

**Prospect-Marvin Chapel UMC Newsletter
JULY-AUGUST 2024**



GOOD NEWS MESSENGER

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

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Letter from the Pastor



I am glad to greet you first through this newsletter.

My name is Keystone Bokkeun Lee, and I am the pastor who will be serving the Lord's churches, Marvin Chapel UMC, and Prospect UMC, with you starting this Sunday, July 7th, 2024. Here, if you wonder why the pastor put the name of the church

Marvin Chapel UMC first, it is because I followed by the worship service time. I have a wife, Jinyoung, and a son, Simon. Also, my mother lives in my house together.

Perhaps in the future, many stories about me and my family will be told to you through sermons, Bible studies, and various church meetings and events. It also means so many twists and turns in my life. Therefore, if you have any questions about me, you will naturally know and hear them if you always or frequently attend Sunday services, Bible studies, and various church meetings.

I had the opportunity to tour both church buildings after meeting with several church leaders at the annual conference on Saturday, June 15th.

And there, I saw traces of how you have served and protected the Lord's church for a long time, and I was truly honored. And I have been truly proud to be able to join you on that glorious path as your pastor.

Therefore, in this beautiful mission and ministry of the Lord, and in the processes of that ministry, I have pledged to work with you to add strength to the ministry you have worked so hard to maintain and build a church that is even more beautiful. And that the Lord Jesus Christ will be proud of us, you and I, if we work together to expand the mission and ministry.

I end my short greeting with a sincere hope that in the future, the church will become a joyful church that will be talked about by many people, especially our neighbors, and will be even more vibrant.

*Blessings,
Rev. Keystone Lee*



SUNDAY SCHOOL & BIBLE STUDY

Marvin Chapel 10:45am after service

Prospect 9:45am before service.
Summer study dates TBD.

CHARGE WORSHIP CALENDAR & PROSPECT WORSHIP LEADERS

July 7 – Laura Schmidt
Coffee & Donuts PUMC 10:30am

July 14 – *Joint Contemporary Service
Marvin Chapel 10:00am followed by
Welcome Lunch for Rev. Lee & Family*

July 21 – Joe Slovikosky

July 28 – Mike Peterson

August 4 – Mary Behanna
Coffee & Donuts PUMC 10:30am

August 11 – *Joint Service at
Joan Derr's home at 11am
12560 Quiet Stream Ct. Mt. Airy
followed by a picnic lunch*

August 18 – Peggy Slovikosky

August 25 – Mike Peterson

MARVIN CHAPEL WORSHIP LEADERS

Mark Arrington/Debi Constantinides

HIGHLIGHTS of SPECIAL SERVICES

We continue to enjoy gathering together for joint **contemporary services** at Marvin Chapel on the second Sundays of each month. We are excited that our **praise choir** has “doubled” in size and now **includes Mona Meely and Mike Peterson with Candice Shaver and Laura Schmidt.**



Pastor YouJung's sisters had to return to Korea (so we lost our drummer!) but **Pastor YouJung** accompanied the group **on the keyboard.....**



and **Mark Arrington** joined her on the **piano**. Please join us for the **next contemporary service on July 14th** at Marvin Chapel at 10:00a.m.!

Pastor YouJung's last Sunday preaching in our churches was **June 9th** and our new pastor's appointment did not begin until July 7th. We were blessed to have **Debi Constantinides**, lay minister and Marvin Chapel member, **offer the Sunday message on June 16th and June 30th**. Thank you, Debi, for your willingness to serve our churches by sharing the Gospel and what God has put on your heart!



Major Kelly English, Corps Officer from the Salvation Army, spoke in our churches on July 23rd and shared what this organization has been doing to help those in need in Frederick County. In addition to donating gifts to the Salvation Army each Christmas, our congregations were inspired by Major English to volunteer our services wherever they are needed.



On June 2, Jaxson and Kaylie Lampe helped Pastor YouJung serve communion at Marvin Chapel. It is so wonderful to involve the children in the service and they did very well!



HAPPY BIRTHDAY, JOHN!



On **June 16th**, Marvin Chapel hosted a **birthday celebration for John Constantinides**. Congrats, John!

