

Oct/Nov 2022

The Messenger



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Sunday Service

9:00 – Contemporary –
Social Room

11:00 a.m.
Traditional-Sanctuary

Communion 1st Sunday

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11:00 a.m. WFBR
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Unleashing Generosity

There was a little boy who loved playing with his collection of marbles. One day as this little boy was playing, a little girl with a bunch of chocolates walks by. The little boy desperately wanted the chocolates and decides that he is going to trade his marbles for all of the girl's chocolate. He tells her, "You can have all of my marbles, if you give me all of your chocolates." Secretly the little boy had hidden away one special blue marble that he deemed as his lucky marble and then proceeded to trade with the little girl. Happy with his trade the little boy begins to roll in his fingers the special blue marble he had hidden in his picket. Suddenly a thought came to the little boy's mind. He stops the little girl as she is walking away and asks her, "Are you sure you gave me all of your chocolates?"

Generosity is not about what we give but is rather a practice that takes place in our mind before we ever give of something physically. In the story the little boy's trade may have seemed generous, but in reality he was only willing to give for what benefited him. Our fallen nature persuades us to position ourselves in the same deceptive and selfish attitude as the little boy. We want everything that the kingdom of God has to offer, but we are unwilling to give up everything for it.

In the gospels we hear stories about how the disciples argued among themselves which one is the greatest, fighting to position themselves. In the ninth chapter of the Gospel of Mark we can read one such story:

An argument started among the disciples as to which of them would be the greatest. Jesus, knowing their thoughts, took a little child and had him stand beside him. Then [Jesus] said to them, “Whoever welcomes this little child in my name welcomes me; and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. For it is the one who is least among you all who is the greatest.” – Mark 9:46-48

Jesus knew their thoughts and how in their minds they were not practicing generosity of spirit. To demonstrate this he presented to them a child. Where some might view children as annoying, insignificant, or weak, Jesus has made it abundantly clear that children have a mighty role to play in the kingdom of God. Generously welcoming a child demonstrates the greatest of humility and desire to welcome the kingdom of God.

We are all recipients of God’s generosity toward us. A generosity called “grace.” As a result of God’s generosity toward us, we are called to extend generosity to others. May we unleash our generosity in Jesus’ name.

Blessings,

Pastor Ken



WELCOME **NEW MEMBERS**

Katherine Novak

9/11/2022



BAPTISM

Maximus Levi Barnes

9/25/2022

Calling all Quilters

To the ladies and men of the church, if you are interested in joining our quilters we are making quilts with our overload of material for our homeless men. If you are interested in learning to quilt or learning to pin or helping out in any way we are inviting you to join us every Wednesday at 10:00-12:00. We will meet downstairs in the Ward room. You can call or text me (Jan) on 443-995-9555

Prayer Shawl Meetings

To all that enjoy crocheting or knitting, come join us and help create lap blankets and prayers shawls for the ailing and elderly on the second Tuesday of every month at 10:00 a.m. in Room #58. For more information contact Donna Haehl on 410-969-0541.

Upcoming Events

October 4 th	10:00a.m.	United Women in Faith – Social Hall
October 4 th	7:00p.m.	Deborah Circle Meeting
October 5 th	10:00a.m.	Quilting Circle Meeting – Ward Room
October 8 th	9:00a.m.	United Methodist Men Breakfast
October 10 th	7:00p.m.	Administrative Board – Social Hall
October 11 th	10:00a.m.	Prayer Shawl Meeting – Room #58
October 12 th	10:00a.m.	Quilting Circle Meeting – Ward Room
October 13 th	9:30a.m.	Grief Share
October 18 th	7:00p.m.	Finance Meeting – Social Hall
October 19 th	10:00a.m.	Quilting Circle Meeting – Ward Room
October 20 th	9:30a.m.	Grief Share
October 23 rd	1:00p.m.	PEF Meeting – Social hall
October 26 th	7:00p.m.	Church Conference – Social Hall
October 27 th	9:30a.m.	Grief Share
October 29 th	3:00p.m.	Trunk or Treat
November 1 st	10:00a.m.	United Women in Faith – Social Hall
November 1 st	7:00p.m.	Deborah Circle Meeting
November 2 nd	10:00a.m.	Quilting Circle Meeting – Ward Room
November 3 rd	9:30a.m.	Grief Share
November 7 th	7:00a.m.	SPRC Meeting – Social Hall
November 8 th	10:00a.m.	Prayer Shawl – Room #58
November 9 th	10:00a.m.	Quilting Circle Meeting – Ward Room
November 9 th	6:30p.m.	Trustees Meeting – Social Hall
November 10 th	9:30a.m.	Grief Share
November 12 th	9:00a.m.	United Methodist Men Breakfast
November 14 th	7:00p.m.	Missions Meeting – Social Hall
November 15 th	7:00p.m.	Finance Meeting – Social Hall
November 17 th	9:30a.m.	Grief Share
November 23 rd	10:00a.m.	Quilting Circle Meeting – Ward Room
November 23 rd	4:00 –	Dinner for the Homeless
	6:00p.m.	
November 28 th	7:00p.m.	Administrative Board – Social Hall

Backpack Ministry Blessings

2022 provided another exciting year working with the Backpack Ministry. 67 backpacks were delivered to our church adopted Richard Henry Lee Elementary School on August 17, twelve more than the original 55 needed.



