# Hilltopper

Harrisonburg District August 2017



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School is in session; DRIVE SAFELY

# **Annual Church Picnic**

Sunday, July 30, the New Hope Church celebrated another day of fellowship and great food. Following the meal, a presentation on the use of fire extinguishers was held. I'm proud of those who stepped forward who were not afraid, put to rest a live fire and were joyous about their achievement. Fire extinguishers come mostly in A, B, C. These can be used on all fires - wood, trash, cloth, flammable liquids and electricity. Always determine if the fire is small for the size of extinguisher and remember to call 911 before any attempt to extinguish the fire. Remember the letters PASS (pull pin, aim, squeeze and sweep). Start at the base and advance forward. If the fire is outside determine wind direction, you always want the wind on your back. If the extinguisher is used notify someone so it can be replaced.

There are 11 active extinguishers in our place of Worship. These are to be inspected at least monthly and yearly by fire extinguisher tech. You may never have to use a fire extinguisher but it is nice to know how. Recommend all homes have access to a extinguisher and smoke alarms.

October is Fire Prevention Month – test you equipment and pray you never have to be forced to use it.

Yours truly, "Smokey"





# Important Dates to Put on Your Calendar

9/10 Hearts Party which will celebrate Grandparents Day.

10/2 - 10/7 Tangier Mission Trip

10/29 Bring a Friend Sunday

11/11 HOTS.

4/19 - 4/20 Lancaseter Trip to Sight and Sound Theater (JESUS)



# 40 Years of Hilltopper – 1977 – 2017

(over the following months of 2017 highlights from previous newsletters will be presented)

Part 4: Continued 40 years of Hilltopper Reviews 1997 to 2001

Of Note: First 50's Drive In 1989; profit \$420 given to missions) (Next year will be 30 year anniversary)

## <u>1997</u>

John Morse attend UMM quadrennial conference at Purdue University in Indiana

Youth lock-in

Hats and mittens donated by children to Valley Mission

Youth "cookie caper" and treat of lunch at Applebee's

Update to kitchen with gas stove and automatic dish washer as well as shelving and Formica work and updated painting

UMM annual dinner out at Pano's

Mother-Daughter banquet on April 19<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm (Laydes Banquet)

Attendance on Palm Sunday = 130; Easter Sunday = 173

Youth help special needs children on farm trip (Farm Fest 97)

UMW collected "goodies" for children at DeJarnette Center

# JESUS - Lancaster, Pa. Two Days and One Night Thursday& Friday April 19 – 20, 2018

**Leave 6:15 am Terry Court – Staunton** 

6:30 am New Hope UMC - New Hope

**Stopping in Winchester at Cracker Barrel for breakfast** 

Package includes:

One Night Lodging at Comfort Inn, Rockvale Mall Lancaster

**One Hotel Breakfast** 

One Show (Show Boat) and Dinner at Dutch Apple Theater

One Ticket to Production of JESUS at Sight and Sound Theater

All taxes and gratuities with the above activities

**Deluxe Motor Coach Transportation** 

**Driver's gratuity** 

**Water and Snacks** 

Free time for some shopping at the Rockvale Mall with restaurants available.

### PRICE PER PERSON

 Single:
 Double:
 Triple:
 Quad:

 \$349.00
 \$283.00
 \$261.00
 \$250.00

SIGHT

THEATRES

Deposit: \$150.00 September 1, 2017 FINAL: February 1, 2018

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Mail to: 713 Pelham Drive

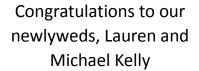
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Back to School Blessings – gift bags for our students and teachers



New addition to our Narthex area depicting our church history





# **Church Council**

The Church Council met on Thursday, July 27 at 6:30 pm with 9 present. After devotions and prayer the minutes were approved as distributed. Highlights of remainder of meeting include:

- A reminder was given that budget requests for 2018 need to be sent to Kevin Armstrong prior to August 22<sup>nd</sup> (date of Finance Committee meeting).
- A report was received from the treasurer.
- Trustee work on water samples and changing of ultra violet light, etc.
- Silent auction is complete (7 items were sold for \$800 plus); remaining items will be reviewed and disposition made
- Work night was successful and additional work times will be scheduled to continue work on cleaning out rooms for use as classroom, etc. Old Christmas tree has been donated to Camp Overlook and delivery is being arranged.
- Discussion of church polices; polices will be reviewed over next several months and presented to Council for approval of reviews/updates
- Back to School Blessing on Sunday, August 6<sup>th</sup>; Youth Sunday on August 20<sup>th</sup>
- Plans to initiate Young Adult Sunday School Class and Children's Choir
- Upcoming is plans for welcoming dinner for recent guests and bring friend Sunday in October
- Mission trip planned for October 2-7 to Tangier Island
- Youth meeting next Wednesday to discuss 50's Drive In
- Continue pursuing position of Music Director; choir will resume next week
- Planning Team meeting scheduled for August 6<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm
- Meeting with young adults scheduled for August 18<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm
- Meeting Thursday at 10:00 am with contractor for audio/visual project

Meeting adjourned with prayer.

