



The Caller

May 1, 2014

Last Sunday, Mark Pfarrer kicked off our Capital Fund Drive by recalling the first Sunday, nearly twenty years ago (it was October 2, 1994) when Rev. McDaniel led the congregation from the previous worship space, now our fellowship hall, into our new sanctuary. As the congregation walked in they were asked to take off their shoes and feel the carpet of the sacred space which would be their new home. That day was the culmination of many long years struggle to complete the campus plan. In the past twenty years the Lord has blessed this church. The architectural design has stood the test of time. As the landscaping around the church has matured, the view outside the windows is even more spectacular during each change of seasons. The Lord is good.

Mark went on to say we have reached the point in the life of the church family to have "The Talk." The Talk is the conversation that families must reluctantly have at various moments during their life together. The Talk is the frank discussion about the necessity to marshal the resources and make the decisions to secure the investment in the family home. This is a conversation many families put off. There are always some who think now is not the right time. Couldn't we wait a few more years? Mark is very experienced in the upkeep and care of the building. When the heat or air conditioning is not working, Mark is who I call at 7:30 AM Sunday morning. Mark and son Daniel replace light bulbs in the exit lights and high up on the ceiling.

He knows the facilities and he designs large governmental buildings.

After nearly 10 years of dedicated effort, and several hundred thousands of dollars, we have restored Dodds Hall and the CE Building. We still have some work to do in the church kitchen and the installation of new restrooms in the CE is about to start, but we know that now is the right time to tackle some major upgrades to our Sanctuary. You will be receiving a letter asking you to make a pledge toward our restoration of the Sanctuary. The main components of the work will be included in a brochure to be distributed to everyone. As Mark mentioned, the main components in the work include the following: re-shingle the Sanctuary roof, replace the malfunctioning heating and air conditioning system, install of new carpet and refurbish the pews and chairs. When you add re-surfacing of the parking lot and work in the kitchen, we have almost \$250,000 work that needs immediate attention.

The Capital Campaign Committee is already out telling the story. Your Elder and Deacons will be given a complete presentation of the work on May 5 and they will be asked to make a commitment to the project ahead of the May 18th Pledge Sunday. I would ask you to prayerfully consider how you can support this important project.

Together in service,

James Brassard



REPORT ON *Elijah's Bowl*

Elijah's Bowl was held on April 12, 2014 at Grace Lutheran Church.

Participants from CCPC were Kathryn McCarty; Alex Bourne; Mary and Scott Brock; Matt, Tamara, and Evie Kaye; Debbie Sell; Sharon Mcnamara; Ruth Hammett; Laurel Cox; Kemi Dodji; and Deborah Cooper.

The menu served was ham, potato salad, coleslaw, green beans, rolls, fruit salad, and chocolate chip cookies. Ten guests came and received information about rent assistance from Donny Philips from CCSI. The knitting group from Grace gave each person a hand knitted or hand crocheted blanket.

Our next opportunity to provide the food is October 11, 2014.

Thank you to all who participated by donating food, money, and service.

Susan Brutout
Mission Chair

Thank You!

Thank you everyone for being part of "Team Paulina". It was surprising how much the prayers, little chats, and comforting notes helped while Paulina was dealing with postpartum complications. It felt like many healing hands.

Paulina is about 90% healed now. Although it will be a long road to full recovery, she's been given the okay to travel so she and Baby Emilio can be reunited with Daddy Emilio in the Netherlands.

- Mark and Becky Pfarrer

Friendly Reminders

May 3 – Youth Car Wash in the CCPC parking lot from 9 AM to Noon

May 4 – Congregational Meeting in the Sanctuary following the 10 AM worship service

May 18 – CCPC Capital Drive Potluck Picnic in Dodds Hall after the 10 AM worship service

June 15 – Deposit of \$40 due for *Moses* bus trip. Actual bus trip is July 24. Contact Marge Clark

August 3 – Save the Date from August 3 to 9 for Almost Heaven Habitat Build at Camp Wood in Greenbriar County, WV

Worship Notes

May 4: The story of the long walk of Jesus and two of his followers on Easter afternoon is a familiar story. The walk to Emmaus has often been used as a metaphor of the Christian's journey through the ups and downs of life. The sermon is titled "The Road from Hopelessness to Hope."

May 11: This is Good Shepherd Sunday (and Mother's Day). We will read the "Shepherd Psalm," (Psalm 23) and John 10 where we see the shifting metaphors of Jesus as the Good Shepherd and then the Gate to the Sheepfold. These rural images are used to talk about eternal life. We will celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism.



