# **Huntington Court United Methodist Church**

# Help Create Communities in Christ

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Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9:00 AM – 1 PM

#### **NOTICE**

Sunday Services: YouTube Livestream Regular Times: 8:30 AM & 11 AM

For latest updates check emails.

### From the Pastor

I am sure the one thing you have noticed lately is that nothing is normal. While in life we always expect a little bit of change, like our bank name changing or our kids getting older or things like that; today the only thing normal is nothing is normal.

I heard a sports commentator talking about the quarterback Alex Smith wanting to plan a comeback this year and the commentator said, "tell him to wait until next year for if anything unexpected could happen to him, it would be this year."

While he was trying to be funny, he is correct that this year has offered more uncertainty than normal. Of course, there are questions. Will the sports season begin? If it begins, will it finish? There are also serious questions. Will our kids go back to school? If so, what will the school schedule look like? When will there be a vaccine? When will we get to go back to worshipping like we used to? With all these questions and so many more, we begin to wonder if anything is still certain.

The answer is yes and the scripture is clear on that one: "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever." (Hebrews 13:8, NIV)

Jesus never changes. The good news about this is that all of his promises never change either – promises such as peace, joy, forgiveness, salvation, hope and life – all these things will never change just as Christ never changes.

So, in the midst of all the confusion and uncertainty, I encourage you to turn to the one thing that never changes – Jesus – and may you find your peace there.

> ~ Jeff Pastor Jeff Wilson

#### **Alternate Giving Options:**

- Text 73256 as the phone number and in the subject/message field type "HCUMC" and the dollar amount you want to tithe/give
- Online at https://www.huntingtoncourtumc.org/give
- **Contact our office** during regular office hours at (540) 366-3465 to set up automatic
- Mail or deliver a your tithe and/or gift to the office

# **STEWARDSHIP REPORT**

#### Attendance

Services: Not recorded for online services

#### Year to date – 8/27/2020

(Please note: Online giving, kiosk, and 30th automatic bank withdrawal have not been counted yet.)

Total Revenues: \$205,183.09 Total Expenses: \$192,280.43

#### **Apportionments** Paid through August 2020

I know the last few months have been difficult for all of us. However, we must continue to think about what good comes from our giving. Just to mention a few, we give to the children and youth programs, outreach, Spring Fling, fall festival, LOA, NA, the scouts (Cub, Boy, & Girl), and Homework & Beyond. We must continue to give to continue to uplift our lives for Christ. Dave Hall, Stewardship Chair.

Occasionally, we have individuals that come to us for financial assistance needs throughout the year. Should you feel called to help us meet those needs, then please mark your giving accordingly. Please note - this is to be above (not in place of) your current aift or tithe.

# Children & Youth Back-To-School Prayer Service

# **Back-To-School Prayer Service Hosted by Children's and Youth Ministries**

When: August 30th @ 6:00 PM EST

Where: Zoom (for those who like to submit prayer requests) and live-streamed on YouTube

**What:** Music from Kiana, Message from Jeff, and Prayer for our Children and Families during this time of uncertainty

**How:** Join the live prayer service via the link on the Huntington Court Website or via Zoom. Zoom link will be emailed out prior to the event.

**Tip:** If you would like to submit a prayer request, please email the Children's Ministry Coordinator at <a href="mailto:smcenhimer@gmail.com">smcenhimer@gmail.com</a> or to be added to the email list for the Zoom link.

Join us for an impactful night of prayer and power. We can't wait to see you there!



Since the church has elected not to open until the denomination moves into Phase 3, we have decided to postpone the Children's Choir as well until we enter that phase. We will keep you informed as we move forward - Kiana and Elizabeth

If you want more information, call or email Elizabeth Smith at (540) 797-4312 or <a href="mailto:ekayewilson@gmail.com">ekayewilson@gmail.com</a>.

# **Update on Homework and Beyond**

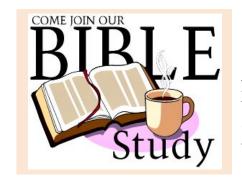
First of all, we want to thank all of you who helped with Homework and Beyond during the past school year. Many of you donated school supplies and snacks which were greatly appreciated. A big thank you goes out to our volunteers who worked directly with the students from January to March. We do think we made an impact on their lives in a very short period of time.

