

# St. Georges United Methodist Church

Worship. Grow. Serve. Share.

#### September 2019

#### From the Pastor's Desk

I greet you in the name of our Risen Lord and Savior Jesus Christ,

Jeremiah 1:5a states, "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you," (NIV: New International Version)

Life can be very challenging sometimes. Relationships, health problems, financial hardships, and just everyday demands can make our life seem a bit overwhelming. It is during those times that we are tempted to respond with worry, fear, doubt, or even worse. However, if we surrender to God and place our trust in Him, God will make a way.

This was the message that God asked the prophet Jeremiah to convey to the people of Judah. They too, were being stretched during some very uncertain times. Nonetheless, God "knew" that Jeremiah would deliver His message of hope.



Just as God "knew" Jeremiah, God also knows us; God knows all.

The month of September always seems to be a bit hectic. The last bit of summer plans need to be carried out, the kids go back to school, and at the same time, many church ministries start up again. Through it all, rest assured that God knows all and is expecting us to place our whole trust in Him to get us through.

In the upcoming weeks, I will continue to preach on the Book of Jeremiah. Be inspired and encouraged as we navigate through God's Word. We are all facing some type of challenge in our life; but, God is with us and He knows all about it. So do not become discouraged and do not become dismayed. God is on our side.

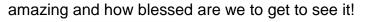
Church family, this is your season to develop a deeper relationship with God. So, get ready to embark on a journey to discover God's promise of hope as we unpack the text on Sunday mornings. Let's journey together!

Yours in Christ,

**Pastor Rudy** 

Donna Goes Walk About....

Wrap it up in a pretty little bow; for all intents and purposes, summer is done! Toast! The curtain has come down! Hope you enjoyed a good one. Mine was definitely different this year, but that's ok. As disappointing as my canceled plans were, I'm hopeful that my time will come. Many in our congregation were able to take to the road and see some wonderful things this summer. I saw lots of pictures and heard lots of stories about visiting beautiful places via RV, enjoying the fun of amusement parks, time at the beach and so much more. God's creation is





Vacation Bible school was fun again this year. Thanks to all the volunteers who gave of their time and resources to make it a great time of fellowship and learning for the kids. (We big kids learn a lot too!) I have included some more pictures later in the newsletter and

you'll find more on our website at <u>www.stgeorgesumc.com</u> and then click on photo gallery.

I am happy to report that mom is doing well. The hip is nearly healed and the arm is about halfway there. She travels by wheelchair these days because her left arm is to remain immobile while the bone heals, so no walker right now. Since the installation of the ramp at my house, mom is able to get out of the house for church, doctor appointments and just some fresh air. Thank you so much for your generosity in helping with the cost. Church family is the best!

I'm sorry to report that Dorothy Cleaver's husband Tom passed away on August 27<sup>th</sup>. He had not been well for quite some time and had been in our prayers. They were married at St. Georges UMC and all their children attended while growing up. Our prayers continue to be with Dorothy and the family. As I write this, services had not been announced.

That's all for now so I'll see you on Sunday morning!

Donna

#### Methodist Women

We will meet again on Thursday September 12th at 7 pm. We meet the 2nd Thursday of each month so please consider joining us and become a member. Your help is always needed and we are always looking for some new ideas. Our annual activities include helping with the Trunk or Treat event, helping to organize the church Thanksgiving luncheon, funeral luncheons and the regular covered dish lunches and dinners. We celebrate with a Christmas dinner in December and in May we organize the Women of Hope Banquet that benefits an area charitable group or organization that we choose each year. Our final meeting of the year is in June where we put together Welcome baskets of toiletries for local battered women and homeless shelters. We are an active group and we'd love to have you join us!

You help us by your prayers. - 2 Corinthians 1:11

### Friendship Star Quilters

After an enjoyable summer off we look forward to meeting again on Tuesday, September 10th from 9:30 am to 4 pm. We usually meet the first Tuesday of each month, but because of Labor Day we will meet the second Tuesday for September. After that we will go back to the meeting being on the first Tuesday of the month.



The kingdom of God has come near. Repent and believe the good news!

- Mark 1:15

### **BSA Ship 123 Update**

Getting their water craft inspected by the US Coast Guard Aux.





Fun on the Water



#### Scouts working on Farm &

#### **Animal Science badges..**





### **Missions Update**

Our summer season is coming to an end. Our children are starting back

to school. Please pray for the kids and their teachers.



Thank you all for your generosity in donating school supplies to the Sunday Breakfast Mission's Backpack give away. There were some late donations that came in beyond SBM's dateline. Those supplies were given to teachers from Wilber Elementary and Providence Creek Academy to be distributed to

students in need.

Some thoughts for outreach in the Fall are a Food Drive to be donated to the Food Bank of DE and then have a group to deliver and sort food at the Food Bank.



If you have other suggestions for Outreach, please let me know and we'll work on making it a realization.

Blessings to All.

Carole Jaques

The punishment that brought us peace was on him, and by his wounds we are healed. Isaiah 53:5



### Happy Birthday to...

Trish Smith......Sept 14 Megan Molina.....Sept 17 Kris Fotz.....Sept 21

# FYI

If you have a prayer request that you would like sent along on the prayer chain, please contact Rudy White by phone at 302-832-2211, by email at <a href="mailto:pastor@stgeorgesumc.com">pastor@stgeorgesumc.com</a>, or use the prayer wall at <a href="mailto:www.stgeorgesumc.com/prayerwall">www.stgeorgesumc.com/prayerwall</a>

Pastor Rudy is available for anyone who needs spiritual care.

He can be reached at

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Email: office@stgeorgesumc.com

Office hours: M-Thurs 9 to 2

We recommend calling to ensure someone will be in the office when you stop in. We will be happy to make an appointment for you.



# **VBS Fun!**























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#### **Dates to Remember**

Sept 1	Communion Sunday 10 am
Sept 10	Friendship Star Quilters 9:30 am – 4pm
Sept 12	UMW & UMM monthly mtg 7pm
Sept 22	Ministry mtg after service 11:30am
Sept 23	Admin Team mtg 7pm
Sept 23	First day of Fall

Traditional worship service every Sunday @ 10 am Sunday School every Sunday morning at 9 am Visit our website at www.stgeorgesumc.com Follow us on our Facebook page