



May 10, 2021

The Good News!

With Pastor Clark

As I was thinking about my message this week, I kept coming back to the idea of humbling ourselves! As we humble ourselves to God, how do we produce fruit for God's Kingdom? As United Methodists, we are called to "Make Disciple of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world!". By bearing fruit for Jesus, we show our love for God and for others. We can do this by asking God to help me be less about me and more about God. Humbling ourselves to God helps us to be less self-absorbed, and to put others needs above our own. As the scripture tells us, every knee shall bow, and tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord. I encourage you this week, to show humility, to love and respect one another, and seek the interest of others before our own!

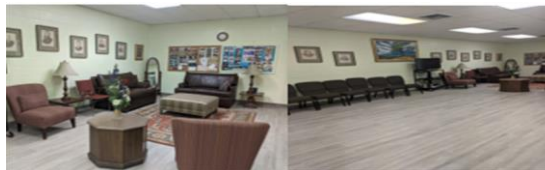
Blessings, Pastor Clark

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Spiritual Practices

Noon Devotional – Catch us daily to hear the divinely inspired word of God with Steve Archer on Monday, The Message with Pastor Clark on Tuesday, Corbin Pinto on Wednesday, Pastor Clark on Thursday and Saturday, and Liz Barnett on Friday. Last week, Steve shared that God will help us reach our goals, Pastor Clark encouraged not to abuse power, Corbin sang "Onward Christian Soldiers", and Liz Barnett shared that God weeps with us.

Sunday School Class Resumes – We are excited to share that the Friendship Class is going to start in-person classes on June 6, 2021 at 10:10am. The teachers will be Yvonne Aucoin, Barb Bierma, Mary Stroh and Howie Tant on a rotating basis. The curriculum planned is the International Sunday School Lessons. The room looks a little different post COVID-19 with new flooring and furniture arrangement. For more information, contact Carol Gallagher at carolgallagher01@gmail.com.



Prayer: Please keep in your prayers Lexi Emory as she has been found and is back at home, Dani Sigman's mother as she battles cancer, Anne Austin recovering from hip surgery, Larry Diunizio for recovery from back surgery, Benjamin Baker for retina surgery, Michelle Clark and family with the death of Stan Clark, Bill and Carolyn Watson, John Barnes, Patty Waller, Sherry Harrington, Elizabeth Howard's (Bob's niece) son Jakob for heart issues, and Bob Howard's sister-in-law diagnosed with breast cancer. If you or someone you love needs prayer, please send your prayer request to prayerbumc@aol.com.

A LIFE OF DISCIPLESHIP

Worship

This week we will continue our journey to walk more closely with Jesus by exploring how we are saved by grace! Join us on Sundays at 11am in-person, with masks and social distancing, or streaming on Facebook and YouTube Live.

Scripture: Eph 2:4-7

⁴ But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us ⁵ even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—⁶ by grace you have been saved—⁶ and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, ⁷ so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.



We express our love and gratitude to Lt Cmdr. Kimberly Mazur as she transfers to her new duty station in CA. She faithfully served on our worship team preparing the ProPresenter slides for worship!

Service

Ministry Impact

This year's kits for annual conference will look a little different. The Elizabeth River District is empowering local churches to collect canned food and school supplies that will support the local church's established partnerships. We will be collecting canned goods for Family Food Baskets for Bayside Elementary School to be packed on June 6th. Please donate peanut butter and jelly, jar spaghetti sauce, pasta, canned vegetables, canned fruit, and mac & cheese.

Administrative Teams

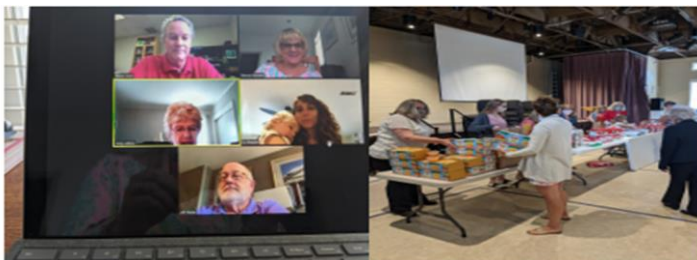
So that we can continue our ministry to those in the Shore Drive area all our committees and team have continued to meet via Zoom Church office hours are Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 9am to 2pm, Wednesday 12pm to 5pm and Friday 9am to 12pm.

Church Council – Our **MISSION** is to “Make Disciples of Christ for the Transformation of the World”! We will do this by executing our **VISION** to connect with our community by praying, asking, worshipping, and serving others.



MISSIONS

The Missions Team is happy to share that we have robust participation and enthusiasm as we work together to pack the Beach Bags for the food insecure children at Bayside Elementary School. There is an intergenerational spirit as people of all ages come together to serve! We are planning a week of service this summer for our youth and adults as we will partner with other churches to provide support to our partner organizations such as Samaritan House and the Foodbank. If you would like to participate, please contact Pastor Clark at ccundiff@baylakeumc.org.



CHURCH CONFERENCE FOR THE SIMPLIFIED ACCOUNTABLE STRUCTURE

A Church Conference is scheduled for Monday, May 17, 2021 at 7:00 PM to approve the adoption of the Simplified Accountable Structure. This new structure will consolidate the Administrative functions of the church, including the Board of Trustees, Finance and Staff Parish Relations Committees, and the Church Council into a Leadership Council. This will allow for more flexibility and efficiency with decision-making as we adapt our ministry in a post-pandemic world. Additional information can be found on our website at [Trustees - Baylake United Methodist \(baylakeumc.org\)](https://www.baylakeumc.org)

Children & Youth Ministry

Our **Director of Children’s Ministry, Liz Barnett**, continues to minister to our children, “tweens, and parents through this challenging time. She holds the weekly “Fill Your Cup” bible study via Zoom and creates video Sunday school lessons for children via YouTube.

Ministry Impact

Our children are back to worship and are able to participate in Children’s Church each Sunday! Join Pastor Clark for the children’s message followed by Children Church. Contact Miss Liz if you would like to participate!
ebarnette@baylakeumc.org



Youth

We are meeting in-person on Wednesday, May 12, at 6:00 PM. If you have a youth 6th through 12th grade that is interested in joining us, please reach out to Pastor Clark at ccundiff@baylakeumc.org.



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