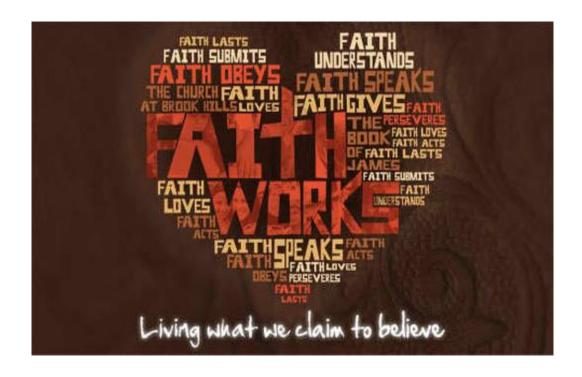
February 18, 2018



Adulting in Faith

Eastport United Methodist Church 926 Bay Ridge Avenue, Annapolis, MD 21403 410.263.5490

Welcome to Eastport United Methodist Church

where we share our experiences of God's Kingdom with all,
through our faith, love, fellowship, and service.
Our vision is to have everyone actively involved in worship that
enriches, ministries that empower, and evangelism that embraces all.

First Sunday in Lent

February 18, 2018

10:00 a.m.

My Spirit's Gonna Shine Arr. Dan R. Edwards Heavenly Bells

Welcome

Centering Moment

*Refrain:

Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart, in my heart Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart. In my heart, in my heart Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.

*Opening Prayer

*Hymn

Be Doers of the Word of God Carolyn Winfrey Gillette (2003)

> *Praise Song You Are My All in All

Children's Time

Hymn of Illumination

How Shall They Hear the Word of God? V. 1 UMH 649

*Scripture Reading

James 1:22-27 & 2:14-26

Witness to the Word

Pastor Michelle

Anthem

What Does It Mean to Be A Christian?

Mary Kay Beall & John Carter

Prayer of Confession and Pardon – UMH 8

The Peace

The Great Thanksgiving TFWS 2257a-d

The Lord's Prayer

Holy Communion

By the ancient method of intinction, dipping the bread in the cup.

Gluten free wafers available on request

Communion Songs

One Bread, One Body – UMH 620 Fill My Cup, Lord – UMH 641

Sharing of Gifts & Prayer

The Unified Budget & Heaven Cent Basket

*Closing Praise

Be Thou My Vision - UMH 451

*Blessing

*Praise Song to Send Us Forth

*Please stand as you are able.

Participation last Sunday: 74
Adults & Youth 67

The Reverend Michelle Mejia, Pastor

Nicole Hughes, Junior Choir Director Margie Hughes, Heavenly Bells Director

JoAnn Kulesza, Music Director & Organist

Bill Riggs, Sherrie Little, Sally Hight, Mike Keller, Lay Speakers

Audrey Howard, Jean Strucko, Worship Team Leaders

Sally & Kevin Hight, PowerPoint Presenters

Shirley Owen, *Ushers Coordinator* Audrey Howard, *Greeters Coordinator*

THOSE SERVING THIS WEEK February 18, 2018

Greeters: Cyndi & David Councel

Welcomer: Sally Hight

Ushers: Mike & Anne Owen Prayer Leader: Steve Parks Reader: Jackie Cunningham

Children's Time: Paulette Schwallenberg

Sunday School:

Nursery: Nikki Finkle, Sally Smith Communion Assistants: Mitch Krebs

Myrna Dobbs

Counters: Lisa Parrish, Mike Stevens,

Jennifer Smith

THOSE SERVING NEXT WEEK February 25, 2018

Greeters: Barb Pearson, TBD

Welcomer: Betty Tillack

Ushers: Mike Keller, Eric Edstrom

Prayer Leader: Steve Parks

Reader: Jennifer Smith

Children's Time: Mike Stevens

Sunday School:

Nursery: Nikki Finkle, Sherrie Ugolini

Counters: Ruth Gibbons,

Audrey Howard, Jackie Cunningham

You may contact Worship Ministry Team Leaders and Pastor Michelle through the church office, 410.263.5490.

EUMC e-mail: eastportumc@verizon.net Website: www.eastportumc.org

Pastor Michelle: eastportumcpastor@gmail.com

Want to join EUMC?

The membership vows of the Methodist Church invite us to join a community of Christians and live out our commitment to follow Jesus with one another through our prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness. if you are interested in membership please reach out to Pastor Michelle at eastportumcpastor@gmail.com or call the church office to speak with her.

OUR JOYS & CONCERNS

Thanksgiving

THE OPPORTUNITY FOR RENEWAL

State, Country & World

END TO GUN VIOLENCE

Our Homebound Members

Leona Bergsman, Norman Jones, Betty Storton, Nadine Clark, Ernie Mutschler



February Prayer List

A new list will start on March 1st. Please use the yellow prayer cards in the pews for your prayer requests, or call/email the church office.

Priscilla Percotto (friend of Sally Hight)

Christina Valentine (member)

Bill Malamphy (member)

Art King (member)

Tom Eicher (member)

Mary Jane Finkle (member)

Tegan Kopp (son of Sharon & Travis)

Ann Rawls (member)

Ann Collison (Barbara Nutwells sister –in- law)

Kaiden Defazio (grandson of Jim's friend)

Christine Gilbert (Erin Connor's sister)

Lee Horton (former member)

Don Rukonen (friend of JoAnn & Bill)

Betty Hensley (Pam Pulley's mother)

Joke Jansen (Liz Ford's mother)

Kate Wiltz (JoAnn Kulesza's niece)

Ron Baradel (friend of Eric & Wendy)

Kellie Bridges Lind (EUMC friend)

Les Sandman (Charlotte Kerns' sister's fiancé)



Happy Birthday!

