## **Announcements for August 16, 2023**

It is with great sorrow that I must announce the passing of Doris Smith. Service plans are still being finalized for Wednesday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>. When we have more specific details, I will send an email.

Faith Hope Circle will begin the fall season with a meeting in the church hall on Thursday, September 7<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 pm. All women of the church and community are cordially invited. Please bring a bag lunch and drink. We look forward to seeing you!

A Zoom Bible Study will begin on Tuesday, September 19th, at 7:00 p.m. The Study is authored by Adam Hamilton and is entitled Simon Peter: Flawed But Faithful Disciple. This will be a six week study examining the life, faith, and character of Simon Peter. If you are interested in joining, please contact Jen in the office 410-255-8887 or <a href="mailto:mtcarmel21122@gmail.com">mtcarmel21122@gmail.com</a>

**The Pasadena Business Association is hosting an All You Can Eat Crab Feast on September 25<sup>th</sup> 6-10pm at Twain's Tavern.** Includes: #1 male crabs by Seaside, crab soup, pit beef, ham, turkey, Primo baked ziti, mac & cheese, cole slaw, dessert, domestic draft beer and soda. Proceeds got to benefit the Mountain Road Memorial Flag Site. Please visit <a href="https://pasadenabusinessassociation.com/event-5369044">https://pasadenabusinessassociation.com/event-5369044</a> for more information and to purchase tickets.

We will be having another planning meeting for the Harvest Festival on Sunday, August 27<sup>th</sup> after worship. To make this event a success, we need your help! Come to the meeting with any ideas and suggestions you may have to make this year awesome!

We are still requesting donations of the following

- Old, used children's clothing we can use for scarecrow stuffing
- Volunteers to help prep Thursday and Friday before the event
- Volunteers for the day of the event
- Baked Goods
- Monetary contributions to the event
- Attendance!! Please come and have fun!

Mt. Carmel United Methodist Church and the Child Development Center are working hand in hand to make this a fun, successful, family fundraising event! We hope you can join us! If you are interested in helping, please contact Jennifer Harris 410-255-8887 or <a href="mailto:mtcarmel21122@gmail.com">mtcarmel21122@gmail.com</a>

Community Shred Event at MCUMC Saturday, September 16, 11-1. Come and have your old, sensitive documents shredded for FREE! It's easy! Just pull into the parking lot, a helper will then retrieve your documents for your vehicle, then give you your boxes or bags back. That's it! Sensitive documents can include but are not limited to old checks, old bills, old receipts, old papers, old income tax forms. NO PLASTIC BAGS!! Not sure of what to shred? I found this article online that might help out...https://www.forbes.com/advisor/personal-finance/financial-documents-what-to-save-what-to-throw-away/

**Are you following the church on social media?** If not, you should! Our Facebook account is <a href="https://www.facebook.com/mtcarmelumcconnection/">https://www.facebook.com/mtcarmelumcconnection/</a> And our Instagram account is <a href="https://www.instagram.com/mcumc21122/">https://www.instagram.com/mcumc21122/</a>

If you have prayer requests, even if you plan to share them at Sunday worship, you may forward them ahead of time to Jen at the church office and she will compile a list to be used on Sunday morning. The church email is <a href="material-ntermaps">mtcarmel21122@gmail.com</a> and our phone number is 410-255-8887. Prayer Cards are also available in the Narthex on Sunday morning. If you have a prayer or concern, we encourage you to fill out a card and it will be collected and read that morning.

We want to remind you that we are still using Zoom for our Sunday Services. Zoom allows you to join us from wherever you may be!! (Join us in your pj's with a morning cup of coffee) As most of you who Zoom our worship services know, I greet Zoom attendees as they sign on, take Zoom attendance, and assign names to phone numbers as phone callers sign on. I open the Zoom meeting at 9 a.m. to give people time to sign on. I encourage you to sign on early to avoid the crush of people signing on at the last minute. The earlier you sign on the easier it is for me to attend to the greeting responsibilities. It also gives us a chance to chat and share prayer requests. If you should have any problems logging in, please alert Jennifer in the office.

The Announcements and Bulletin for Sunday's service are included as attachments to this encouraging word. Please feel free to print them out and either bring them with you to the service or to use them as your guide as you Zoom the service.