Our church family donated \$5,314.91 to provide 67 backpacks this year! The average cost per Backpack was approximately \$70.00.

Not only were we able to provide the needed 67 backpacks, but we were also able to provide a Continental Breakfast for seventy teachers and staff. By the way, a heartwarming thank you letter from Richard Henry Lee concluded saying, "Your collaboration over the years has been nothing short of AMAZING!" We also received a lovely thank you letter from the Maryland Department of Human Services, Anne Arundel County Department of Social Services, for our team support. Both letters are attached.

To recap, our goal of providing 55 backpacks was surpassed by an additional 12 backpacks. We were able to provide a Continental Breakfast for teachers and staff. There was no need to take money from last year's Backpack Ministry funds. And finally, there was a surplus in our backpack ministry account. Now, you talk about incredible blessings... a spectacular, **\$228.73 remaining!** This surplus will assist in accomplishing the additional work of our Backpack Mission Ministry in the spring. But honestly, the most amazing blessing observed was watching our church family coming forward to support this cause in such a particular way, loving and caring.

Thank you to each of you who assisted in providing donations of a backpack with needed supplies. It meant so much in achieving God's plan for our church in sending needy children back to school prepared for success!

Again, awesome blessings to you and God's children in need!
Appreciatively in Christ, Backpack Ministry Team



2022 Church Conference

Our Annual Church Conference is scheduled for Oct. 26th will be held in the Social Hall. The business of the conference will begin at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday with the clergy and laity sessions and end early Wednesday evening with the Ordination Service. All members are invited to attend.

Pastor Ken

Prayer List

Evie Pundt
Frieda Severe
Ken Taylor
Marilyn Belz
Eloise Kellenberger
Kelly Harding
Cathy Carlan
Marty Wilber
Celeste Miley
baby Roman
Nancy Grimes
Amber Nave
William Glantz
Laurie Berkindine

Barbara Jacobs
Barbara Warfield
George Yarborough
Paul Kellenberger
Deb Shindle
Joy & Bud Bowers
Dirk Haehl
Carol Sterling
Sylvia Scott
Caitlyn Zabko
Elizabeth Campbell
Randy Morgan
Laurie White



GBUMC Youth Group

presents

TRUNK OR TREAT

Saturday

October 29, 2022

3:00PM to 5:00PM

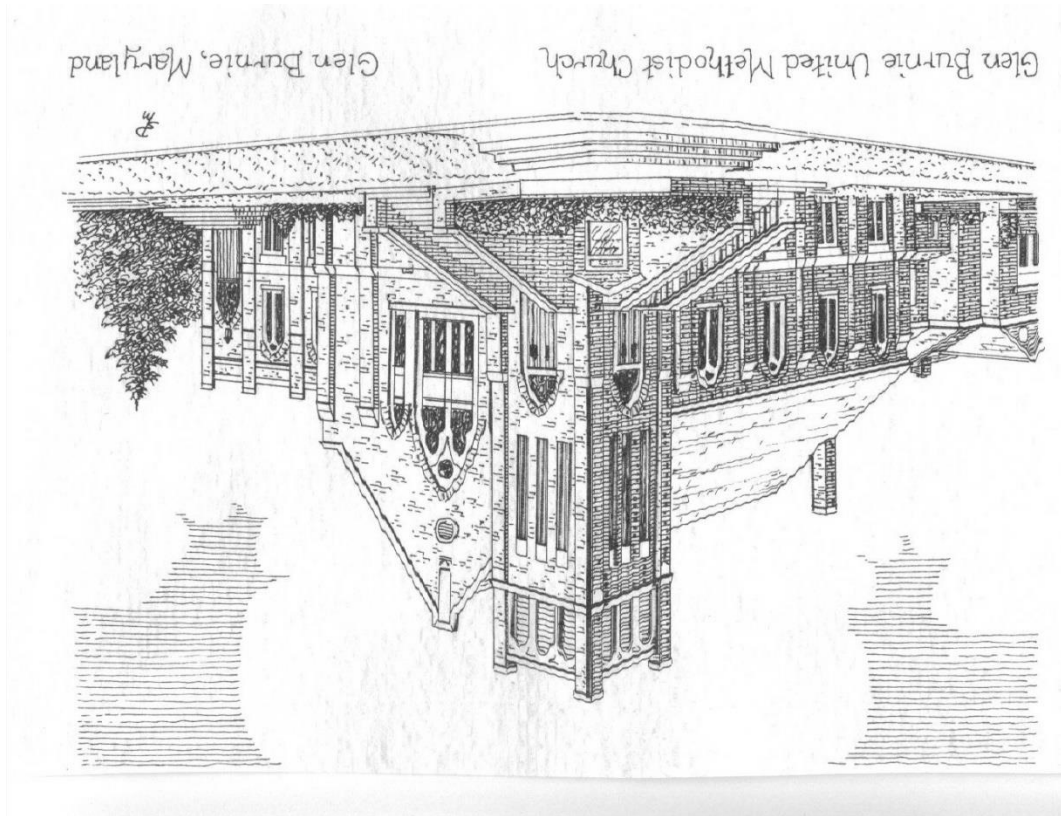
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