Feb 23 - Jacqueline Ploof

Feb 24 – Sue Finkle



Feb 19 – Jean & Jim Wilcox

Feb 22 - Nicole & Scott Hughes





In Sympathy

We extend our sympathy to Joe Wilmer, and the rest of the family of Fran Wilmer. Fran passed into the hands of the Lord on February 7th.

Events at EUMC This Week			
Mon, Feb 19	President's Day - Office Closed; Heavenly Bells Rehearsal 7pm		
Tues, Feb 20	Homework & Reading 4pm;		
Wed, Feb 21	Lenten Prayer Service 12pm; Food Pantry distribution 12 – 2pm		
	Dinner & Conversation at Fowler UMC 6pm		
Thurs, Feb 22	Homework & Reading 4pm; Choir rehearsal 7pm		
Sun, Feb 25	Prayer Team meets after worship		

During Lent we will be having a reflection/prayer service at 12 Noon in the Chapel. All are encouraged and welcomed to attend. (see schedule below) We will not be serving lunch this Lenten season as in the past. Perhaps if attendees are interested, we could go to lunch close by at Sammys, Adams Ribs and/or Eastport Kitchen.

~ Worship Team ~

Easter is fast approaching and once again we will sponsor our Annual Easter Egg Hunt for our children, grandchildren, and neighborhood children. This is our request for Easter Egg fillings. You are welcome to donate wrapped candy, stamps, stickers, Bible verses, pretty stones, sea shells, etc.



Use your imagination! Please place your donations in our church office. Megan and Mike Wurst have graciously agreed to take the lead on this SPECIAL and FUN event. Please contact your Worship Team leaders (Jean and Audrey) if you have any questions.

ECCO Volunteer Needed

As many of you know, Ann Rawls was involved with ECCO (*Eastport Community Center Outreach*) before her accident. Since that time, Eastport UMC has not been represented with this group. ECCO provides monthly family night dinners and a program at the Eastport Community Center. They have asked if someone else could come to their monthly dinners to represent our church. Family Night dinners occur on the fourth Thursday of the month at 5:30pm at Eastport Community Center. These meetings, which last around two hours, occur during the school year but do not take place during the summer months. The meetings provide dinner, fellowship, and a program for the local community especially focused on children and their families. Volunteers are expected to help cook, set up, serve the meal, clean up, and participate in the program offered as needed. This is a joint partnership of Eastport churches and other community groups. If you can be present for a few hours a month, your assistance would be greatly appreciated. Please contact our EUMC office at 410-263-5490 or eastportunc@verizon.net to let us know if you can represent EUMC and help out with this great group!

~~ Lenten Schedule ~~

Lenten Evening Dinner & Conversations

Together Eastport UMC, John Wesley UMC, Trinity UMC, Fowler & Mt. Zion Cooperative Parish, and Calvary UMC will embark on a Lenten journey. Our theme is Building Community: The Jericho Road. Here are themes for each week. Dinner & Conversation will begin each Wednesday at 6pm and we will conclude by 8pm. Hope to see you there!

Feb. 21: Bind the Wounds of the Broken

Host Church: Fowler UMC

If you are planning to attend this week's dinner and conversation at Fowler UMC, please RSVP to <u>our</u> church office by phone or email (please leave a message) by Monday February 19th at 10am. Your RSVP's are helpful so that we can share with Fowler how much food to prepare. Fowler is located: 816 Bestgate Rd, Annapolis, MD 21401 next to Lasting Tributes Funeral Home. If the parking lot for the church is full, you may park in the lot of Lasting Tributes.

Feb. 28: Cry Tears of Love

Host Church: Eastport UMC (We will need volunteers to bring soup and bread.)

March 7: Dream Dreams, A Prayer Service for the Community

Host Church: John Wesley UMC

March 14: Raise Justice from the Dust

Host Church: Calvary UMC

March 21: Fix the Road

Host Church: Eastport UMC (We will need volunteers to bring soup and bread.)

Lenten Prayer Service Schedule and Leaders Wednesdays in Lent At Noon

Feb. 14 Ash Wednesday Pastor Michelle	February 28 JoAnn Kulesza	March 14 Barbara Krebs
February 21	March 7	March 21
Bill Riggs	Mike Keller	TBD

What Does It Mean to Be a Christian?

What does it mean to be a Christian, In this sad world we call our home? What does it mean to those around us, who have no bed to call their own?

What does it mean to be a Christian, When greed can sway the humblest heart? What does it mean if we're not willing To speak His truth, to stand apart?

What does it mean to be a Christian, With war and hate where love should be? What does it mean if His sweet spirit Cannot be seen in you and me?

What does it mean to be a Christian, When careless ways have been our choice? What does it mean when seas and rivers Cry out a warning in one voice?

What does it mean to be a Christian?
It's Christ in all we say and do.
It's Christ in all we hope and cherish.
It's Christ at work in me and you.