

The Circuit Writer

Elkton United Methodist Church

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Summer 2016

Don't miss...

On Sunday, May 22nd, when Sabrina Dorman-Andrew from New Creation in Harrisonburg is with us as our speaker at both worship services. Sabrina is co-founder of New Creation, a ministry which started in 2013 to counteract sex trafficking. Plan to be with us in worship and learn more about this terrible problem, hear about New Creation's work and find out how you can help.

Worship on Sunday, May 29th, will be one combined service at 10:00 AM. Our Administrative Council decided to have a combined worship service on 5th Sundays this year. The object is to facilitate becoming ONE church family, where we know and love one another even though we worship at different times and in different ways.

We hope everyone will want to take advantage of these special times. There will be two more...the 5th Sunday in July, and the 5th Sunday in October.

Also, at the service on May 29th, we will have an update on our building plans.

Welcome to...

...our new church pianist/accompanist, Becky Holmes! While thanking Sharon Bloomquist for the years of wonderful music she has provided for our 11:00 worship, we are also pleased to be able to announce that we have hired a new pianist/accompanist, Becky Holmes, who will begin on Sunday, July 10th! We are excited about the gifts Becky will bring to our 11:00 worship and look forward to a fruitful relationship.

Don't Forget...

Kits for Conference

Various types of United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) Supply Kits will be collected at the 2016 Virginia Annual Conference session. Kit collection is being conducted to replenish the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) supply. Local churches are encouraged to collect items for any of the most requested UMCOR kits — Bedding, Birthing, Cleaning, Health, Layette, School and Sewing Kits — and bring them to Annual Conference. Please note that Health and School Kits are most needed this year. For kit instructions, go to <http://www.umcor.org/UMCOR/Relief-Supplies>.

If you prefer to contribute cash to enable UMCOR to purchase relief kits, you can contribute \$50 for each bedding kit, \$8 for each birthing kit, \$65 for each cleaning kit, \$12 for each health kit, \$45 for each layette kit, \$11 for each school kit, and \$28 for each sewing kit. In addition, UMCOR asks for \$1 per kit (\$1.50 for cleaning buckets) to cover processing and shipping and \$1 for toothpaste for each health kit.

LAY READERS (11:00)

May 15...Jan Lorette
May 22...Irene Jenkins
May 29...Sandy Cude
June 5...Ed Turner
June 12...Andy East
June 19...Terri Davis
June 26...Bob Bloomquist
July 3...Harvey Gasser
July 10...Tamlyn Ogden
July 17...Jan Lorette
July 24...Irene Jenkins
July 31...Sandy Cude
August 7...Andy East
August 14...Terri Davis
August 21...Bob Bloomquist
August 28...Harvey Gasser
September 4...Tamlyn Ogden

8:35 Connection Hospitality Teams schedule

The 8:35 Connection Hospitality Teams have the summer off! So, we're depending on the rest of us. Please sign up for providing snacks before service and a scripture reader! The poster to sign up is located on the hinged doors in the Assembly Room.

News from The Elkton United Methodist Women

All the women of the church are invited to a **MAD HATTERS' TEA PARTY** on Saturday, July 9th, 1:00 PM at the home of Marie Frey. Decorate your favorite hat. Come join us for the fun and fellowship!

As always, we love to have guests attend our circle meetings. Come join us in fellowship and service.

Wesleyan Circle- 1st Monday mornings at 10:30 AM

Amanda Kite Circle - 1st Tuesday nights at 7:00 PM

Elsie Cover Circle - 2nd Thursday afternoons at 1:30 PM.

Please continue to remember the shut-ins with visits, cards, and calls.

General Conference

The General Conference of the United Methodist Church will gather in Portland, Oregon on May 10-20. General Conference, which meets every four years, is the top policy making body of the UMC. The Conference can revise church law, as well as adopt resolutions on social, public policy and economic issues. It also approves plans and budgets for church-wide programs. You can keep up with the news from General Conference in several ways: go to the website: GC2016.UMC.org, or get the app for your smartphone, or follow on social media at [UMCGeneralConference](https://www.facebook.com/UMCGeneralConference) on Facebook, or [@UMCGC](https://twitter.com/UMCGC) on Twitter.

