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Mission Statement

“Sharing the love and blessing of God with all.”



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As many of you know, I'm a big fan of camp, and outdoor ministries in general. Camp was formative in my faith and vocational development, propelling me into ministry, and I see again and again the impact it has for children and youth each summer. My coming to Easton, in fact, was greatly influenced by my experiences at Camp Mardela over the years.



What I often observe is that people open up after a few days of summer camp in a way that doesn't happen anywhere else. Part of that may be due to the safe space that camp offers. Part of it may be the close community that often develops in the camp setting. And part may be because camp is one of the few places where we “detach” from a lot of the world's distractions.

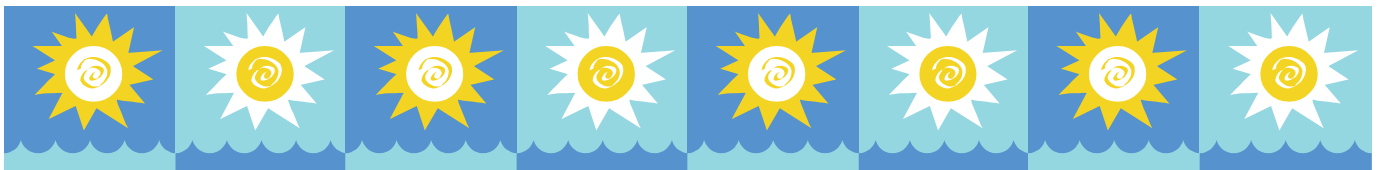
One of the youth at a senior high camp I helped to lead in Illinois last summer came up to me one afternoon and said, “This is my church. This is where I find God.” She said it was the one place where she felt accepted and could be herself, and it was the place where faith felt most real for her. Maybe it's not a coincidence that those two feelings were paired.

Many children and youth receive more opportunities to learn about and talk about God in one week of camp than they do through the rest of the year combined, even if their families go to church. Having good home and congregational support is vitally important, of course, but for those who don't have that, camp fills a huge void. And for those who DO have those support systems, camp offers a unique chance to enhance and deepen those relationships.

Part of my continuing education time this year was spent at a course on “Program Design and Implementation” for outdoor ministries offered through the ecumenical “Compass Points” program. (I just recently found out that I officially passed the course!) I was reminded there of the distinct possibilities camp offers in building skills, meeting different types of learning styles, increasing confidence and self-image, and involving heart, soul, mind, and strength.

I'm grateful for the strong support this congregation gives to our camping programs. You are doing God's work. And I hope each of you finds way to get a personal taste of the divine spark that camp offers, too. Pray for all those driving down the lane for camp experiences this summer; here and elsewhere. It's sacred ground.

--Pastor Walt



Sermons & Scriptures for June, July & August

June 2 **Seventh Sunday of Easter /**

Graduate Recognition Sunday

All Shook Up

Psalm 97, Acts 16:23-34

June 9 **Pentecost Sunday**

Outside the Fire

Acts 2:1-21, Romans 8:14-17

June 16 **Camp Sunday**

Guest speaker "Chief" Gieta Gresh

That's Puzzling

1 Cor. 13

June 23 **Worship in the Park (@ Moton Pk)**

The Producers

Psalm 8; Prov. 8:1-4, 22-31; Romans 5:1-5

June 30

The Big Goodbye

2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14; Luke 9:51-62

July 7 **Annual Conference Sunday**

Live-stream of Annual Conference worship service
with speaker Tim Harvey

July 14

One Small Step

Deut. 30:9-14, Luke 10:25-37

July 21 **Guest speaker TBA**

July 28

The Kiss of Life

Gen. 18:20-31, Psalm 85

Leadership Team Retreat



Our next date for Leadership Team meeting will be Monday, June 10 at 1:00 p.m.

Our Prayer List

Please pray especially for the following individuals and their families: The family of Kathryn Berkey, the family of Gary Edsall, Jr., Pat Saathoff, Paul & Ginny Turkington, Seth Willis, Pat Lewis, Donna Muir, JR & Bonnie Wooters, Bob Fletcher, Dave Schaubert, Ellen Walbridge, Pete Haynes, Lee



Roesti, Norman Harding, Gene & Betty Lednum, Barbara Seese, GraceWay CoB, Nancy Scheffler, Steve Webb, Roger Plagge, JK Rider, John Nalley, Bobby Hopkins, Kurt Kline, Dee Candel, Mary Ann Kiser, Harold & Reginia Hutchison, Audrey O'Brien, Doug Edsall, Lois Schall, Meredith Kelly, Natalee Jones, Doris Walbridge, Jeff Wright, continuous prayers for our church family in Nigeria, continued prayers for Comfort Amos, Mary Fike, Barbara Taylor, Audrey Geib, Leo Truban, Emerson Fike, Katelyn Howard, Christine & Kenny Fike.

Pray for leaders & people that are working towards peace. Please phone the church to add or remove persons on our prayer list. In order to keep the list up-to-date, we will remove persons the end of each month unless we are asked to continue them on the list.

