## Prospect-Marvin Chapel UMC Newsletter JULY-AUGUST 2023



### **GOOD NEWS MESSENGER**

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SUNDAY WORSHIP: MARVIN CHAPEL 9:30AM & PROSPECT 11:00AM

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### Letter from the Pastor

A few weeks ago. I had an opportunity to see the show It's Moses at Sight and Sound Theatre. That show reminds me of why we better trust and love God more than anything. Back in the days when Israelites were slaves in Egypt, Moses was born. At that time. Pharaoh commanded to kill all the baby boys. Moses' mom tried so hard to save the life of her baby boy Moses by hiding him from the sight of the Egyptian soldiers. But, once they could not hide him any longer, she had to let him go. She put him in a papyrus basket and courageously placed the basket among the reeds at the river bank. It was a tough decision for her because Moses was just three months old and he was her precious baby boy. Even Bible says that Moses was too

beautiful, fine, good, and not an ordinary child.

Even though she didn't really want to let him go, even though it was so dangerous and risky to leave the baby alone in the basket, she had to let him go and place him in God's hand. I can't even imagine the emotions and feelings she had as she placed Moses down in the water and backed away.

But, notice what happened to Moses and to his mother when she trusted God and put God first. God had a better plan for her son, Moses. The Pharaoh's daughter found the basket where Moses' mother put her baby and "took pity on him." Even though she could kill him, she didn't. It wasn't just luck. It was God. It was God's provision and protection over him.

And notice how much this mother got blessed after letting him go. Moses' life was safe for sure. And she did get Moses back. She did let him go in the hands of God and she did get him back. She was able to nurture him physically and spiritually. She got a new job, raising her baby boy. She didn't have to do a slave job because of Pharaoh's daughter's command. Also, Moses got free education in the Palace. Notice all the good things that came to him and to his family because this woman courageously and boldly put God first and trusted Him. God's plan for her children was bigger than hers and God's provision and protection led her to a blessing far greater than she likely imagined. Putting God first more than anyone else and trusting him is worth it. Way more worth it than you imagine.

I pray and hope we all put God first, trust Him and love Him more than anything.

~ Pastor YouJung Jung



#### **SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Marvin Chapel 10:45am after service

Prospect 9:45am before service from July 9 to July 30, then take a break til September.

#### PROSPECT WORSHIP LEADERS

July 2 – Laura Schmidt Coffee & Donuts 10:30am

July 9 - Peggy Slovikosky

**July 16 –** Joe Slovikosky

**July 23 – Mike Peterson** 

July 30 - Mary Behanna

August 6 - Charge Service & Picnic 10:00am at Joan Derr's home

August 13 - Mary Behanna

August 20 -Laura Schmidt

**August 27**-Mike Peterson

### MARVIN CHAPEL WORSHIP LEADER

Mark Arrington/Debi Constantinides

#### **HIGHLIGHTS of SPECIAL SERVICES**

On June 4th, our churches were blessed with wonderful uplifting music by Richard Arrington and the First Fruits Gospel Band.





Deb Morris-Constantinides delivered the message on Father's Day, June 18th and honored all the fathers in our congregations.

United Methodist Women
Marvin Chapel will meet on the 4<sup>th</sup>
Monday at 6pm. Bring a sandwich
and come enjoy the fellowship.

**Prospect** will **meet** again in **September.** 

#### **Ladies Club**

All ladies invited for lunch and fellowship on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of every month at noon at Marvin Chapel. Bring a sandwich and come have fun with us!

### PROSPECT-MARVIN CHAPEL MOTHER-DAUGHTER BANQUET

On May 22<sup>nd</sup>, our annual Mother-Daughter Banquet sponsored by the United Methodist Women was held in Prospect Social Hall. Fried chicken and delicious homemade dishes were on the menu and we enjoyed a great evening of fellowship together.



Mike, Peggy and Joan fill their plates

Mark Arrington shared his gardening expertise with us, providing tips for growing beautiful flowers and delicious vegetables, with some additional ideas shared by the ladies in the audience!



