

January 28, 2018

*If anyone is in Christ,
he is a new creation;
the old has gone,
the new has come!*

II Corinthians 5:17 - New Living Translation



Becoming New

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

Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany

January 28, 2018

10:00 a.m.

Welcome

Gathering Music

Amazing Grace

Daniel Towner & Michael Helman

The Heavenly Bells

Songs of Praise

I Am

I Need You

Enough

Prayer

Passing of the Peace

Children's Time

Baptism

Jackson Abel Kopp

Born July 13, 2017

Parents: Sharon and Travis

Big Brother: Tegan

Grandparents : Jack and Cindy Petrick,

Theadore and Karen Kopp

Polly Shrey

Godparents: Scotty and Seana Marshall

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Anthem

Pervasive, Never Absent One

Joel Martinson

(Lyrics on back of bulletin)

Hymn of Illumination

Grace Alone – TFWS 2162

***Scripture Reading**

2 Corinthians 5: 14-20

Witness to the Word

Pastor Michelle

Sharing of Gifts & Prayer

The Unified Budget & Heaven Cent Basket

How Can I Tell You?

Prays Band

Ministry Moment

Nicole Hughes

***Closing Praise**

Blessed Assurance – UMH 369

***Blessing**

***Praise Song to Send Us Forth**

*Please stand as you are able.

Participation last Sunday: 84

Adults: 72

Children: 12



Altar Flowers are given today
In Memory of Bill Nutwell
By Barbara & Family



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
January 28, 2018

Greeters: Pud & Ernie Schultz
 Welcomer: Lisa Stevens
 Ushers: Butch & June Stevens
 Prayer Leader: Sherrie Little
 Reader: Bob Emory
 Children's Time: Bill Riggs
 Sunday School: Jacqueline Ploof
 Nursery: Nikki Finkle
 Paulette Schwallenberg

Counters: Ruth Gibbons
 Audrey Howard
 Jackie Cunningham

THOSE SERVING NEXT WEEK
February 4, 2018

Greeters: Lisa & Mike Stevens
 Welcomer: Harriet Macey
 Ushers: Mike & Anne Owen
 Prayer Leader: Steve Parks
 Reader: Jackie Cunningham
 Children's Time: Eric Edstrom
 Sunday School: Jacqueline Ploof, Sally Smith
 Nursery: Nikki Finkle, Evie Swink
 Communion Assistants: Ruth Gibbons,
 Holly Ficca

Counters: Paulette & Tom Schwallenberg
 Valerie Devaris & Neil Bergsman

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 CHRIST CHILD

State, Country & World
HOPE FOR NEW BEGINNINGS

Our Homebound Members

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



January Prayer List

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

Please be aware: we will print concerns in the bulletin only if that box is checked on prayer card, or if you have notified us. We want to respect the privacy of individuals. **Please let the office know if there is someone that you want kept on the prayer list, otherwise the names will be removed at the end of each month.

Tom Eicher (member)

Mary Jane Finkle (member)

Tegan Kopp (son of Sharon & Travis)

Lee Horton (former member)

Dick Strucko (member)

Audrey Howard (member)

Ann Rawls (member)

Joke Jansen (Liz Ford's Mother)

Nadine, Laura, Arielle (Liz Ford's daughters)

Clarkson Family (Blake's family)

Kate Wiltz (JoAnn Kulesza's niece)

Ron Baradel (friend of Eric & Wendy)

Kellie Bridges Lind (EUMC friend)

Les Sandman (Charlotte Kerns' sister's fiancé)

Jon Peret (friend of many at EUMC)



Happy Birthday

Jan. 28 – Virginia “Pud” Schultz

Jan 30 – Bev Ferrar

Feb 2 – Sally Hight, Evan Ugolini

Happy Anniversary

Myrna & Marty

January 30th



Events at EUMC This Week

Mon, Jan 29	Heavenly Bells Rehearsal 7pm
Tues, Jan 30	Homework & Reading 4pm; Eastport Working Together 6:30pm
Wed, Jan 31	
Thurs, Feb 1	Homework & Reading 4pm; Choir rehearsal 7pm
Sun, Feb 4	Worship Team meeting after the service

Reminder – Eastport Working Together January 30th at 6:30pm at the Eastport Community Center on President Street. (Food is provided 😊) if you have questions, call the church office. Let us know you're coming and we'll look for you.

Lenten Opportunities for Discipleship:

This year we will be building relationships with our brothers and sisters in Christ in Annapolis for our Lenten Journey. We will celebrate Ash Wednesday at 7pm at Calvary UMC together with 7 other churches!! How exciting! Throughout Lent, 6 of these churches will continue to journey together and have rotating weekly Wednesday night dinners and conversations from 6-8pm. This is a wonderful opportunity to connect with others and learn from one another. Our theme will be *Building Community: The Jericho Road*. EUMC will host our dinner and conversation night on Wed. Feb. 28th. A full schedule will be out soon, but in our efforts to plan well for numbers of people and food, we would like for interested people to sign up through the office so we can estimate EUMC's attendance at the dinners. We will send out an email each week on Monday for you to RSVP for that week's dinner.



Other Lenten Opportunities at EUMC:

While we hope that you will choose to support the above community endeavor this Lent, we are also trying to evaluate interest and presence our in past traditional Lenten offerings. For those who would still be interested in coming to a 30 minute weekly noon prayer & communion service or to a Lenten morning study, please reply with your interest and indicate which one or both to the office by February 1st. Thank you!



Great things have been happening in our Sunday School class: the kids have identified their 2018 power word or mantra, brainstormed about their course of study for the next few months and begun planning for their next Children's Service. We have begun a course of study highlighting the books of the Bible and had super fun playing Bible Bingo and a Bible book version of Wheel of Fortune.



**Important Thing to Consider:
Please volunteer to help in 2018!**

Jacqueline will provide notes and a complete lesson plan hopefully making your experience "plug and play." If you are able to volunteer, please call Jacqueline Ploof 703.863.1275.

Some Dates to Note on your calendar

Sunday, January 28 – Soul Searchers practices begin 2-4pm
(Parent meeting at 1:00pm)

Wednesday, February 14 – **Ash Wednesday** 7pm at Calvary UMC

Saturday, February 17 – Potato Drop here at EUMC 7-9am sponsored by the District United Methodist Men. Volunteers are needed to bag potatoes for distribution. If you can help, see Jim Wilcox.

Pervasive, Never-Absent One

Pervasive, never-absent one whose name is Mystery,
whose close companionship we sense, whose face we yearn to see:
come to those who seek you, who long for the sound of your voice.
Hovering elusive one, come!

In-dwelling, ever-present one whose nearness we have known,
whose hand has soothed us in distress, whose love precedes our own:
Come to those who seek you, who long for the sound of your voice.
Immanent paraclete* come!

Unfettered spirit, living one whose gifts are freely sown,
whose breath and grace abide in us, in flesh and blood and bone:
Come to those who seek you, who long for the sound of your voice.
Future-transforming one, Come!

*paraclete means advocate, helper, comforter

In Christian theology it refers to the Holy Spirit as advocate or counselor (John 14:16, 26)