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Mission Statement

"Sharing the love and blessing of God with all."



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"Let's' Look for the Good"



*In the New Year, let's resolve
to get less stressed, upset or anxious
over things with which we have no control.
Let's have a narrower focus on our lives,
loving and helping our family, friends and neighbors,
making our community a better place to live,
to create peace and contentment.*

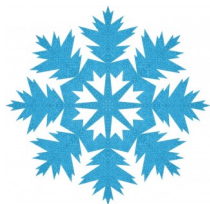


*In the New Year, let's resolve
to pay less attention to depressing stories
on T.V., in magazines and newspapers,
and stop focusing on what WE want
that we haven't got,
instead of appreciating
the many blessings we do have.*



*In this New Year, let's look for the good.
We may have to search our hearts
as we look all around us,
but the good is there,
if we look with the eyes of God.*

*May you have a blessed New Year
filled with good
surrounded on God's love and peace!*



Anonymous



JANUARY Birthdays

- 1 Sean Randall-Jones, Joyce Battle, Kathy Fike, Chad Fike
- 2 Lee Ann Fox
- 4 David Fike, Lois Sanger, Edan Thomas Koenig
- 5 Charles Ball, Jr.
- 7 Julie Griep
- 8 Reed Poore, Charlotte Grubbs, Liam Johnson, Shelby Wood, Robert & Matthew Wooters
- 10 Kathryn Ball, Lyn Banghart
- 11 Larry Milburn, Dylan Seese, Garey Fike, Ian Young
- 12 Aaron Joseph Miller, Patty Schwaninger, Jenson Hagenberger
- 14 Maggie Berkey
- 15 Chad Fox
- 16 Paula Colburn, Aaron Holmes
- 17 Morgan Kilmon
- 18 Garrett Foreman, Terri Jo Tarr
- 19 Brittny Honeman
- 20 Nathan Musch
- 21 Wanda Baynard
- 22 Norma Trax
- 23 Misty Wood, Eric Henderson
- 24 Nick Berkey, David Nalley, Jennifer Grubbs
- 27 Jordan Ball
- 29 Nathan Moore
- 30 Tina Wooters, Lauri Glass, Brandon Miles
- 31 Linda Lyons, Billy Miles, Anna Valliant

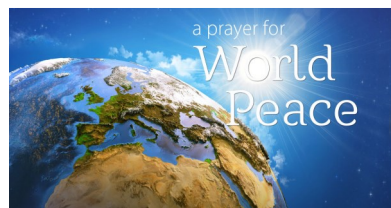
JANUARY Anniversaries

- 14 Michael & Tracy Correa
Robert & Judy Musch
- 23 Gene & Jan Hagenberger
- 26 Phillip & Margie Ridenour
- 27 Jimmy & Linda Mattox



Our Prayer List

Please pray especially for the following individuals and their families: for those who have contracted COVID-19, for health care workers, and for government and civic leaders who are seeking the best way forward, for our District, for all those who have been affected economically, for Camp Mardela and administrator Jennifer Summy, the family of Nancy Moore Scheffler, Eddie Blessing, Ellen Blazek, Brian Femi, Bruce Butler, Scott Baynard, Bonnie Langford, Sandra Showell, Loretta Lohr, Stacey Geisel, Ruth Gunn, Charlie Willis, Adele Pogue, Crystal Windsor, Brenda (a friend to Terri Tarr), Maggie Hegedus, Caitlyn Bussey, Theresa, (co-worker of Terri Tarr), Doris Schwaninger, Wyatt Ewing, Kathy Spurry, Lillian Sefcik, Richard Scott, Billy Harding, Annabel Young, Larry Fike, Alan Segar, GraceWay CoB, Roger Plagge, John Nalley, Dee Candel, Lois Schall, Natalee Jones, continuous prayers for our church family in Nigeria, continued prayers for Comfort Amos, Emerson Fike, Katelyn Howard. Pray for leaders & people that are working towards peace. **Please phone or email the church office to add or remove persons on our prayer list.**



**Monday-Saturday
3:00—4:00 P.M.**

**TRINITY CATHEDRAL
EASTON, MD**

**For more information, please
contact Bruce Butler.**

News from the District Office



The 42nd Annual Disaster Response Auction will be held on Saturday, May 6, 2023, at the Carroll County Agricultural Center 706 Agricultural Center Drive Westminster, MD. Patron ad sign-up is now available in the church narthex. Deadline is Sunday February 5.

Mark your calendar now for the 2023 Empty Bowls

This year's Empty Bowls will be held at St. Mark's UMC in Easton on Saturday, February 25. Tickets will go on sale Monday, January 9. Look for more information in the February newsletter.



Fresh starts

I suppose when we wake on January 1 the world will look the same. But there is a reminder of the Resurrection at the start of each new year, each new decade. That's why I also like sunrises, Mondays and new seasons. God seems to be saying, "With me you can always start afresh."

—Ada Lum
Newsletter Newsletter

Another year for God

Another year is dawning; dear Father, let it be,
in working or in waiting, another year with thee....

Another year of progress, another year of praise,
another year of proving thy presence all the days.

Another year of service, of witness for thy love;
another year of training for holier work above.

Another year is dawning! Dear Father, let it be,
on earth, or else in heaven, another year for thee.

