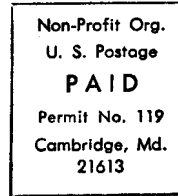


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Local Service Organizations

Last month, Tom Wilson told us about Habitat for Humanity. This month, Gene Williams, president of the Cambridge Lions Club, tells us about this service organization.

Lions club International is a non-political service organization established in 1917 in Chicago, Illinois. It has over 46,000 local clubs and more than 1.4 million members in over two hundred countries. Lions are a group of service-minded men and women who are interested in improving their communities and are best known for their efforts in eradicating preventable blindness.

The Cambridge Lions Club was chartered in 1952, and today has 23 members. Some of our church members are active Lions: Kenny Thomas, Gene Williams, Pastor Dave Kelley, Debbie Yost, and Carolyn Williams. Cambridge Lions support many Lions International projects such as Lions Vision Research, the Wilmer Eye Institute at Johns Hopkins Hospital, Leader Dog for the Blind, and Lions Clubs International Foundation, where the donated funds go to support disaster relief. This may be the only foundation with no administrative costs.

Locally, our vision program supports local residents in need of eyeglasses and exams, as well as participating in the recycle for sight program where we collect used eyeglasses to be refurbished for use around the world. The Boy Scouts, Cambridge Little League, Delmarva Community Services, Dorchester County Schools, Meals Til Monday, Scholarships, Pleasant Day, Salvation Army, Dorchester General Hospital Foundation, and Cambridge Fire and Rescue are among the other community services that we support. The Lions have committed funds to the Cambridge Police Department to support the youth PAL program. We have also helped build two handicap ramps for local residents and have supported residents with wheelchairs.

All funds that we raise through our Golf Tournament, Lions Auction, and other fundraising events go back into our community.

Two of our Zion members, Kenny Thomas and Gene Williams, have been honored to receive a Melvin Jones Fellow award, the highest award a member can receive from Lions International.

A Soup Day Thank You

By Elaine Horseman

On March 24, Zion UMC had its first Soup Day in over a year, and it turned out to be very successful, both financially and logistically. There were many concerns when planning it because it had to be done differently than previous years, mostly due to the Covid pandemic. The decision was made to have it entirely pre-ordered and "drive in" pick-up only. Thankfully, even though we had rain ALL day, things went very well. Customers were extremely happy that they didn't have to get out of their car. There was a wonderful group of helpers and everyone worked so well together as a team. A big THANK YOU goes out to all the people that helped make it a success, and you all know who you are!



Stamps for the Wounded

by Kenny Thomas

Please remember to clip the postmarked postage stamps from your incoming mail and put them in the collection box located in the first floor lobby next to the coffee and cookie table. Gloria Brake is kind enough to see that these stamps are delivered to the appropriate destination.

Stamps For The Wounded was founded by Lions Clubs International in 1942 in New York, in response to an appeal from local Armed Services Hospital. It was extended nationwide in 1944 with the aid of the country's leading stamp societies. The organization is completely run by volunteers. The collected stamps are distributed to veterans hospitals and convalescent centers nationwide for use in various crafts and stamp collecting related hobbies.

Stamps can give bedridden and convalescent patients a consuming interest. Even the mentally disabled patient takes pleasure in using the common stamps to make greeting cards, or to cover decorative boxes in organized therapy sessions.

Stamps For The Wounded accepts any U.S. or foreign stamps that are not torn or damaged, as well as stamp collecting supplies and tools. They do request that each stamp has at least a quarter-inch margin around the edge. Do not try to either peel or steam the stamp off the original envelope. Thanks for your support!



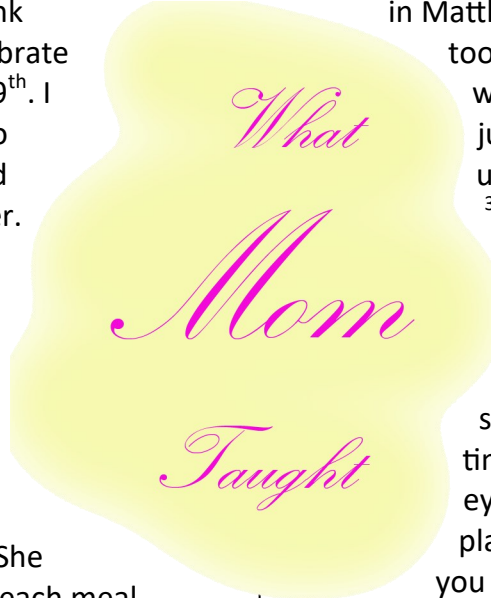


Jill Jasuta Photography

During the month of May, we think about Mother's Day. We will celebrate that on the second Sunday, May 9th. I was thinking about my Mom, who passed away in 2017. God blessed me with a loving, Christian mother. I am extremely grateful, but I know that others were not as fortunate as I.

My Mom taught me to read and write. She taught me to work hard for what I wanted. She also taught me that life has no guarantees, so cherish each day. She taught me how to pray to God at each meal time, before bed and through out the day. She read the Bible to me and my brother and sister. Both she and my father took us to church. She encouraged me in school and in my achievements in life. My Mom and Dad both taught me that marriage requires work and that both have to give 100% for the marriage to succeed. She taught what was a weed and what was a vegetable or flower. She taught me how to plant, weed, and harvest a crop. She taught me how to make applesauce and how to cook, although I did not learn the cooking lesson very well. It is a good thing that God knew I would need a spouse to cook for me, so God provided me with my wife JoAnn, or I might have starved!

