Dear DUMC Family,

Mind you, I am writing this message the last week of September. Nevertheless, tonight I stopped in at a local grocery store and believe it or not, Christmas decorations were available for sale. Now I could rant that I am far from ready for the introduction of yuletide decorations, especially before the celebration of All Saints’ Day. But I must admit we really are an anticipatory people. We can’t wait for an event to happen in the midst of something else that is to come, prior to its scheduled date. I’ll confess -- I was the kid who looked under my parent’s bed and in their closet for items intended for gifts months before they’d be wrapped and placed under the Christmas tree. There is something about the Christmas season that gets the best of us in many different ways. But who doesn’t like a good surprise?

The intent of Sunday worship has also meant for Christians that anticipation of the resurrection of the faith community as expressed in the post-Easter moment. Each week when we gather for church, we come with anticipation and joy that once again we can proclaim, “Christ is risen indeed!”

I am hopeful for DUMC as we move into the next season of our journey together. This coming Sunday, 4 October, we will be worshipping jointly with Union Memorial UMC at 10 a.m. This is an unprecedented event; we will not have any conflicting worship services at DUMC because we want to emphasize the connection we have with Union Memorial as United Methodist brothers and sisters. The following two Sundays will concentrate on connecting the fundamentals of Stewardship with the faith journey of the people who founded DUMC. Our church has been a part of this community for many generations, and we are called to continue the traditions of our founders with new life and in new ways.
On 1 November, we will celebrate All Saints’ Day, a time that we remember the people and the saints in our lives that influenced our faith and left their mark on our journey. It is a time to remember Christians of every time and place, honoring those who lived faithfully and shared their faith with us. As somber and difficult as this service can be for me, it is also a great reminder that I have been blessed with people throughout my life that have taken the time to love me, and because of their influence, I want to be a stronger grace-filled Christian.

Actually, All Saints’ Day is my second favorite worship service of the Christian year. First being Easter -- without Easter, we wouldn’t be the body of Christ, but that is for another newsletter. All Saints’ Day comes right in the midst of the changing of the seasons, when the days begin to get shorter and the leaves begin to fall back to earth reminding us that just a few short months before, they were budding on the ends of branches starting their life. All Saints’ Day hits us with the reminder that life on earth is not forever and that we must be aware of how we spend our time and think about what we want to accomplish in our lives. Are we going in the right direction with our career, with our faith, with our relationships? It also comes right before the busy season of Advent and Christmas, and it really is a great time to get back on course if we feel we have lost our way a little.

Lastly, we will be holding our annual Community Thanksgiving Eve service on Wednesday, 25 November at 7:30 p.m. at Union Memorial UMC. Holy Family and All Hallows will join us as well. More information will be shared as we get closer to Thanksgiving.

Blessings to you and yours,
Pastor Lisa

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**A Legacy to Maintain**

We will be kicking off our stewardship campaign early this year in order to avoid any conflicts with the holiday season. I want to thank all of you for your support in this effort as we return our tithes and offerings to God in gratitude for the blessings He bestows on us each and every day. We will be using our church history as a theme this year to remember the families that made up our congregation and contributed to the legacy our church has established in Davidsonville. I will be speaking with you on 11 October, and Tim Hopkins will be doing a special presentation on 18 October on our history that you don’t want to miss.

I will be trying to share all the financial information I can to keep you informed of our church budget, apportionment obligations, and all the various ministries your pledges support. Please begin to think and pray about where you stand with your giving. What can you do to help advance God’s work through our church? It is also time to think about getting involved with one of our committees or ministries. Money is not the only way to contribute.

Stewardship is a journey we take every year. It begins now.

Lee Matousek
Lay Leader
COUNCIL NOTES

Schools are well underway, the weather has cooled off a little, football has started, and October baseball is almost here.

At the church, finances will be a dominant subject for many remaining committee meetings. It’s that time of year, when the various committees will need to submit budget proposals to the Finance committee, and the Stewardship committee will be active considering pledges, all so that a 2016 budget can be constructed and approved by Council in December.

On that note, due to contractual obligations, and utilities being higher than anticipated, there was little latitude in the budget. Several line items are over budget or will likely be over budget by the end of the year. When it comes to the offering income, the various months of the year have different averages; for instance, summer months tend be lower incomes because people are traveling. The church has not met a single anticipated average income. As a result, what was once a substantial savings will likely be largely depleted at the end of 2015.

