



St. Georges United Methodist Church

Worship. Grow. Serve. Share.

April 2019

I'm impatient. When Megan was pregnant with Ben, I had to wait 9 months before I could meet the little dude. 9 months! That's...that's just not fair. If I'm gonna be a Dad, why not now? So, for the most part, I took care of Meg, and prepared the way for Ben to come. We painted his nursery, assembled the crib, installed the video baby monitors, interviewed with several daycares in the area and got on waiting lists. I test fitted the car seats in all the cars to make sure they would work well. All in the anticipation of Ben's coming. After all that, we were all ready for him, we just had to wait another 8 months for him to come. Just wait. It was not cool. My personality is one of motion. I like to do. I like to work on things. I like to get things done.



Maybe you're like me and you're impatient too. Maybe you just want Jesus to come back, so that you can be at rest, in glory. Right now in the church calendar, we're waiting for Easter. For Jesus to show us what the resurrection looks like! To give us a glimpse of what's to come. But how quickly we forget that Jesus reminds us over and over that in our waiting, God is working, and there is work to be done. There are people to be loved on. There are mouths to feed. There are those who need to hear that there is grace for them too. Maybe we're not quite ready for what's to come, and that baby that we prayed for is going to be up at all hours of the night, and can't quite tell you why he's crying, but good luck trying to figure it out! Maybe we're not as ready as we think, and need to simmer a bit more. I know that's hard to hear. No one wants to wait. So, don't just wait, but join in on God moving in our world. Even if we screw it up, and we will screw it up, keep moving, keep loving, keep spreading the good news. The joy is pouring yourself into the work of God, not for results, but for the experience.

Vivian Green once said something like, "Faith isn't about avoiding the wilderness. It's about learning to dance with the lions." This work is hard, and you will get bit by lions from time to time, but I promise you that it's worth it. Every step, every misstep, every grace filled moment, every patient moment of waiting, it's all worth it. May that be on our hearts this lent, as we wait for our Lord to come back again. Amen.

Pastor Dave

Donna Goes Walk About...



Spring! Don't you just love this time of year when the earth comes back to life! My crocus is sprouting near my tree in the front yard. Daffodils are poking through the ground along the driveway. My periwinkle is blooming and my azaleas are looking ready. Yep. I really like this time of year. Easter Sunday and the promise of new life all around. I pray you take the time to savor the season.



Easter around St. George's UMC is a busy time. We are gonna have such fun on Palm Sunday with an Easter Egg-stavaganza after church. Start time will be about 11:30am and continue til 1pm. There will be games, fun, Easter activities, and LUNCH! Good Friday is a somber day in the Christian calendar reminding us of the cross and the price he paid. Our Good Friday service is April 19th at 7pm. Bright and early Sunday morning, 6am, we hope

you'll join us for a sunrise service on the canal at the Mike Castle Trail Head in St. Georges. You'll be greeted with a hot drink and donuts! After this communion service (with a great view), everyone is invited back to the church for a delicious pancake breakfast hosted by the men of the church. Then, we'll continue our Easter celebration with our

traditional worship service beginning at 10am. An Easter lily donation form can be found in the Sunday bulletin each week. This is a wonderful opportunity for you to buy an Easter lily in honor or memory, of a loved one. The lilies make the sanctuary beautiful and smell great (at least for those of us who do NOT have allergies).



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

Donna



You're Invited



"Women of Hope" Banquet & Silent Auction
Thursday, May 9, 6 pm
St. Georges United Methodist Church
Dinner: \$15 (under age 10: \$8)

Auction benefits Hilary Taylor, Delaware Wildlife Rehabilitator for New Castle County. Over the years she has nursed back to health many animals from deer, raccoons, squirrels, rabbits and kittens to turtles and lizards and many other critters that live in our area. It is all volunteer work and the money raised will go for food and supplies needed for the animals.

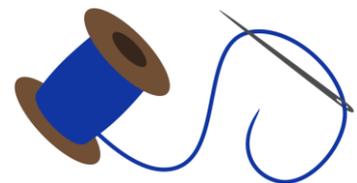


Reservations can be made online: www.stgeorgesumc.com/events.
Or by contacting: Anita(302-834-8198), Sue (302-834-7137), Donna (302-378-9363) or Kris (302-834-9444)

The Methodist Women are looking for a few good items for the Silent Auction at the "Women of Hope" banquet on May 9th. Items can be new or gently used and in good condition (please no clothing or toys). If you have something to donate, please bring it to the church no later than May 5th. There will be a collection box in the social hall. Thanks for your help

Friendship Star Quilters

The Friendship Star Quilters will meet on Tuesday, April 2 from 9:30 am to 4 pm at the church. Bring a sewing machine if you can, and come when you can and stay as long as you can. Lunch will be provided.