My Mom also taught me to treat everyone with respect. Never judge anyone, but let God do the judging. I remember Jesus teaching about judging



in Matthew 7:1-5, " ¹Do not judge, or you too will be judged. ²For in the same way you judge others, you will be judged, and with the measure you use, it will be measured to you. ³Why do you look at the speck of sawdust in your brother's eye and pay no attention to the plank in your own eye? ⁴How can you say to your brother, 'Let me take the speck out of your eye,' when all the time there is a plank in your own eye? ⁵You hypocrite, first take the plank out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck from your brother's eye." I have tried to live up to this teaching.

There are many thoughts and emotions around Mother's Day. For some of us, our mother is no longer with us, but in heaven with God. For others, our mothers are still living, but we may be far apart from them by location and/or by our walk with God. Some of you are now mothers and you know the joy of seeing your children grow by God's love and grace. There are others who, even though they are not mothers themselves, have encouraged and nurtured us like a mother.

Let us give thanks for all the mothers that God has brought into our lives.

Happy Mother's Day!
Pastor Dave

Easter Cross

by Elaine Horseman

It was wonderful to see our special Easter Lily/Carnation cross on the altar again this year. What was even more wonderful was to see a such a nice turnout for the Easter service. Thanks go out to everyone that donated to our Good Samaritan fund. There are more people in our community in need now more than ever, and it is a good way for us to help. Every Sunday, more and more people are starting to attend and are feeling comfortable coming back into our Sanctuary. We are all looking forward to a more normal time again. HOPE TO SEE YOU SOON!



THANK YOU



for your response to our Lenten Mission Project in support of Heifer International. Your generous donations made it possible for us to provide **35 Hope Baskets!**

Each Hope Basket includes "rabbits and a starter flock of chickens, along with training and education on their care. These fast-multiplying animals will jumpstart families toward a sustainable future. A Hope Basket:

- provides eggs and protein for nourishment
- boosts income through sales of extra eggs and offspring
- passes on the gift to others, since livestock can multiply quickly

Rabbits are easy to care for and can reproduce in a short amount of time. Chickens lay eggs and provide manure for vegetable gardens."

Your contributions will make a difference in the lives of many struggling farmers looking for a way out of poverty. It is a blessing for Zion UMC to be able to support Heifer International.

More information about Heifer International can be found at their website: <http://www.heifer.org>.

Susan Robinson



A Pentecost Word Search

Find these words from Acts 2:1-12

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| Blowing | Spirit | Sound | Medes | Cappadocia | Pamphylia |
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Tentative Plans For a Yard Sale

A Yard Sale is **TENTATIVELY** planned for Saturday, June 5.
 Volunteers are needed for set-up, the sale itself, and clean-up.
 All proceeds will benefit the General Fund.
 More details will be forthcoming. Please watch your email for more information.

ANNIVERSARIES

in May

- 3 Janel & Mitch Parke
- 4 Cathy & Len Crawford
- 4 Brittany & Daniel Trickey

- 25 Nancy & Ricky Potter
- 25 Susan & Lynn Thomas
- 31 Jessica & Ricky Dukes

BIRTHDAYS

in May

- 2 Charlotte Booze
- 3 Mackenzie Foster
- 4 Albanus Phillips, III
- 5 Vista Cheesman
- 5 Maura Manley
- 7 Betty Lou Reid Pridgen
- 9 Melissa Jump
- 11 Shelby Blades
- 11 Alex Creighton
- 11 Bruce Herman

- 11 George McComas, Jr.
- 14 Elaine Horseman
- 16 Paul Lewis
- 16 Jason H. Matthews
- 16 Bobby Willey
- 17 Jade Turner
- 19 Tristan Schunick
- 20 Winford J. Elliott III
- 23 Nancy Potter
- 23 Jackalyn Stouffer

- 25 Carter Dukes
- 25 Aiden Etchison
- 26 Barbara Marshall
- 27 Ricky Potter
- 28 Amy Schuyler
- 29 Eleanor Van Dyke
- 30 Bryn Crossan
- 31 Grace Kelley

A Brief Biography of Our Centenarian, Dot Geoghegan

On April 2, 1921, Dorothy Marie Tracy was born to Albion (Bert) and Alice Tracy in Newark, NJ. At the age of 3, they moved to Union, NJ where she lived her formative years. She graduated from Union high School in 1938, having completed the 5th and 6th grades in one year. After she graduated, her first job was as the school secretary at Franklin School, the junior high school she attended.



She joined the US Coast Guard in 1943, and after basic training at the Palm Beach Training Station in Florida was stationed at the Brooklyn Coast Guard Supply Depot in Brooklyn, NY.

She married Claude Geoghegan in 1945, and their daughter, Barbara, was born in 1947. They owned and operated the Variety Corner Store at the corner of Choptank Ave. and Travers Street in the 1950s.

Dot worked at the State of Maryland Treasurer's Office in Annapolis for two years. In October, 1961, she traded the ride across the Bay for a ride across town and went to work for Western Publishing Company on Woods Road. She held many positions there, but was best know as the Senior Accounting Clerk and as a director of the Western Welfare Association. She retired from Western Publishing in 1986 after 25 years of faithful service..



Dot has been an active member at Zion, teaching a women's Sunday School class, serving as a circle leader, and active in other women's activities. She was also active at the Dorchester American Legion Post 91 and the Auxiliary serving in many Auxiliary offices including as the Auxiliary's president as well as the 2nd Auxiliary Vice President for the State of Maryland.

We celebrate with Dot her long and productive life of over 100 years.