



# The Messenger

South Hill United Methodist Church

July/August 2018



## The Pastor's Pen...

*Brothers and sisters, I don't want you to be ignorant about spiritual gifts. 2 You know that when you were Gentiles you were often misled by false gods that can't even speak. 3 So I want to make it clear to you that no one says, "Jesus is cursed!" when speaking by God's Spirit, and no one can say, "Jesus is Lord," except by the Holy Spirit. 4 There are different spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; 5 and there are different ministries and the same Lord; 6 and there are different activities but the same God who produces all of them in everyone. 7 A demonstration of the Spirit is given to each person for the common good. 8 A word of wisdom is given by the Spirit to one person, a word of knowledge to another according to the same Spirit, 9 faith to still another by the same Spirit, gifts of healing to another in the one Spirit, 10 performance of miracles to another, prophecy to another, the ability to tell spirits apart to another, different kinds of tongues to another, and the interpretation of the tongues to another. 11 All these things are produced by the one and same Spirit who gives what he wants to each person.*

*1 Corinthians 12:1-11*

I believe that in God's infinite wisdom, God gave all of us gifts. I also believe we all are called to use those gifts. As our Bishop preached during the Father's Day worship at the close of Annual Conference, to be good stewards of what God has given us means for us to use our gifts as the giver intended. In other words, we are supposed to use what we are given for the glory of God, wherever we find ourselves. Our occupations are our mission fields. Our community events are our mission fields. Just driving around with that great magnet advertising the church on the back of your car is witnessing to others. In that realization, what witness do we give? How do our speech and our actions reflect God's unbounded love to the world around us? We do pretty well, but we must do better. If we find animosity in our hearts toward others, we need to pray that it be removed from us. If we find ourselves idle beyond what is necessary for renewal, then we should pray that God shows us an avenue to use

our gifts and the willingness to do so. You see, I believe prayer works, not because it usually results in direct action by God (though it can), but because it changes us to allow each one of us to be more in line with God's will for us and our community. In other words, our prayers are mainly so that God changes us, enabling us to be God's agent of change in the world.

As individuals, let us use God's gifts to us for God's glory. As a community of faith, let us use God's gifts to us for God's glory for the entire community around us. We are not only here for the parts of the community we identify most comfortably with, but we are also here for those we don't. Let us be the best incarnation of God's community on earth that we can be. We're on the way. Keep it up!

Yours in Christ,  
Pastor Brian

## Service

With the great success of the “Great Day of Service” at Annual Conference this year, in which over 1800 laity and clergy participated in mission, I am reenergized about our monthly community work days. But, these days have had poor attendance, and have been limited in scope. I believe we can improve on this in several ways, and we need each person’s help to do so:

1. Keep your eyes open to areas around town that need work above what the town and current work can do. Street and neighborhood cleanup not only helps the immediate area, but the entire town.
2. Help us gather a list of work with citizens of the town directly. You, or someone you know, may need help with simple household work such as changing lightbulbs or batteries in smoke detectors, minor yard cleanup, or something else. We’d love to be able to send a group to these homes to accomplish these tasks.
3. Let the office know where we need to be going and who to contact to arrange it.
4. Consider helping as a coordinator for these community work days.
5. Show up for the work days, currently scheduled for the last Saturday of each month. We have new shirts that clearly identify who we are while we are out working, being the church in the community.

Together, we can make a difference.

- Pastor Brian

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## July Special Offering Peace with Justice



Peace with Justice offering enables the United Methodist Church to have a voice in advocating for peace and justice through a broad spectrum of global programs.

## August Special Offering Heart Havens

Heart Havens is a non-profit organization that provides residential support to adults with developmental disabilities in a number of locations across Virginia.



### Under the Hat...

Lisa Clary will be exhibiting her Poetry at The Colonial Theatre from July 12 until August 21 in the small art gallery.

Please stop by to read some of her works and sign the book she will have at the display. You can visit during the regular business hours of the Colonial or during any special programs. She also hopes to have a book ready for purchase at that time so please see her if interested. Lisa’s Lines From Under the Hat will be \$10.00.



“Thank you for your support and letting me share my words with the church. It is a dream come true to be able do so and now to be able to share it on a larger scale. I am humbled that God is giving me the courage and strength to share my talent that is truly a blessing from him.”