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Reminder to check out our church web page frequently for updates including the church calendar.

# **August Nurse's Health Corner**

With school starting back soon, it is important to make sure your children, younger siblings and their friends are all in good health. Back to school time can be overwhelming between orientation forms, schedules and immunizations but it's important to make sure their eyes are also checked.

August is Children's Eye Health and Safety Month, bringing forth education and awareness to the health and safety of children's eyes. This initiative is in connection with the American Academy of Ophthalmologists and Prevent Blindness America.

Routine vision screenings are crucial in preventing long-term vision problems. In the United States, some form of vision screening is mandated for children in 40 states with Virginia mandating screenings for specific school aged children. It is recommended that exams be conducted during regular pediatric appointments and vision testing should begin around the age of three. A family history of childhood vision problems, disinterest in reading and squinting or turning the head while watching television may be some signs that the child has a vision problem.

Some of the more common vision problems found in children are:

- -Amblyopia (lazy eye)
- -Strabismus (crossed eyes)
- -Ptosis (drooping of the eyelid)
- -Color blindness
- -Refractive errors (nearsightedness, farsightedness and astigmatism)

The most common of these problems is astigmatism affecting 15-28% of children ages 5 to 17 years, according to the Children's Vision and Eye Health report.

Safety is also a key factor in keeping a child's eyes in top condition. Eye injuries are one of the leading causes of vision loss. In order to prevent unintentional injuries, children should wear eye protection in certain sports; parents should keep harsh chemicals out of reach of small children and practice safe care and supervision when children are handling objects like scissors, pencils or rubber bands. Also practicing safe eye care your self will reinforce how important it is to keep your eyes safe! For more information on how to keep your child's eyes healthy and safe, check out the following websites:

https://www.hap.org/health/topic/eyemonth.php

http://www.preventblindness.org/

https://www.aao.org/eye-health/tips-prevention/injuries-children

Information provided by Sarah Conyers, student intern with Community Outreach at Augusta Health. To contact Dana Breeding, RN, relating to the information in this article or with questions/comments/concerns, please call (540) 332-4988 or (540) 932-4988.

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# **Mission Opportunities**

**Tangier Island** - October 2-7. Cost \$350. Conference mission team being led by Rev. Sam Nesmith. Contact John Morse if interested.

**Valley Mission** – ongoing project of collections – mostly for cereal but other items are welcomed as well **Mission Central** – District project at Cedar Grove UMC in Harrisonburg – collecting children's socks and underwear

**Prison Ministry** – District project at Kingsway Prison Ministry – junior legal pads, pencils, toothpaste, toothbrushes, chapstick

# **Lectionary Readings**

8/13

Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28

Psalm 105:1-6, 16-22, 45b (UMH 828)

Romans 10:5-15 Matthew 14:22-33

8/20

Genesis 45:1-15 Psalm 133 (UMH 850) Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32 Matthew 15:(10-20), 21-28

8/27

9/3

9/10

9/17

Exodus 1:8-2:10 Psalm 124 (UMH 846)

**Pastor Shin** 

Helen Morse

**Kevin Armstrong** 

Romans 12:1-8 Matthew 16:13-20 9/3

Exodus 3:1-15 Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26, 45b

Romans 12:9-21 Matthew 16:21-28

9/10

Exodus 12:1-14

Psalm 149; Psalm 119:33-40

Rob Riner & Lewis Whitmer

Dallas Van Lear & Becky Tate

Charlie Bill Fretwell & Henry Breeding

Romans 13:8-14 Matthew 18:15-20

9/17

Exodus 14:19-31

Psalm 114

Exodus 15:1b-11

Romans 14:1-12

Matthew 18:21-35



# **WORSHIP ASSISTANTS**

Acolyte 8/13 8/20 8/27 9/3 9/10 9/17	Cindy Deavers Helen Morse Derek Deavers Joanie Troxell Weston Powell Becky Tate	Nursery 8/13 8/20 8/27 9/3 9/10 9/17	Gail Armstrong & Debbie Arnold Judy Riner & Christy Powell Teresa Barr & Mary Sheets Martha Fretwell & Samantha Arnold Robin Craun & Morgan Craun Tonya Meier & Taylor Meier
Children	n's Message	<u>Lead Us</u>	hers Dallas Van Lear & Becky Tate Charlie Bill Fretwell & Henry Breeding Darryl Deavers & John Morse
8/13	Dana Breeding	8/13	
8/20	open	8/20	
8/27	Robin Craun	8/27	