He has made everything beautiful in its time. –

Ecclesiastes 3:11

On March 10th our congregation was blessed to have the **Sunday Breakfast Mission's Men's Choir** worship with us, once again. In addition to wonderful music by the Men's Choir, a sermon by



Rev. Aubrey Rice shared how NOTHING is impossible with God. He spoke of his addictions to alcohol and drugs. He was homeless for 35 years and estranged from his young daughter. He was at The Sunday Breakfast Mission and attended a chapel service where he accepted Jesus Christ as his Savior. He claimed Phillipians 4:13-"I can do everything through Him who gives me strength". He has since become clean and sober,. went to seminary, reunited with his daughter, has his own apartment and works at The Sunday Breakfast Mission. After our worship service, we enjoyed a "Potluck" meal with our visitors and then sent many boxes filled with breakfast foods back to the Mission to share with their guests. Please continue to pray for the residents of SBM, their staff and volunteers who help change lives through their ministry.



In May and June, our UMW group will be collecting toiletries, personal care items, feminine hygiene products, tote bags or small totes along with small inspirational reading materials to share with women that are entering shelters. These women often enter shelters with only the clothing they are wearing. We are advised not to include any items that may contain alcohol (Mouthwash, hand sanitizer in liquid form, fragrances in liquid form (wipes should be ok).

Once again I thank each and every one of our church family for your loving and generous hearts.

PEACE,
Philippians 4:5-7
Carole Jaques
Mission Chai





This is your chance to fish at Camp Pecometh at our 4th Annual Fishing Derby! On April 27th, join us for a morning filled with fishing, fellowship and fun. The Grand Prize is a free week of camp!

There are three age group brackets that you can sign up for- ages 10 and under, ages 11-17, and ages 18 and up. Prizes to be handed out for different categories within each age group. For both the age groups of kids under 17, the entry fee is \$10. The adult age group's entry fee is \$15. Proceeds go towards our campership fund, which helps as many kids come to camp as possible. The entry fee also includes a lunch provided at the Dining Hall during Pecometh Day, 11am-3pm that same day.

Please note: participants 16 and older will need to bring a fishing license. Day of arrival time is 8:30am for check-in with fishing start time of 9am.

For more information, and to register, please visit our website at www.pecometh.org/fishing-derby or by calling 410-556-6900.



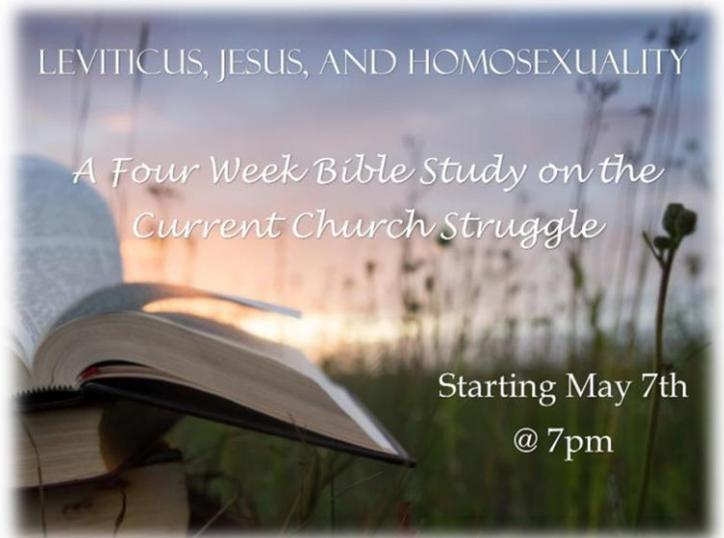
But He was pierced for our transgressions...and by His wounds we are healed. –

Isaiah 53:5

LEVITICUS, JESUS, AND HOMOSEXUALITY

A Four Week Bible Study on the Current Church Struggle

Starting May 7th
@ 7pm





Happy Birthday to...



Carol McGlothlin.....April 4
 David Moore..... April 5
 Sue Tobin.....April 13

Happy Anniversary to...

