

Prospect-Marvin Chapel UMC Newsletter
MAY-JUNE 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

“Enough of this, God! Take my life—I’m ready to join my ancestors in the grave (1 Kings 19:5)!”

This is what an exhausted and burn-out prophet said to God. After his great triumph atop Mount Carmel against false prophets, a wicked queen Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah with a death threat. Prophet Elijah, worn out emotionally, physically, mentally, and spiritually, ran away and hid from the sight of people. We wonder what happened to his faith. He is one of the greatest prophets that we know. Now he is complaining to God and all of a sudden he wanted to disappear from this world.

Man of God, you better fix that attitude. If not, God will scorn you for

your lack of faith. Right? But, that’s not happened to him. Instead of waking him up and making him keep doing his ministry, God sent an angel for him. God made him take some rest in a cave. He did sleep and sleep. And, the angel woke him up and gave him food and water. And he did sleep again. He slept more and more. And again, the angel woke him up and gave him food. God didn’t drive him out to do work, work, and work for God. Instead of pushing him, God gave him a rest and sent an angel to help him to fully rest! After Elijah got refueled through the rest, God tells Elijah to leave the cave and get back to work.

When we have a breakdown like the prophet Elijah, our compassionate God wants us to fully rest in Him. Instead of pushing us, God

allows us to rest first. How awesome is it to know that God wants us to take some rest when we are drained? God even prepared all the stuff that we need for our full rest- shelter, an angel, food, water, and even sleep! That is our loving and compassionate God who allows us to be in the cave and refuels and re-energizes us until we are recovered from being spent.

Dear brothers and sisters in God, I am sure there was, is, and will be a moment of “Nobody knows what you had to deal with” or break you down. You are not alone. Our compassionate and loving God is with you. You don’t have to push yourself or be hard on yourself. Give it all to God. The all-knowing God already prepared for that moment. Our God who truly loves us not only will allow us to rest but also will provide everything that we need for our rest.

*Grace and Peace to you,
Pastor YouJung Jung*

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Marvin Chapel 10:45am after service

Prospect 9:45am before service except UMW meeting days (5/21 & 6/18).

PROSPECT WORSHIP LEADERS

May 7 - Joe Slovikosky
Coffee & Donuts 10:30am

May 14 - Mike Peterson

May 21 - Laura Schmidt

May 28 - Mary Behanna

June 4 - Mike Peterson
Coffee & Donuts 10:30am

June 11 - Joe Slovikosky

June 18 -Peggy Slovikosky

June 25 -Mary Behanna

MARVIN CHAPEL WORSHIP LEADER

Mark Arrington/Debi Constantinides

HIGHLIGHTS of SPECIAL SERVICES

Pastor YouJung led us in a chilly but **beautiful Easter sunrise service** held at 6:30am at **Marvin Chapel**. Members of **Prospect and Marvin Chapel were joined by** worshipers from the **New Beginning Nazarene Church**. After the service, everyone enjoyed a delicious breakfast and time of fellowship.



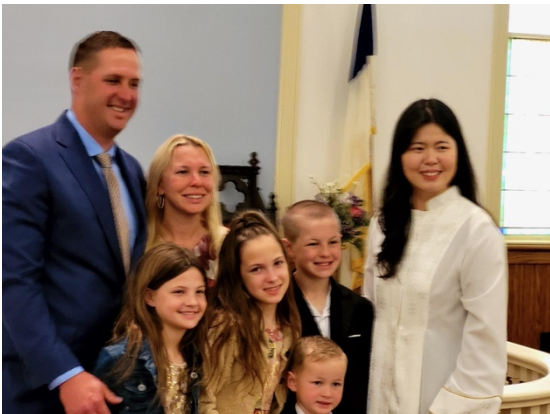
Dale and Mary Runkles were welcomed as new **members** of **Marvin Chapel** at the **April 16th** service.



On April 30th, Marvin Chapel welcomed their newest member into their church family. Jaxon Douglas Lampe, youngest son of Christie and Cullen Lampe, was baptized by Pastor YouJung,



here surrounded by his loving family.
Welcome Jaxton!