9/3

9/10

9/17



# August/September Anniversaries & Birthdays

<u>August</u>		26	Julia Miller
		27	Karen Maugans
1-	Justin Duncan	30	Paul Abbe
1	Taylor Meier	30	Casey Houser
2	Winton & Ava Funk	30 L	aura Lewis
3	Lewis Whitmer		
3	Tim & Amye Bergman	<u>September</u>	
5	Michael Harner	1	Cheryl Bragg
7	John DeJong	1	Kevin & Gail Armstrong
7	Susan Mehler	1	Carl & Polly Caricofe
8	Kent Darrah	2	Hunter Joyner
8	Charles Powers	3	Nadine Hinebaugh
9	Monique Houser	7	Bobby & Glenna Beard
10	Amy Corbin	7	William & Arlene Crist
10	Catherine Taylor	8	William Crist
11	Robert Carr	9	Beth Howdyshell
11	Carolyn Fretwell	10	Chris Botkin
11	Weston Powell	10 10	Lester Herman Dallas & Pam VanLear
12	Greg Killough	10	Steve Carter
12	Alice Ward	11	Brandan Whitmer
12	Savannah Ritchie	11	Mike & Becky Breeding
13	Charles Fretwell	12	Terri Carter
13	Mary Taylor	12	Jeff & Becky Kraisser
13	Linda Wheatley	12	Christy Aldhizer
14	Mike Stout	13	Dr. Esther Mabry
15	Judith Howard	14	Judy Critzer
15	Adam Shiflett	15	Barry Powers
16	Chelsea Bosserman	16	Josh Walker
17	Hunter Black, Jr	17	Thomas Ewers
17	Henry Breeding	18	Robert Morrison
	Rose Sadano	18	Greg & Jolene Farrar
17		18	Roger Aldhizer
18	Vanessa Harner	19	Mia McLaughlin
19	Lester & Amy Herman	20	Susie Hong
19	Glenwood & Kerry	20	Billy Price
••	Fretwell	21	Jacob Botkin
20	Stoney Caricofe	22	Michael Morris, Jr
22	Randall Hinebaugh	23	Otho Fitzgerald
23	George & Mary Taylor	24	Dawn Miller
24	Steve Bosserman	24	Dylan Anthony

Darryl & Cindy Deavers
Brandon White
Henry & Margaret
Breeding
Betty Stout
Glenna Powers
Jim Joyner
Beth Breeding

Donna Walker

Martha Fretwell

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If we have any incorrect information or are missing information, please leave updates in mailbox in church library for Hilltopper or email to altuten@vaumc.org

## 1998 (continued)

UMM work day to construct walkway from choir room to main entrance walk

VBS held on 4 Sunday evenings with light meal; adult class led by Rev. Tom Coffman

Elementary Sunday school classes collected seeds for UMCOR

Youth progressive party (swimming, lock-in, breakfast)

Disciple Bible Study

Thee Seekers Sunday School class sponsored ice cream social and hymn sing on Sunday evening to purchase silk Christmas Tree

Special Worship Service to recognize Veterans

Youth (3) attended summer camp at Camp Overlook

Celebration Singers performed on 11/23 at 7 pm

Open house at parsonage with Rickman family

### 1998

Parsonage renovations

UMW Sunday held on 11/16 with Sandra Baker guest speaker

Work on New Hope mission statement

Girls and Boys Scouts meeting at church

Children's choir began

Average attendance at UMM was 21

HOTS benefit of \$4672

Hearts Party held with 82 attending

Men's Chorus

Play presentation by young adults class in March

YAY 98 at William and Mary College

Mollie Rogers celebrated her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday

Revival Services Sept 13-16 with Rev. Joh Hobbs speaker

Youth out to eat and bowling

VCR purchased for taping Sunday Morning worship services

Combined worship service and covered dish supper with Rev. Seth Tetteh

New communion rail by Minnie Carr circle in memory of Vallie Booth

Junior and Senior youth had pizza party (made their own pizzas)

Youth played putt-putt golf and had Kline's ice cream

Youth go to King's Dominion; had picnic in park and visited Oak Hill Nursing Home

