

# The Beacon Zion United Methodist Church

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Christianity is a religion of relatedness. We believe that we are not only related to God by grace, but all who have chosen God's covenant of grace are related to one another. There is no such thing as an isolationist life in faith. The Apostle Paul made this clear when he said we're one body with many different but necessary parts (1 Cor. 12:12-31).

To me, that means all Christian prayer is corporate, that is, it pertains to the whole body of believers. Even if a Christian is praying in an empty room in an empty building, that prayer is united to every other praying and serving Christian in the body. C. C. Goen, late professor of church history at Wesley Seminary loved to say, "although the gospel is always personal, it is never individualistic."

Check it out: When you are alone how do you pray The Lord's Prayer? Do you say, "My Father in heaven ... give me my daily bread, forgive my sins, save me from the time of trial, deliver me from evil"? Not likely. We pray, "Our Father, give us ... and so on. The truth is, even when we are alone we pray with the church. We need each other. We are all a part of the body of Christ.

Because of that connection, personal prayer times throughout the week flow from the congregational worship in which we participated on the previous Lord's Day—and in turn—they flow back into the corporate worship for which we prepare on the next Lord's Day. Granted, that in personal prayer at home we may confess our own sins in ways more concrete than is appropriate on Sunday. Still, all our personal prayers are extensions of the praying ministry of the whole church. In fact, the prayers of Holy Communion remind us that "... with your people on earth and all the company of heaven" we join in praising God's name and crying: "Holy, Holy, Holy." How awesome is that ... if only we stop to ponder it! We are one in Christ and one in prayer!

I encourage you to let the idea of this "bonding of all who are in Christ" overtake your understanding of prayer. Always remember that whenever and wherever we pray God's Word, we are praying with all God's people. We are united in fellowship, in praise, and in petition. In Christ, we are one. In Jesus we are not alone!

My hope for the upcoming months is to create new opportunities to be involved in prayer. I encourage you to participate. In fact, I would love to hear your prayer ideas as we considered how Zion will continue to walk out our vision for the future.

Let's keep prayer at the top of the list.

PRAYERFULLY! (I Thessalonians 5:17)

Pastor Mike

# For the Record

## Deaths

Mary Lou Harding (2/25/2018)



## Birthdays

# May

02	Charlotte Booze
03	Frances Davidson
03	Mackenzie Foster
04	Albanus Phillips III
05	Vista Cheesman
07	Betty Lou Reid Pridgen
09	Melissa Jump
09	Norma Reed
11	Shelby Blades
11	Alex Creighton
11	Bruce Herman
11	George McComas, Jr.
14	Elaine Horseman
16	Jason Matthews
16	Robert Willey
19	Tristen Schunick
20	Winford J. Elliot III
23	Nancy Potter
23	Jackalyn Stouffer
25	Aiden Etchison
26	Barbara Marshall
27	Richard Potter
28	Amy Schuyler
29	Eleanor Van Dyke
30	Bryn Crossan

## Anniversaries

# May

03	Mitchel & Janel Parke
04	Leon & Cathy Crawford
25	Richard & Nancy Potter
25	Lynn & Susan Thomas

# June

04	Charles & Alison Warfield
10	John C. Jr. & Diana Brooks
10	Allen & Diane Hoge
14	Carl & Stephanie Dunnock
17	Daniel & Wanda Ciekot
17	A. Delmer & Wanda Willey
20	Charles & Robyn Edmondson
22	John & Mary June McGinnis
24	Hamilton & Gloria Brake
24	Tom & Meghan Cleary
24	Robert & Mary Etta Creighton

# June

02	Grace Saunders
04	Courtney McGrath
05	Sean McGinnis
06	Lacey Dukes
07	Daniel Ciekot
07	Ellen Rindfuss
07	Katie Tolley
13	Betty Deissler
14	Kate Herman
16	John McGinnis
16	Susan Robinson
18	Robin Dukes
18	Carrie Lyn Price
20	Christine Pridgen
21	Elizabeth Parks
23	Addie Cartwright
24	Mackenzie Nalley
27	Sewell R. Matthews Jr.
27	Meaghan Owens
30	Daniel Insley
30	Mary Ellen Lamparter



A big thank you to our congregation for your support of our Lenten mission project. Because of all of you and your generosity, we were able to send a check to Heifer International for \$1075. This enables Heifer to send lots and lots of chickens – 53 flocks - to families living in poverty.