—Frances Ridley Havergal
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Offering and Attendance for December

Attendance	38	37	31	0	106
	12/4/22	12/11/22	12/18/22	12/25/22	Totals
<u>Distributions</u>					0.00
General (06)					
Envelopes	2,300.00	1,240.00	2,675.00	120.00	6,335.00
Loose Change/ Cash	0.00	0.00	20.00	0.00	20.00
Total Before Pre- paid Tithes	2,300.00	1,240.00	2,695.00	120.00	6,355.00
Other Income (06)					
Building Use					
Washington St. Rent	1,700.00				1,700.00
Harrison St. Rent		1,500.00			1,500.00
Totals	1,700.00	1,500.00	0.00	0.00	3,200.00
Special Offerings (07)					
Building/Memorial					
Copper from Down- spouts				917.00	917.00
District Conference Honorarium					0.00
Hospitality					
In Kind					
In & Out					
Totals	1,700.00	1,500.00	0.00	917.00	4,117.00
Totals	4,000.00	2,740.00	2,695.00	1,037.00	13,672.00

Year end giving needs to be made by January 8, 2023. Also, if anyone would like to discontinue receiving church envelopes, please let Lee Ann or Judy know asap!!!

Leadership Team Meeting

The next Leadership Team meeting will be held Monday, January 9 at 1:00 p.m.



Camp Mardela News—from Jen Summy, Camp Administrator

Camp Mardela News Camp Mardela News from Jen Summy:

- ♦ **There are several copies of Camp Mardela's newsletter "The Lane"** in the narthex.
- ♦ **Archive Day - Camp Mardela - January 7, 2023 from 10am-5pm:** Join us for a day of reminiscing and celebration. In preparation for the 75th Anniversary events, we will work on organizing the archive we have, planning these events, and brainstorming activities and presentations. If you are interested in helping with anniversary planning in any capacity, join us at Camp Mardela on this day to help us get ready to celebrate! Visit www.campmardela.org/75th-anniversary for all of Camp Mardela's anniversary information.
- ♦ **Winter Service Day: February 18, 2023 from 9:00-5:00 p.m.** Join in for another Saturday work day as we prepare for winter retreats. We will be cleaning, organizing, and working on maintenance jobs around camp. Lunch will be provided.
- ♦ **Camp Mardela Spring Auction: April 1, 2023 from 8:00-1:00 p.m.** Come to our biggest fundraiser of the year and support camp while getting some great deals! You can support this fundraiser by donating items to sell, or by coning and bidding
- ♦ **Camp's 75th Birthday: May 21, 2023 from 5:00-8:00 p.m.** Join us as we kick-off our anniversary celebrations, complete with all of the traditional birthday fun! This event is free and open to all who want to celebrate with us!
- ♦ **Camp's Anniversary Week-end: September 1-3, 2023.** During Family Camp we will have presentations, displays, and activities celebrating 75 years. Meals and lodging will be available by registration, which will open February, 2023.
- ♦ **Scrip Fundraiser:** We are still running our Scrip fundraising program! Order gift cards through Scrip and Camp Mardela gets a percentage of the sales. Register and order cards at www.shopwithscrip.com. Contact campmardela@gmail.com for the registration code or any other questions.

Thank you for your continued prayers and support for camp and its ministry. It is greatly appreciated and we continue to see the fruit of Camp ministering in the lives of people.

Special dates in January, 2023

- New Year's Day, *January 1*
- Epiphany, *January 6*
- Baptism of the Lord, *January 8*
- Martin Luther King Jr. Day, *January 16*
- Week of Prayer for Christian Unity,
January 18-25



Special Music for January

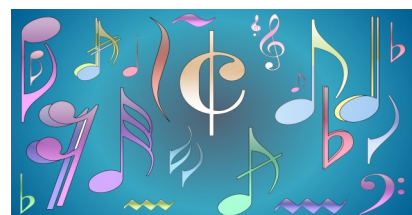
January 1— Cheryl Dayton & Ellen Wile

January 8— Cheryl Dayton

January 15— Liz Wildasin

January 22—Choir

January 29— Jim Samiec



Volunteer Opportunities

Interested in Serving as Worship Leader

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 Marlena Groves (Nurture Chair).

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. **Consider bringing in your non-perishable items when church re-opens.**

Talbot Interfaith Shelter

The 2023 Talbot Interfaith Shelter (TIS) 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 month. Any questions, please contact Norma Trax. **Our next date is January 19, 2023. If you are interested in providing a meal, please sign-up in the narthex.** Two volunteers will be needed for (three) two hour shifts (8:00-11:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. and 2:00-5:00 p.m.) Please sign-up in the narthex or call the office.

Neighborhood Service Center

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

Serving the month of January

	1/1/2023	1/8/2023	1/15/2023	1/22/2023	1/29/2023
Message	Jody Gunn	Wanda Baynard	Jim Lohr		
Worship Leader	Tammy Haddaway	Mat Baynard	Jane Marshall	Sharon Miller	Kevin Wile
Head Usher/ Sound	Geoff Fox	Geoff Fox	Geoff Fox	Geoff Fox	Geoff Fox
Deacons on call	Geoff & Lee Ann Fox	Mat & Wanda Baynard	Les & Marlena Groves	Jane Marshall & Anne Harvey	Leroy & Sharon Miller
Special Music	Cheryl Dayton & Ellen Wile	Cheryl Dayton	Liz Wildasin	Choir	Jim Samiec
Flowers					

HAPPY
New Year

Praise be
to his
glorious
name
forever;
may the whole
earth be filled
with his *glory*.

Psalm 72:19, NIV



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