Thanks to Peggy Slovikosky for organizing the meal and special thanks to Mark for helping us with our spring plantings! Hope to see everyone again next year!



### **Prospect Witness & Outreach News**

Thanks to all the ladies from both churches who attended the annual Baby Shower on May 7th in support of CareNet Pregnancy Center in Frederick. Lots of wish list items were collected for the mothers-to-be and new babies who are supported by this outreach. A very special thanks to Amy Hands and Alice Hancock for preparing a delicious lunch and organizing shower games providing lots of fun and fellowship for all!



Amy and Alice delivered a minivan full of baby related donations, which were very much appreciated by the CareNet staff and clients.

Prospect's summer mission outreach activities include preparing hygiene kits to replenish the UMCOR supply and filling backpacks with school supplies for 13 children in need at Parr's Ridge Elementary School. School supply lists and signups for these specific children and hygiene kit supply lists are in the Prospect library. Thanks for your support of these important opportunities to serve.

~Laura Schmidt, Chair

### MARVIN CHAPEL THRIFT SHOP OPEN WITH SUMMER SPECIALS!

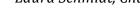
The Marvin Chapel Thrift Shop is ready for summer! All swim suits will be ½ off including cover ups and beach totes. Lots of summer items for family picnics and reunions. You can fill-a-bag of clothes for \$4.00. Men's slacks are going to be \$3.00 a bag or 50 cents a pair. So come on out and visit us!

Happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July! ~Linda Clay

### Come join us for the Charge Picnic at the Derr Farm



On August 6<sup>th</sup>, we will have a combined worship service at 10:00am at Joan Derr's home, 1250 Quiet Stream Ct, Mt. Airy followed by a pot luck lunch. Bring a dish to share and your swim suit for a dip in the pond! We hope to see everyone there for a time of worship and fellowship in this beautiful natural setting. Please bring a lawn chair for seating.



### MARVIN CHAPEL SPRING FLING a GREAT SUCCESS!

On May 6<sup>th</sup>, Marvin Chapel held a very successful annual Spring Fling. Thank you to everyone who donated, worked or came out and supported this community outreach-a great time of fun and fellowship was had by all!



Richard and Mark enjoy lunch and good conversation with Rosa and Bobbie





Pastor YouJung shops for pretty linens, while Alice and her friend check out the bargains!



Kitchen crew Penni, Cliff, Rick, Deb & Mona keep the food coming!



Penni, Hilda and Cliff share a laugh



MaryKay, Mary and Sandy sell sweet treats at the bake table



Marvin's Thrift Store did brisk business during the Spring Fling with lots of help from Myrna, her grandson and Becky

### Report of United Methodist Baltimore-Washington Conference, May 31 -June 3, 2023

I attended the 239th Session of the Baltimore-Washington Conference of the United Methodist Church and it was wonderful seeing so many of God's people working together. The conference went over the budget for this coming year. The financial books closing for 2023 is set for January 9, 2024. They discussed the mission shares, grants, and discipline expenses. They approved Clergy Bereavement Protocol policy. New policy was voted on and will go into effect this year.

The churches were voted on for church disaffiliations, which will include a total of twenty three churches. A total of four churches will be closing due to low membership. Love in Action was a creative outreach in which a wonderful group of many volunteers helped pack book bags for elementary school students. There were five buses of volunteers who helped in the local schools. These events allowed all of us to participate and feel a sense of helping others within a community of love.

Submitted,
Deb Morris-Constantindes CLM

NEWSLETTER ARTICLES

Due August 27 for Sept-October edition
Give to Laura Schmidt or send to Charge email.

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### **MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!**

# PROSPECT CHICKEN BBQ

September 16, 2023 Noon-6pm



1/4 CHICKEN (WHITE OR DARK)
CHOICE OF TWO SIDES:
BAKED BEANS, COLE
SLAW, POTATO SALAD

**ROLL AND DRINK** 

**BAKE TABLE** 



COME ONE! COME ALL!
COME HUNGRY!!!