



SEPTEMBER

Birthdays

1 st	- Steve D.	17 th	- Debbie R.
2 nd	- Beth L.	19 th	- Mida C.
4 th	- Lois P.	20 th	- Natalie F. and Mark W.
5 th	- Adrienne H.	21 st	- Matthew H.
11 th	- Colton B.	22 nd	- Aaron H.
12 th	- Bill K., Wayne L. and Jean M.	25 th	- Julie O. and Kirk R.
14 th	- Genesis M.	27 th	- Andy D.
15 th	- Jim R.	28 th	- Ryan L. and Autumn O.
16 th	- Jack M.	30 th	- Melinda C.



Harmony United Methodist Women

We meet the 2nd Tuesday of each month downstairs in Memorial Hall at 11:30 a.m. Please bring a lunch and join us for our next meeting on September 8.

We also meet on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 9:00 a.m. in Memorial Hall to work on various projects. Please bring a lunch and join us on September 15.

Our planned trip to see Esther at Sight & Sound has been cancelled.

UMW Retreat at Capon Springs Farm and Resort: October 5-7

Ladies will leave the morning of Monday, October 5 and return on Wednesday, October 7. All ladies of Harmony are invited to go. Bring a friend.

The cost is \$124 per day, per person. Make checks payable to: Harmony United Methodist Women. It is approximately a 70 minute drive to the resort.

If you have any questions or would like to attend, please call Jean McMillan at 304-839-1040 by September 8.

With your help we can make a difference for those in need. Come join us as we serve others while we receive so much more.



Neighbors in Harmony Needed Items

The following items are needed to restock our shelves, but any and all donations of non-perishable foods are welcome and appreciated!

September

Premium Brand Crackers, Spaghetti and Canned Chicken

October

Ramen Noodles, Just-Add-Water Pancake Mix and Jelly

Plans for Live Stream Worship

For most of the past 5 months, we have recorded worship services on Saturday afternoons that premiered on Facebook and YouTube on Sunday mornings.



This has been a temporary effort, yet it seems like this is the year for Harmony to step up to a regular offering of virtual worship services. To do that for the long-term, we will move to live-stream the Sunday worship service. This will require a number of technological improvements – an upgraded internet service, a high-quality camera, a dedicated computer with specialized software, and everything needed to connect all that together.

First, thank you to Mike Girton for researching the requirements, planning the system, gathering equipment, and installing.

Second, thank you to everyone who made a designated offering for the upgrade of technological equipment and software for Harmony UMC. Altogether, your designated gifts have totaled over \$4,500.

In the coming weeks, the system will be assembled and tested, and we look forward to announcing the day when our online services are live-streamed on Sunday mornings.

Now, we will be in an even better position if we had a few more people to help with the audio-visual components of our worship services. Please contact the church office if you are interested in assisting us in this manner.

Missions Committee Happenings



The Missions Committee continues to gather items for our local schools. We are currently assisting Marlowe Elementary, Bedington Elementary, Spring Mills Primary, Potomack Intermediate and Spring Mills Middle.

Your generosity will enable us to deliver much needed school supplies within the next 2 weeks. We will continue to gather school supplies throughout the year. This includes socks, underwear, and sweatpants in sizes 5T to size 8.

We presented all of the items we collected for the Board of Child Care to Amanda Martin, the Spiritual Life Coordinator, on Sunday, August 23. Again, we thank the congregation for the generous giving and support for this program.

We are still contemplating hosting a monthly homemade meal for those less fortunate in our community. Because of the current Covid situation, we will be taking into consideration the safety of those preparing and receiving the meals. It will probably be fall before we begin this ministry.

Our new youth director came with an excellent idea. She and her husband have developed a program in Martinsburg where old newspaper boxes are painted and converted to a needs box: a place where we can provide items for the less fortunate in our area. These items can be things such as a toothbrush and toothpaste, gloves, hand warmers, etc. I will be meeting with her to obtain additional information!

Thank you for your ongoing support of the many mission projects at the church and for our community. If you have any suggestions for the missions committee, please let me know.

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Ministries to the Community



Over the summer months, Harmony UMC has continued to bless members of our community with donations of goods and services.

- Provided food to school-age children through county-wide Kidz Power Pacs
- Provided food to local families on a monthly basis (Neighbors in Harmony food pantry)
- Provided “one-time” food assistance to local families
- Distributed local restaurant gift cards to local families needing food assistance
- Distributed farm fresh produce to local families
- Delivered face masks to the Board of Child Care
- Completed a Volunteers in Mission work project in Williamsport
- Supported a homeless family with food, housing assistance, and transportation
- Provided gasoline vouchers to families needing assistance for travel to medical appointments
- Provided school supplies for local children
- Provided personal hygiene products for Board of Child Care
- Arranged for Flood Buckets and Health Kits to be distributed where needed

Thank you!!! Thank you for your contributions that have been making a difference in peoples’ lives. We were able to offer so much to our community because of your generosity. You continue to shine as a light of hope and a beacon of God’s love.



Church Conference

Sunday, November 1, 2020

1:00 p.m.

Church Conference is our annual business meeting to elect officers, set the pastor's salary and discuss our vision for service and ministry. This year's Church Conference will be a bit different than those in the past.

This year we will keep the cluster format but hold the church conferences virtually and utilize the breakout rooms. To do this, each person who attends will need to register.

We will begin our time together with combined worship. Then you will be moved into a breakout room where you will meet with a presiding elder to share the ministry happening in your church, celebrations, a review then voting. You will:

- Vote on Nominations
(already affirmed by church council)
- Vote on Pastor's Compensation
(already affirmed by church council)
- Vote on Candidates for Licensed and Ordained Ministry
(already affirmed by church council)
- Affirmation of Certified Lay Ministers, Speakers, and Servants
(already voted and approved by church council)
- Recognition of Trustees and Finance ministry and reports

For those committees that have documents to submit, all documents should be in Arena by October 1. This includes signed documents.

Our Church Conference this year will take place on Sunday, November 1, at 1:00 p.m.

Register in advance for this meeting:

<https://bwcumc.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJwkc-GtqDgiGNRj1SOJGFetnyQkodTaidG6>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.