United Methodist Women

Marvin Chapel UMW will meet **4th** Monday of every month at **6:00pm.**

Prospect UMW will meet on **May 21st** and **June 18th** at **9:45am.**

Mother-Daughter Banquet **Coming Soon!**

Please **join us** for our **annual Mother-Daughter Banquet** sponsored by the United Methodist Women to be held in **Prospect Social Hall on Monday, May 22nd at 6pm.** Fried chicken will be provided. Please **bring a dish to share** and come join the fun and fellowship. **Mark Arrington will be sharing his gardening expertise** with tips to get our gardens ready for spring planting. Hope to see you all there!

Time to Update Prayer Chain

Our Prayer Chain is in **need of updating** so if you would like to be added please let **Peggy Slovikosky** at **Prospect** or **Penni Beck** at **Marvin Chapel** know that you are interested.

Prospect Administrative Board **Meets**

The **Administrative Board** will meet on **May 15th** at **7pm** in **Prospect library.**

EASTER FESTIVAL at PROSPECT **A Great Success!**

Despite the rainy weather, the 2nd annual **Easter Festival** hosted by **Prospect United Methodist Women** on **April 1st** was a great success! Many **children from the community** along with their parents came out to **participate** in the “indoor” **Easter egg hunt**, and then were offered a **variety of fun activities**. **Mike** entertained the children with her **animal puppets**, while explaining the do's and don'ts of what to do if we discover injured animals in the wild.



The **children could make** pinecone-peanutbutter-seed **bird feeders**, or **play ball toss** with Emma,



assemble cute Easter themed crafts,



or decorate (and eat!) a delicious sugar cookie!



Pastor YouJung and Barbara took care of customers at the indoor yard sale,



while Connie took charge of the bake table.

Thanks to Peggy Slovikosky for organizing this fun community outreach **with** lots of **help from her family** (Joe, sister Anne, grandkids Emma & Morgan) **and the hard-working team of church members** who made it all happen!



Hope to see you all again next year!

Ladies Club Taffy Pull

At the last Ladies Club gathering, the ladies all had great fun cooking up a batch of delicious taffy and then **“pulling” the taffy** until it was the perfect consistency for eating!



Joan, Hilda and Rose showed us **how it’s done!** Everyone had a chance to taste this delicious confection, and the rest was packaged for sale at the Spring Fling. **Come join us** for more fun on the **3rd Monday of every month at noon at Marvin Chapel.**

Prospect Witness & Outreach News

The recent devastating earthquake **has killed** over **50,000** people in **Turkey and Syria** and left **thousands more without food and shelter.**



During the Lenten season, we collected monetary donations, and **were able to reach our goal of \$1,000 to be sent to UMCOR** to help with the relief efforts. **Thanks to everyone who donated** and please **keep those affected** by this terrible natural disaster **in your prayers.**

A big thank you to all who donated supplies and helped assemble 114 Easter baskets for the **women and children served by Heartly House**, a place of refuge for those who have experienced domestic violence. We hope that these beautiful baskets and sweet treats brought some cheer to those who have had such traumatic experiences in their lives.



Don’t forget the **Baby Shower on May 7th following Prospect’s service in support of CareNet Pregnancy Center** that helps young moms and moms-to-be with diapers, baby supplies and clothing for ages 0-2 years. **Donations of diapers size 4-7, baby wash, lotion, and diaper cream are appreciated.** Come for lunch and stay for the fun with your church friends! **Thanks to Alice Hancock and Amy Hands** for organizing this fun afternoon.



~Laura Schmidt, Chair

MARVIN CHAPEL THRIFT SHOP
OPEN WITH SPRING SPECIALS!

The **Marvin Chapel Thrift Shop** has lots of **spring specials coming!** Bathing suits, swim trunks for men and boys, beach towels, cover ups, beach totes, spring hand bags and hats are all out! Lots of flower pots and spring décor- **come on out and share the day with us. Don't forget our Spring Fling, May 6th 10am-2pm!**

~Linda Clay

NEWSLETTER ARTICLES

Due June 25 for July-August edition

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Marvin Chapel Church



Food, Friends and Fun Thrift Shop, Vendors

Saturday – May 6, 2023

10:00am to 2:00pm

**Barbeque, Chicken Salad, Ham,
Grilled Hot Dogs and More!**

Bake Sale

Cakes-Pies-Cookies
And More

Homemade Soups

Bowls-Pints-Quarts

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