



## Sunset Rays

*The "Son" still shines at Sunset Church*

**July 2017**

**Newsletter for: SUNSET DRIVE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

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### **"You Know It's Summer When..."**

...school is out! The children are home and they take off to meet friends, stay out longer, and challenge the family agenda!

...when the grass grows too fast and you have to cut it more regularly, call for a neighbor's youngster for help, or seek a professional grass cutter.

...you have to clean the BBQ grill and prepare for more cookouts.

...the air conditioner is your rescuer during the hot/hotter days.

...the call of "vacation, vacation" resounds in your mind beckoning you and family to the Oceanside, the river, or far-away places.

...our church announces, "It's time for Vacation Bible School!"

Guess what? It is time for Vacation Bible School, and are we going to have fun! At Sunset Drive we are going to experience "Christmas in July." There will be fun, fellowship, learning the scriptures, food, and crafts. Special attention will be given to the birth, life, ministry, death, and resurrection of Jesus the Lord. There will be surprises, guest visitors and an abundance of "Joy, Joy, Joy" as together all will experience a new view of the Bible and its message. So, COME ONE COME ALL and you will experience the meaning of a true summer adventure.

I plan to see you there!

Pastor Tom



### **Vacation Bible School**

**Sunday, July 30 through Thursday, August 3 (6:30 – 8:30 p.m.)**

Our Vacation Bible School is planned for July 30<sup>th</sup> through August 3<sup>rd</sup>. We have a great program planned on the birth, life, and resurrection of Jesus! Thanks to everyone who has agreed to help with Bible School. A special thanks to Lacey Roberts for designing our curriculum for the week! We have classes and activities planned for three year old preschoolers through middle school aged students. It's going to be an exciting week!

## Upcoming Church Events



- The **"Out to Lunch Bunch"** will be going to the Red Lobste in Harrisonburg on Tuesday, July 11<sup>th</sup> . We will be leaving from the church parking lot at 11 am, if you wish to carpool. I will be making reservations a few days before, so please let me Kay Bowman know at 896-7665.
- **Prayer Shawl Ministry** will meet on Tuesday, July 11<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday, July 25<sup>th</sup> from 1pm to 3pm. New members are welcome.
- **August 2017 Newsletter Deadline:** Tuesday, July 18<sup>th</sup> . Please have all information to church office.
- **Administrative Council Meeting** on Monday, July 17<sup>th</sup> at 7pm.
- **Sunset Ladies Lunch** will be on Tuesday, July 25<sup>th</sup> , at 11:30 am Please bring a covered dish to share in some wonderful fellowship.

## Keep current with News & Events

submitted by Barry Davis

A friendly reminder that you can find an up-to-date calendar, bulletins, sermons, newsletters, upcoming events and online giving information on our website. Please take a few minutes and browse the site to see what's there. You'll be surprised at how much information is right at your fingertips.

If you have any comments or suggestions about how we can improve our website or our Facebook page, please feel free to contact me at [barry8360@yahoo.com](mailto:barry8360@yahoo.com)

Our website: <http://www.sunsetdriveumc.com>

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## Congratulations

- **Congratulations to Christopher Runion.** He was selected as one of the five valedictorian for Broadway High School that graduated on June 10<sup>th</sup>. We are proud of his accomplishment. .
- **Congratulations to Sarah and Anthony Rhodes** on the arrival of their daughter, **Emma Louise.** She was born on Thursday, June 15<sup>th</sup>. She weighed 7 lbs and 1 inches long. We rejoice in this birth with the parents, big brother Taylor, big sister Caroline, grandparents Eric and Brenda Hoover. Also, Great Grandparents Glen and Virginia Ann Hulvey.

## Church Choirs

submitted by Brenda Hoover

The Children's and Adult Choirs will take the summer off. Thanks so much for their dedication for providing special music for the worship services! Anyone interested in sharing their talent to provide special music for the summer worship services please contact Brenda Hoover. (896-1319).

Thanks!

## Mission and Outreach

submitted by Alan Laughlin

I want to Thank everyone who helped with the Mayland project with things being added to the work list they took it in stride and the work was first rate. We are now in a position to look for other projects to do and can use any help

The Potato Patch is doing well and we are again looking for a larger yield.

The Mission Trip planned for July 31st through August 4<sup>th</sup> is still a go.

## Mission Trip to Marion, Virginia

submitted by Alan Laughlin

When: Monday, July 31<sup>st</sup> through Friday, August 4<sup>th</sup>

Cost: There is money budgeted for this and no charge to the people going

You can go part of the week or stay all week, it is up to you what time you have available. We will be doing painting, gardening, serving, and lots of small handy projects. I will a sign up sheet and share more information as I receive it from Warren's Grove church.

## Salvation Army

Our Sunset Drive UMC will ***Ring the Bell for the Salvation Army*** Monday morning, July 10<sup>th</sup> at the Timberville Food Lion. If you would like to help Ring the Bell for the Salvation Army, please choose a one-hour time slot and notify Dennis Turner by email [datkay@gmail.com](mailto:datkay@gmail.com) or by phone 540-333-6410. All you have to do is show up on time, smile and Ring the Bell. Here are the available times:

Monday, July 10<sup>th</sup> at Timberville Food Lion:

9 to 10am

10 to 11am

~~11 to 12pm~~ Pastor Murphy will be ringing

12 to 1pm

1 to 2pm.

For your information, the Broadway-Timberville Ruritan Club organizes bell ringing for the Salvation Army at the Timberville Food Lion. Ruritan members reach deep into their hearts every season to help the Salvation Army as they Ring the Bell. The Ruritans hope that you and SDUMC can help them and enjoy the same Peace of the Lord as we love Him and love our neighbors.

Thank you

## Revival

Verona UMC is hosting " **An Olde Time Revival**" on Sunday, July 9th at Verona UMC at 3:00 p.m. Bishop Lewis will be preaching "An Olde Time Revival". There will be old hymns, fellowship, and great preaching.

## Happy Birthday

### July

- 2 Kaleb Branner
- 3 Dee Dee Garrett
- 4 Jack Lohr, Michele White, Paige Dove
- 5 Jodi Clarke, Jordan Holsinger, Joshua Lohr
- 6 Amy Popp
- 7 Ellie Roach, Marlin Fulk
- 8 Sophie Davis
- 9 Angela Craig, Susan Holsinger
- 10 Preston Crawford, Stephanie Herndon
- 11 Travis Fulk, Garnett Turner
- 12 Benjamin Orebaugh
- 14 Donna Arbogast, Brenda Hoover, Amber Harpine, Madison Griffith
- 16 Tara Langston
- 18 Emily Dick
- 19 Eleanor Campbell, Glen Hulvey, Amanda Long, Andrea Rexrode
- 20 Helen Armentrout
- 21 Laura Deavers, Lisa Thacker, Brandon Driver
- 22 Jonathan Thompson
- 23 Carol Driver
- 24 Heather Reeves
- 26 Aaron Hoover, Margaret Whitmore
- 27 Garrett Lantz, Tyler Lantz, Elizabeth Orebaugh
- 28 Blaine Adams
- 30 Karla Dick, Carl Grey Hoover, Ed Roach, Andy Thomas



## Happy Anniversary

### July

- 4 Mike and Cecee Hawkins
- 13 Grant and Laura Holsinger
- 18 Dennis and Kay Turner
- 21 Scott and Valerie Arbogast
- 23 Jeremy and Lisa Jo Fulk

