# **Huntington Court United Methodist Church**

# Help Create Communities in Christ

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Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 AM – 1 PM

#### SUNDAY SERVICES:

Livestream Times: 8:30 AM & 11 AM Social Distanced Time: 4:00 PM

For latest updates check emails.

# From the Pastor

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. (John 3:16, NIV)

"It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas, everywhere I go." Isn't that the truth? Everywhere we go, it is beginning to look like Christmas. It's a little different this year than in the past, but most of us still have found ourselves decorating, sending cards, shopping and wrapping gifts. I don't know about you, but I struggle at times thinking about what I want to buy for my family members and friends. I want to give something that I know they want and need, so I spend a lot of time considering what I should give.

God gave Christians the greatest gift we could ever want or need – Jesus. Jesus – God in the flesh - who was born that first Christmas morning. Jesus – the baby that would grow into a man and give his life for you and me so that WE could have the gift of life.

This reminds us that God gave us the greatest gift of God's self in Jesus. In the midst of all the gift giving, may we consider how we in return can give our lives to God.

Merry Christmas!

## ~ Jeff

Pastor Jeff Wilson

#### Friday Day Off Procedure:

Just as a reminder to promote my self-care, I take Fridays off. When I am off, this means I will not respond to communication including via cell phone and email. I encourage you to wait in sending any correspondence until the next week. Should an emergency arise after office hours, please call Wanda Martin.

## **STEWARDSHIP REPORT**

Attendance

Services: Not recorded for online services

#### Year to date - 11/23/2020

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

Total Revenues: \$267,815.33 Total Expenses: \$255,099.56

#### **Apportionments** Paid through November 2020

As we wrapped up our Stewardship Campaign, we continue to joyfully accept estimated giving amounts that will be used to meet our budget needs as well as overcome any unexpected cost during our 2021 fiscal year. We hope that you will continue to support the church as you have in the past, and if you haven't had the opportunity to return your estimated giving card yet these have been sent to you for your convenience including a postage paid envelope. We ask that you prayfully consider how you will support our church in the coming year.

Thank you, Dave Hall, Stewardship Chair

# Social Distanced Worship

I realize there are many who are disappointed with all the restrictions around worship. I truly understand this for I know this is not the way most of us have experienced worship in the past. The funny thing though is many of our elements of worship have not always been a part of the church. For example, singing wasn't always a part of worship or there was a great controversy when there was the original thought of playing an organ in a church. Sure things are different, but these measures have been put in place by the United Methodist Church to keep us safe and to limit the spread of Covid-19.

I do want to address some concerns though I have heard that some of you might have:

- 1. The service is only 35-40 minutes long to make sure you get home safely before dark.
- 2. The elevator is running.

So, we encourage you to join us on YouTube and Facebook each Sunday. Sunday, should you desire an in-person experience before things return to normal, then come join us at 4PM each Sunday.

# <u>December 4 PM Sanctuary Service</u> Greeters

### **December 6:**

Parking Lot Entrance-Gloria Hall Sanctuary-Mary Munsey

## **December 13:**

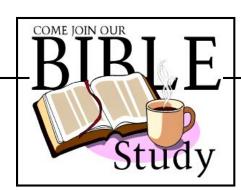
Parking Lot Entrance-Wanda Martin Sanctuary-Sue Brewer

## **December 20:**

Parking Lot Entrance-Nancy Harvey Sanctuary-Mary Munsey

### **December 27:**

Parking Lot Entrance-Gloria Hall Sanctuary-Pat Bowles



You're invited to attend HCUMC's Digital (YouTube) Bible Study on Mondays at 6:30 PM. The YouTube channel can be accessed at <a href="https://huntingtoncourtumc.org">huntingtoncourtumc.org</a>. If you would like to join the Monday study and would like your handouts emailed to you, please contact the office at <a href="https://hcumcl@gmail.com">hcumcl@gmail.com</a> and we can add you to the list to receive them.

Class will meet only on 11/30 and 12/14. (NO Class: 12/7, 12/21, 12/28, & 12/31)

# Children & Youth



# **ZOOM** Sunday School at 10 AM

Including crafts, games, videos and a Bible lesson appropriate for ages 5 to 17. All families will need to sign-up to receive the Zoom join link and instructions on collecting craft and other materials. To sign-up for this awesome new opportunity, please complete the short sign-up form on our Children's Ministry webpage (<a href="https://www.huntingtoncourtumc.org/children-youth-ministries">https://www.huntingtoncourtumc.org/children-youth-ministries</a>). P.S. Feel free to share this with any friends or family members with children you would like to share in this experience.