From Heifer International's website:

“Studies show that the nutrient choline, which is found in eggs, contributes to healthy brain function and reduces birth defects. One large chicken egg also contains selenium, B vitamins, and more than 6 grams of protein.”

Heifer International is so much more than a provider of animals. Visit their website: [www.heifer.org](http://www.heifer.org). to read more about the work of this inspiring organization.

We are blessed to be a part of such a caring congregation.

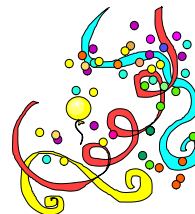
My daughter Betsy and I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the Zion Family for their faithful prayers , good wishes , and donations during the recent illness and death of my granddaughter, Julie Jaquette.

This has been a very hard time for our family and we have been supported by hearing from so many of you.

It is very hard to understand why such things happen and how in four short months, our lives would be changed forever. We trust that the Lord has her in his care and that she will suffer no more. Please know that we have been surrounded by love and caring and for that we are deeply grateful.

Ann Moore and Betz Ward

You are invited to help celebrate Susan Robinson's 70<sup>th</sup> birthday  
Saturday, June 16, 2018 10:00 a.m.  
Zion United Methodist Church – Garretson Hall  
612 Locust Street, Cambridge, MD



We will be packing meals for overseas distribution through the Rise Against Hunger (formerly Stop Hunger Now) organization, followed by lunch.

Through its meal packaging program, Rise Against Hunger has packaged over 380 million meals that support school feeding programs, vocational training programs, early childhood programs, orphanages, and medical clinics.

Visit their website: <https://www.riseagainsthunger.org>.



Using an assembly line process, we will put together these meals, have them boxed and ready for shipping in just a few hours. There are seated jobs for those who need to sit down. Then we can relax and have lunch.



Wear a cap or you will be given a hygienic hair covering.

Plan to arrive 9:30 – 9:45, so that we can be ready to start at 10:00.

Please, no gifts, but if you are so inclined, a donation to

Rise Against Hunger would be most appreciated.

Please RSVP by June 4: [susanbet@verizon.net](mailto:susanbet@verizon.net)

OR text/call 443-521-0394

## NEW PHOTO DIRECTORY!

*Don't miss this opportunity to update your family photos!*

Photo sessions are open to all members and regular attenders of ZUMC.

You will be able to instantly preview and purchase prints.

Each individual or family that sits for a portrait will receive a free 8 x 10 of the directory image and church directory.

Portrait sessions will be held in the Phillips Roszelle Room,  
**by appointment only**, for individuals & families, on

**Thursday, May 10 11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.**

**Saturday, May 12 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.**

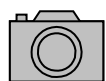
**Sunday, May 13 12:00p.m. - 6:00 p.m.**

Sunday, May 6 (before & after both services) is the last day to sign-up for portraits.

If you are a ZUMC staff member or group, please sign-up or make arrangements to submit your photo. ZUMC's homebound members and others that miss the portrait sessions may also submit photos.

**Any submitted photos must be received in the Church office by May 13.**

### Guidelines for what to wear for your portrait



The goal of any fine portrait is to direct the viewer's eye to the face(s). All other elements should be secondary.



Simple long sleeved garments in dark tones of brown, gray, burgundy, green or blue are pleasing choices when a medium or dark background is used. Darker clothing is also more slimming.



For families/groups being photographed together, choose clothing in the same tonal ranges so that no single member stands out because the clothing is too light or too dark compared to others.

