

Centreville United Methodist Church

SUNDAY WORSHIP
Contemporary – 8:40 a.m.
Traditional – 11:00 a.m.
Nursery Services Available

SUNDAY SCHOOL
Adults – 9:50 a.m.
Youth – 9:50 a.m.

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REVEREND'S REMARKS

Not too long ago, while visiting my parents, I discovered a picture in the family album. The picture was taken when I was in elementary school. I was proudly displaying my Thanksgiving craft. I was grinning ear to ear. The picture brought back memories of the great anticipation I had for this holiday. However, anticipation of Thanksgiving can be challenged due to the world we live in. Thanksgiving is a holiday that is different from all the others. We do not celebrate a great win in battle; nor do we lift up the name of an honored person. It is a day when we thank God for the blessings this nation enjoys.

“Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits” Psalm 103:2. In this scripture the Psalmist was reminding the people to be grateful, *“...forget not all his benefits.”* These are good words to remember. Words to encourage us to trust God and remember all we have is a gift from God. Being thankful is a lifestyle; Thanksgiving was never meant to be contained in one day. Thanksgiving is a spirit we should have for more than one day. It should be for a lifetime. Thanksgiving is found in showing our thankfulness with others in need. Thanksgiving is found in a grateful heart that has a personal relationship with God in Jesus Christ. Thanksgiving will proceed through every season in the fact that God Almighty desires to be in relationship with us all.

Thanksgiving keeps our souls refreshed and full of joy, and that's just as important as the food on the Thanksgiving table. *“Pray continually, give thanks in all things, for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.”* I Thessalonians 5:17-18. This is the best place to be for a lifetime of Thanksgiving.

Pastor Mark

United Methodist Women Meeting

The November 8th UMW meeting will be held at 1:00 p.m. and will include guest speaker *Queen Anne's County Register of Wills, Ms. Winnie Cannon*. All men are also invited to this meeting!



Middle and High School Students each Sunday 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Family Night – 11/27!

Centreville Youth Ministries (CYM) exists for the youth of Queen Anne's County, regardless of school, church, faith, or faith journey to praise God and Jesus.

CYM will do this with our fellowship together, our ministry to believers and non-believers, our missions and service for the community, and through our continued efforts to become stronger in our faith and better disciples.

Christmas Program

There will be an interest meeting on November 6th for this year's Christmas Program. We will meet at 5:00 pm in the Sanctuary to hand out scripts and cds of the music. The Christmas Program is scheduled for December 18th. We look forward to seeing our youth turn out for this!

FOOD PANTRY NEWS

As of November 1st I am pleased to announce the Food Pantry will be coordinated by Helen Baker and Norma Farr! I thank them for taking this outreach project for me and I know they will do a wonderful job.

We raised \$1200 at the Showcase of Talents which will be used to stock the pantry when donations are down. We hope to always have plenty of items coming in as donations and to save the money for emergencies. Thank you and please keep your wonderful contributions coming!!

Also, we have a wonderful group of volunteers to run the Pantry which is open from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. each Wednesday. However, please feel free to offer your help by calling Helen or Norma.

The schedule for November is as follows:

- Nov.2 – Phyllis Hoffman
- Nov.9 – Roger Vorhauer
- Nov.16 – Dale Bennett
- Nov. 23 – Norma Farr
- Nov.30 – Linda Pullen

Donation items needed include small bottles of laundry detergent, hand soap, cans of tuna or chicken, any meat items, paper towels, pampers, toothpaste, shampoo and/or soups. Bless you for your help!!!!

Gratefully,
Ann Harlan
Evangelism Ministry Chair

FINANCE: Mortgage Update

Did you know that on September 30, 2011, our balance on the mortgage for the addition was \$782,555.54? Thanks to those who pledged and continue to give toward this commitment.

If you didn't pledge during the building campaign please give it consideration with prayer. For more information please contact Dukes Meeks or any Finance Committee members.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

The Christmas season is just around the corner and poinsettias will be placed in the sanctuary beginning December 18th.

If you want to place one in memory or honor of someone, please call the office by **Monday, December 12th** with the appropriate information. You should arrange for the poinsettias to be delivered to the church by **Friday, December 16th**.



Dale Becraft delivers the sermon on Laity Sunday.

PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH

We typically honor our Pastor in October, but we moved it to November this year. Please get ready to celebrate Mark and his family! All month please feel free to shower them with love, cards, food, gifts, monetary gifts, dinners, etc.

We will have a special Fellowship Hour the Sunday, November 13th to celebrate Mark, Theresa, Zack and Josh. Please plan to join us that day and all month while we praise him and love on him and the family. We are so blessed to have them here with Centreville United Methodist Church!