NURSERY WORKERS (11:00)

May 15...Jessica Trimble
May 22...Terri Davis
May 29...Anna Campbell
June 5...Jerri MacLennan
June 12...Heather Pugliese
June 19...Jessica Trimble
June 26...Terri Davis
July 3...Anna Campbell
July 10...Jerri MacLennan
July 17...Heather Pugliese
July 24...Jessica Trimble
July 31...Terri Davis
August 7...Anna Campbell
August 14...Jerri MacLennan
August 21...Heather Pugliese
August 28...Jessica Trimble
September 4...Terri Davis

GREETERS (11:00)

May 15...Irene & Mike Jenkins
May 22...Ted & Anna Campbell
May 29...Allen & Kitty Young
June 5...Don & Kathleen Grimes
June 12...Harvey Gasser & Alda Powell
June 19...Ditman Flory & Marie Frey
June 26...Sharon & Bob Bloomquist
July 3...Josh Gooden & Sam Gentry
July 10...Irene & Mike Jenkins
July 17...Ted & Anna Campbell
July 24...Allen & Kitty Young
July 31...Don & Kathleen Grimes
August 7...Harvey Gasser & Alda Powell
August 14...Ditman Flory & Alice Hensley
August 21...Sharon & Bob Bloomquist
August 28...Josh Gooden & Sam Gentry
September 4...Ditman Flory & Alice Hensley

USHERS (11:00)

May 15...Sam Gentry, Tamlyn Ogden
Harvey & Sharon Gasser
May 22...Marvin & Neil Hillsman
Don & Kathleen Grimes
May 29...Sam Gentry, Marvin Hillsman
Dick Lorette, Josh Gooden
June 5...Don & Sandy Cude
Don & Kathleen Grimes
June 12...Harvey & Sharon Gasser
Dick Lorette, Josh Gooden
June 19...Mike Jenkins, Bob Bloomquist
Ted & Anna Campbell
June 26...Don & Sandy Cude
Ditman Flory, Irene Reynolds
July 3...Harvey & Sharon Gasser
Ditman Flory, Joshua Gooden
July 10...Ted & Anna Campbell
Don & Kathleen Grimes

July 17...Mike Jenkins, Bob Bloomquist
Dick Lorette, Joshua Gooden
July 24...Sam Gentry, Tamlyn Ogden
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THANKS!

Special Thanks to Christy Allamong and all who helped her with the Yard Sale. It was very successful, and helps send our kids to church camp!

Project Crossroads 2016

We need you!!

Put Project Crossroads on your calendar, and make it part of your discipleship in our church. If you are at least a rising 8th grader and younger than 95, *there's room for you on the mission work team!*

Or, if you can't come along for that week, you can still help with fundraisers or donations for this year's team. The dates for this summer are: July 17-22.

Confirmation

Three of our young people have been meeting regularly with adult mentors in the process of preparing to confirm their faith for themselves and become professing members of our church. They are: Tyler Allamong, Lillie Johnstone-Smith and Matthew Fries. *These fine young people will make their profession of faith on Sunday, June 5th!* There will be a celebration/reception in their honor and in honor of our 2016 high school graduates, who we will also recognize that day, during the Sunday School hour at 9:45 AM.

2016 High School Graduates

On Sunday, June 5th we will be recognizing our 2016 high school graduates! They are: Travis Cubbage, Cortland Morris, and Dustin Sponaule. We are proud of all of them in celebrating their accomplishments and wish them with God's grace and God's hopes for them as they enter a new stage in their lives. We will honor them (along with our confirmands) with a reception that day, during the Sunday School hour, at 9:45 AM.

The Virginia Annual Conference

The 2016 session of the Va. Annual Conference of the UMC will meet at the Roanoke Coliseum, June 17-19. In addition to David, who is a clergy member of the Conference, Winston Hensley will be attending as Elkton UMC's lay member of Conference this year. Please keep them and the Conference as a whole in your prayers.

Vacation Bible School

This summer's Vacation Bible School is scheduled for August 11-13. That's Thursday and Friday nights for VBS classes, crafts, music, etc. and Saturday morning it concludes with the Lewis Lindamood 5K Run/Walk! Please let Christy Allamong know you can help out, and invite your friends' and neighbors' kids!

Annual Church Picnic

Our Church Picnic is set for Sunday, July 31st. That Sunday is another 5th Sunday of the month, and so, we will have one combined worship service at 10:00 AM that morning. The picnic will follow with some leisurely time for games and fellowship before lunch! We hope everyone can plan to be with us on our back lawn on Sunday, July 31st!

Prayer Concerns...

(as known)
Jenna Turner
Bill Madren
Anita McGregor
Ruby Hildebrand
Ruth Reynolds
Nioka Morris
Irene Reynolds
Patty Life
Frank Adams
June Thompson
Lynn Flory
Ed Turner
Carolyn Gooden

8:35 Hospitality Teams Roster

Team I

Sandy Cude – Team leader & Door Greeter
Don Cude – Parking Greeter
Carol Hensley – Hostess
Terri Davis – Nursery

Team II

Sandy Cabbage – Team Leader & Door Greeter
Kenny Cabbage – Parking Greeter
Travis Cabbage – Parking Greeter
Richard Morris – Parking Greeter
Amy Morris - Door Greeter
Jerri MacLennan – Hostess
Brian or Lisa Kriel – Nursery

Team III

Pat East – Team Leader & Door Greeter
Andy East – Parking Greeter
Jan Lorette – Hostess
Mary Ripley – Nursery