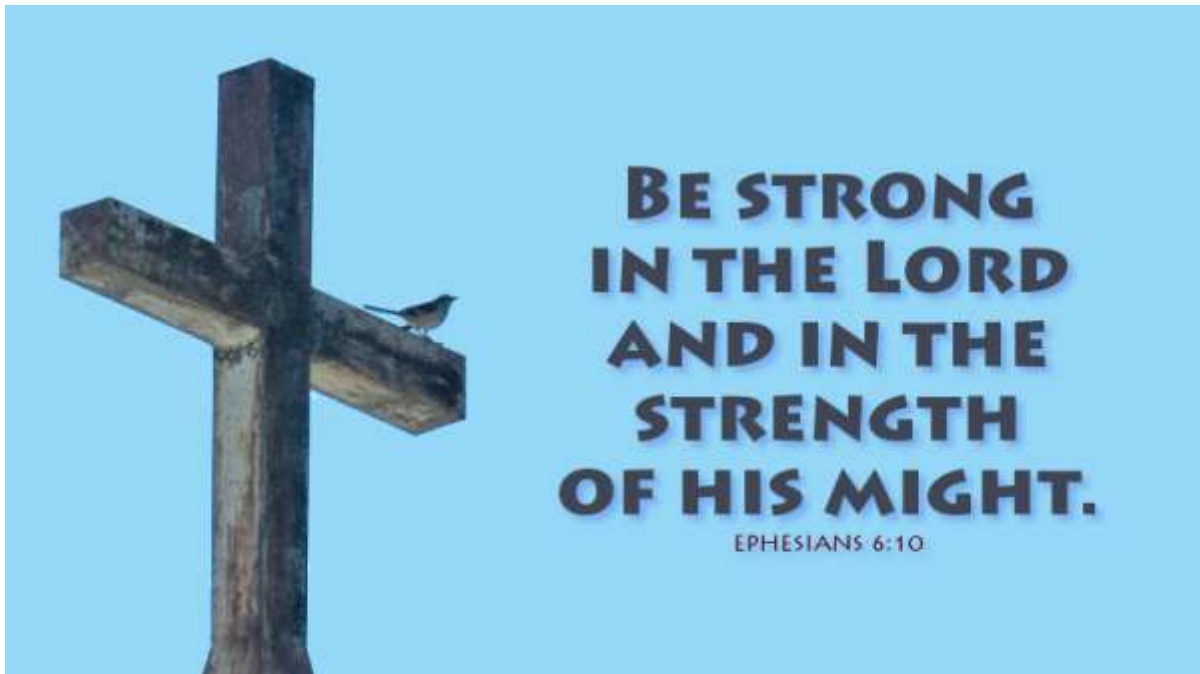


*August 23, 2015*



*Eastport United Methodist Church  
926 Bay Ridge Avenue  
Annapolis, MD 21403  
410.263.5490*

**Welcome to Eastport United Methodist Church**  
where we share our experiences of God's Kingdom with all,  
through our faith, love, fellowship, and service.  
Our vision is to have everyone actively involved in worship that  
enriches, ministries that empower, and evangelism that embraces all.

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**Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

August 23, 2015

10:00 a.m.

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**Welcome**

*Please turn off your cell phones.*

**Praise Songs**

*I Need You to Love Me – Benjamin Jones*

*I Will Call Upon the Lord – TFWS 2002*

**Prayer**

**Passing of the Peace**

**Children's Time**

**Joys and Concerns**

**The Lord's Prayer**

## **Praise Song / Hymn of Illumination**

*Listen Now for the Gospel, v. 1 & 2*

### **\*Scripture Reading**

Ephesians 6:10-20

### **Witness to the Word**

*Donning the Armor of God*

Mike Keller, Lay Speaker

*[We will observe a moment of silence to reflect on the Word and its call and claim in our lives]*

### **Sharing of Gifts and Prayer**

*The Unified Budget*

*and Heaven Cent Basket for Winter Relief*

Prays Band

### **\*Closing Praise**

*My Life Is In You, Lord – TFWS 2032*

### **\*Blessing**

### **\*Praise Song to Send Us Forth**

\*Please stand as you are able.

Participation last Sunday: 87

#### **Readings for Next Week**

Song 2:8-13; Os. 45:1-2 or Ps. 72; James 1:17-27; Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

**There are two meetings next week after church – enjoy some fellowship time and then join one of these groups:**

- ◆ Worship Team meets in the chapel.
- ◆ Sunday school volunteers head downstairs.

The Reverend Michelle Mejia, *Pastor*  
 Nicole Hughes, *Junior Choir Director*    Margie Hughes, *Heavenly Bells Director*  
 JoAnn Kulesza, *Music Director & Organist*  
 Bill Riggs, Sherrie Little, Sally Hight, Mike Keller, *Lay Speakers*  
 JoAnn Kulesza & Jill Peddicord, *Worship Team Leaders*  
 Sally & Kevin Hight, Eric Smaridge, Brady Duckett, *PowerPoint Presenters*  
 Shirley Owen, *Ushers Coordinator*    Audrey Howard, *Greeters Coordinator*  
 Kevin, Eric S, Brady, *The Treats Dudes*

**THOSE SERVING THIS WEEK**

**August 23, 2015**

Greeters: Tammy & Jerry Lesley  
 Prayer Leader: Bill Riggs  
 Reader: Barbara Krebs  
 Ushers: Sally & Bill Malamphy  
 Children's Time: Paulette Schwallenberg  
 Nursery: Russ & Lisa Parrish  
 Counters: Ruth Gibbons, Audrey Howard  
 Jackie Cunningham

**Fellowship Time**  
**JoAnn Kulesza, Bill Riggs**  
**& Barbara Krebs**

**THOSE SERVING NEXT WEEK**

**August 30, 2015**

Greeters: Christina & Mike Valentine  
 Prayer Leader: Bill Riggs  
 Reader: Megan Wurst  
 Ushers: Sonny & Shirley Owen  
 Children's Time: Nicole Hughes  
 Nursery: Jacqueline & Steve Ploof  
 Counters: Jean Wilcox, Ann Rawls  
 Sally Hight

**Fellowship Time**  
**Wendy & Eric Edstrom**

You may contact Worship Ministry Team Leaders and Pastor Michelle  
 through the church office, 410.263.5490.