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Sunday School's annual project, Operation Christmas Child, is here again! Shoeboxes filled with donations can be brought to church through November 13th. They will then be taken to our local collection center. This is a very worthwhile endeavor which brings much joy to children and the people who take part in the project! Information and pamphlets are available at church and online at www.samaritanspurse.org.

"And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well" James 5:15

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prayers

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The United States Military

CUMC OUTREACH MINISTRIES

Would you like to become involved in CUMC's outreach ministries? Take a look at all of the opportunities we have available. There is something for everyone — regardless of your interests, your talents, your abilities, how much time you have available or how often you can help out, there is something that will be a perfect fit for you!

“Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others.” Phil 2:4

Backpacks for Kids: Established in 2009, this program provides needy local elementary school students with breakfast and lunch items during the week and also on weekends. You can help by either donating items or by volunteering to help fill the backpacks once every several weeks. **(Contact: Cheryl Vorhauer 410-758-3791)**

The Bear Ministry: Have you noticed the bears sitting in the church pews, tucked in a corner, or propped on a shelf throughout the church? These bears are for anyone to take and use to warm someone's heart as well as spread the love of Christ from CUMC. You can help by either donating a bear or preparing the bears for their ministry journeys. **(Contact: Ruth Ann Walls 410-827-4588)**

The CUMC Food Pantry: For the past several years, the Pantry (located near the fellowship hall entrance) has been stocked with non-perishable foods, household supplies, or personal care products for those in need. You can support this wonderful community outreach program by either donating items for the Pantry or by volunteering your time any Wednesday between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. when the Pantry distributes donations. **(Contact: Helen Baker 410-758-0320 and Norma Farr 443-262-9701)**

Guardian Angels: This brand new outreach program ensures that our CUMC young adult members who have recently gone off to college aren't forgotten! “Adopt” a college student and send them a note every now and then, a card, or perhaps even a small care package just to keep their spirits high and let them know they are always in our prayers. **(Contact: Mary Scull 410-758-8658)**

His Helpers: This internal outreach program within the church helps CUMC families who may be going through a difficult or hectic time and may need temporary help with meals, transportation, or running errands. A group of CUMC volunteers are “on call” to assist when needed, which is only typically once every several months. **(Contact: Robyn Brown 410-758-2026)**

Holiday Outreach Programs: The holiday season can be an especially stressful time for those in need. That's why CUMC offers several holiday outreach programs, including our Thanksgiving food drive and “Operation Christmas Child,” where shoeboxes filled with Christmas gifts and necessities are delivered to children around the world. **(Look for details in the CUMC newsletter as these holidays approach.)**

The Mobile Food Pantry: Several times each year, the Maryland Food Bank distributes food to needy families and seniors in Queen Anne's County. Any excess food is then shared with local food pantries. You can help by volunteering at CUMC when you hear announcements that the Food Bank will be visiting again. **(Contact: Rodger/Cheryl Vorhauer 410-758-3791)**

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CUMC OUTREACH MINISTRIES... cont'd

Prayer Group/Prayer Chain: These outreach programs both offer prayer support to anyone in need. The Prayer Group meets weekly, and the Prayer Chain is a telephone chain system to request prayers for one another when needed. Confidentiality of the prayer request is respected. You can become involved by joining either and supporting CUMC by your prayers – The church that prays together, stays together! **(Contact: Bonnie English 410-758-3920)**

UMM: The United Methodist Men (UMM) reach out to the church and the community by assisting with projects around the church and Camp Pecometh, including lawn and building maintenance. The UMM is also an active sponsor of scholarships for youth and it contributes to local and global missions. **(Contact: Richard Phillips 410-758-0349 or 410-924-2218)**

UMW: CUMC's United Methodist Women (UMW) offer a wide variety of outreach to the community, from delivering holiday gifts to church members in need, to supplying food for church related functions, providing Chrismons at the holidays, and sponsoring Bible studies. And the UMW is especially known for its hand sewn contributions including baby quilts, adult bibs and aprons, knitted chemotherapy caps, and many other beautiful items for those in hospice, nursing homes, or simply in need. **(Contact: Barbara Erickson 410-758-1655)**

Vacation Bible School (VBS): For one week each summer (usually in June) CUMC reaches out to all of the children in the community, regardless of whether they attend CUMC. This wonderful program designed to introduce children to our Lord and Savior offers a theme for the week, interesting classes as well as fun activities that get them excited about God! You can help by donating supplies for the week, helping with registration or set up, or perhaps even leading a class! **(Look for more information in early summer about how you can get involved!)**

