

# FAITH UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

MARCH **2020** 

" May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope."

**Romans 15:13** 

**SUNDAY** 

**Fellowship** 

10:30 am

Join us for coffee and refreshments in the Fellowship Hall

> WORSHIP SERVICE

11:00 am



#### A BOOMERANG WORLD

By Tim Wright, PH.D

As I was sitting outside this morning sipping my coffee and watching the sun climb over the horizon, I looked down and saw a curved stick on the ground that reminded me of a boomerang. Suddenly I was caught up in memories of me as a kid playing for hours on end in my grandfather's backyard with a small wooden boomerang he had given to me as a gift.

Remember when you were a kid, how fascinated you were with boomerangs? (At least I was) You take this flat, curved piece of wood and throw it and then watch in amazement as it curves around in the air and comes right back to you.

As 'miraculous' as that seemed when we were kids, I've found that most of our life is like that. Whatever we throw out there, comes back to us. We live in a boomerang world.

If you smile at someone, in almost every case, they will smile back. Try it now with someone nearby and see if it works.

If you're kind toward someone, they will usually be kind in return. Of course, this also works in the other direction.

If you complain to someone, they will share their complaints with you. In fact, you may quickly find yourself in a subtle competition to see who is more miserable.

If you get angry at someone, they will usually get angry with you. And so on ...

The fact is, whatever you decide to throw out into the world will usually circle around and land right back at your feet, much like the boomerangs we played with as kids.

Here's what struck me this morning.

I have a choice about what I decide to throw out into my world. I have a choice about what I want to land at my feet?

If you want more joy - throw it out there.

If you want more happiness - throw some happiness out there to someone else and watch it miraculously come back to you.

It even works with money. Need money? Give some away. The spiritual leaders from the beginning of time have been telling us this, but most of us are afraid to believe it.

It works in just about every area of our life. When we give something away, when we throw it out there - it comes back to us.

But here's the good news and this is really the miraculous part, we actually get more back than what we throw out there. Plant a seed and you don't just get one seed back. You get hundreds - maybe even thousands! So today and for as many days afterwards as you want, make a conscious choice about what you want to throw out into the world. By doing this, you will be making a choice about what is going to come back and land at your feet.

Remember the boomerang and that whatever you throw out there, will come back to you many times over.

"Feed the hungry, and help those in trouble. Then your light will shine out from the darkness, and the darkness around you will be as bright as noon. The LORD will guide you continually, giving you water when you are dry and restoring your strength. You will be like a well-watered garden, like an ever-flowing spring." Isaiah 58: 10-11



"Peace I leave with you, my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid"

JOHN 14:27

MARIANNE BALTROTSKY

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### OUR IN-HOME MEMBERS

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Likes visitors call first
301-304-0214

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Call to say hello 301-663-8341

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Call to say hello
240-490-5343

#### To $\underline{ADD}$ or $\underline{REMOVE}$ names to:

- Prayer Requests
- Newsletter Mailing
- Birthday / Anniversary

Please contact Jennifer Stull mychurch.js@gmail.com 301-788-1656



#### GREETER

Donald Shook

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Carole Houck, Jim Bostian, Doug Sunday, Bill Houck, Jennifer Stull

\*Property Committee now includes the Cemetery Committee.



#### Security or Faith

By Erma Grove

Along a winding, unknown way,
Walked a freckle-faced little lad;
Strange noises held no fear for him,
For he clutched the hand of his Dad.

Dim shadows did not frighten him, He explored each cranny and nook; He sniffed wildflowers, found shiny stones, Till they came to a babbling brook.

The only bridge that crossed the stream,
was the trunk of a fallen tree;
It looked so narrow to the boy,
That he begged, "please, Dad, carry me."

His father lifted him gently ,
And carried him over the brook;
Snuggled there in his father's arms,
What a sigh of relief he took!

Secure on the stream's other side,

He skipped merrily on his way;

The thing he feared was behind him,

And his father had saved the day.

Such trust can lead only to faith,

And when life brings dangers and harms;

We need not fear if we can feel,

Our everlasting Father's arms.





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Faith United Church of Christ

The
Consistory
Board
Meeting will
be on
Monday,
March 9,
at
7:00 pm.



#### SAVE THE DATE!

APRIL 18, 2020

Bingo will be held at Lewistown Fire Dept Hall – Details in the April newsletter.





Congratulations to CPL
Corey Sunday on his
marriage to Casey
Wilson on Friday
February 28th in North
Carolina. We wish
them a blessed life
together!

We are glad to have our greeter Donald Shook back to church as he has been out for 3 weeks recovering at home from pneumonia.

#### Strength and Courage

It takes strength to be certain, It takes courage to have doubts.

It takes strength to fit in, It takes courage to stand out.

It takes strength to share a friend's pain, It takes courage to feel your own pain.

It takes strength to hide your own pain, It takes courage to show it and deal with it.

It takes strength to stand guard, It takes courage to let down your guard.

> It takes strength to conquer, It takes courage to surrender.

It takes strength to endure abuse, It takes courage to stop it.

It takes strength to stand alone, It takes courage to lean on a friend.

> It takes strength to love, It takes courage to be loved.

It takes strength to survive, It takes courage to live.

David L Griffith



MARCH 8, 2020

We spring forward into



A new time begins! Daylight savings time again! Move your clocks *FORWARD* 1 hour Saturday night when you go to bed.



MAR 6 - LOBERTA STALEY

MAR 10 - BOB HARTMAN

MAR 10 - RICK HOUCK

MAR 12 - DOUG SUNDAY

MAR 18 - ROBERT WARNER

MAR 21 - JEANNE WILSON

MAR 26 - CINDY SCHALL

MAR 28 - KRISTI HOUCK GORDON



#### OUTREACH

Thank you for all the donations for our food basket in the arcade! We continue to collect items for

the Thurmont Food Bank. Thank you to **Jim and Mary Frances Bostian** for delivering the donated food. All is needed and appreciated!

PAPER PRODUCTS - CANNED GOODS

BOXED DINNERS - CEREAL







We welcomed Robert Wastler at our church service on February 9th to have his Baptism officiated by Tim Waybright. Tim presented him with a Large Print Bible and a Cross as a gift to start him on his journey with the Lord. Thank you to Kevin Sunday for his reading and lighting the candle during the Baptism.



One Great Hour of Sharing Offering for 2020 will be received on Sunday, March 22. Offerings will continue to be received the

following Sunday. Special offering envelopes will be provided. If you would like to contribute, you may write a check to Faith UCC and put in the memo "One Great Hour". Please mail it to the church and will be forwarded to the Treasurer Shirley Bazan.



Headstone Flowers The mowing crew would appreciate

the removal by March 22 of all artificial flowers that were placed on graves during the fall and winter months. Thank you to our mowing crew for such a great job and grateful for their hard work.

## Gideon Word Search

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#### EASTER FLOWER ORDER FORM

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