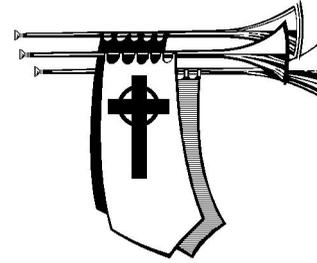



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As We March Along:

Summertime: I hope you had a blessed summer, even if it did seem shorter than usual. As of this writing I have had 3 days off all summer, and I am kicking myself for missing out on another summer. You may remember my bike accident last summer (2 broken limbs) toasted the summer of 2018.

State of Union: We are marching along at Aldersgate and after our Administrative Council meeting on August 23rd, 2019, I am happy to announce that the state of our union here at Aldersgate is very good. We have been blessed with lay people who have stepped up providing the message and Sunday worship has been a blessing.

State of Our Home: The state of our home (at the Church) is good. By the time you read this the remodel of the gym will be completed. The two offices have been painted and have new carpet, as soon as the new furniture arrives, we will be ready to go. The west half of the basement has been repainted and the carpet is in the nursery which has been decorated and furnished (take a look) and will be up and running when Sunday school starts. The new conference room in the basement is done, (take a look when you are at Aldersgate). There is a new roof on the gym and all of the glass in the church except the windows in the sanctuary have been replaced.

State of Our Home 2: The state of our second home (parsonage) is good, we have new paint inside, the yard is being rejuvenated and the bathroom and kitchen

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01: Shirley O'Neil
 02: Tim Lambert
 05: Caleb Hash
 07: Ed Pangburn
 07: Jeff Ryan
 08: Bill Ralph

10: Coreen Hash
 13: Sharon Miller
 16: Molly Hoffman
 17: Donna Shovlin
 20: Dee Anna

20: Kay Swanson
 21: Greyson Robinson
 24: Beverly Clayton
 26: Argo Graff
 28: Jim Heikes
 30: Wilma Puich



12: Ed & Roberta Dobb
 25: Dan & Coreen Hash

are being significantly upgraded. We expect the renovations at the parsonage to be completed by the end of September 2019.

Thank you: Many of you have helped with these renovations, painting, mowing, digging, sealing, wiring, cleaning, assembly, etc. To all of you who pitched in, thank you, thank you, thank you. If you haven't helped yet, don't worry there are more projects coming up, including the painting of the east side of the basement, the downstairs and probably the sanctuary floor.

Yet to Come: We are looking at several other projects at the church including new carpet and windows in the sanctuary, both of which are ordered. A new sound system is the next priority so those of us with old ears can hear what is going on.

Other Good News:

--The choir will be back in mid-September. Hi Fred!

--The youth start meeting again right after school starts and Jill Graf has been hired as the Aldersgate Youth Director.

--We are working on our **Christmas** services already and there will be lots of music and special guest appearances. I have it on good authority that Joseph and Mary will drop by, and possibly a guest appearance by a heavenly host. There may even be a cameo by certain shepherds and a wiseman or three.

--**September 15th, 2019 – The Sunday service at 10:30 a.m. will take place at Clarks Park with Gloria Dei Lutheran and Christ Church Anglican. There will be an ecumenical service, a picnic and some work around the Park. The main dish will be provided, the rest is potluck. This will be a good time to meet and interact with our faith neighbors so please attend.**

Pastor Search: The Search continues. It seems unlikely at this point that the

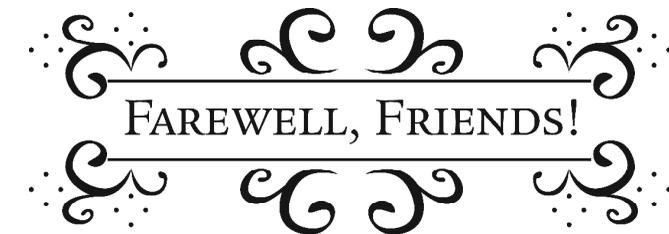
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**September Hosts for
Sunday's Coffee Fellowship**

**COFFEE
FELLOWSHIP**



Sept 1	Shirely, Cheryl, Jean, Nita, and Lavern
Sept 8	Member Nurture
Sept 15	Clarks Park Service
Sept 22	Trustees
Sept 29	Ad Council– Jean Frank, Gerry Allen, Joel Graff