Friends from Russia visit

Collected for Samaritan's Shoe Box Fund

UMM and Trustee's held work night

50's Drive In (August 22) for benefit of Revival Services and youth projects

Church picture directory

Set up answering machine for church

Junior High class began Heifer Project (October 1998)

Women's Fall bazaar

Youth tailgate party at Ft. Defiance homecoming

Church-wide bible study on Ephesians led by George Taylor Youth were assigned adults for mentoring Choir presented "Contemporary Christmas" musical (Dec 13)

### 1999

Lilies presented at Easter

Chili for Chile

Names were exchanged during Sunday School for "prayer buddy" during Lent Sunday School class collected items for Christmas stockings for Salvation Army

Mother-Daughter banquet "An Evening of Aloha"

**Hearts Party** 

**UMW Sunday** 

Children's Easter Retreat

Gospel singing and fellowship "The Reflections" from Sherando UMC performed

New dishwasher for parsonage

Window installed in nursery classroom door

New Hope softball team

Thee Seekers class had picnic and trip to Lime Kiln in Lexington

Homemade ice cream social (8/29)

Youth trip to Songer Whitewater Adventures in West Virginia

Covenant Players performed on 9/12 following covered dish supper

**HOTS** 

"Dinner at the Inn" at 5 pm on December 5<sup>th</sup>

New deck at Camp Overlook – 3 New Hope members worked on the project

Oct church members met for future planning session

"Hallelujah Hoedown" during Sunday School – wear western apparel. Real bull rider to share his cowboy bible, fun and games and refreshments.

#### 2000

**Hearts Party** 

Year of Jubilee

Breakfast

Circuit rider

Lawn party

Historical dress and memories

Homecoming

Movies

Veterans recognition

Book drive for Franklin County Library (their library destroyed by flood)

Renovations of parsonage downstairs bathroom

Mother-Daughter banquet "Two by Two" catered by Patsy Wood

Souper Bowl

UMW Sunday (3/12) Dr. Esther Mabry speaker

UMW served Hi Noon club (March and September)

Palm Sunday (collected 30 pieces of silver for missions)

Covered dish supper on April 30<sup>th</sup> with program on Israel

Boy Scouts worked around church grounds to earn their scout badges

Children's Initiative Committee schedules activities for each month of the entire year

Junior High Sunday School class continues collecting for Heifer Project (bought llamas for Chile)

Ladies Night out sponsored by UMM on June 9 at Pano's

New Hope and Sherando UMC sent mission team to Franklin County after Hurricane Floyd for clean up Christmas cantata by our choir

Donations sent to First Step (Women's Shelter)

Musical Concert by Jolene Cline – free will offering to support her music ministry

Eagle scout project completed sealing driveway cracks and repainting parking lines

## 2001

UMW bazaar of 2000 collected \$550 for missions

Tour of Israel (1-22 to 31) by several of our members

UMM project to restore home that housed a elder lady living by herself in the community (weather proofing, window replacement and porch floor)

**Hearts Party** 

Mother Daughter banquet "A Springtime Dream"

Movie Night and Parents Night Out

Repair to cemetery gait and new fence

Spring cleaning in kitchen

UMM worked at Camp Overlook on Noah's Ark dormitory

Soup and sandwich lunch with free will offering for "bricks for Russia" project

Construction of picnic shelter

New computer in pastor's office

Boy Scouts refurbished and upgraded playground

Picnic tables for shelter obtained

Vesper Service with performances by several musical groups

Children's Sabbath Celebration

Installed bench, tree and plague for cemetery

Received award for Church of All God's Children"

## Additional Notes from Hilltoppers

First Christmas card is thought to have been sent by British Army Officer named Dobson in 1844.

First commercially produced Christmas cards were sold in England by Sir Henry Cole and J.C. Horsley in 1846. This first cards outraged Christians because they portrayed a group of people drinking. It was at least 25 years before Christmas cards were widely used.

The use of a Christmas tree began early in the 17<sup>th</sup> century in Strasbourg, France, spreading from there through Germany and then into Northern Europe. The first person to have lighted a Christmas tree may have been Martin Luther, father of the Reformation. He began putting candles on trees to celebrate Christmas, citing Isaiah 60:13 as biblical authority for the practice.

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**Mission:** Growing as followers of Jesus Christ, we seek to live out our faith and serve God's community.

Identity: The New Hope congregation is a family of sharing and caring Christians who gather for worship and fellowship and through whom opportunities for spiritual growth are offered for all ages.

Vision: The people of New Hope will allow God to make a lasting and holy difference in us and through us as we apply ourselves to worship, prayer, study, witness and service



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