May Sunday Calendar

† Sunday, May 4, 2014

8:30 AM Chapel Worship Service -- Sanctuary
10:00 AM Worship with Communion -- Sanctuary
10:30 AM Sunday School: Cradle Roll through 5th Grade
11:00 AM Congregational Meeting -- Sanctuary
11:15 AM Confirmation Class -- Pastor's Office
6:30 PM Youth Group -- Sr. High Room

† Sunday, May 18, 2014

Music Sunday
9:30 AM Special Music Pre-Worship Service
10:00 AM Worship -- Sanctuary
10:30 AM Sunday School: Cradle Roll through 5th Grade
10:30 AM Sunday Morning Connect: Jr. and Sr. High
11:00 AM Capital Drive Potluck Picnic
6:30 PM Youth Group -- Sr. High Room
6:30 PM Youth Pizza Making -- Carrie Casto's Home

† Sunday, May 11, 2014

Happy Mother's Day!
8:30 AM Chapel Worship Service -- Sanctuary
10:00 AM Worship with Rice Baptism -- Sanctuary
10:30 AM Sunday Morning Connect: Jr. and Sr. High
10:30 AM Sunday School: Cradle Roll through 5th Grade
11:15 AM A Bible Surprise Wedding Anniversary!
6:30 PM Discovery Circle -- Parlor
6:30 PM Youth Group -- Sr. High Room
7:00 PM Chesapeake Chorale Board Meeting -- Adult Ed Conf

† Sunday, May 25, 2014

10:00 AM Worship with Onwuteaka Baptism -- Sanctuary
10:30 AM Sunday Morning Connect: Jr. and Sr. High



Seeking CCPC Youth Coordinator

CCPC is seeking a proactive and energetic leader for its youth program. Demonstrated experience in youth ministry will be required. This will be a part-time position (20 hours/week). We are asking our fellow congregants to please consider if you know any interested persons or referrals to apply for this important position. We would like to have the position filled and the fall program starting strong by the beginning of September. Please pass along any suggestions to Kristen Zacheis, Youth Elder on Session (ccpcyouth15@gmail.com or cell phone (845) 729-8125).

Youth Ministry Chaperones Needed

Youth ministry is seeking chaperones for the Montreat Retreat (27 July – 2 Aug) and the Junior High Retreat (27 – 29 June). This is a wonderful way to support the youth ministry and get to know the inspiring youth we are raising in our church. Please consider if you are interested and have the time to share. It would be a fulfilling experience! Get in touch with Debbie Armstrong (Debbie.armstrong@dbr.com) or Kristen Zacheis (ccpcyouth15@gmail.com) for more information. Blessings!

Christmas Families

Are you traveling this summer?

This year, we plan to give families personal items as a supplement to their gifts.

Many of you travel and are given small items like soap, lotion, shampoo, etc. by hotels, cruise ships, and other hospitality groups.

Please bring back any extras and put them in the bag marked Christmas Families in the church office.

Thank you,
Roxanne Johnson
Francis Rocha





A Bible Surprise!

Fifty years ago on May the 9th two wonderful people were married. There truly are not enough words to describe what they mean to us or how much they have touched and impacted our lives! We are so incredibly grateful for everything they have done and for everything they have taught us. We could never ask for a better example or find two people who were such exceptional role models. Most of all, we are so grateful for all the ways you have shown us what unconditional love is all about. We are so blessed to have you as parents and grandparents.

In celebration of this monumental occasion we would like to invite you to a celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary on **Sunday, May 11th at 11:15 AM in Dodds Hall**. We are putting together a memory book and would like to include any notes, special memories, thoughts and well wishes or any pictures anyone would like to share. We look forward to seeing you on this special day. Blessings to you all.

Sarah Bible, Rebecca and Sean Sullivan, Mark and Shirley Bible, and Liam, Hannah, Kaitlin, Ashlin, Chris, and Connor

New Deacons and Elders

Chairperson Susan Brutout and the Church Officer Nominating committee will place the following names into nomination at the May 4th Congregational meeting to be held immediately following the 10 AM worship service.

Slate of Officers for the Class of 2017

Elders

ALEX BOURNE
DENNIS EVANS
DON GENSON
BILL RADDEN-LESAGE
WAYNE SMITH

Deacons

DAVE HONEYFORD
DODJI KOLMAN
JULIA LEAMAN
SKIP OATES
KRIS ROSS

Thank you to the committee who agreed to serve and worked tirelessly to find people: Johnny Guy, Marshall Saylor, Steve Webb, Mary Keller, Sharon Youngdahl, James Brassard

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Brutout,
Nominating Committee Chair

Potluck Picnic!

On May 18th in Dodds Hall join us for a potluck picnic to celebrate our Capital Campaign:

Strengthening the House the Lord Built and Music Sunday.

Sandwich makings, bread, dessert, and drinks will be provided.

You are encouraged to bring a side dish to share.

Let's celebrate
our many blessings!





Sea Scout Ship 1009



The Sea Scout Ship 1009 is a co-educational Scouting program of adventure on land and sea offered to young adults between 14 & 21 (If you are 13, ask about our early in requirements). Sea Scouting is an opportunity to explore the world of water around us using sailboats, powerboats, kayaks, and learn some seamanship skills while having a great time! We start our season of sailing this month and continue till late October for fall sailing on the Chesapeake.

