Date: February 26, 2021

First United Methodist Church Purpose:

✝️ Bring ✝️ Build ✝️ Send ✝️

As believers in Christ as the Son of God, and the Bible as the inspired word of God, we:

▪ Glorify God through worship
▪ Build strong relationships in the church family
▪ Grow in the knowledge of the truth as revealed through Jesus Christ
▪ Serve people as a reflection of the love of Jesus Christ, and
▪ Spread the Good News of the Gospel so that others may come to salvation through grace

Worship with Us on Sunday Mornings!

We would like to invite you to come and join us for our Sunday morning service.

Sunday Worship Time 10:00AM – Facebook Live

Posted on

http://facebook.com/FirstChurchOfLaurel

YouTube Live – Posted on

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCS_SeQq059v2-DugBaSjCVg/

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SERMON CORNER

This Week’s Message: - Why Do Some Demand a Sign?
Even when they had Jesus with them, some demanded a sign. What sign do we need to follow Jesus wherever He leads us? What are we waiting for to be faithful and not doubt?
Scripture: Matthew 16:1-4

Next Week’s Message: - The Transfiguration
Jesus was transfigured before Peter, James, and John. What affect did it seem to have on them? How would that impact us today?
Scripture: Matthew 17:1-13

Ray McDonald’s Blog | Thoughts and Reflections

Rev. Ray writes a devotional thought Monday through Friday each week. You can sign up to receive his posts by e-mail by going to his blog page at www.raymcdonald.wordpress.com

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## Upcoming Events

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### Website:
Please check out our new and improved website at [fumcl.org](http://fumcl.org). If you see any mistakes or think something should be on the site that is not, please let the office know at [office@fumcl.org](mailto:office@fumcl.org). We will try to perfect the site as we develop it. Thanks!

### Building access by appointment only, and we can only occupy the Office, Narthex, Sanctuary, and bathrooms.

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- **Twitter**  
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Tuesday Bible Study!

Join us for the Tuesday Bible Study at 7:00 pm live on Zoom as we Study: The Gospel of Luke 19:28.

Hope to see you there!

If you need the logon info, contact office@fumcl.org
We are supplying bag lunches again for the Laurel Winter Shelter for 3 dates in February. We normally host the women’s shelter at this time. We felt it was a good way to help the people caring for our friends in the shelter. We need 50-200 lunches each day. Several groups have volunteered to organize the 3 days. We still need individuals/families to help support these groups to make as many bag lunches as possible. We are also able to provide masks and small hand sanitizer bottles.

The dates are 2/20 (Saturday), 2/21 (Sunday), and 2/28 (Sunday).

Each bag lunch should contain a sandwich, a juice/water bottle, bag of chips, and a sweet treat of some kind. If you are able to contribute in some way, please contact Bev Raynor at 301-275-5293 or leave a message with the Church office 301-725-3093.

In addition to providing lunches, CCSI (the organization that oversees the Laurel Winter Shelter) is in need of:

1. Masks
2. Cleaning Supplies
   a. Disinfectant Wipes
   b. Fabric Softener or dryer
   c. Lysol Spray
   d. Cleaning Solutions (Spray Bottles)
   e. Laundry Detergent (Pods)
   f. Clorox Bleach
   g. Hand Soap
3. Gift Cards for individuals
   a. Smartrip Metro Cards
   b. Walmart
   c. Target
   d. Wendy’s, Taco Bell, and McDonalds (these are near the Comfort Inn where the shelter will be held)
   e. Grocery Stores

In addition, if you are interested in providing lunches on other dates, you can sign up directly at: http://bit.ly/LaurelWinterShelterLunches. If you have questions or need help with delivery of the items above, please contact the FUMCL Warm Nights team at (240) 554-5703.

Hope House
Our brothers and sisters at Hope House could use the following items for their guests:
Razors Double Blade
Combs
Deodorant
Toothpaste
Toothbrushes
Body Soap
Shampoo
Conditioner

All items can be delivered directly to Hope House at 419 or 429 Main Street, Laurel, MD. 20707
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR FIRN'S NAVIGATOR PROGRAM

When people are new to United States, they have many questions about how to navigate different systems. FIRN is looking to train volunteer Navigators to help guide immigrants through these different processes to ensure they receive necessary support and services.

REQUIREMENTS:

- PHONE + COMPUTER
- 6 MONTH COMMITMENT
- MINIMUM 1 HOUR/ WEEK
- BILINGUAL & MULTILINGUAL VOLUNTEERS HIGHLY NEEDED (ESPECIALLY SPANISH-SPEAKERS)

Email KLlly@firnonline.org to apply
Welcome to Worship

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Join us online

2nd Cup Sunday School – 8:30 am live on Zoom
   Multiple Topics – The Bible

Breakfast Club SS Class – 11:30 am on Zoom

Youth SS Class – 12:00 pm - Zoom

Monday night Bible Study – 7 pm live on Zoom
   God Comes to Serve and Save: The Gospel of Mark

Class info is on our website - www.fumcl.org
7 PM First Church's Fellowship Time
Weekly on Friday
Description: Join Zoom Meeting

Contact the Church Office for Login Info
Isaiah 53:5

But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed.