

**Prospect-Marvin Chapel UMC Newsletter
NOVEMBER-DECEMBER 2022**



GOOD NEWS MESSENGER

PASTOR YOUJUNG JUNG –PASTOR

SUNDAY WORSHIP: MARVIN CHAPEL 9:00AM & PROSPECT 11:00AM

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Letter from the Pastor

And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.

Romans 8:28

Greetings, Church Family!

A few months ago, one of our church family shared the story. I'd like to share the story which has a great message.

A pastor attended a men's breakfast in the middle of a rural farming area of the country. The group had asked an older farmer, decked out in bib overalls, to say grace for the morning breakfast:

"Lord, I hate buttermilk," the farmer began. The visiting pastor opened one eye to glance at the farmer and wondered where this was going.

The farmer loudly proclaimed, "Lord, I hate lard." Now the pastor was growing concerned.

Without missing a beat, the farmer continued, "And Lord, you know I don't much care for raw white flour."

The pastor once again opened an eye to glance around the room and saw that he wasn't the only one to feel uncomfortable.

Then the farmer added, "But Lord, when you mix them all together and bake them, I do love warm fresh biscuits.

So, Lord, when things come up that we don't like, when life gets hard, when we don't understand what

You're saying to us, help us to just relax and wait until You are done mixing. It will probably be even better than biscuits. Amen."

Yes, most of us have experienced suffering, tribulation, trial, and pain in our lives. During messy circumstances in our lives, such questions started to rise: why is this happening? When will it end? Does God even work in this situation? Where is God's good plan for us? We struggle to trust God. But, like farmer's prayer, Romans 8:28 assures us that no suffering is wasted and God is always at work for our good and his glory. When all things come together in our lives, it will be good like Paul said. Therefore, let us be bold and be faithful in God since mixing is not done yet. In this month, we all want to take a moment to thank God that He is working all things together for our good, even in the circumstances where we can't yet see the result.

Blessings,

~Pastor YouJung Jung



SUNDAY SCHOOL

Marvin Chapel 10:15am after service

Prospect 9:45am before service

PROSPECT WORSHIP LEADERS

Nov. 6 – Mary Behanna

Nov. 13- Mike Peterson

Nov. 20- Peggy Slovikosky
Prospect Admin Board after service

Nov. 27 -Laura Schmidt
Won Cho, FBB, guest speaker

Dec. 4 -Joe Slovikosky

Dec. 11- Mike Peterson

Dec. 18- Laura Schmidt
Charge Christmas caroling after service

Dec. 24- Christmas Eve Service
Combined at 7:30pm at Prospect

Dec. 25- Christmas Service
Combined at TBD at Marvin Chapel

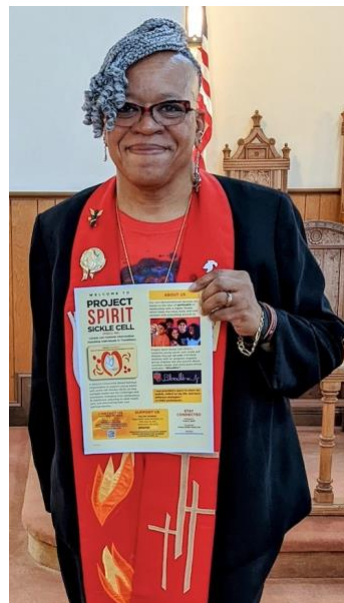


MARVIN CHAPEL WORSHIP LEADER

Mark Arrington/Debi Constantinides

HIGHLIGHTS of SPECIAL SERVICES

On **October 23rd**, **Rev. Lorraine Brown**, Executive Director of **Project SPIRIT Sickle Cell**, shared the



mission of this organization with our churches, which is **to provide spiritual counseling to young adults with sickle cell disease** to explore their personal beliefs as they navigate medical and life transitions as well as the challenges of living with this debilitating disease. The **goals** of the project are **to improve individual health outcomes and life choices for young adults with sickle cell disease** and reduce isolation by **building a network of spiritually aware peers for support**, advice and friendship. Additional information: www.projectspiritsicklecell.org.