- Lisa Clary

## Other Annual Conference Statistics:

- 1,637 people participated in the Great Day of Service
- 44,774 disaster relief kits collected
- \$111,000 Conference Offering was collected and will be divided between Cambodia, Brazil, Mozambique, Volunteers in Mission teams working with Native Americans, Haiti, Cuba recovery, Puerto Rico recovery and Moscow Seminary
- 4 Cans 4 Conference - Brought and gave to the Peninsula Food Bank 8,825 pounds of food, plus \$378.00 which will translate into more than nearly 10,000 meals for those in nutritional jeopardy in the lower Peninsula area of our Commonwealth!



## Offering Envelopes

We are in the process of ordering offering envelopes for 2019. Therefore, we will be ordering a quantity of non personalized envelopes and making sure there is always a sufficient supply on hand at the church. However, if you prefer a box of your own envelopes, we are more than happy to order those for you. Please let the office know or place your name on only one of the sign up sheets available at both entrances to the sanctuary by August 19<sup>th</sup>.

**Happy  
4<sup>th</sup> of July**



**Special Session of  
General Conference  
February 23-26, 2019  
St. Louis, Missouri**

**- FARMVILLE DISTRICT PRAYS -  
Pray the Lord's Prayer  
at 9:00 P.M. every night  
Read Psalm 23**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven,  
Hallowed be Your name.  
Your kingdom come.  
Your will be done  
On earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our debts,  
As we forgive our debtors.  
And do not lead us into temptation,  
But deliver us from the evil one.  
For Yours is the kingdom and the power  
and the glory forever. Amen.

Matthew 6: 9-13



## Summer Office Hours:

June 1st – August 31st, the church office will be closed on Fridays; however, please use normal contact numbers if you need assistance on Fridays.

## HEALTH AND WELLNESS:

### Is Heat Or Ice Better For Soothing Your Injury?

Which will relieve your aches and pains? Two simple treatments that have been around for generations---ice and heat---are still recommended treatments to handle a number of ailments. Warmth can relieve pain by relaxing muscles, and cold relieves pain by reducing inflammation. But on which injuries do you heat, and when is it best to use ice?



#### WHEN TO USE HEAT:

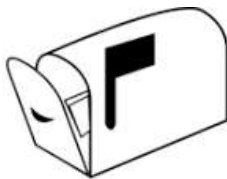
- Muscle soreness after exercise - place a moist heat wrap over sore muscles for two hours. This increases circulation, speeding healing of minor muscle damage.
- Chronic back pain - for pain that lingers beyond two or three days, apply a heating pad to the lower back, this dilates blood vessels loosening tight muscles.
- Irritable bowel syndrome - take warm baths or use a heating pad. This eases spasms in your digestive system. Heat increases pain tolerance, blood flow and flexibility.

#### WHEN TO USE ICE:

- Strains - Immerse the affected area in a bucket or tub with ice and water for 20-30 minutes, this relieves pain and swelling in overstretched or torn muscles or tendons.
- Tendonitis - (Inflammation, irritation and swelling of a tendon). Rub an ice cube or water frozen in a paper cup in circles over the sore area for 8-10 minutes. This helps reduce inflammation in the affected tendons.
- Sprains - apply crushed ice in a plastic bag, an ice pack, or use a bag of frozen vegetables for 20 minutes. This eases swelling and inflammation in stretched or torn ligaments. Ice reduces inflammation and numbs nerves.

Use caution while using hot or cold techniques. Consult your physician before making major changes in your lifestyle or health care regimen.

- Shirley Wetherbee



### NOTE! ADDRESS CHANGE

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## Opportunities for Growth and Service...

### Helping Hands 2018 A Virginia Conference Children's Mission Event

Helping Hands is an exciting two-day mission experience for children (rising 4th through 6th Graders) offered to all member churches of the Virginia Conference of the United Methodist Church with two locations left this year. Register early to secure your spots!

- **July 26-27, Woodlake UMC**, 15640 Hampton Park Dr, Chesterfield, VA 23832 Contact: Diana Foster at [DFoster@woodlakeumc.org](mailto:DFoster@woodlakeumc.org)
- **August 2-3, Deep Creek UMC**, 141 George Washington Hwy N, Chesapeake, VA 23323-1801 Contact: Robin Cannon at [robin.cannon@deepcreekumc.org](mailto:robin.cannon@deepcreekumc.org)

Come and learn about mission opportunities and the importance of being a caring Christian. The cost is only \$36 per person. This includes a T-shirt, meals, snacks, and an overnight stay. We will be sleeping on the floor and do not have shower facilities. Each church is responsible for bringing their own chaperones.