Ron & Edith Carroll.....April 4

Troop 123 Update

Troop 123 and Ship 123 helping out with Model train day. Our Scouts are so busy! Fundraising, camping trips and preparing for the NEW Scouts crossing over in April. Two Scouts are currently working on their Eagle projects, while many other Scouts are making preparations to get their Eagle project started. Congratulations to ASM Ralph Boone, for 25 yrs. of volunteer service and ASM Bruce Lantz for 30 yrs. of volunteer service.



Troop 123 March Court of Honor

If you would like to be a nursery volunteer please reach out to Katie and she will add you to the list!
office@stgeorgesumc.com
 (or just leave your name and email on her desk!)

Save the Date

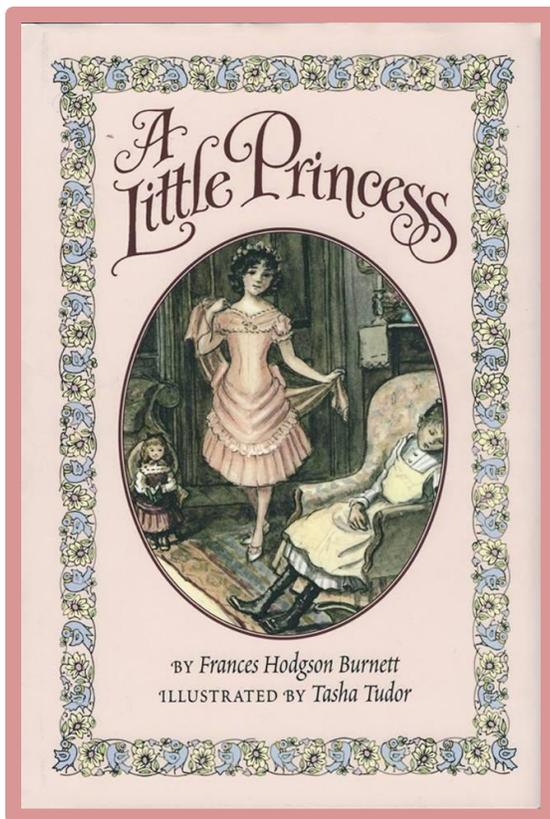
Retired Good News Broadcasting and Back to the Bible Director in Great Britain, Dr. Derek Stringer is a former church pastor. For over a decade he has been a major radio 'voice' for Christianity in 180 countries. He has written more than a dozen books on the Christian lifestyle and Bible commentaries. He is a key-note speaker at conferences and conventions and visiting professor at Bible schools and seminaries in more than thirty countries. Dr. Stringer will be teaching at Cornerstone UMC Saturday night, May 25th and Sunday, May 26th at their regular Church services.



He will then be teaching Bible Studies at St. Georges UMC on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday nights, May 29, 30th & 31st at 7:00 pm. Derek has been supported in the past by St. Georges as part of the Church's evangelistic mission.

All are invited, and can be assured of an informative and entertaining treat, based on Scriptures. Don't miss this exciting series!

Please direct questions or comments to Sam Tuttle – (302) 378-8442



Local Christian theater company, God's Power & Light Company, will be presenting **A Little Princess, The Musical**, live on stage at the Historic Everett Theater in Middletown, April 11 through 14. This engaging musical is based on the movie "The Little Princess" starring Shirley Temple Black and is adapted from Frances Hodgson Burnett's "Sara Crewe." Performances are Thursday, Friday, & Saturday night at 7:30pm and Sunday at 2pm

Advance Tickets:
Adult: \$12
Youth (2-17) \$8

At The Door:
Adult: \$14
Youth: (2-17) \$10

Visit godspowerandlightco.org to purchase online.
Skip the online processing fee by calling: 302-602-1638

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Dates to Remember

- April 2..... Friendship Star Quilters 9:30a – 4p
- April 7..... Communion Sunday 10 am
- April 11..... UMW/UMM monthly meeting 7 pm
- April 11 – 14..... GP&L spring show “A Little Princess” @ Everett Theater
- April 14..... Palm Sunday
- April 14..... Easter Egg-stavaganza /Fun for the kids after service
- April 19..... Good Friday service 7p
- April 21..... Easter Sunrise service 6am
- April 21..... Easter Pancake Breakfast
- April 21..... Easter Sunday/ Christ is Risen!

Traditional worship service every Sunday @ 10 am
Sunday School every Sunday morning at 9 am
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