When the children left the program on the afternoon of March 5, little did we know that it would be the last time they'd be with us for quite some time. As you are probably aware, Roanoke City schools have decided that they will be providing all virtual classes for the majority of their students for at least the first nine-weeks of school. Even after they begin attending in-person, it will take the teachers and students time to get into a routine. Therefore, we are not sure when we will be able to begin Homework and Beyond again. We will be working with the school as well as following United Methodist conference guidelines with regards to starting the program. As soon as we have a date to begin, we will let you know and will be asking for your help.

We are looking forward to the time when we can be with them again. We have done a couple of things over the summer to let them know we're thinking about them and to help them with their academic progress. We sent each child a subscription to *Highlights* magazine that they will receive monthly. We also mailed them some of their favorite books that they had been reading when they were attending Homework and Beyond.

Please continue to pray for the children we worked with during the last school year. This is a difficult time for the children and their families as they adjust to school in a very different way.

With Thanks and In God's Love, Wanda Martin & Dee Sheffer



We are looking to resume Bible Study the week of September 14.

The Monday class will be offered at 6:30 PM via YouTube which you can access through <a href="https://www.nument.org">huntingtoncourtumc.org</a>. The hope is once things return to normal that this class will continue in a hybrid environment (both YouTube and in-person). If you plan on attending the Monday session and would like your handouts emailed to you, please contact the office at hcumc1@gmail.com and we will get you on a list to receive them.

The Wednesday class will be offered in-person at 10:30 AM for those who have difficulty with YouTube or need to experience the class in-person. It will operate under the HCUMC non-worship guidelines COVID-19 which means such things as masks must be worn at all times, social distancing must occur, health questions will be asked upon arrival, and temperatures must be taken before arriving. Also to maintain social distance, the class will be limited to 20 individuals and registration is on a first-come weekly basis. You may register up to 24 hours prior to attending via email (hcumc1@gmail.com) or call and leave a message with the office.

# **In-Person Sunday Worship Services**

Starting September 27, 2020 at 4 PM Details to be announced later

# **Wesleyan Class**

Meeting via Zoom
on Sundays
For a Zoom email invitation,
please email Nancy Harvey
at nsharvey@cox.net
to be added
to her email list.

# NOTICE

# Church Council

Sunday, September 20 4:00 PM Meeting on Zoom Link will be sent before meeting.



RITA ENGLE CIRCLE: HCUMC MISSION PROJECT: 2020 "Pecan Sale"



The Rita Engle Circle will once again be selling one pound bags of Mascot MAMMOTH PECAN HALVES. The pecans will be from this year's fresh crop and the price will be \$13.00 per bag. The money will be due when the pecans are picked up by the buyers in early November. The money raised from the sale will be used to support missions to assist women and children.

To place your order, please contact a member of the Circle.... or you may phone: Bonny Spruill @540-362-8865 or Joyce Witt @ 540-353-3449



# **Annual Conference Mission Offering 2020**

The Annual Conference Mission Offering will be taken during one-day virtual Annual Conference on September 19, 2020. Bishop Lewis encourages all local churches to participate in this second mile offering as an expression of support for designated conference priority mission projects and programs which she selects. The pastor or lay representative of every faith community should contribute to this offering. Of course, individual gifts are always welcome! Checks may be made payable to "Virginia Conference of the UMC" or "VAUMC" with Conference Offering in the memo line.

The recipients of the 2020 offering represent a mixture of long term mission partnership commitments as well as new mission opportunities:

- 50 Percent Food Ministries within the Virginia Conference
  - Funds for food ministries within the Virginia Conference will be disbursed by the Missional Ministries Board
- 50 Percent Partnerships of Hope
  - (Formerly Initiatives of Hope) Support for our conference long-term international mission partnerships with Mozambique, Cambodia and Brazil

Please be generous in your support of the Annual Conference Mission Offering as we continue to show our strong support for God's mission here in Virginia and around the world.

# Willing to Help???

Have you thought about how you can help Huntington Court after you are gone? Please include us in your will by at least considering tithing (10%) of your estate to the Lord. When including us in your end of life decisions, please be sure to include our full name and address with the amount you wish to bequest. If you desire assistance, please notify the church office who will put you in touch with a capable lawyer to help you. Thank you for your consideration as HCUMC looks to continue to further its mission to help create communities in Christ.