Volunteers in Mission (VIM): CUMC's VIM committee offers a wide variety of services to the local, national, and international communities. Examples include "hands on" tasks like local repair or building projects, assisting Rebuilding Together, taking part in Appalachia Service Projects, and providing volunteers for Our Haven Shelter (the county's only cold weather shelter). VIM also helps on a national level and beyond by collecting supplies/donations for national disaster relief. **(Contact Larissa Thomas 410-758-2144)**

Welcome Committee: This outreach program is designed to welcome guests and new attendees to our church by reaching out and contacting them or delivering "welcome packets" to their homes. Be a part of this program by reaching out and welcoming a new face at CUMC during a time most convenient for you. **(Contact: Ann Harlan 410-758-4349)**

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

Our UMW Ladies have been busy assisting and planning many events, including the upcoming Children's Christmas Shopping and coordinating the November 8th meeting guest speaker : QA County Register of Wills Winnie Cannon.

The fun doesn't end there! On January 21, 2012, CUMC will host a large birthday party for everyone, and you are invited! Tables will be reserved and set aside for each month. Additionally UMW will begin their planning and seeking volunteers to assist with conducting services at Corsica Hills Nursing Home on March 11, 2012. And they are pleased to announce the scheduling of Master Gardener Rachael Melvin guest speaker at the March 14th meeting. More information for all of these events will be coming soon!

PRAYER THOUGHTS..... Bonnie English

“Then Jesus made a circuit of all the towns and villages . . . When he looked out over the crowds, his heart broke. So confused and aimless they were, like sheep without a shepherd. ‘What a huge harvest!’ he said to his disciples. ‘How few the workers! On your knees and pray for harvest hands!’” (Mt. 9:37, 38, TMB).

Prayer has always been the fuel of Christian missions. Jesus Himself set the standard when He began His ministry with forty days of fasting and prayer. Afterwards He returned in the “power of the Holy Spirit” and people flocked to His message (Mt. 4:1-25). Later Jesus chose twelve apostles after a night of prayer and sent them out to share the good news (Lk. 6:12-16, 9:1-6). In the Matthew 9 passage above we see Jesus engaged in mission activity in various towns that made His heart ache and caused Him to exclaim: “What a huge harvest! “How few the workers!” He then announced the key to future success: “On your knees and pray for harvest hands!”

Though we don’t fully understand the whys of prayer, we do know that God has designed the moral universe around its efficacy. Without prayer, God doesn’t act. Through prayer, people’s lives are changed. It might be said that prayer gives an impartial God a reason to be partial in someone’s life. Prayer is the gunpowder and the work of the Holy Spirit, the bullets in God’s redemptive arsenal. As our hearts ache over lost individuals and nations as Jesus’ did, we will also fall to our knees and pray to the Lord of the harvest. His answer will be to multiply workers (missions) around the world.

Righteous God, You rule the heavens and the earth with all wisdom and power...and yet, You have chosen to limit the working of Your great power to the prayers of Your people...people like me! How humbling that knowledge is! Send me to my knees again and again, and raise up workers for the fields that are ripe and ready to harvest! Multiply those who are already preparing to be sent so that all will hear of Jesus and learn to live Christ-like lives for the glory of Your holy name!

Prayer Points

Praise God, for He is truth. There is no deception in Him. Thank God for His revealed redemptive plan. Confess those times when you have doubted the reality of God’s righteousness. Commit to faith those things of God which are most difficult for you to accept as His truth. Ask God to help you see His truth revealed to you each day—in nature, in godly relationships, in the renewing of your mind through Christ Jesus.

Pray that God will reveal the deceit and persuasive powers of false gods and cult leaders.

Prayer Pointer

“Prayer is for the helpless.” —O. Hallesby

Source: www.harvestprayer.com

ALTAR FLOWERS

Flowers are placed on the altar each Sunday. If you want to help in this special way to remember or honor a person or special date/event please contact:

Will Covington 410-758-2247
Ruth Ann Walls 410-827-4588

MISSING MEMBERS

The Evangelism Committee wants to know if you have been missing someone lately at church. We want to not only greet our visitors, but we wish to reach out to those who we have not seen for awhile to make sure they are ok. Please call me if you have someone on your heart you have been missing, Ann Harlan 410-758-4349, and we will contact them.

VIM: FLOOD BUCKET UPDATE

September and October brought tremendous rains to the Middle Atlantic region, literally, and to our Flood Bucket Drive. Our support of the UMC Peninsula Region's goal to fill 250 flood buckets was incredible, thanks to all who helped.