When, and if, further budget cuts are made, the remaining areas will be items such as Sunday School materials, musicians, and youth (which has been preserved to date). Other austerity measures to be considered are volunteer work groups instead of contracting ground-keeping items like mulching and repair work covered by separate donations on a per project basis.

Other Council meeting notes follow:

Finance
* Tithing is down resulting in what has amounted to a $4,100 per month deficit.
* Expenses have been limited as much as currently possible given contractual obligations and increasing utilities. Further cuts would result in eliminating services like musicians, Upper Rooms, Sunday School materials, flowers, etc.
* To date, we have been spending from savings. To close the year, Finance is reallocating the quarterly CCDC disbursement from the Trustee’s Reserve Fund to the General Fund for the next two quarters.
* Budget season is upon the committees, and Finance will be starting the stewardship campaign early this year.

SPRC
* We were provided with a lovely day for the church picnic in August.

CCDC
* Ruth Jordan is assuming the responsibilities of CCDC Chair.

Trustees
* Bailey Masters will be working on his Eagle Scout project, which will involve a new coffee hour table at the Green Cathedral. Part of the project involves organizing volunteers to assist, so he will need help on 17 October.
* Several repairs were required to complete the recent Fire Marshall inspection.

Worship
* Presentation of data on time change, and feedback from the time change survey was minimal
* Attendance has been down this summer
* New member class in October
* The cross in the Green Cathedral is in the process of being replaced, and a new one will go up next summer.
* New nametags for those that desire them

**Missions/Tongues of Fire**

* Weather cancelled the June sale for the Tongues of Fire BBQ Ministry team, but the results of the Peach Festival were wonderful. As many regulars were away on business or vacation, it was God's will that enough additional volunteers were found to carry on. The group cleared $4,200, the best result since its founding in 2007. Of that total, $420 (TOF’s tithe) is going to DUMC, and $2,730 (65%) is going to Missions. Remaining profits (25%) stay with TOF for worthy projects. One such project is covering the cost of the new magnetic nametags that the Worship and Evangelism Committees will be making available this fall.

* Missions was not able to get enough participants for an adult VIM trip this year. Additional funds have added to Missions' total from TOF’s sales. As the hurricane season has thus far been quiet, the $5,000 will continue to be available should the situation change. Some of the remaining funds have been earmarked for other mission and outreach efforts. Members of the Missions Committee suggested the following expenditures earlier this summer:
  - $1,000 will be transferred to DUMC's Social Needs and Outreach, perhaps to assist with a project at Union Memorial UMC.
  - $1,000 will be donated to Partners In Care, a 501c3 organization that is dedicated to keeping seniors in their homes.
  - $1,000 will be given to the Good News Jail and Prison Ministry here in Anne Arundel County.
  - $1,000 will be donated to the Food Bank operating out of Riva Trace Baptist Church.
  - $1,000 will go to an aid effort in India that assists workers that Gwen Purcell has had approval from Missions to sponsor and is run by the Girl Scouts.

**Social Needs and Outreach**

* Since May, Social Needs has provided assistance for the following:
  - Rent assistance for two South County families under notice of eviction.
  - BGE/propane for two families with turnoff notices.
  - Support for the summer breakfast club sponsored by the Dept. of Social Services and the schools. Our donation provided weekend food for 30 children for 8 weeks.
  - Medical expenses for 6 year old cancer patient.
  - Donation to Wilson Memorial UMC for expenses housing homeless families.
  - Backboards and school supplies for 10 children at Tracy's Elementary.

* The church yard sale is 3 October. Donations are collected starting 28 September. Betty Schmitt will be in charge of the yard sale.
* The Red Cross Blood Drive is Oct. 27, 1-7:30 p.m.

**Youth**

* The Youth Council has reformed under the Youth Director, Thomas Byrd, to be more youth led. This helps create an environment where the youth can learn how to conduct the business of the church with supervision. These changes bring us more in line with the Book of Discipline and keep us within the Church Financial procedures.

* Parents and other adults are requested and encouraged to assist with chaperoning activities and helping with snacks.
UMW
* Sponsored seven backpacks for school children
* Will be attending Sight and Sound in Lancaster on 2 December
* Annual Christmas Tea will be at 1 p.m. on 13 December

UMM
* Cruised the Potomac for the Men’s Breakfast (There are suspicions that God may have let Oscar play with the rain)

It is clear there are challenges at DUMC. Much like in our relationships there is a desire to be right. There is a tendency to search for the cause, rather than the solution. How we got here does not matter. What does is how we move forward.