#### Looking to Help HCUMC?

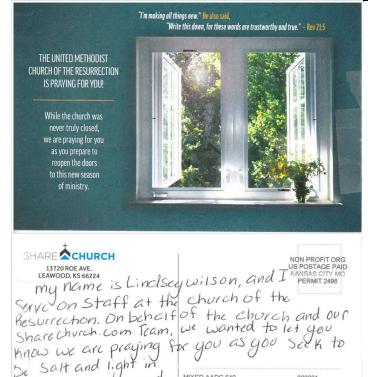
Have some free time? You are welcome to come on your own schedule to weed the flower beds around the church. This will not only help HCUMC's grounds themselves, but you will be making the church appear more welcoming to the neighborhood. Thank you!



#### **Church Staff**

Rev. Jeff Wilson, *Pastor*Nancy Harvey, *Lay Leader*Joy Edwards, *Office Manager*Sue Giles, *Music Director*Julia Greer, *Visitation Minister*Samantha McEnhimer, *Children's & Youth Ministries Coordinator*Kiana Johnson, *Worship Leader*Kenneth Orange, *Custodian*Harriet Day, *Nursery Supervisor* 

# Encouragement



A note of encouragement from your friends at Church of the Resurrection and ShareChurch.com

Thank You for all the cards, phone calls and messages I received during my recent back surgery and recovery.

Virgil Decker

"Thank everyone for their cards & calls."

Dot Kirby

# **Guiding Star Yoga News:**

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We continue to meet as a hybrid of both in-person and Zoom. Let me know if you need a Zoom invitation. As long as there are ten or fewer people including the instructor in-person class can occur. For in-person class there will be screening questions to review the day before class. If you answer yes to any questions, please join us on Zoom. For in-person classes, you will need to bring your own mat and props (blocks, strap, blanket). I will not bring out my supplies at this time.

Class schedule: Wednesdays, 7:00, pm, level 1 Hatha/gentle flow class.

Saturdays, 10:00 am, gentle/chair class.



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- 4 Kelley Hall-Evans
- 5 Beverly Kelly Freddy Montalvo
- 6 Julia Greer
- 7 Laura Barnhart
- 11 Margaret Fitzgerald
- 12 Mary Chocklett Leon Williams
- 13 Harvey Crouch Reggie Reynolds
- 14 Jonathan Barker
- 15 Cindy Foster Larry Sarver

- 16 Spenser Duval Anita Sheetz Nathan Snead Charity Wilson
- 17 Chuck Neely
- **18 Nancy Harvey**
- 23 Susan Cregger Wanda Flora Jacob Johnson
- 24 Jackie Bailey Jay Poindexter
- 27 Rick Hall Jane Scoville
- 28 Ruth Gibson

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30	31	1	2	3	4	5
8:30am - Traditional Worship	7pm - Healthy Church Team-		7pm - Guiding Star Yoga-Zoom	6:30pm - The Well-Zoom		10am - Guiding Star Yoga-
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11am - Foundation Worship			7pm - Youth Worship-Messenger			
6pm - Back to School Prayer			7:30pm - NA-FH			
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8:30am - Traditional Worship	Labor Day (Office Closed)		7pm - Guiding Star Yoga-Zoom	4:30pm - Worship Committee-		10am - Guiding Star Yoga-
11am - Foundation Worship			7pm - Youth Worship-Messenger	6:30pm - The Well-Zoom		
			7:30pm - NA-FH			
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
8:30am - Traditional Worship	6:30pm - Bible Study-Zoom	NEWSLETTER DEADLINE	10:30am - Bible Study (20 Limit)	6:30pm - The Well-Zoom		Virtual Annual VA Conference @
11am - Foundation Worship	7:30pm - Healthy Church Team-		7pm - Guiding Star Yoga-Zoom			10am - Guiding Star Yoga-
			7pm - Youth Worship-Messenger			
			7:30pm - NA-FH			
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8:30am - Traditional Worship	7:30pm - Healthy Church Team-		5:15pm - Staff Meeting TBA	6:30pm - The Well-Zoom		10am - Guiding Star Yoga-
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11am - Foundation Worship			7pm - Guiding Star Yoga-Zoom			
1:30pm - S/PPRC-Zoom			7pm - Youth Worship-Messenger			
3pm - Finance Committee-Zoom			7:30pm - NA-FH			
4pm - Church Council-Zoom						
27	28	29	30	11	2	3
8:30am - Traditional Worship	7:30pm - Healthy Church Team-		7pm - Guiding Star Yoga-Zoom	5:30pm - Choir		10am - Guiding Star Yoga-
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