For more information or questions, please contact, Janel Parke:  
410-228-0365 (home); 410-310-8769 (cell); or 5303parke@gmail.com

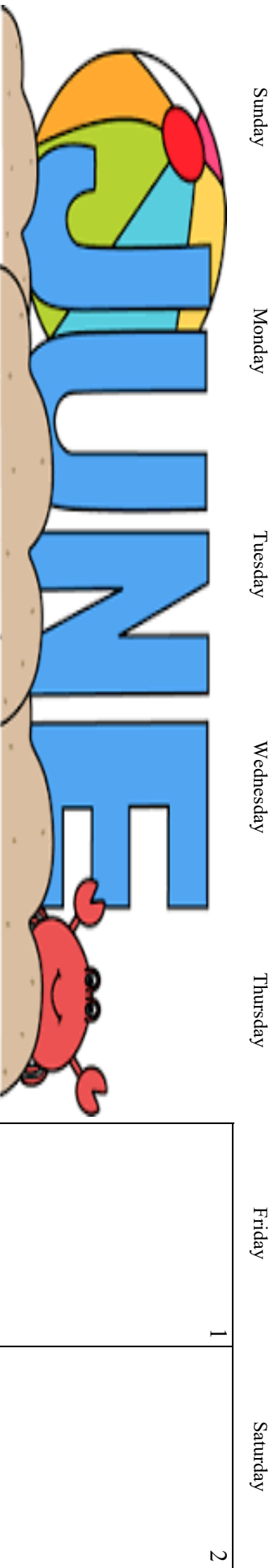
**May (robes)**

6- Logan Hubbard  
13- LeYanna Sampson  
20- Katelyn Masden & TeiAmbre Sampson  
27- Logan Dukes & Madison Dukes

**June- (no robes)**

3-Logan Hubbard  
10-Leyanna Sampson  
17-Katelyn Masden & TeiAmbre Sampson  
24- Logan Dukes & Madison Dukes

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						
6 9am Directory Portrait sign-ups 9:30am Praise & Prayer 11am Worship 12:15pm Youth Chr.	7 12pm AA meeting 7pm Hattie B. Skinner Circle 7pm Trustees	1 9am Good Sam. 6:30pm Romans 12 Bible Study	2 10am Clergy Bible Study 7pm Chancel Choir 7pm Gambler's Anon.	3 11am-6pm Directory Portrait Session (by appt. only)	4 10am-6pm Directory Portrait Session (by appt. only)	5 12 10am-6pm Directory Portrait Session (by appt. only)
13 9:30am Praise & Prayer 11am Worship 12:15pm Youth Chr. 12:00-6pm Directory Portrait Session (by appt. only) (Mother's Day)	14 12pm AA Meeting 2pm Eunice Sluyter 7pm Finance Committee	15 9am Good Sam.	16 10am Clergy Bible Study 1pm Good Timers 7pm Chancel Choir 7pm Gambler's Anon.	17 9am Church Yard Sale set up	18 9am Church Yard Sale set up	19 7am-10am Church Yard Sale
20 9:30am Praise & Prayer 11am Worship 12:15pm Youth Chr.	21 12pm AA meeting 7pm SPPRC meeting	22 9am Good Sam.	23 10am Clergy Bible Study 7pm Chancel Choir 7pm Gambler's Anon.	24 25 26	25 26	26
27 9:30am Praise & Prayer 11am Worship 12:15pm Youth Chr.	28 (Office Closed) (Memorial Day)	29 9am Good Sam.	30 10am Clergy Bible Study 7pm Chancel Choir 7pm Gambler's Anon.	31		



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24 9:30am Praise & Prayer 11am Worship 12:15pm Youth Chr.	25 12pm AA meeting 7pm Church Council	26 9am Good Sam.	27 10am Clergy Bible Study 7pm Chancel Choir 7pm Gambler's Anon.	28	29	30 Robinson Wedding





Thanks to everyone that donated to our Good Samaritan Fund and at the same time acknowledged their loved ones.

The Easter Lily cross was beautiful as were all the Easter Services.

There are a few openings for altar flowers in the upcoming months. If you are interested in providing flowers for Sunday worship services, please contact Elaine Horseman (410-228-9134) for details.



### ZION UMC

### ANNUAL YARD SALE

*(612 Locust St. In Garretson Hall)*

**Saturday, May 19, 2018**

**7:00 am to 10:00 am**

Donations are being accepted  
until Thursday, May 17.

Please contact the church  
office for details or questions.



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Return Service

Requested

Non-Profit Org.  
U. S. Postage  
**PAID**  
Permit No. 119  
Cambridge, Md.  
21613

# ***Pentecost Sunday Fellowship Event***

Where: Zion UMC (Phillips Roszelle Room)

When: Immediately following 11am service on May 20!

What: Light Refreshments and Finger Foods!

**\*\*Please wear red!\*\***