

THERE ARE 3 WAYS TO GIVE THIS MORNING: (1) Place your gift in the offering plate as you leave church this morning; (2) Use your phone to Text *GIVE* to 855-603-8993; or (3) Go to severnaparkumc.org/give to make a donation via credit card. Many Thanks!

THE RIBBONS & MASKS ARE OFF: Masks are now OPTIONAL for those who are vaccinated or under 5 years old and we've also removed the ribbons to open up more pews in the Sanctuary. *Unvaccinated adults working with children and youth* will remain masked for their safety.

GETTING THE WORD OUT: If you have information you'd like added to our bulletin, eNews, or Octagon, please send your requests to: communications@severnaparkumc.org. Thanks!

ENEWS: To sign up for our weekly eNews, visit severnaparkumc.org/enews.

Our Weekly Prayer List

Sue Dorn, Jen, Joel Doss, Mary Bischoff, Bob Wimbrow, Karen & Mel Smith, Wilbur, Paula McDermott, Steve Bennett, Esther Glover, Wayne Burdick, Dave Colborne, Sydney Clark, Karleen Leasure, Mireille Koch, Pauline Tallerico & children/grandchildren, Karen Wolcott, Grandmother of Jon Brunk, Chery Adkins, Thanks for wedding anniversary, Baby Byron, Mara, Connor, Rick, Joanne, Mark McDermott, The Kline family, Laura, Karen, Ann, Jeff, Bonnie Fleishman, Joyce & John, Alex & Michael, Clair & Bob Raaroh, Jamie Martinez, Manuel Reina, Denny Raup, Jeff Dardenne, Jeff Skaziak, Thanks for Brett's birthday, Remembering Pat Young, Michael Flipiak, April, Joey, JoJo, Robby Young, Cathy, Stephanie Weiss, Peace in Ukraine.

The Flowers on the altar are in memory of *loved ones* from Alice Kirwan.

Sympathy Prayers for Karen and Mel Smith on the passing of Karen's brother, *James Michael McGlumphy*.

God's Blessing on *Miles Edward Watson*, and parents Kaitlin and Jon Watson, on Miles' baptism today.

Welcome to Our New Members *Elaine Bundy* and *David & Anne Grieger* who are joining today.

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Welcome to Worship at Severna Park UMC



Sunday, April 24, 2022 + 9:00am

Gathering *My Jesus* – Anne Wilson Band

Welcome & Gathering Words

Opening Song *Good Grace* – Hillsong

Prayer Rev. Narae Kim

Song *More Than Amazing* – Lincoln Brewster

Offering Text: *GIVE* to 855-603-8993
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Song *If We're Honest* – Francesca Battistelli

Scripture Luke 24:13-32 Nicole Kiehle

Sermon "Easter Heartburn" Rev. Ron Foster

Closing Song *Glorious Day* – Passion

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WELCOME! We're happy to be worshipping together (in-person and online!) with you this morning. **We especially welcome any GUESTS** who are with us. Let us know you are here by filling out the *Welcome Card* in the pew rack or an *Online Welcome Form*. We'd love to get to know you better. Stop by **Fellowship Hall for Coffee & Donuts** on your way out this morning.

"EPIC ROAD TRIPS" BEGINS TODAY: In this season after Easter, we're hitting the road with Luke, a kind of 1st century Rick Steves, as our guide. We begin today with *The Road to Emmaus* story at the end of Luke's gospel today before we head to Acts 7-10 which looks back at some ancient road trips (Abraham & Moses) and at the transformative early church road-work of the Spirit in the lives of Stephen, Philip, Saul/Paul & Peter. A companion study on **"ULTIMATE ROAD TRIPS: Christian Pilgrimage"** will begin in May. There are two stand-alone complementary components: (1) **A 10am Sunday morning "Pilgrimage Peek"** beginning May 8 in the Parlor. This will be a 30-minute introduction to some of the great Christian pilgrimage sites around the world including Iona, Taize, Lourdes & the Holy Land. (2) On Wednesday nights at 7pm, Rev. Ron will also be teaching a class on the history and spiritual practice of pilgrimage beginning on May 4.

THE 5th ANNUAL BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS takes place later today at **5pm** in our beautiful Memorial Garden. Round up your dogs, cats, birds and hamsters and bring them with you for this great celebration of God's good creation on this Earth Day weekend.