The Sunday School had a contest to see which class could supply the most items. If a complete Flood Bucket was assembled, it counted as double points. The turnout was impressive, although the winning prize of doughnuts might have had something to do with it!

The results were:

3 points	High School
15 points	Middle School
30 Points	Preschool
62 points	2 nd /3 rd Grades
80 points	K/1 st Grades
88 points	4 th /5 th Grades

Due to allergies, the 4th/5th Grades celebrated with grapes, popcorn, and raisins on October 16th. Since the much smaller K/1st Grades were a close second, they were treated to doughnuts to celebrate their accomplishment.

Through Robin Lansinger's connections with the Girl Scouts, Flood Buckets became their Community Project for the Fall. They collected an additional 6 buckets for our Warehouse.

Not to be left out, the congregation gathered over 80 cleaners and over 90 latex gloves.

Our contact through Felton UMC, the church assembling and delivering the buckets, was impressed with the van-load of items we dropped off. There was enough to finish off Phase 2 of the Flood Buckets.

Phase 3 is continuing. We are still collecting latex gloves (the yellow dishwashing kind) and small bottles of cleaner (12-16 oz like Spic and Span). We hope to fill up the remainder of the 100 flood buckets in the next few months. With all the excessive rain, our Mission Central Warehouses have been running through their Flood Bucket supplies and is always in need of more! Thank you for your help with this ministry!

ANNUAL CHILDREN'S SHOPPING

On Saturday, December 10th we will be having our Children's Shopping from 10:00 a.m. — 1:00 p.m. A variety of gifts will be available for your child to choose from for those on their gift list. Volunteers will accompany your child as they shop and gift wrap their gifts. Parents and guardians can bring their kids over to spend time shopping and visit with Santa and Mrs. Claus.

If anyone has items they would like to donate for the gift tables please contact Gretchen Cheezum at 410-758-9899 or place in designated tub outside of Fellowship Hall. Donation ideas include: Crayons, Coloring Books, Ice Scrapers, Votive Candles, Oven Mitts, Kitchen Towels, Outdoor Play Toys, Ornaments, Giftwrap/Tape etc.

Additionally your gift and/or monetary contributions are greatly appreciated!

THANKSGIVING BASKETS

We have the opportunity to provide Thanksgiving Baskets to 12 in need families this year. Please see the sign up sheets near the Fellowship Hall. All items need to be at the church by Tuesday November 15th. Baskets will be packed on the 17th and delivered on the 18th. If you have questions please call the Evangelism Committee at 410-758-4349. May God Bless you for your help!

MINISTRY SHOWCASE: CUMC Photography

CUMC is pleased to have a Photography Ministry which provides a gallery of images for the documentation and publication of various events. These images are published in various places including the newsletter and website, church bulletin boards and the “Year In Review” slideshow presentation. Bob Clark volunteers his times and talents to capture many of the images and welcomes others to help capture memories.

As we draw near to the close of the year please consider forwarding your images of committees, ASP events, picnics, dinners, baptisms, Contemporary Service and more to joanbobclark@msn.com

HELP SPREAD CHRISTMAS: Helping Adopt A Bear

CUMC has participated in the Adopt A Bear program for years. It is a wonderful opportunity to truly show Christian love and the joy of Christmas to those not able to afford a celebration. Besides the gift of giving, it takes many volunteers to organize and run the behind-the-scenes part of the Adopt A Bear program.

One of the program coordinators, Heather Tinelli, is in desperate need of volunteers to keep this program going. Starting November 12th, there is a need of people to distribute tags and trees to businesses in the area. You can also help find new businesses to take tags. From November 28th through December 12th, there will be a need for volunteers in several areas. You can volunteer to **pick up gifts from local business, process inventory or help in the generic shop**. Then on December 10th, it is the perfect opportunity for those of us who love to shop; a one day blitz will take place to finish off the gifts. Finally, on December 12th, the gifts will be delivered to the agencies.

Many volunteers are needed. All skill levels are needed. Everyone can either shop, inventory, or physically transport gifts. **VIM challenges all CUMC members to find ONE time slot during those 2 weeks to help for even a few hours on Kent Island.** This is something everyone can do! For more information, call Heather Tinelli at 410-604-0004. If you volunteer, please add your

SAVE THE DATE: Mother's Day Tea

Two years ago we had a wonderful time honoring the women in our lives who are our mothers. This year we again plan to have a special afternoon for our mothers. On May 6 from 1:00 p.m.—3:00 p.m. we will host our Mother’s Day Tea. This year we may have a fashion show of bridesmaid dresses with various accents such as vintage aprons.