We started the year with two church goals: bring people to Christ, and be family oriented and inclusive. We arrived at these after much discussion on what we think of our church and who we want to be.

I was at a wedding recently where the Pastor charged the young couple to do three things: forgive themselves, work on themselves, and love the other. Each item could only be accomplished personally without any guarantee that they would receive anything in return. I think it is a reminder that our walk with God is a journey requiring constant effort, and while we may fall short on occasion, we can’t lose sight of the goal. If we all keep track of the ultimate goal, our lesser church goals will likely be fulfilled. As a reminder of what is expected of us, I’ll offer the following:

Romans 12:9-21 (NIV)
Love in Action
9 Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. 10 Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves. 11 Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. 12 Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. 13 Share with the Lord’s people who are in need. Practice hospitality.
14 Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse. 15 Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn. 16 Live in harmony with one another. Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with people of low position. Do not be conceited.
17 Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everyone. 18 If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone. 19 Do not take revenge, my dear friends, but leave room for God’s wrath, for it is written: “It is mine to avenge; I will repay,” says the Lord. 20 On the contrary: “If your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink. In doing this, you will heap burning coals on his head.”[c] 21 Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

In His service,
Chuck Sparks
Council Chair
A Message from Pastor Thomas

I can hardly believe that the fall is upon. With that is the startup of so many things. It’s officially football season. Schools are well under way. Before we know it, the holiday season will be upon us! Where does the time go? I’ve been told that the older you get, the quicker time moves. I’m beginning to see some truth in that. Here at DUMC, things are starting up. Earlier in September, our Sunday School classes began meeting. We have so many wonderful people who put their time and energy into Sunday School. If you haven’t been in awhile, now is the perfect time to find a class. We have classes for children, youth, and adults, and there is always room for another person in the classes. Our youth have started back to their regular Sunday night meetings. If you have children in 6th – 12th grades, encourage them to get involved in our youth program. The United Methodist Men meet year round and are always looking for some new men of all ages to join them, as are the United Methodist Women. Great things are happening in our Wednesday morning Bible Study. I’m sure Bob would welcome new members to both the praise band and the handbell choir. Then there is also the long-awaited return of our Cornerstone Theatre with a production in December.

With the fall upon us, now is the perfect time to get involved in something new at DUMC. A church is only as strong, vital, and active as its members. I encourage everyone to find something to get active and involved in. I also encourage everyone to invite a friend. Just imagine how full our seats could be if everyone brought a friend! God has indeed blessed us with much here at Davidsonville. Let us show God our appreciation by supporting the ministries of this church and sharing Christ’s love throughout the community!

Peace,
Thomas

So That’s What’s Been Happening With Missions

Dear friends of DUMC Missions,

Although there was no adult mission trip this year, Missions has not been inactive. An early contribution of $1,225 was made to install outdoor electrical outlets for use during festivals. In May, a $500 contribution was made to support the Bountiful Backpack project of the Rotary Club of South Anne Arundel County. This program feeds 137 children take home meals each weekend of the school year. Part of that contribution was through the Quacks for Backpacks rubber duck race that was held 31 May at Camp Letts. Your DUMC rubber duck won that race by several lengths on a beautiful Sunday afternoon.
A contribution of $1,120 was made to the Harvest for the Hungry summer program that provided meals for 20 children in South County. Missions will likely participate again in the Lights of Kindness Christmas Tree Decorating contest at Homestead Gardens, 4 – 7 December. Mark your calendars to go and see what the Missions’ Tree Decorating Committee will come up with this holiday season. Folks new to DUMC may not realize that the 33-member strong Tongues of Fire BBQ Ministry team (TOF) is the fundraising arm of Missions. After donating 10% of profits from sales to the general fund, 65% goes to Missions, funding the above-mentioned contributions. The remaining 25% of profits stays with TOF for worthy endeavors. One of those was to fund the $1,000 William Scrimgeour Scholarship that this year went to Luke Borchelt. Another was to assist Worship in purchasing the new magnetic name tag holders that are now available.

The last sale of the season will be over by the time this article goes to press. It’s anticipated that the profits from that sale will bring the Missions’ balance back to $5,000, the amount deemed necessary to mount a mission effort should a major hurricane or other natural disaster strike.