Hello everyone,

I just wanted to let everyone know how much I appreciate everything you all have done during my 10 month serving as the Administrative Assistant. As in any job there has been ups and downs, (what job doesn't,) but I would not have been able to get through it all without the love and help from our wonderful congregation. You all helped me grow as a person, and for that I am forever grateful. As many of you know my last day working here is September 5th, but you will still see me on Sunday's, and I plan on being just as active as I was while working here. We are a strong congregation, and together we can get through everything, plus we have a fantastic Lay Leader who has the determination to make us better, and help us grow. I look forward to seeing what else is to come. Thank you to everyone for helping out during the construction process, we would not be where we are with your help. Blessings and love to all,

Lara Robinson



The youth program is getting excited for a new year of programming. We will kick off our year on Sunday, September 8 from 4:00-7:30pm.

Weather permitting, we will have some water fun followed by food and fellowship. Our regular programs will be: Youth Group meeting every other Sunday (starting 9/8) from 6-8pm, TGIM (after-school program) meeting every Monday from 3-5pm, and Youth Sunday School meeting the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month

during worship

(10:30-11:30). Our youth program is open to all youth (Aldersgate associated or not) in 6th-9th grades. The youth are very excited to start making their new youth room their own and are very grateful to Aldersgate for the space and support. If you have questions or are interested in helping chaperone one of our events, please contact



Have something that you would like posted in the Trumpet Call?

Please submit all requests to the Church Office by Thursday, October 24th to ensure that your spot is in the article for October.

Again that deadline is Thursday, October 24th. Any request after that date will not be accepted. This is to insure that articles will be made in time.

Cabinet will locate a replacement before the next cycle (June 2020) although there is some discussion of an interim part time placement to help out if that should become necessary.

Open for Business: As we march along, we continue to take care of each other. If you need something call the office and we will be there to help. So, if you need prayer, an ear to talk to, a visit, or you have an emergency, call and we will try and help. The Conference has advised that they will provide a stand-in clergy if something happens and one is necessary.

Who is Missing? If you notice someone is missing from the pews let us know. We don't want to overlook anyone, and we want to follow up with the people we haven't seen in a while.

We Miss You. If you haven't been home to Aldersgate in awhile we miss you and we want to see you. Things are jumping, we are growing again, life is good, and there is a sweet, sweet spirit in this place.

Brad Belke
Lay Leader

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In loving memory of
Betty Jim Mclead
from her family



The Saturday ads in the
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September are sponsored
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MOUNTAIN VIEW/TRINITY UNITED METHODIST
WOMEN

The UMW held its annual Retreat at Georgetown Lake, on August 10. Linda McElroy was the hostess and was ready with coffee, fruit, muffins, etc. when we arrived. Lunch was provided by Carolyn, Louise and Betty. Linda provided juice and coffee.

We spent the morning visiting and sharing inspirational readings, after lunch Linda provided a couple crafts for all.

We were happy to have some guests again this year, they made the day a lot brighter. Fortunately, the weather was beautiful. We were able to spend a lot of time outdoors.

The next meeting will be September 5, at noon. We hope to be meeting at the rec room at the Springs. If that changes we will announce it at church. Carolyn is the hostess and Louise has the program.

Susannahs will meet on Sept. 17 at the Copper City Café at 11:30. Join us!

Respectfully submitted
Louise Flynn VP



Choir Practice starts back up
Monday, September 9th at 5:30pm
First Sunday officially back is
Sunday, September 29th.
Please show up if you would like to
be in the Choir.

The Mission's Committee will meet Friday Sept, 13th at 1pm to lay out the supplies for the Foster Kid bags.

On Saturday, Sept. 14th at 10am the Mission Committee will put together the Foster Kid bags.



All are welcome to attend.



Happy Memories

How we all deal with grief whether a loss of someone we love, a pet or a big change in our life is different for each one of us. For 9 years one time a month Holly Layne, Shirley O'Neil and Lisa Kopp have led the Happy Memories group at Mountain View Social Development Center. This group has been a great success and a comfort to many.

In May Gayle Stephens, a woman who received a grant to research how persons with developmental disabilities deal with grief came and interviewed Holly, Shirley and Lisa. Our group will now be infamous as we will be a part of her research and her publishing's.

As we all go through some or all of the 5 stages of grief-denial, anger, bargaining, depression and acceptance it is comforting to have friends to share not only our struggles but our happy memories with.

Lisa Kopp & Holly Layne



When: Sunday, September 15th, 2019

Where: Clark's Park

Time: 10:30am

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