WANT TO KNOW MORE ABOUT OUR CHURCH? Visit our website, pick up our April newsletter, talk with a pastor and/or come to our next **CONNECTIONS CLASS next Sunday, May 1 at 10:30am** in the Parlor. You'll have a chance to learn about our mission and ministries and we'll have a chance to get to know you better, too. RSVP to Kris or just show up! kzyla@severnaparkumc.org

THE FAITH & RACE GROUP meets this **Tuesday, April 26 at 7pm** in the Parlor or via Zoom for a conversation about the Baltimore-Washington Conference's *We Rise United* initiative (a fitting Easter season theme!). Contact Rev. Ron for more info. ron@severnaparkumc.org

ADULTS LOVING LIFE LUNCHEON: ALL is hosting a luncheon on **this Wednesday, April 27 at Noon** in Fellowship Hall and you're invited. There will be a special program featuring Mary Ann Jung as *"Rosie the Riveter."* Also put the *New Day Tour* bus trip to Richmond, VA (June 15, \$110pp) on your calendars. Sign up in Fellowship Hall or contact Lou and Kathie Kamm at 410-647-5914.

CLOTHING-FOR-ALL SALE: In place of our usual Garage Sale, this spring we will have a ***Clothing-for-All and Children's Supplies Sale*** on **Saturday, May 7 from 8am to Noon**. We welcome donations of clothing and shoes, as well as child and baby supplies (but NOT toys). Items can be dropped off on **Thursday, May 5: 8am to 6pm, and Friday, May 6: 8am to 2pm**. Volunteer to help via email or the sign-up sheets in the Fellowship Hall. spumcgaragesale@gmail.com

UMYF is back in action tonight at 7pm - "Program Blitz," games and giveaway. Bring your retreat forms for the April 29 and 30 at-home retreat! Bring your new or gently used children's books!

VBS REGISTRATION STILL OPEN: There are still a few preschool slots available and a waitlist for elementary age kids. You can register online, or join the waitlist. We are still in need of one more

person to help with hospitality. You can also help us keep VBS affordable by donating supplies. Check out our Amazon wish list which will be updated regularly. www.severnaparkumc.org/vbs

WORLD RELIGIONS: The very well-received 6-week class offered last spring is back by popular demand! Adam Shephard, teacher at Spalding High School, will lead us with wit and wisdom. Classes will run on six Tuesday nights starting May 10, 7-8 pm, by Zoom. You can sign up by visiting our website. www.severnaparkumc.org/events

SUPER SIXTH will meet next **Sunday, May 1 at 5pm**. All sixth graders welcome! lferrell@severnaparkumc.org

JOIN THE SPUMC SOFTBALL TEAM! We participate in a co-ed, non-competitive, interdenominational faith league with two purposes, FUN and FELLOWSHIP! Games are played on Sunday afternoons **from May-August**. You do not need to be available for all the games to be a part of the team. Reach out to Lori Sexton at spumcsoftball731@gmail.com for more information.

ADULTS LOVING LIFE MYSTERY DINNER: On Wednesday, May 18th (at 6:00pm), join us for the "Do or Die Mystery Dinner" Theatre at Hella's Restaurant. Cost is \$62.50 per person, and includes dinner, taxes and gratuity, and the mystery show. Car pooling will be available. Make reservations and arrange for payment (deadline is May 8th) with Lou and Kathie Kamm at 410-647-5914.

Ways to Serve

TWO WAYS TO REACH OUT TO SUPPORT THE UKRAINIAN PEOPLE:

- 1) **We're partnering with St. Andrew Ukrainian Orthodox Cathedral** in Silver Spring, MD which has been effectively shipping medical, food and hygiene supplies to Ukraine. Stop by the Welcome Desk or visit our website for a list of items needed which can be dropped off in the bins in Fellowship Hall until May 1. Contact Becky to help sort, pack or transport items. becky.clapp23@gmail.com or severnaparkumc.org/serve
- 2) **Support the work of UMCOR (The United Methodist Committee on Relief)** as they provide assistance to the Ukrainian people through United Methodist congregations in Ukraine. If you give by check, mark UMCOR in the memo section or you may also give online severnaparkumc.org and choose UMCOR in the dropdown menu under GIVE. Thank you!

LAST CALL FOR ASP: Last call for sign ups for the Appalachia Service Project trip **June 25-July 2**. Full details are available from Rev. Lee. We would like to know by **May 1** if you are planning to go! lferrell@severnaparkumc.org

NEW OR GENTLY USED CHILDREN'S BOOKS are being collected by a junior English class at Severna Park High, to be donated to the Reading Partners program. Preferred age level is elementary. You may turn them in at the back of Fellowship Hall. Thank you! lferrell@severnaparkumc.org

WOULD YOU LIKE TO HELP SERVE COMMUNION? This is a meaningful and simple way to be an important part of our worship life together. Contact Candis Wise for more information and to become part of our serving team. Thanks. candis57@me.com

FAMILIES SERVING TOGETHER AT FIRST FRUIT FARMS: This summer families are invited to serve together in missions as we harvest produce at **First Fruit Farms** (an hour from the church). All ages are welcome to participate. Produce is shared with local food banks, homeless shelters, soup

kitchens and other food providers. Please email Erica to sign up for one or both dates: **Tuesday, June 28, 9:00-11:30am** and **Saturday, August 20, 9:00-11:30am**.
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