TOF also has a light-hearted side with its annual Anything But BBQ Social. There were 33 folks in attendance for the brats and fish fry party. To lighten things up, the participants sang three verses of the TOF Theme Song. Verse two (sung to the “Battle Hymn of the Republic”) goes, “Our eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the pork, we have rubbed his butt and cooked his mutt ’til he falls off the fork, we will stand all day and cook and pray that monies will come forth, our team is marching on!” A chorus follows each verse, “Glory, glory Tongues of Fire, BBQ is our desire, Glory, glory Tongues of Fire, our team is marching on!” There was also a tropical dress contest with Pam Durbin winning for the ladies and Tim McArdle for the men. Sound like an interesting way to “Spread the Gospel, one bite at a time?” We’re always looking for and welcoming new members.

It has been my pleasure to serve as chair of Missions, but this will be my last year. I’ll stay on with TOF, but it’s time for new blood to lead in the service to others.

Blessings to all, I close with James 2:26, “As the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without deeds is dead.”

Blair Smith, Missions Chair and TOF Pit Boss
Operation Christmas Child

This year DUMC will again support Operation Christmas Child by filling shoeboxes for children around the world. The filled boxes should be turned in to the church by 8 November. Each shoebox should include toys, hygiene items and school supplies. Please do not include food, (except hard candies), war toys, liquids or breakable items. Each box requires a $7 shipping and delivery fee. If you do not have time to shop and fill a box, you may donate money to put towards this fee. Gwen Purcell will be collecting donations. Her email is gwen.purcell@verizon.net.

There is an exciting new feature, which will let you know where your box goes. You can go to the Samaritan’s Purse website and donate your $7 online. Then you can print out a special label that will allow you to track the box. What a great way for kids to feel connected to their world! At the processing center, a book called “The Greatest Journey” will be added to each box. After the child receives the box, they will be provided with a 12 lesson Bible study, taught by local teachers in their own language. If they complete their study, they will be awarded a Bible of their own.

Please help with this exciting program this year!

Visit www.samaritanspurse.org for additional information

Send your prayer requests to prayerchain@dumc.net

Marty Hanbury
Betty Mobra
Graham Foley
Jaquan Ross, Jr.
Roger Vales
John Trussell
Betty Beatty
Mo Hawk

DUMC Charge Conference
Please join us on Sunday,
21 October at 7:00 p.m.
for our annual
Charge Conference at Mayo UMC
Youth Pool Party
We had a great time of food, fun, and fellowships at the Borchelt's pool as the youth said goodbye to some students who were heading off to college.

Youth News
The youth council is changing structure. Because the youth program ultimately belongs to the youth, we are moving to a youth led/adult supported council. At our first meeting in September, the youth elected their officers. They are:
Grace Iannicelli and Arielle Hall – Co-Presidents
Bailey Masters – VP Activities
Jodee Niemann – VP Missions
Courtney Klute – VP Festivals
Steve Iannicelli has stepped up as the new Adult Advisor for the Youth Council with Sharon Bence serving as the Treasurer.
As a reminder, DUMC Youth meets Sunday nights from 5:30-7:00 and is open to all youth in 6 – 12 grades. Friends are always welcome!

Volunteers needed – If anyone would like to help out with snack suppers for the youth on Sunday evenings or help with crowd control during youth meetings and events, contact Pastor Thomas.
Blessing of the Animals

We will be conducting a Blessing of the Animals on Sunday, 11 October at 3 p.m. in our Green Cathedral. (Rain date TBD)

All pets/animals are invited to attend with their owners, even those very special “stuffed” animal/friends.

When appropriate please have animals on leashes as we don’t want anyone having a bad experience!

Connie’s Corner

Dear Friends in Christ,

In memory of a great athlete’s recent death, I am going to share my favorite Yogi Berra quote:

When you come to a fork in the road, take it. Hello, hello, Yogi; I can’t begin to tell you how many times I’ve taken that advice. Thank you so much. When we find ourselves in desperate circumstances and just want to run and hide to be anywhere other than where we are feeling these arrows of temptation or of punishment or of crisis and despair; when you’re running down that escape route away from the source of the pain, many times we will forget to ask God for direction or forgiveness or for help.

But wouldn’t you agree that when you are faced with an important decision, God is the first one you turn to for advice. So as you’re fleeing down that road and you come to a fork, ask God, and take it --the fork and the advice!