### Mission Encounter - July 27-29 4-H Center, Smith Mountain Lake

Mission Encounter, cooperative event sponsored by the Virginia Conference Missional Ministries Board and the Virginia Conference United Methodist Women, will take place at the 4-H Center at Smith Mountain Lake from July 27 - 29. The address is 775 Hermitage Road, Wirtz, VA 24184. There will be four courses offered: "Missionary Conferences of the UMC in the USA," "What About Our Money," "Embracing Wholeness," and "Children's Study Money Matters." Online registration is available as well as a detailed brochure at [www.vaumc.org/missionencounter](http://www.vaumc.org/missionencounter). Registration closes July 15. For questions, contact Marilyn Blagg at 540-396-6127.



**Bishop Sharma Lewis**  
Virginia Conference



**Greg Moore**  
Ex. Dir. Of New Faith  
Communities NC  
Conference



**Matt Miofsky**  
Lead Pastor The  
Gathering UMC  
St. Louis, MO



**Jason Byassee**  
Professor of Preaching,  
Vancouver School  
of Theology



**REGISTER NOW:**  
[www.vaumc.org/5talent](http://www.vaumc.org/5talent)

Mark your calendars and join us this fall for our next 5 Talent event. We have changed the structure this year and will have 4 speakers! It will be a great event, focusing on worship! South Hill UMC is a satellite location and it will be held on Tuesday, October 30th 9:00 am – 3:00 pm. Early Bird registration of \$30 per person ends September 26th. Please contact the church office to save on the group rate.

**INFLUENCE 2018: WORSHIP**  
**OCTOBER 30<sup>TH</sup>, 2018**

## REFUEL

Come join us for a weekend of fun as we refresh ourselves and REFUEL our relationships with Jesus.

LIGHT THE NIGHT Ministries presents its first annual weekend retreat for our youth. Space is limited so get your registration in quickly to secure your spot. All meals will be provided for the campers. Exciting activities are available during free time. You don't want to miss this exciting opportunity to strengthen your walk with Christ.

Registration forms can be printed and payment can be made at [www.lightthenight.net](http://www.lightthenight.net).

Light THE NIGHT PRESENTS

2018

**REFUEL**  
BE FILLED FOR THE JOURNEY

OCT. 5-7

GRADES 6-12

CAMP WILLOW SPRINGS  
YOUTH RETREAT

Activities: Swimming, Archery, Low Ropes Course

Info & Registration Form: [denny@LightTheNight.net](mailto:denny@LightTheNight.net)

\$65

## Special General Conference

“The United Methodist Church affirms “that sexuality is God’s good gift to all persons. We call everyone to responsible stewardship of this sacred gift.” This affirmation is part of the denomination’s Social Principles. At the 2016 General Conference, the Council of Bishops proposed the formation of a Commission on a Way Forward to examine and possible revise every paragraph of the Book of Discipline concerning human sexuality. A special General Conference on Feb. 23-26, 2019 will take up proposals related to church unity and homosexuality.”

Excerpt from umc.com

The Commission on a Way Forward has completed its work and delivered its recommendation to the Council of Bishops. In turn, the Council of Bishops have drafted the proposal going before the February General Conference. However, the proposal will not be fully available until after July 8 to allow it to be translated into multiple languages. We will be having discussions at South Hill United Methodist Church around this issue after that text is available, so we have something concrete to base those discussions on. Stay tuned.

- *Pastor Brian*



Miss a service, or want a friend or neighbor to know what it's like? Go to our website ([www.southhillumc.org](http://www.southhillumc.org)) and click on "recordings".



Budget for 2018:	\$231,797
GF Offering received thru June 24, 2018:	\$79,610.51
YTD Percent Budget Received 2018:	34%
YTD Percent Budget Received 2017:	44%
YTD Avg Attendance Combined Worship 2018:	106
YTD Avg Sunday school Attendance 2018:	56



## Olde Time Revival

An Olde Time Revival, hosted by the Virginia Conference Older Adult Council, will feature dynamic preaching from Bishop Peter Weaver and worship led by Michael Berkley, associate director of music at Woodlake UMC. The event will be held Sunday, Jul. 15 from 2:30 to 5 p.m. at Williamsburg UMC in Williamsburg. For more information email Carol Bookwalter at [clbook743@gmail.com](mailto:clbook743@gmail.com).