Our troop owns a 36 ft sailboat, a 32 ft powerboat, and three 14 ft FJ racing/training sailboats plus access to a fleet of kayaks. You will learn to sail, race, maintain, repair, and command them on the Chesapeake Bay and tributaries.

Contact Us: Rob Haas, Program Skipper, email: oldmanriver1009@yahoo.com;

Jim Beatty, Administration Skipper, email: jim_mdtowing@verizon.net;

Kemp Dawson, Committee Chairman, email: mkdawson@comcast.net

Address: Bowie Sea Scout Ship 1009, PO Box 21, Bowie, MD 20719

Meetings: Mondays at 7PM at CCCPC

(During the summer, meetings are on the boats!).

Web Site: www.seascouts1009.org



City of Bowie Memorial Day Parade!

The City of Bowie's Memorial Day Parade Committee is busy planning this year's parade, which will take place on Saturday, May 24th beginning at 11 AM.

This patriotic event is a great way to salute all of our service men and women and the veterans who have served in the past. It's not too late to be a part of it! To sign your organization up to participate in this fun hometown event, download the registration form, which can be found on their website www.cityofbowie.org. Should you have any questions, please call Matt Corley, Special Events Coordinator at 301-809-3078 or email your questions to mcorley@cityofbowie.org.

PLEASE NOTE:

The route for the parade will begin at Bowie High School Annex on Belair Drive, turning right and continuing toward Sussex Lane, directly passing CCPC, which means that part of Belair Drive will be blocked off starting at 11 AM and lasting for approximately two hours, so access to the church will not be possible by car. If you need to be at the church during that time, you can park in the Bowie Library parking lot and walk up.



*All gave some. Some gave All
We remember you with honor and gratitude.
Thank you for your service.*





Vesper Prayers Concert

Vesper Prayers – Mozart's Solemn Vespers of the Confessor plus works by Franz Schubert, John Rutter, Howard Goodall, and more will be presented by the Chesapeake Chorale on May 17 at 8 PM at the Cresthill Baptist Church.

Join us at 7:30 for coffee and concert preview with Artist Director Dr. Jesse Parker.

Canned goods for the Bowie Food Pantry are encouraged!

Tickets: Adults \$15 / Seniors and Military \$12 / Children and Students FREE

For more information call 410-721-5422 or visit their website at www.chesapeakechorale.org.

Schubert and Friends

Saturday, May 3, 2014 at 7 PM in the Sanctuary

Come join soprano Emily Riley and Susan Ricci Rogel on piano for an evening of song in the Sanctuary.

The program will include songs by Hundley, Rachmaninoff, Duparc, Strauss and Schubert as well as arias from Puccini.

The concert is free! A free-will donation will be taken to help defray costs for Emily's upcoming travel to two renowned summer art song programs this summer and a food drive for the Bowie Food Pantry.

Contact Susan Ricci Rogel for more information.

AND . . .

Don't forget to join us in the Sanctuary to listen to the talented students of the Ricci Rogel Studio for their Recital at 3 PM the same day (May 3) in the Sanctuary.

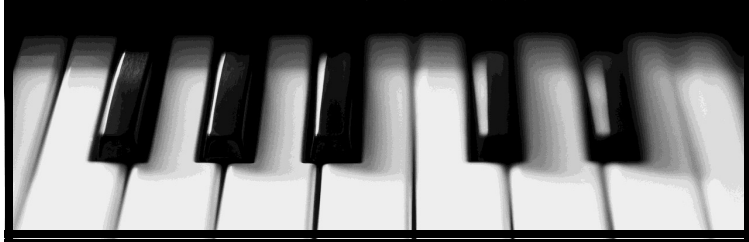


Hang & Gubal Concert

**Friday, May 30 at
7PM in the Sanctuary**

Imagine Yoga & Wellness Center invites you to join them for a unique musical experience as they welcome back award-winning composer Matt Venuti, performing original songs while accompanying himself on the Hang & Gubal, two rare and captivating new acoustic instruments from the Swiss-based PANArt company. His concerts are renowned to inspire peace and joy.

Price, \$20. For more information, contact Ann@ImagineThePlace.com, or call 443-510-6308.



The next Caller will be sent out on May 15. Please have all articles in by 9 AM Friday, May 9. Any questions, please call the office.

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CCPC, the first Protestant church in Levitt Bowie, was born from a passion for Christian mission in the local community, and this focus continues.

*Our Mission: To worship God, to grow in faith and community,
and to place our gifts in the service of Jesus Christ.*



Belair Cooperative Nursery School

The school is a non-profit, non-sectarian, and non-partisan organization.
It's located in the CE Building of Christian Community Presbyterian Church.
Call 301- 464-5782 or Email info@belaircoop.org
www.belaircoop.org



Imagine - Yoga & Wellness Center



Located in the CE building, offers yoga and a variety of wellness programs to CCPC members and the community. For more information, visit www.ImagineThePlace.com, call 443-510-6308, or e-mail Ann@ImagineThePlace.com. Scholarships available.