Please keep this in mind and hold on to those items for us to borrow for the show. It will be a wonderful time so put it on your calendar now for 2012!!!



We welcome and embrace the newest members into our CUMC Family!

MEET YOUR CUMC FAMILY: Laura and Richard Phillips, Jr.



Laura was born and raised in Queenstown and graduated from OACHS. Richard is from Hebron, MD. His father was employed with Delmarva Power, requiring them to move around the Delmarva Peninsula region. They moved to Centreville in 1979.

Richard and Laura were friends and worked together through high school. Laura received her Education degree from Frostburg State College, and Richard received his Business degree from Salisbury State College. Laura taught in Frederick for five years after graduating, earning her Masters from Western Maryland College in 1988.

Laura and Richard stayed friends throughout college and began dating in 1988. They were married in 1989. Richard and Laura have lived in Salisbury, St. Michaels, and Easton. In 2001 they moved back to the Centreville area. Richard is an agent with State Farm Insurance, and Laura is a math specialist at Kennard Elementary School.

Their oldest daughter, Caroline, is in her second year at Messiah College. Rebecca (17), is a senior, and Amanda (15) is a sophomore. All three girls have grown up in the church, taking part in mission trips, Bible School, Sunday School, Centreville Youth Ministries, and music programs. Richard shares his talents and serves as Vice-Chair of the church council and has attended four ASP mission trips. Laura is the Sunday School Superintendent.

Richard's parents, Richard Sr. and Rosanne, are also part of CUMC, in addition to Richard's brother and sister. Richard and Laura feel very blessed to be part of the CUMC church community.

MEET YOUR CUMC FAMILY: Rodger and Cheryl Vorhauer



Rodger and Cheryl Vorhauer are natives of small communities outside of Johnstown, PA. They grew up attending St. Paul's Lutheran Church and were married there 40 years ago. After graduating from Allegheny Technical Institute in Pittsburgh, Rodger began his 42 year career at Westinghouse in Linthicum (which later became Northrup Grumman). He retired in 2009 as their Director of Material Requirements Planning, Production Control and Receiving. One of his career highlights was to be a part of the team which installed the flowmeters on the Alaska Pipeline—including being present when the first oil flowed. He also graduated from AACC and University of Baltimore.

Cheryl graduated from CVMH's RN program. She worked in med-surg and pediatric emergency at St. Agnes Hospital in Baltimore while they raised their two children, Trisha and Adam. Cheryl also graduated from UMBC. She has been Certified in Oncology Nursing since 1992. In 2009 Cheryl retired from 14 years at Annapolis Oncology Center, and in 2010 she returned to work a few days a month.

The Vorhauer's moved from Severna Park to Queenstown in 1997. They remained active at Living Water Lutheran Church after their move to Centreville in 2002. After awhile they attended CUMC and joined our CUMC Family in 2010. At CUMC, Rodger and Cheryl administer the Backpacks for Kids Program and the Mobile Food Pantry. Rodger is an enthusiastic volunteer at the UMM functions, the Food Pantry and VIM. Cheryl is on the Evangelism Committee, helped with VBS, VIM, intercessory prayer group, and will be commissioned as a Prayer Usher.

Rodger and Cheryl are proud grandparents of three beautiful granddaughters. Their daughter Trisha, son-in-law Kevin, and granddaughters Haley and Maddie reside in NC, but will soon move to IN. Their son Adam, daughter-in-law Rachel and granddaughter Brooklyn live in Harford County. Brooklyn will have a new brother or sister in April!



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NOVEMBER AT A GLANCE

November 2~ Finance Committee Budget Meeting

November 3~ Hospice Teen Support Group

November 6~ Communion Sunday (both services)

November 7~ Trustees Meeting

November 8~ UMW Meeting: Winnie Cannon Guest Speaker
UMM Meeting

November 13~ Pastor Appreciation

November 15~ Thanksgiving Baskets

November 17~ CYM Spaghetti Dinner

November 21~ Lay Leadership

December Newsletter Submission Deadline Date

November 22~ Church Council

November 23~ Thanksgiving Eve Service— Bethel A.M.E.
Church Office CLOSED

November 24~ Happy Thanksgiving!

November 27~ Sunday School and CYM Family Night

November 28~ Finance Meeting

*All dates are subject to change. Please confirm with the Calendar, Church Office or Ministry Chair.

Centreville United Methodist Church strives to be a Christian Fellowship where Jesus is LORD and the Gospel is proclaimed. We welcome all who seek the love of Christ in their lives. We will nurture all through Spirit-led ministries of worship, teaching, caring and support.