June 9, 2019



Pentecost offering will be collected during the offering on June 9. Envelopes will be included in your bulletins on Sunday, June 2.

Worship Service at Moton Park—June 23—10:45 a.m.

Please join us for worship at Moton Park on Sunday, June 23. Following worship we will gather for a picnic...please bring your picnic lunch...drinks and cookies will be provided.

National Older Adult Conference September 2-6, 2019

held at

Lake Junaluska Conference and Retreat Center
in the beautiful mountains of western North Carolina.

NOAC is a Spirit-filled gathering of adults 50 and older who love learning and discerning together, exploring God's call for their lives and living out that call by sharing their energy, insight, and legacy with their families, communities, and the world.

The cost per person is \$195 if you register before July 15. After that date the cost will be \$225. First time attendees will get a \$20 discount. Your registration fee does not include housing or meals.

Paper registration forms will be available on request. If you are able to register online, please do so. To request a paper registration form please call 800-323-8039, ext. 302.

For more information and to register, visit www.brethren.org/noac.

Camp Mardela Fundraiser Dining Events for June & August

June 18—Sonic in Bridgeville, DE.

August TBA—Texas Roadhouse, Seaford, DE

Box Tops for Education

Please continue to collect the box tops for education throughout the summer. The box tops are found on a variety of food items we purchase. The box tops will enable us in some small way help the school children of Talbot County. Thank you for your participation.

Your Witness Team

Diane Shores & Anne Harvey



Graduate Sunday June 2, 2019

We will celebrate our college graduates on June 2. Refreshments will be served following worship. College graduates are: Morgan Harvey (Delaware Valley), Chad Whitzel (Bridgewater College), Cameron Edsall (Campbell University), and Todd Butler (Salisbury University). Congratulations to each of you!!!



Vespers Service at the home of
Geoff & Lee Ann Fox
June 20, 2019, 7:00 p.m.
Smores and drinks provided.
Bring your sticks for roasting!!



Save the date-August 24, 2019

**Easton Church of the Brethren
Please look for more information in
the July/August newsletter**

Attendance & Offering for May

<i>Attendance</i>	40	36	49		35	160
	5/5/19	5/12/19	5/19/19	5/19/19	5/26/19	Totals
<u>Distributions</u>				<u>added</u>		
<i>General (06)</i>						
Envelopes	2,675.00	1,150.00	1,322.00	1,050.00	1,094.00	7,291.00
Loose Change/Cash	25.00	6.00	10.00	0.00	8.00	49.00
Total Tithes	2,700.00	1,156.00	1,332.00	1,050.00	1,102.00	7,340.00
<i>Other Income (06)</i>						
Building Use						
Tidewater Chamber Singers				250.00		250.00
Dutchmans Lane Rent				1,155.00		1,155.00
Harrison St. Rent		1,155.00			1,155.00	2,310.00
Harrison St. Rent					1,155.00	1,155.00
Late Fees on Harrison St Rent						0.00
Subtotal of Income	0.00	1,155.00	0.00	1,405.00	2,310.00	4,870.00
Totals	2,700.00	2,311.00	1,332.00	2,455.00	3,412.00	12,210.00
<i>Special Offerings (07)</i>						
Bldg/Memorial Fund - M. Walbridge			20.00			20.00
Deacon Fund	800.00					800.00
In Kind						
Ridgeway House Supplies					3.35	3.35
						0.00
In & Out						
Witness Charities	10.00		100.00		20.00	130.00
Sight & Sound		342.20	118.00	5.90	241.90	708.00
Totals	810.00	342.20	238.00	5.90	265.25	1,661.35
Totals	3,510.00	2,653.20	1,570.00	2,460.90	3,677.25	13,871.35

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Talbot Interfaith Shelter

The 2019 volunteer list is available for sign-up. Please take the time and look to see where you can spare a few hours of your time every other month. Any questions, please contact Norma Trax. Our next date is July 19, 2019.

Volunteers Needed

Are you interested in serving as a worship leader or doing the children's time? We're always looking for new people to share their gifts! It doesn't take a lot of time--just a bit of preparation and a willingness to serve. If you would like to join this team of volunteers or want more information, please contact the church office or Pastor Walt.

Neighborhood Service Center

Please contact Marilyn Neal, if you are interested in volunteering at the center. Their phone number is 410-822-5015.



Volunteering can be an exciting, growing, enjoyable experience. It is truly gratifying to serve a cause, practice one's ideals, work with people, solve problems, see benefits, and know one had a hand in them.

Harriet Naylor



NSC Food Pantry

Let's not forget that food prices keep going up! When we pay attention to our local, national and international food needs, we are reminded that people suffer from food insecurity all around. If we do not share of our bounty, others go hungry. Let us give, so others may live. Any non-perishable food items with good "best if used by" dates are accepted. **There is a container in the narthex to put your non-perishable items.**



Ridgeway House Lunches

The 1st & 3rd Fridays of each month. For months that have five Fridays, lunches will be provided on the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Friday. Contact Loretta Lohr (410-822-3094). Monetary and food donations (drink boxes, individual fruit cups, small bags of chips and cookies) are always welcome.