May God be with you on all your roads.

Connie
2015 Sunday School Classes

Please take special note to the times for our classes.
Pre-school thru 1st grade - 9:45 and **10:45**, first room on the right
2nd thru 4th grade - 9:45 and if needed at **10:45**, at end of hall
5th thru 7th grade - **10:45**, downstairs first room on left
8th thru 10th grade - **10:45**, behind Sanctuary
11th and 12th grade - **10:45**, high school room upstairs
**Men's Bible Study** - **10:45**, Annex
**Women's Bible Study** - **10:15**, Annex
**Contemporary Issues for the Modern Family** - **10:45**, Parlor

Sunday School is off to a smooth start with youth and adults of all ages eager to learn God's word.

The Men's Class will officially start on 11 October in the Annex with Lee Matousek leading the class. The Adult class in the Parlor has been renamed Contemporary Issues for the Modern Family and is taught by Chuck and Leanne Sparks. This class is covering *Making Sense of the Bible* by Adam Hamilton. Please check the weekly bulletin for times and places for all classes should there be any updates.

The following dates there will be no Sunday School:
4 October  \hspace{2em} 20 November
29 November  \hspace{2em} 27 December

Respectfully,

Debby Wasson
Social Needs and Outreach

The mission of the Social Needs and Outreach Committee is to serve God and others by providing assistance to those in need in our church and South Anne Arundel County. The committee acts on behalf of DUMC in response to these needs.

From October 2014 to present, the committee has responded with assistance to numerous requests for rental, utility, and medical assistance. Quarterly donations are made to the South County Assistance Network food pantry and to the chaplains leading the Good News Jailhouse Ministry at the Detention Center in Annapolis.

During the summer, the committee donated funds to provide 30 children with weekend food for eight weeks. These are children who receive free or low cost lunches during the school year but may not receive proper nutrition during summer break. Backpacks filled with required school supplies were purchased and delivered to 10 first grade students at Tracy’s Elementary.

Fall brings several events. The committee holds the annual church Yard Sale. Funds from this event are used for our outreach ministry. The last of three Red Cross blood drives is held in October. In November, we sponsor the Operation Christmas Child shoebox ministry, which sends gifts and the message of Jesus Christ to children all over the world. At Thanksgiving, the church sponsors ten South County families with complete Thanksgiving dinners.

The annual Christmas luncheon for the senior members of the congregation is given in early December. Other December events include Christmas presents of clothing and toys which are provided to five needy children through the Christ Child Christmas project. Christmas food is also taken to several elderly people in south county.

Thanks be to God who provides us with the ability to continue these ministries. If you are interested in joining this committee, please let us or the office know.

Vonda Vales, Chair
Social Needs and Outreach Committee

All Saints’ Day is 1 November, and we will be remembering our loved ones that have died since last year’s All Saints’ Day service. Please contact the church office if you have a loved one or special friend that you would like listed in our All Saints’ Day bulletin.
Dear DUMC family,
I wanted to take the time to thank you so much for your support this year before I go off to college. Thank you for the personalized throw blanket, it will go well in my dorm. I’m excited to share the love DUMC has given me, and show them what we are about. I am prepared to represent all of you at Taylor University, and I want to make you proud. Thank you for the opportunity to share my senior project, and for listening with open hearts and minds. I did that work for us, for our community, and our God that we desire to know, love, and serve. I hope that you all will continue to seek truth in the matters of the unity of the church with its community, and with other churches. You all will be on my heart especially on Sunday mornings, and I’ll be anxious to worship again with you when I’m home.
Sincerely,
Luke Borchelt

The CrossRoads Child Care Development Center (CCDC) and the CCDC Committee would like to thank John Trussell for providing transportation for a kitchen table and chairs that will be used in the CCDC kitchen. This will give the teachers a place to sit and have their lunches. Thanks so much, John.

