

*January 21, 2018*



*Made in the divine image of God..*

***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.

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**Third Sunday after the Epiphany**

January 21, 2018

10:00 a.m.

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**Welcome**

**Opening Hymn**

*Gather Us In – TFWS 2236*

**Praise Song**

*Jesus Messiah*

**Prayer**

**Passing of the Peace**

**Children's Time**

**Prayers of the People**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**Anthem**

*Walk with Me*

Patrick M. Liebergen

**Hymn of Illumination**

*Help Us Accept Each Other, v.1 – UMH 642*

**\*Scripture Reading**

Genesis 1: 26-31

**Witness to the Word**

Pastor Michelle

**The Great Thanksgiving**

TFWS 2257a-d

**Holy Communion**

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

Gluten free wafers available on request

**Communion Songs**

*Come Share the Lord – TFWS 2269*

*Hungry*

**Sharing of Gifts & Prayer**

*The Unified Budget & Heaven Cent Basket*

**\*Closing Praise**

*Since Jesus Came into My Heart, v.1,3 – TFWS 2140*

**\*Blessing**

**\*Praise Song to Send Us Forth**

\*Please stand as you are able.

Participation last Sunday: 90

Adults & youth 77

Children 13

**Becoming New**

This 4-week series on who we are begins today. We will explore questions like: What do we need to let go of? What do we need to affirm about ourselves? How do we become who God says we are? And does God really mean for us to be perfect?

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 21, 2018**

Greeters: Kathleen and Dylan Liedy  
 Welcomer: Jean Strucko  
 Ushers: Mike & Megan Wurst  
 Prayer Leader: Sherrie Little  
 Reader: Charlotte Kerns  
 Children's Time: Nicole Hughes  
 Sunday School:  
 Nursery: Nikki Finkle,  
                   Megan or Mike Wurst

Counters: Lisa Parrish, Mike Stevens,  
                   Jenifer Smith

**THOSE SERVING NEXT WEEK**

**January 28, 2018**

Greeters: Cyndi & David Councill  
 Welcomer: Lisa Stevens  
 Ushers: Butch & June Stevens  
 Prayer Leader: Sherrie Little  
 Reader: Bob Emory  
 Children's Time: Bill Riggs  
 Sunday School:  
 Nursery: Nikki Finkle  
                   Paulette Schwallenberg

Counters: Ruth Gibbons  
                   Audrey Howard  
                   Jackie Cunningham

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

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Pastor Michelle: [eastportumcpastor@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto: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 1<sup>st</sup>. 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)

**Clarkson Family** (Blake's family)

**Kate Wiltz** (JoAnn Kulesza's niece)

**Ron Baradel** (friend of Eric & Wendy)

**Kellie Bridges Lind** (EUMC friend)

**Pete Cullison** (Pud Schultz's brother)

**Les Sandman** (Charlotte Kerns' sister's fiancé)



## Happy Birthday

Jan. 21– Ed Owen

Jan 23 – Steve Duckett

Jan 26– Kim Wilcox

Jan 27 – Matt Ficca

## Happy Anniversary

Myrna & Marty

January 30th



## Events at EUMC This Week

Mon, Jan 22	Heavenly Bells Rehearsal 7pm
Tues, Jan 23	Homework & Reading 4pm
Wed, Jan 24	OUT TO LUNCH BUNCH Noon at Sammy's RSVP if possible
Thurs, Jan 25	Homework & Reading 4pm; Choir rehearsal 7pm Spire newsletter deadline
Sat, Jan 27	Church Planning Retreat

**OUT TO LUNCH BUNCH** has not met in several months due to the holiday season. We are hoping that we can re-group and have our monthly lunch meeting at Sammy's across the street in the Eastport shopping center. We would like to know if there is interest in continuing this gathering, so please call the office and let us know if you are interested, and if you will plan to be there this Wednesday. If you can't make it then, but are interested for the future, or if you have questions please call the office and let us know that as well.

**This Saturday, Jan 27, from 9-3 we will be having our church planning retreat** at the Krebs' house. Your presence and input are welcome! Please RSVP to the office for food purposes. Or if you are unable to be present, please share your thoughts with Pastor Michelle or A Church Council member prior to the retreat.

There will be a memorial service here on Friday for Tony Tona, who spent the last half of his life ministering to and aiding the homeless and downtrodden in the streets of the Annapolis community. Tony died Nov. 28 in hospice from heart failure. He was 75. The funeral will be in Fellowship Hall at 10:30am, and all are welcome to attend. Jim Wilcox was a friend of Tony.

**Reminder – Eastport Working Together** January 30<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm at the Eastport Community Center on President Street. (Food is provided 😊 )

## **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; Lent begins**  
**7pm Community Ash Wednesday Service @ Calvary United Methodist**

Special and exciting plans for Ash Wednesday and the remainder of Lent: Pastor Michelle has been leading an endeavor to bring the United Methodist churches in Annapolis together, and we will partner with these churches in our Lenten observance. More details will be available soon, and we really hope you all will support these events with your presence.

**Saturday, February 17 – Potato Drop here at EUMC 7-9am**

We need 70 volunteers (men, women and youth) to break down 200 50 lb bags of potatoes into 10 lb bags and deliver to 1600 families in the City of Annapolis. Please see Jim Wilcox if you can help.

*Walk With Me*  
(An African Walking Song)

Walk with me, O Lord, come walk with me  
O Lord, come walk with me.  
When I'm alone, O Lord, come walk with me  
When I'm alone, O Lord, come set me free.  
Lord, hear my cry, O Lord, I sing to Thee  
When I'm alone, O Lord, come walk with me.  
Set me free. O Lord, come set me free, (repeated)

In dark of night, O Lord, come set me free,  
Lord, hear my cry, O Lord, I sing to Thee, (repeated)  
I cry to Thee, I shout!  
To you I proclaim! O Lord, come walk with me!  
O Lord, set me free!  
O Lord, come walk with me (repeated)  
Walk with me, Lord.  
In dark of night, O Lord, come set me free, O set me free.  
*When I'm alone, O Lord, come walk with me.*  
When I'm alone; when I'm alone,  
Come walk with me.