Marvin Chapel Receives Gift Portrait from Shelley Angell



Marvin Chapel has always been **Shelley Angell's home church**. **She and her mother Rose Ruff** made this **diamond art photo**, had it matted and framed, and **presented it to Marvin Chapel**. Shelley has wonderful memories as a child of her grandparents taking her to church on Sunday and she wanted to **donate this photo of Jesus in memory of her beloved grandparents Thelma and William Reaver** that she loves and misses so much. ~Mark Arrington

Prospect's Chicken BBQ A Great Success!!

Thanks to all who came out and supported Prospect's annual Chicken BBQ-it was a great success! A special **thank you to Marlene and Doug Barbour** for putting their huge grill back into service after our hiatus during the COVID pandemic and **to Vern Behanna and Joe Slovikosky** for their grilling assistance.



Many thanks to Connie Williams for tending the bake table, **Peggy Slovikosky** for ticket sales and to the kitchen staff-**Mike P., Alice G., Alice H., Pastor YouJung, Laura S., Debbie B.**- who were too busy filling orders to serve the crowd for a picture!! Hope we can serve BBQ to the community again next year!



Apple Butter Making at Marvin Chapel

Apple peeling and chopping...many hands make light the work!



Stirring the apple butter needs lots of helpers



Jim Wimmer, Barry and Michael Donahue

Maria, Timmy, Joshua, and Andrew Rensch from New Beginning Nazarene Church



Roger Thomas from Prospect



Caitlin, Dave, Bella and Charlotte Ward with Mary Kay and Kevin Mull



Behold! The finished product!

660 pints of apple butter were prepared and available for sale. Thank you to New Beginning Nazarene Church for all their help!

And next..... the apple dumplings!



Mary Runkles and Pastor Youjung are preparing the delicious dumplings



with help from Mona Meely, Joan Derr and Dale Clay



**Holiday Bazaar and Christmas Shop
Opens November 5th!**

Mark your calendars for **Marvin Chapel's Holiday Bazaar** taking place on **Saturday, November 5th** from **10am-2pm**. Come for lunch that includes **homemade soups** and **sandwiches**, select dessert from the **bake table** or enjoy delicious **apple dumplings!** Come see what the **vendors** are selling and buy your Christmas gifts early! The **Holiday Shop** is **open Fridays and Saturdays 10am-2pm until Dec.17th**.

United Methodist Women

Marvin Chapel UMW will meet on the **4th Monday at 6pm**. Bring a sandwich and come enjoy the fellowship. **UMW** will hold its **annual Christmas party at 1pm on December 11th**.

Prospect UMW will meet on **November 13 and December 11 at 9:45am**.

Ladies Club

All ladies of both churches are invited for lunch and fellowship on the **3rd Monday of every month at noon at Marvin Chapel**. Bring a sandwich and come have fun with us!

Prospect Trustees Report

The **Prospect Trustees** have contacted multiple stained glass artisans and contractors trying to **gather estimates to repair our stained glass windows**. Although many have been contacted and a few have come to the church, we still haven't been able to find anyone with the skills and price range to do the full range of work. We have **found a contractor who works with stained glass artisans to remove the window over the church entrance and cover and paint the opening**. He'll then be able to determine the extent of the work needed for that particular window which is the one most in need of repair.



~ Joe Slovikosky, chair

**Prospect Assists with
Feds Feeding Families Program**

Prospect United Methodist Church has been honored to be **able to help the Feds Feeding Families Program at Ft. Detrick.** Through the generosity of the Ft. Detrick's veterans and military families, funds were collected to purchase multiple cases of food at their commissary. Our church then helped them to **distribute the food** to two of our local organizations, the **Frederick Rescue Mission** and the **Mt. Airy Net.** We made **two deliveries**, once in August



and then again in October.



