

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

July 16, 2017

Welcome to worship at Severna Park United Methodist Church!

We especially welcome our VBS families and anyone else who is a guest with us this morning. We encourage you to stop by the Welcome Center on your way out of church where you'll receive a small gift. Thanks for being here!

TODAY

TEXT IN CHURCH: We've recently launched a system that we hope will keep us more connected with each other. We invite our **GUESTS** to text **Welcome** to **410.983.3507**. If you regularly worship with us, please continue to fill out the Welcome Card to record your attendance and share prayer requests. **ANYONE** who wants to stay in the loop about upcoming events and general church info is invited to text **Loop** to **410.983.3507**. Make sure to click the link and share your name. Thanks!

YAG JOINING THE SOFTBALL GAME: The Young Adult Group is joining in the church softball game **today, July 16** at **3:30pm** at Cypress Creek Park. Come to play or cheer us on! All are welcome. csurber@severnaparkumc.org

#LOVESERVEFOLLOW: Incorporate our new mission statement into your daily digital life! We'd love for you to tag the church using [#loveservefollow](https://www.instagram.com/loveservefollow) anytime you post something about loving God, serving neighbors, or following in the way of Jesus. You can also follow us on Instagram & Twitter: [@sparkumc](https://www.instagram.com/sparkumc)

UMYF: An optional meeting for anyone interested in designing/choosing the UMYF t-shirt is at 6pm. At 7pm we'll have our regular summer UMYF with some new games.

UPCOMING EVENTS

NEVER ALONE: Our cancer support group will meet this Tuesday, **July 18** at **7pm** in the Parlor. Anyone who's been touched by cancer – caregivers, survivors, and family members -- is welcome to join us. dorisvose2@aol.com

ALL TRIP TO TOBY'S DINNER THEATRE: Everyone carpooling to Toby's Dinner Theatre with Adults Loving Life on **Wednesday, July 19** should meet on the church parking lot at 10am. We'll have a wonderful lunch together before enjoying the terrific show, "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat."

AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE: The need for your gift of blood is even more important during the summer months since so many are away on vacations. Please give the gift of life in Fellowship Hall on **July 31, 2-7:30pm**; it can save up to 3 people's lives!

ALL BUS TRIP TO FINGER LAKES, NY: Join Adults Loving Life (ALL) for a 4-day adventure to the Finger Lakes region of New York **October 9-12**. Read details in the ALL calendar and trip packets located in Fellowship Hall. Register by **August 1**. Space is limited! Contact Lou Kamm to register. lkamm@severnaparkumc.org

AA COUNTY BACK TO SCHOOL PROGRAM: UMW is sponsoring 100 children from Park and Brooklyn Park Elementary schools (near Heaven's Kitchen). Sign-up in Fellowship Hall to purchase a backpack and the school supplies needed for these children. Drop off completed backpacks on Sundays in the Fellowship Hall by **Sunday, August 13**.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE & GIVE

DOUGHNUT MINISTRY: Hospitality volunteers make everyone smile on the Sunday that they serve doughnuts for the congregation! Volunteering only takes an hour or two once per quarter and directions are provided. You're only asked to pick up, set up, **or** clean up doughnuts, and you can work around your own schedule so you can even attend worship on the week you volunteer. Our new annual calendar begins in August. Please contact Kris Zyla if you would like to make everyone smile! carpenterzyla@hotmail.com

GOING ON VACATION IN JULY OR AUGUST? Your giving remains vital to the church during the summer months. Even if you go away, your offering doesn't have to! You can support the ministries of our church by texting **Give** to **410.983.3507**, mailing in your contribution, setting up auto debit/bill-pay through your bank, or by giving online at severnaparkumc.org/give. Thank you for your faithfulness & generosity!

OPERATION WELCOME HOME: A great BIG thanks to all of you who are writing cards for OWH. In the last 6 months, Adults Loving Life has delivered 4,000 cards to our returning servicemen & women welcoming them back. If you haven't taken part yet, we encourage you to help by picking up some cards in the Fellowship Hall.

SUPPORTING SPAN: The summer is a great time for you to make a difference in the lives of youth by donating breakfast and lunch foods. SPAN especially needs jelly, stews, syrup, canned chicken, rice, boxed potatoes, snacks for kids, and toiletry items like shampoo and toothpaste.

MISSIONS IS IN OUR DNA at SPUMC and we are looking for some **new leaders** to help us continue to strategize, organize, and tell the story of the things we are doing in the community and around the globe in the name of Christ. If you think you might want to be part of SPUMC's Mission Team, contact Rev. Carissa. csurber@severnaparkumc.org

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