PROSPECT WITNESS & OUTREACH NEWS



On **June 23rd**, Prospect held their annual **Baby Shower in support of CareNet Pregnancy Center**. Many baby items and clothing were donated. A delicious lunch was served and everyone had lots of fun playing games and enjoyed a time of fellowship with church members. **Thanks to all who donated items and to Amy Hands and Alice Hancock** for organizing such a fun afternoon for a great cause!

Prospect has **partnered** with **Parr's Ridge Elementary School** to **fill 12 backpacks for children** in need for the new school year. Sign ups for specific girl/boy and grades are available in the Prospect library. Backpacks are **due August 25th** and thanks!



Opportunities to Serve
Pleasant View Nursing Home in Mt. Airy is **looking for volunteers** to help with the residents. If interested, please contact Thais Derr, Activities Leader, by text (no calls, please) 667-218-9192 or email nascimento.derr@gmail.com.

They have enough clothing for now, but are still very **interested in magazines and crafting materials**. A collection box is in Prospect library.

Mt. Airy NET Food Pantry needs our help! The food pantry **shelves are very bare** this summer. Please consider **picking up extra food** when shopping and place in Prospect's food donation box for the Mt. Airy NET.

~Laura Schmidt, Chair

Prospect Trustees Report
Prospect has **two beautiful new windows installed in our church foyer**. The sunlight coming through the new windows is wonderful. There is still some touch up to be done. One of the windowpanes was broken during installation but has been replaced and just needs some final touches. We are now **working towards repairing the two round windows** immediately above the two just replaced. There is some concern we might have water leaking around the seals into the plaster walls, so we want to repair them as soon as possible. *~Joe Slovikosky, Chair*

Ladies Club

All ladies 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!

United Methodist Women

Marvin Chapel will be meeting as a congregation going forward-time and date to be determined.

Prospect will meet on **July 7th at 9:30am** in the library to plan for fall activities.

Come join us for the Charge Picnic at the Derr Farm



On **August 11th**, we will have a **combined worship service at 11:00am** 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.

PROSPECT-MARVIN CHAPEL MOTHER-DAUGHTER BANQUET FUN FOR ALL!

Mothers, daughters, friends and family from both churches **joined together** on **May 20th** for a **wonderful evening** that included delicious fried chicken, lots of homemade side dishes and a special cake....



Dr. Paul Burkett, a retired dentist living in Mt. Airy, **shared his experiences** visiting the Holy Land, Israel and Jordan.



Thanks to Peggy Slovikosky and Prospect UMW for organizing this great event!



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



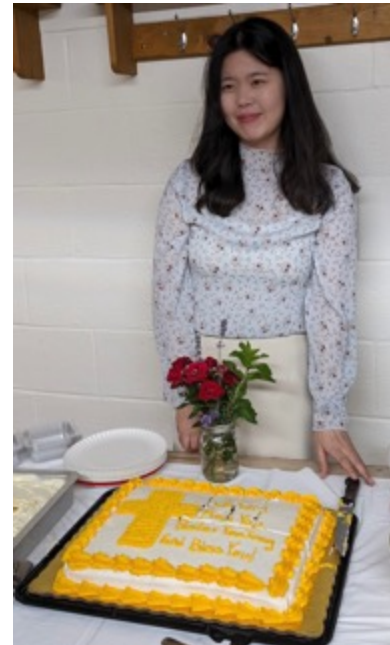
The **Marvin Chapel Thrift Shop** is ready for summer! Many items are **½ off!** Lots of summer clothes appropriate for family picnics and reunions. You can **fill-a-bag of clothes for \$5.00**. So **come on out and visit us!**

**FAREWELL TO PASTOR YOUJUNG
WE WILL MISS YOU!!**

On **June 9th**, we **bid Pastor YouJung Jung** a fond **farewell** as she heads to her new appointment in Rockville. **Debi Constantinides** presented a **gift from the Charge** to help her get settled in her new home.



We shared a wonderful time of fellowship and a delicious potluck lunch in her honor. Many shared their favorite memories and fondness for our pastor, her inspiring sermons, her beautiful music, her kindness and her grace.



We wish you the very best in your new church ministry, Pastor YouJung! We love you and we will miss you!

NEWSLETTER ARTICLES

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