The people at both locations were very happy to receive the food. **Mt. Airy Net** told us that the **need** in our community is **greater than ever.** In **October**, the **Feds Feeding Families** provided **26 cases** including rice, peaches, pasta sauce, spaghetti, assorted vegetables, peanut butter, and tuna. When we followed up with the

Mt. Airy Net a week later they let us know the food had already been distributed. We can't **thank the veterans and families of Ft. Detrick** enough for their caring generosity.

~Peggy Slovikosky

*[Editor note: **Thanks to Peggy and Joe Slovikosky for identifying this outreach program through daughter Michelle who works at the Ft. Detrick commissary and for transporting the food to these locations!!**]*

Prospect Witness & Outreach News

During the holiday season we have many opportunities to serve:

- 1) Donations for **Thanksgiving dinner for Parr's Ridge Elementary School family.**
- 2) Donations for **Christmas dinner and gifts for Parr's Ridge family.**
- 3) **Monetary donation** (suggested donation \$15) to be used **for gifts for refugee children** at a Christian school in the United Nations **Syrian refugee camp in Jordan** through Won Cho and Friendship Beyond Borders.
- 4) **Salvation Army gift bags** for children ages 2-12 **due Dec. 4th**
- 5) Donations for **UMCOR Cleaning Buckets.**



*Signup sheets are in the library. Please provide help as your heart leads you to those in need this Christmas season.

~ Laura Schmidt , Chair

NEWSLETTER ARTICLES

Due Dec. 25 for Jan.-Feb. edition

Give to Laura Schmidt

Or send to Charge email

Photo credits for this edition:

Mark Arrington

Mt. Airy CROP Hunger Walk
Fights Hunger One Step at a Time!
 Prospect and Marvin Chapel were well represented at the Mt. Airy CROP Hunger Walk on October 22nd. Over 30 people from 6 Mt. Airy churches walked along the Watkins Park Trail and raised over \$7500



Prospect & Marvin Chapel walkers
 Peggy Slovikosky, Alice Green,
 Pastor YouJung, Deb and John
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 Laura Schmidt & granddaughter
 Lucy Tetreault

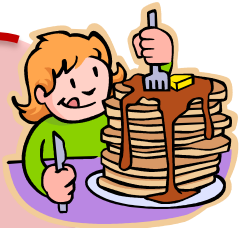
to help stock food pantries across our nation, and provide wells, sustainable livestock for food and income, and seeds and fertilizer for gardens to folks across our world. Importantly, 25% of funds raised will stay in Mt. Airy to help our neighbors in need through the Mt. Airy NET. Thanks to Peggy Slovikosky who served as treasurer, Myrna Highland who was a registrar, Debi Constantinides, Team Leader, and Boy Scout Troop 460 for all their help. This was our 10th Mt. Airy CROP Walk and we hope you will come join the fun and fellowship in 2023!

~Laura Schmidt, Walk Coordinator

Mark Arrington, here with Pastor YouJung, provided music as we gathered



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!!



**Pancake and Sausage
 Breakfast
 December 10, 2022
 7:00am-noon
 Prospect Social Hall
 \$10 for adults
 \$5 for kids 6-12
 kids 5 and under free**

**Buckwheat & Regular
 Pancakes
 Country Sausage
 Milk, Juice, Coffee
 ALL YOU CAN EAT**

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Saturday – November 5, 2022
10:00am to 2:00pm



Christmas Shop, Thrift Shop and Vendors
Bake Sale Table and Lunch Items

Featuring

Home Made Apple Dumplings
Home Made Soup
Pints and Quarts



Starting November 5th through December 17, 2022
Holiday Shop Open Fridays and Saturdays 10:00-2:00

**1/2 mile North of MD 144,
Between Mt. Airy and New Market
5101 Woodville Road, Mt. Airy, MD**

For Vendor Information Call: 301.524.3616