Tappahannock Memorial Messenger

April 2024

MONTHLY HIGHLIGHTS!



- 1: April Fools' Day!
- 7: 2nd Sunday of Easter w/Choir Potluck & Presentation after
- 8: Admin Council Meeting 7pm
- 14: 3rd Sunday of Easter w/ Choir



- 20: OIAM Mission Blitz Day Tapp. Farmer's Market
- 21: 4th Sunday of Easter w/ Bells Special Offering: Native American Ministries
- 27: Fishin' Fun Club Summer Edit. Planning Meeting



28: 5th Sunday of Easter w/Bells



- 2: National Day of Prayer
- 5: 6th Sunday of Easter w/Choir
- 6: Finance Committee Meeting



12: Ascension Sunday w/Choir Mother's Day



19: Pentecost Sunday w/Bells



- 24: Aldersgate Day
- 26: Trinity Sunday w/Bells
- 27: Memorial Day



We are delighted to have the Rev. Dr. Clarence Brown join us for worship on Sunday, April 7th. Rev. Dr. Clarence R. Brown, Jr. has over 30 years of experience in leading individuals, congregations, and organizations. From small membership rural to large membership urban churches; from college campuses to civic advocacy groups, Dr. Brown has consulted, mentored, and coached many to fruitful engagement toward identified goals. Rev. Dr Brown will preach in our morning worship service. Following worship we will have a pot luck luncheon fol-

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lowed by a presentation of the "Simplified Accountability Structure" - A Simple Structure for Missional effectiveness, for our church leadership.

Pastor's Pen

"Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead." 1 Peter 1:3

We have a beloved hymn in our UMC Hymnal entitled, "Easter People, Raise Your Voices". The last verse reads, "Every day to us is Easter with its resurrection song. When in trouble move the faster to our God who rights the wrong. Alleluia! Alleluia! See the power of heavenly throngs." I love the lyrics of this hymn, because it reminds us where our hope and help come from. In this life, in this world, it could be very easy to go down the rabbit hole of self-doubt, negativity, complaining, despair etc. I mean, let's be honest, life has its measure of pain, suffering, and utter darkness. I recently began watching the tv series, The Chosen, and there is a scene where a woman says, "When I was a little girl, my father told me that the messiah would bring an end to pain and suffering. If you are who people say you are, when will you do that?"

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April Lay Leaders

LECTORS

04/07: Rachel Hundley04/14: Bobbie Lee Lambert

04/21: Kelly Wright04/28: Jeannie Harvey

NURSERY

04/07

Mary Alice Passagaluppi & Kaden Ramirez

04/14

Lauriel Turner & Karen Ramirez

04/21

Dolly Loomis & Rob Wright

04/28

Lindsay Knight & Susan Hendricks

USHERS

04/07: Frauke Darnell & Carol Smith

04/14: Mary Barrack &

Diana Robertson

04/21: Bonnie & Chuck Harding

04/28: TBD

TELLERS

Diane Carter & Frauke Darnell

ALTAR GUILD

Kathy Parker

CONGREGATIONAL CARE - TEAM 1

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Mary Barrack
Holly Wachsmuth
Bonnie Harding
Diana and Jack Robertson



- 2 Diana Robertson
- 4 Cindy Ruffa Minton
- 8 Diane Carter
- 9 Holley Tomlin
- 9 Lewis Wilkins
- 18 Lois Nix



Adult Sunday School

Sundays @ 11:15 am In-Person Only

TMUMC Choir

Tuesdays @ 7:00 p.m. In-Person Only

TMUMC Glory Ringers

Sundays @ 8:30a.m. In-Person Only

Wednesday Morning Group:

Wednesdays @ 10:30 am In-Person & Via Zoom

Children's Sunday School Lenten Tree





Sunday, April 21st Native American Ministries

"Native American Ministries Sunday serves to remind United Methodists of the gifts and contributions made by Native Americans to our society and in our communities. With more than 20,000 Native Americans within the denomination, this Special Sunday helps to ensure that Native American United Methodist leaders are recognized and to celebrate their special voice in The United Methodist Church. ... An offering is taken on this day (Native

American Ministries Sunday) and is used to develop and strengthen Native American ministries in the annual conferences, and Native American rural, urban, reservation ministries and communities. It also provides scholarships for Native Americans attending United Methodist schools of theology."

https://www.umc.org/en/content/native-american-ministries-sunday-ministry-article



OPERATION INASMUCH (OIAM) - A ONE DAY COMMUNITY-WIDE MISSION BLITZ MISSION BLITZ DAY Saturday, April 20



Opening Ceremony on Saturday, April 20

@ Tappahannock Memorial UMC

7:30 AM Coffee & Doughnuts

8:00 AM **Opening Service** Closing Ceremony on Sunday, April 2

@ Angel Visit Baptist Church

4:00 PM **Closing Service**

TMUMC has been asked to collect undergarments for OIAM this year. Donations can be placed in the designated area in the hallway adjacent to the narthex. Please drop off all donations prior to April 17th.

If you have any questions regarding OIAM, please contact Laurie Turner or Pastor Becca.



2024 Summer Edition **Planning Meeting** Saturday, April 27 @ 10 AM

It's time to ... get your fishing gear out, check the line on your fishing poles, doublecheck your safety vests, and get your boats in the water,

in preparation for the signature events of the

Fishin' Fun Club Summer Edition!



No interest in boating or fishing? No problem! We need volunteers to help with a variety of activities and preparations!

The Summer Edition always attracts our largest number of kids and it requires the most planning and preparation, so we ask all of you to consider volunteering to help with this community outreach ministry!



We hope to see you on April 27!





Our Children lead by Music Director Kelly Wright, singing "Jesus Loves the Little Children" with sign language on Palm Sunday.

> "Jesus Loves the little children, all the children of the world. Every color, every race, all are covered by His Grace. Jesus loves the little children of the world."

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Pastor:

The Reverend Rebecca Minor

Administrative Assistant: Rachel Hundley

Co-Music Directors: Kelly & Rob Wright

Pianist: Beth Harvey

Custodian: Amanda Hart

We seek to be disciples of Christ, welcoming all as we nurture and support one another through service and outreach.

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Jesus responds to her saying, "I'm here to preach the good news of the Kingdom of Heaven. A kingdom that is not of this world, a Kingdom that is coming soon, where, yes, sorrow and sighing will flee away. I make a way for people to access that Kingdom. But, in this world, bones will still break, hearts will still break, but in the end, the light will overcome darkness."

As Easter people we cling to that promise of the Kingdom that is and yet to come. As Easter people, we carry that light of Christ in the midst of darkness in our lives, in our homes, in our work spaces, in our relationships, in our community, and in the world. Raising our voices and sharing the good news that there is hope to be found even when we are in pain or suffering. There is hope when we are lost or are in trouble. Easter people raise your voice and proclaim the resurrection of our Lord, and the promise of our own resurrection and our Salvation. Point to Jesus, the light of the world that overcomes the darkness of pain, suffering, despair, and even death! Raise your voices and sing the Good News of Easter with me. Christ is Risen! And every day we are called to live as Easter people, grounded in the living hope through the resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Raise your voices with me, Easter people let us sing!

You are Loved! Pastor Becca