Dear Friends in Christ,
My deep appreciation and thanks for showing God’s love through your many expressions of sympathy, the cards, calls, visits, and food you provided through the past several years. Most of all, your prayers have supported Oscar and me. Thank you!
In His love,
Jean Grimes

After some time away, Cornerstone Theatre at DUMC is back!
We will present "The Gathering" a holiday musical written by Leanne Sparks on 11 – 13 December. Contact :Leanne at lmsparks@lmsparksauthor.com for additional information. You can also check the Cornerstone link on the church website www.dumc.net or Cornerstone's Facebook page (Cornerstone Theatre at Davidsonville UMC).
In and Around DUMC

Scenes from the Peach Festival, UMM soggy Potomac River boat ride, and DUMC picnic
Fall Festival
At Hopkins Farm

Join us on Saturday, 24 October at 5:30 p.m. for a night of fun, food and fellowship. Enjoy the atmosphere of hayrides, music and a bonfire. The church will provide hamburgers, hotdogs and beverages. Attendees are asked to bring a side dish or dessert. All children must be chaperoned by parents.

Music Report

Have you ever wondered why the waiters and waitresses at your favorite chain restaurant sing some twisted version of ‘Happy Birthday’ instead of the original which we all know? It’s to avoid paying copyright fees to the company that claimed ownership to the copyright and has been collecting those fees for decades. Until Tuesday. A federal judge ruled Warner/Chappell, the publishing division of Warner Music, had no right collecting fees except for a specific piano arrangement published in the ‘30s. Wow. They had collected hundreds of millions of dollars in licensing fees since that time. A one-time use license fee for the song usually ran over $1500 -- sometimes into six-figures in certain instances. Class-action lawsuits are in the wind.

Have you ever wondered why the United Methodist Hymnal is rife with ever so slightly different versions of well-known hymns? See the paragraph above. This is why we sing the most common version of a particular hymn, and not necessarily exactly like it is written in the hymnal. Other reasons also have a factor in how we sing a hymn. In my first week at DUMC, former Pastor Jim Stutler explained to me how the “Methodist lilt” rhythm is applied to certain hymns. I have dutifully employed this rhythm ever since.

There is one more point to make concerning ‘Happy Birthday’. A few years ago on a talk show, former Beatle Paul McCartney was asked -- what was the one song he didn’t write that he wished he did? Immediately, thoughts began to whirl. Would he choose something timeless like Beethoven’s ‘Ode to Joy,’ or maybe something closer to home like John Lennon’s ‘Imagine?’ Or possibly something obscure which would have us rushing to Google to look up? McCartney chose ‘Happy Birthday.’ When asked why, he responded (and I am paraphrasing) “for the royalties.” Interesting.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Waddell
### Happy Birthday!

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### Mark your calendars!

The United Methodist Women’s Tea will be held on 13 December at 1 p.m. at the home of Lisa Niemann. Be sure to check the December Lamplighter for more details.

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3 -- Annual Church Yard Sale, 8-noon (Fellowship Hall)
3 – UMM
4 – Combined Service with Union Memorial 10 a.m. No Sunday service at DUMC; no Sunday School
4 – Auditions for Cornerstone Theatre’s Christmas Play, 4 p.m.
6 – Youth Council, 6:30 p.m.
6 – UMW, 7 p.m. (Parlor)
7, 14, 21 and 28 – Women’s Bible Study, 9:30 a.m. (Annex)
11 – Stewardship Sunday
11 -- Blessing of the Animals, 3 p.m. (Green Cathedral)
12 – Trustees, 6:30 p.m. (Annex)
12 – SPRC, 7 p.m. (Parlor)
18 – Stewardship Sunday – History of DUMC presented by Tim Hopkins
19 – Finance, 6:15 p.m. (Annex)
19 – Council, 7:30 p.m. (Parlor)
21 -- Annual Charge Conference at Mayo UMC, 7 p.m.
24 – Fall Festival at Hopkins Farm, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.
25 – New Member Sunday
27 – Red Cross Blood Drive

Important November Dates
1 – All Saints’ Day
3 – Youth Council, 6:30 p.m.
3 – UMW, 7 p.m.
3 – Education, 7:30 p.m. (Annex)
4, 11, 18 and 25 – Women’s Bible Study, 9:30 a.m. (Annex)
9 – Trustees, 6:30 p.m. (Annex)
9 – SPRC, 7 p.m. (Parlor)
14 – UMM Proposed Tailgate BBQ at the Navy game
16 – Finance, 6:15 pm. (Annex)
16 – Council, 7:30 p.m. (Parlor)
17 – Worship, 7 p.m. (Annex)
21 – Heritage Home Craft Festival
25 – Community Thanksgiving Service at Union Memorial, 7:30 p.m.
9 and 16 – Stewardship Sundays
26-27—Happy Thanksgiving!
Office Closed