# Happy Birthday



## July

July 2 Stacie Bowers  
 July 2 Diane Curtis  
 July 2 T. J. Wallace  
 July 4 Lane Wagoner  
 July 5 Megan Barbour  
 July 6 Kristen Medlin  
 July 7 Ann Gauchat  
 July 7 Amanda Howell  
 July 11 Peyton Clary  
 July 11 Steven Crowder  
 July 12 Joel Shafer  
 July 12 Anna Siegle  
 July 13 Marian Sims  
 July 14 Lizzie Wesson  
 July 15 Herbert Binford  
 July 15 Patricia Connell  
 July 15 Chris Jackson  
 July 17 Jacob Hyvl  
 July 19 Patrick Faulconer  
 July 19 Alexandra Flowers  
 July 20 Jim Hofler  
 July 20 Ethel Klingenberg  
 July 21 Don Dugger  
 July 22 John Pegram  
 July 22 Jeffrey Pegram  
 July 23 Ava Crowder  
 July 24 Noah Nichols  
 July 27 Ted Blair  
 July 28 Katherine Crutchfield  
 July 28 Kim Sneider

August 1 Linde Green  
 August 1 Susan Ponton  
 August 3 Robin Newton  
 August 4 Cameron Shook  
 August 5 Dylan Willis  
 August 6 Ryan Black  
 August 6 Tony Thompson  
 August 7 George Ringo  
 August 8 Gerry Nash  
 August 8 Joshua Nichols  
 August 8 Tricia Waid  
 August 10 Doris Peters  
 August 11 Lacie Sadler  
 August 14 Jimmie Keith Crowder  
 August 14 Sydney Niblett  
 August 15 Mark Crocker  
 August 15 Jeanne Faulconer  
 August 15 Kaitlyn Lynch  
 August 18 Kelli Burton  
 August 19 Jackson Taylor  
 August 20 Ferriel Thomas  
 August 20 Nancy Jacobs  
 August 23 Betty Burnette  
 August 23 Rick Faulconer  
 August 25 Curtis Glasgow  
 August 25 Michelle Tanner  
 August 25 Cynthia Thompson  
 August 26 Betty Tanner  
 August 27 Diane Nichols  
 August 27 Andrew Ponton  
 August 28 Ronnie Tatum  
 August 29 Debra Crowder  
 August 30 Olivia Harris  
 August 30 Altana Legg  
 August 31 Sean Shafer

If your birthday is missing, please notify the church office so we may update our records.

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**ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED**

**Worship Services: Sundays 8:45 a.m. (in the chapel) and 11:00 a.m. (in the sanctuary)**

**Sunday school: 9:45 a.m.**

## Upcoming Events

Sunday, 7/1	Pineview Communion Service 3 pm
Tuesday, 7/3	Missions Meeting at Upper Room 4 pm Picnic in the Park featuring Redneck Pool Party Band at Parker Park gates open at 6pm with fireworks, games, food and free admission!
Wednesday, 7/4	July 4th Holiday – Office Closed
Tuesday, 7/10	Finance Meeting 5:30 pm
Wednesday, 7/11	Pineview Chapel Service 10 am
Saturday, 7/14	Ridgeway Cantaloupe Festival 10 – 4 Ridgeway, NC
Sunday 7/15	UM Men’s Breakfast 8 am Olde Time Revival 2:30 pm – 5:00 pm Williamsburg UMC, Williamsburg, VA Church Council 7 pm
Thursday 7/19	Sunset Sounds featuring Island Time: Jimmy Buffet Tribute Band 6:30 pm Centennial Park \$3 Admission
Saturday, 7/28	Community Outreach 2 pm
Sunday, 7/29	Fifth Sunday Luncheon
August 5 <sup>th</sup>	Pineview Communion Service 3 pm
August 19 <sup>th</sup>	UM Men’s Breakfast 8 am Church Committee Meeting Night 7 pm
August 20 <sup>th</sup>	September newsletter articles due
August 25 <sup>th</sup>	Community Outreach 2 pm

### Recurring Weekly Events:

Sundays: Regular Worship Services  
Youth Meeting 6:00 pm

Tuesdays: 10:00 am Bible Study  
7:00 pm Seekers in Prayer  
7:30 pm Synago

Wednesdays:  
6:30 pm Bible Study  
6:30 pm Narcotics Anon.  
7:30 pm Choir Rehearsal  
8:00 pm AA

Thursdays  
10:45 am Hundley Service

Fridays: 7:00 pm Sobriety Group

Saturdays: 8-3 Community Service  
Sale at Upper Room  
(1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday)

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays: 6:30 pm Prayer  
Shawl Meeting



### Church Staff

*Pastor*  
Rev. Brian Siegle  
*Music Director/Organist*  
Jimmie Crowder, Jr.  
*Administrative Assistant*  
Patsy Tucker  
*Sexton*  
Cindy Parrish