these three symptoms that are out of the ordinary for you, get tested. Don't let your guard down, be careful. Be prayerful. Keep your eyes on Jesus! See ya in Church! Jeff

 ${\it Jeff~Swift~is~a~member~of~Market~Street.~He~is~a~physical~therapist~at~Hampshire~Hospital.}$ 

#### Virtual Lay Servant Training Saturdays – September 18, 25 and October 2

\*\*Class is divided into 3 parts each Saturday.
You must attend all 3 classes.
Classes offered:
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Basic course/UM Heritage/Called to preach \$15 per person

Please contact church office for more information. Application deadline: 9/13/21



#### **Sunday Gathering continues!**

Starting on September 19, they will start a new study, "Fail."

 $\rightarrow$ In-person gathering will be at 9:15 am, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Education Building

→Zoom for those who are unable to join in person. Please contact Judy Hagan (540-533-4821) for Zoom link.

#### **United Methodist Women (UMW)**



Evening Meeting: Tuesday September 7th at 7pm, at Stonecrest Village commu-

nity center at 415 Russelcroft Road, Winchester

Women
FAITH-HOPE-LOVE IN ACTION Susanna Wesley Circle: Monday Sept 13 at Judy Hagan's, 199 Canter Ct, Winchester





Pictures from **UMW Sunday** August 29



Remember to keep Zach Harner (Troop 9) and his mother Cinthy in your prayers. Cards are welcome and appreciated.



Zach Harner and Cinthy 949 Pennsylvania Ave. Winchester, VA 22601



Cookie Oates	9/3
Isaiah Campbell	9/5
Macy Ward	9/6
Katie Freeland	9/7
Janet Moore	9/9
Sophia Swift	9/12
Franklin Moore	9/12
Robert Hart	9/16
Frank Jr. Moore	9/19
Linda Campbell	9/22
Judy Hagan	9/23
Jean Stewart	9/25
Virginia Saunders	9/30



9/17 Steve & Cathy Sowers 9/29 Kelly & Scott Boyd



#### **Weekly Prayer Group**

Join us Wednesdays at 1:30 pm Contact the Church Office if interested in joining... Judy Hagan, our leader, will contact you.

#### Let us Pray for On Another...

For the world in the face of COVID-19 Pandemic All those who are under medical care, recovering, or quarantined All those who are mourning the death of loved ones All Children, Families, Schools, Medical and Health Professionals All who are serving others (First responders, those who provide necessary services, volunteers, etc.)

All divisions, unrest, injustices, violence, peace in the world

Please Also Pray for Valley Health! Chaplains at Valley Health, is asking for prayers for patients and staff daily at: 7:00 am / noon / 7:00 pm / Midnight



In this way, staff can remember that they are always being prayed for, as they do the important work they do for our patients. Patients would also be told that the community is praying for their recovery.

#### Prayers for Our friends & family at MarketStreet

Kevin Freeland, Adrian O'Connor, Faye & Julius Armel, Dick Carpenter, Ed Henshaw, Joe & Betty Lausier, Brian Aronhalt, Virginia Saunders, Larry Whitehead, John Castle, Lee Harris, Ben Mathis, Mable Carter, Chris Sweeney, Janet Moore, Tom Dickinson, Pat Jenck, Brenda Sine, Pearl Ebert, Norma Fries, Betty Hess, Donna Patterson, Joan Christiansen, Gloria Austin, Pastor Jean McDonald Walker, Tom Layne, Market Street Church, Market Street Commons, United Methodist Church

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TO:

#### Sunday School—9:15 am via Zoom Sunday Worship Service In-person or via Facebook Live 10:30 am (or anytime later)

https://www.facebook.com/marketstreetumc/

(You do NOT need to have Facebook account to watch!)
Market Street United Methodist Church - YouTube

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCAKQ2HQcXqdkg1W0gBS5y8w

# September 2021



#### Mission Statement of Market Street United Methodist Church:

Our mission is to nurture persons of all ages in their spiritual growth, to reach out with compassion to identify and address the needs of others, to boldly share our faith and invite all to become part of our church family.