"CUISINE FOR A CAUSE"

Our "Cuisine for a Cause" dinners finished in late May, and we raised a total of \$520 that will be split between Talbot Interfaith Shelter and Camp Mardela. THANK YOU to all our hosts, and to everyone who took part in one or more of the meals. It seems like it was a success, so we will likely be trying it again. Stay tuned!



Volunteers for June



	June 2	June 9	June 16	June 23 Moton Park	June 30
Preaching	Pastor Walt	Pastor Walt	Chief Gieta	Pastor Walt	Pastor Walt
Worship Leader	Sharon Miller	Kevin Wile	Pastor Walt	Lynn Butler	Wanda Baynard
Head Usher/ Sound	Jane Marshall	Lee Ann Fox	Lee Ann Fox	Jane Marshall	Lee Ann Fox
Ushers	Dale Fike & Mat Baynard	Leroy & Sharon Miller	Dale Fike & Mat Baynard	Leroy & Sharon Miller	Dale Fike & Mat Baynard
Greeters	Anne Harvey & Wanda Baynard	Barbara Saulsbury	Geoff & Lee Ann Fox	Leroy & Sharon Miller	John & Norma Trax
Deacons on call	Mat & Wanda Baynard	Les & Marlena Groves	Rick & Jane Marshall	Leroy & Sharon Miller	Ron & Elisa Miller
Special Music	Ellen Wile	John Coleman	Cheryl Dayton	Outdoor Worship	Jim Lohr
Flowers		Pete Fox	The Lohr's		



BEACH LIFE

June brings summer, a season when many people flock to the beach. Can you unscramble the names of the famous beaches below?

1. ACONE YITC
2. BLEPBE CABEH
3. UBALMI
4. AIIMM ACHEB
5. BACONCAAAP
6. REIF DANSIL
7. VERAIRI
8. LICATANT TYIC
9. IKAWIIK
10. ASTAN MACOIN
11. ANNCCU
12. TOADNAY HEBAC
13. TREMLY EHACB
14. FUGL HORSES



ANSWERS:

1. OCEAN CITY (Md.);
2. PEBBLE BEACH (Calif.);
3. MALIBU (Calif.);
4. MIAMI BEACH (Fla.);
5. COPACABANA (Brazil);
6. FIRE ISLAND (N.Y.);
7. RIVIERA (France);
8. ATLANTIC CITY (N.J.);
9. WAIKIKI (Hawaii);
10. SANTA MONICA (Calif.);
11. CANCÚN (Mexico);
12. DAYTONA BEACH (Fla.);
13. MYRTLE BEACH (S.C.);
14. GULF SHORES (Ala.)

THANK YOU

THANK YOU to everyone who was part of our "Praise the Lord!" celebration weekend in May and Camp Appreciation Day and the observances of the 150th anniversary of the Church of the Brethren on the Eastern Shore. Particular gratitude goes to Ellen Wile and our choir members for their extra time in preparing and presenting some beautiful pieces, and to our camp volunteers for all their work in enabling the day to come together. We will continue the 150th celebration in August with a vespers service at the historic Round Top meeting house, Aug. 21 at 7 p.m.



Pathfinders Sunday school class will not be meeting over the summer. The adult Sunday school class that meets in the parlor will be meeting. You are welcome to join in this class over the summer.



Congratulations to Austin & Kelsey Basel on the birth of their baby boy, Jude. Jude was born on March 27 and weighed 8lbs., 7 oz. Congratulations to grandparents Mike & Tracy Correa and great grandparents, Leroy & Sharon Miller.



1	Ann Reed
2	Nancy Quidas, Holly Mattox
5	Howard Wooters, Jr.
6	Dulcy Walbridge, Cami Lyons
7	Gene Walbridge, Warren Phillips, Monica Oberkofler
10	Benjamin Gunn, Sean Jacobs
12	Beth Mattox
13	Anna Harvey, Leroy Miller, Beckett Ward
15	Mark Sanger, Timmy Lohr
16	Craig Foxx
17	Sara Urry
19	Debbie Russ, Elise Pittrizzi
20	Robert Clark, Jr., Mark Lednum
22	Sally Lohr
24	Sue Russ, Savannah Miles
25	Jeff Lohr
26	Noah Lohr
28	Larry Fike
29	Julie Reynolds, J.C. Russ, Naomi Willey
30	Sierra Correa



2	Josh & Morgan Kilmon
3	Eric & Patricia Harvey
5	Dennis & Sally Lohr
8	Jeff & Lisa Lohr
12	Jamie & Christa Crannell
13	Jim & Loretta Lohr, Phil & Joy Marshall
14	Todd & Darlena Roesti-Butler
15	Eric & Jody Gunn
23	Randy & Amy Bachand, Ed & Liz Wildasin



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