

Mt. Carmel UMC News and Encouraging Word

September 4, 2024

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IMPORTANT DATES

Faith Hope Circle will be meeting THIS Thursday, September 5 at 12:30 in the Church Hall. All are welcome to join. Please bring a bag lunch.

*****Pastor Mike RETURNS THIS SUNDAY!! Let's pack the pews on Sunday morning and welcome him back. *****

Services for Bud Jenkins will be held on September 21st at 11am.

SAVE THE DATE!! Our 3rd Annual Harvest Festival is scheduled for Saturday, October 12th!! Flyers are now available!! Please take one and post it somewhere in the community. We NEED HELP GETTING THE WORD OUT!

ORDER YOUR HOMEMADE SOUP NOW!! Attached are order forms for our wonderful homemade chicken noodle soup, chili, cornbread and apple dumplings. All made with love by the folks at Mt. Carmel.

One person's junk is another person's treasure!! Our first Flea Market fundraiser will be held on Saturday, November 9th. We are selling spaces NOW!!

Rentals:

Space only \$15.00

Space with a 6 ft round or rectangular table \$20.00

Space with an 8 ft rectangular table \$25.00

Spaces with tables available until sold out

Indoor and outdoor spaces available on first come first serve basis

Please see our flyer in the Church Hall. Take some to hand out! We have purposely scheduled this on the same day as the CHS Craft Fair to maximize traffic. If you would like to rent a space/table or need more information, you can contact Jen in the office.

We will be selling Apple Pies again this year!! Keep an eye out for the order forms. The pies will be on a first come, first serve basis! You won't want to miss getting yours because they are DELICIOUS!

This year we will be ushering in the holiday season with our first Christmas Tea, Saturday, December 7th. If you are interested in helping with this event, please contact Jen in the office.

UPDATED - DONATIONS NEEDED

The Harvest Festival needs your donations! We are looking for:

- ~ old, used children's clothing and bubble wrap we can use for scarecrow stuffing
- ~ glass quart jars for our soup and chili
 - ~ candy for our trick or treaters
- ~ baked goods for our bake table

Outreach News

We continue to support our local food pantry. Thank you all for helping with this ongoing project. I saw a nice food fairy donated lots of canned goods this week. Thank you to that nice person. We will continue to gather boxed macaroni and cheese for the next few months. We give out 2 boxes of mac and cheese in each food bag. Last week we gave out 56 bags of food. That's 112 boxes of mac and cheese that went out the door. So, keep them coming, folks.

Spread Good News!

Do you have good news to share?? We want you to shout it out on Sunday Mornings at our service!! We can all use a little good news, right? And what better way to connect with our friends and family here at MCUMC than to celebrate in each other's glad tidings! Is someone having a birthday, an anniversary, a child?? Did someone get a new job, a raise, complete a project? Did a child or grandchild lose a tooth, sing a song, win a tournament? Let us join you in celebrating these triumphs! Our prayer concerns will still be written on our prayer cards.

Help Wanted

Our search continues for a new accompanist. Please share our job listing with anyone you may think qualifies. I have included in this email as an attachment a job listing flyer that can be distributed throughout our community. Please, please spread the word!! This same listing also appears on our website. <https://mymcumc.org/index.php/newsletter/> "Great opportunity for piano teachers/students to earn a supplemental income. Small, friendly church in Pasadena, Marland looking for an accompanist to play a baby grand piano on Sundays, one service each Sunday at 9:30 a.m., plus Christmas Eve, Maundy Thursday and Good Friday early evening services. For additional information or to submit your interest, please call the church office at 410-255-8887 or email mtcarmel21122@gmail.com."

We need Liturgists for Sunday Mornings. This is a wonderful and easy way to get involved. You do not have to read every Sunday. We put together a schedule that works with your availability. We would love to hear from you! Just contact the office if you are interested.

Weekly Reminders

If you have prayer requests, even if you plan to share them at Sunday worship, please 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 mtcarmel21122@gmail.com 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. (Join us in your pj's with a morning cup of coffee) I open the Zoom meeting at 9 a.m. to give people time to sign on. 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.**

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Office Hours – Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday 9-2