EUMC e-mail: [eastportumc@verizon.net](mailto:eastportumc@verizon.net)

Website: [www.eastportumc.org](http://www.eastportumc.org)

Pastor Michelle: [eastportumcpastor@gmail.com](mailto:eastportumcpastor@gmail.com)

**A coordinator is needed** to maintain the schedule and volunteer list for this year's Sunday School. Anybody??

**Spire Deadline:** Please have your newsletter information to Eunice by Thursday, August 27. Email [corseec@msn.com](mailto:corseec@msn.com) with your announcements, articles, schedules, calendar items, etc. Lots of things will start up in September so think hard!

**Save these Dates:** The annual EUMC church picnic is September 20 at the Bay Ridge clubhouse starting at 2pm. The annual fall planning retreat is Saturday, September 26 – time and place to be announced.

## OUR JOYS & CONCERNS

### Thanksgiving

EUMC'S LAY SPEAKERS

### State, Country & World

ALL WHO STRUGGLE WITH ADDICTIONS

### Our Homebound Members

Lois Bliss, Edna Catterton, Katherine Leitch, Esther Gannaway  
Neill Kinnamon, Norman Jones, Betty Owen, Betty Storton  
Nadine Clark, Ernie Mutschler



### August Prayer List

A new list will start on September 1<sup>st</sup>. Please use the yellow prayer cards in the pews for your prayer requests, or call/email the church office.



**Jessica Stevens** (Mark & Sharon's daughter)

**Al** (friend of Wendy & Eric)

**Chris Barrett** (Sally Hight's brother)

**Lee Bergsman** (Neil's Mom)

**Mason, and family: Lisa, Scott &**

**Sydney Scherer** - (friends of Bill Riggs' family)

**Norma & Marc** (friends of Lynne Rittenberg)

**Lil & Wayne** (friends of Lynne Rittenberg)

**Charles Williams** (Audrey, Harriet & Jean's brother))

**Darren Williams** (Audrey, Harriet & Jean's nephew)

**Fran & Harry** (friends of Lynne Rittenberg)

**Family of Joanna Kaskasian** (see below)

**Steve White** (friend of Jim Wilcox)

**Brian Stevens** (Sharon & Mark's son)

**Tracy Dinh** (co-worker of Sharon Stevens)

**Jennie Kulesza** (JoAnn's Mom)

**The U.S. Military** (Berlyn Wheeler)

**Chelsea** (daughter of Traci DuPlayee)

**James Brown** (friend of the Lesleys)



### Birthdays this Week

Aug 23 – Rawle Green

Aug 26 – Daniel Mejia

Aug 27 – Dave Wheeler

Aug 28 – Tammy Lesley, Lisa Parrish  
Erin Connor

Aug 29 – Albert Stevens, Tegan Kopp

## EVENTS THIS WEEK

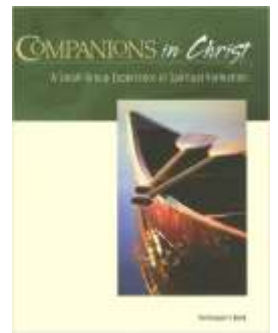
Tue, Aug 25 Pastor's Office @ Zu Coffee 10am – 12pm  
Wed, Aug 26 Lunch Bunch @ Sammy's 12:15pm



**Pastor Michelle will have office hours at Zu Coffee on Tuesday August 25<sup>th</sup> 10am-12pm.** Of course you are always welcome to arrange for a more personal visit at her office. Email her at [eastportumcpastor@gmail.com](mailto:eastportumcpastor@gmail.com) or call the church office.

### ***Companions in Christ* – Starts the Week of Sept. 13th**

Want to grow your relationship with God and build community with others at EUMC? Come, join our new small group study starting this fall. **Sign up in the fellowship hall today.** Dates and times will be determined by participant's schedules, so please indicate your interest. You can read the article in the August Spire for details, or email Pastor Michelle at [eastportumcpastor@gmail.com](mailto:eastportumcpastor@gmail.com). This study is broken into 5 week sections throughout the school year. We are also seeking people to either help facilitate the study or host a group.



### **An invitation to anyone who would like to sit in with the Sunday 9:00 adult conversation group for a special 12-week series – “*Passionately Christian, Compassionately Interreligious*”:**

Please add your email address to the signup sheet in fellowship hall. We have been invited to preview a future course at Wesley Theological Seminary by Dr. Sathi Clarke that includes discussion on some of the world's major religions, including Hinduism, Islam, Buddhism, Sikhism, Judaism, and Atheism, as well as discussions about Christian mission in an interreligious world. Sunday morning conversations will be enhanced by short video clips that you can watch during the week. There is no charge. Come for all 12 weeks, beginning Sept. 13<sup>th</sup>, or drop in as you are able. This series will conclude on November 29<sup>th</sup>, after which the adult conversation group will resume their traditional way of choosing topics and discussion.