# Staff Christmas Gifts



It's time to wish our staff a Merry Christmas! The Staff/Pastor Parish Relations Committee invites you to show the HCUMC staff how much you appreciate what they do by making a monetary donation as a Christmas gift to them. Donations will be accepted December 1-18. Since you will not be able to make donations using pew envelopes this year, there will be several ways you may give. You may give online through the church website, by mail, or in person at the church office. If you give online, please be sure to use the dropdown, "Staff Christmas Gift" to designate your donation. If giving by mail or in person at the church office, please put your donation in an envelope and write "Staff Christmas Gift" on the envelope. Thank you in advance for "sharing a little merry" with our staff this year!

Thank you all at H.C.U.M.C. for showing me how wonderful this church is. I have enjoyed every moment to be able to see all of. Can't wait till it "happens again." When I can hug you all & say "welcome." God bless each & everyone. Friends like you all are a real treasure thanks for all you do. "Margie"

# **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.

# **Guiding Star Yoga**

Hybrid (in-person & Zoom) Class schedule: Wednesdays @ 7:00, pm

Level 1 Hatha/gentle flow class
Saturdays, 10:00 am

gentle/chair class

Please note: No Class 12/23-1/2/2021

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 inperson 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 inperson classes, you will need to bring your own mat and props (blocks, strap, blanket). I will not bring out my supplies at this time.

# **Mobile Alerts**

with you via text messages and would like to know if you are interested in receiving text reminders and alerts. If you are please call or email the office and leave your mobile number with the Administrative Assistant.



# **Giving Envelopes**

Available 12/24/2020
On Table for Pickup
During Office Hours or 4 PM Service



# **2020 Giving**

All giving for 2020 will conclude with the last mailing received in the office on 12/31/2020. To ensure your 2020 giving is counted toward 2020, please have all giving in the office by 12/31/2020.

# COAT DRIVE

We have been asked if we would consider having a children's coat drive before the winter months begin, and I'm sure many of you would welcome this opportunity to give.



If you would like to participate, please bring children's new or gently-used coats/jackets to the church during the week of November 30-December 4 during office hours (8:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m.). After Joy lets you in, please leave them on the table across from the choir room. You may also bring donations on Sunday, December 6, if you plan to come to the 4:00 service. I'll collect all donations the following Monday and take them to Round Hill Elementary School.

Families will be so grateful for our help. Thank you for caring!

## 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.

## **Church Staff**

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

## **Mission Fund:**

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 gift or tithe.

# **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/ qive
- Contact the office during regular office hours at (540) 366-3465 to set up automatic bank draft
- Mail or deliver a your tithe and/or gift to the office

# December Birthdays

- 2 Griffin Zorn
- 3 Steve Paitsel
- 4 Jackie Owens
- 5 Ken Voss
- 8 Keira Hollenbeck Debbye Rackus
- 10 Bryant Wade
- 15 Lori Bush

- 17 Stephanie Reger
- 20 Nancy Cook
- 26 Blaine Hancock David Francisco
- 27 Reese Turner Jonathan Wilson
- 29 Pamaleah Shreffler
- 31 Josh Gum

Huntington Court UMC, Facility Rentals

Dec 2020 (Eastern Time - New York)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29	30	1	2	3	4	5
First Sunday of Advent	6:30pm - Bible Study-	6:30pm - NA-FH	6pm - NA-FH	Jeff on Vacation		
8:30am - Traditional	7:30pm - Healthy Church		6:30pm - The Well-Zoom			10am - Guiding Star Yoga-
10am - Zoom-Children &			7pm - Guiding Star Yoga-			
11am - Foundation						
4pm - In-Person Worship						
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10am - Zoom-Children &						
11am - Foundation						
4pm - In-Person Worship						
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10am - Zoom-Children &		6:30pm - NA-FH	7pm - Guiding Star Yoga-			2pm - Youth Christmas
11am - Foundation 4pm - In-Person Worship						
6pm - Church-wide Virtual						
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11am - Foundation						
1pm - S/PPRC-Zoom						
2:30pm - Finance						
4pm - In-Person Worship						
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10am - Zoom-Children &						
11am - Foundation						
4pm - In-Person Worship						
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