

REMEMBERING MIKE DONIGIAN



On July 29th, Linda Thompson, our Minister of Visitation, sent a message to the congregation informing us that long-time member Mike Donigian died July 28th, 2021. Mike was 96. He was the last surviving member of his immediate family, his wife and three children predeceasing him. There was to be a graveside service at Gate of Heaven Cemetery the following Tuesday, and church members were invited to attend.

My husband, Jim Short, and I were traveling and unable to attend. However, since Carol Malmi and I became the *Contact* editors, it's been our practice to print remembrance obituaries when we have lost members. When I contacted Linda for information, I learned there was no obituary. I could find no death notice.

Our front page of the *Contact* is typically *not* an obituary. But, I knew we needed to remember Mike - everyone deserves to be remembered - but there wasn't much information available. I began a quest to learn as much as I could about Mike. Many longtime members remember Mike and his family, and I reached out to several. I searched online, especially Ancestry.com. Here's what I've pieced together.

Michael Monouch Donigian was born November 10, 1924, in Biddeford, Maine. His parents, Hagop ("Jacob") and Nasjic Eramian Donigian arrived at Ellis Island June 22, 1920, having emigrated from Armenia, Turkey. Mike had a brother, John, and two sisters, Mary and Sally, all younger. The family later lived in Lockport, New York, where Mike went to Lockport High School. He dutifully registered for the draft on December 31, 1942. At some point, the family moved to New Jersey. He may have nieces and nephews there, but I can't be sure.

Online searching revealed Mike attended Syracuse University. Jim, also a Syracuse alumnus, reached out to his contact there, learning that Mike graduated from the Business School in 1947. They told us Mike went on to earn a Masters in Management from the Stevens Institute of Technology in 1955.

Mike married Gertrude Elizabeth "Booty" Drafts December 19, 1953, in Passaic, New Jersey. One source indicated that Mike was in the Navy at the time, while Booty, a graduate of Goucher College, worked at the YWCA. It leads one to conclude that Mike may have used the GI Bill to pay for graduate school. Booty and Mike had three children, a daughter, Mary, who died in infancy, and two sons, Michael Jr., and Carl Drafts, who passed away in 1997. The family never recovered from losing two children.



The family moved to Bethesda in the late 1950s. They attended NBUMC and became members in the early 1960s. Jack Enders, Amy Duroska and Kathy Devadas, recall that Mike worked as a systems engineer at the [Bolger Center](#), a "premier leadership development and conference center servicing both US Postal Service and external clients." Carol remembers Booty working for a social services agency in the 1970s. She often met an "effervescent" Booty as their offices were in the same building.

Amy Duroska wrote: "I observed that Mike was gentlemanly toward and allowed Booty to have the "limelight." You remember Booty: always vivacious! Mike would be quiet, letting her do the talking and tell her stories."

Jack recalls Mike's interest in flying as he was always asking him "airplane questions," perhaps because Michael Jr. was a pilot for a regional airline. Jim recalls Mike Sr. talking about sailing. Linda recalls Mike taking long walks in the neighborhood. Booty, the more outgoing of the pair, was
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(Thanks to Linda Thompson, Gordon Cragg, Kathy Devadas, Amy Duroska, Mary Lou Griffin, Jack Enders, Carol Malmi, Rev. Kara Scroggins, Rev. Debbie Scott, and Jim Short for their recollections and contributions to this piece.)



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Rev. Kara's email address is kara at northbethesdaumc.org, and she tries to respond in a timely manner (although her bedtime is early...think 9pm!). She uses a Google Voice account for work calls; that number is 202-618-1078 and can receive calls, texts, and voicemails. Rev. Kara takes Fridays and Saturdays as her weekend. Friday is a Sabbath day for her, when she avoids screens as much as possible and spends time recharging. Saturday is generally for friends, family, errands, etc., but she can be reached as needed and is also available for Saturday church events as they come up.

Remember to keep your Pledges current! The church's expenses continue, even though we have resumed worshipping on Zoom. Your tithes and offerings are vital to help pay staff salaries, utilities and ongoing operational expenses.



Contact Deadline for Winter Issue:
October 15, 2021

Message from the Pastor

When “Back to Normal” Isn’t Normal: The Exiles Return & Rebuild



On Friday, March 13, 2020, as school districts, places of worship, and businesses--at first just a few, and then all, all at once--began closing their doors, I remember hearing the words “we’re on the edge of history right now.” What started out as an obscure headline in world news became one of the most defining events in our lifetimes. While across our community and the globe, our scars and griefs from these many months are particular to the individual, no one has come this far in the pandemic untouched. Whenever we get together, we recount where we were and what we were doing when things started shutting down; how time in those first few weeks was stretched out; what the hardest days were like.

Of course, we are not the only people in human history to have experienced widespread crisis, upheaval, and collective grief. Many others have come before, and have shown us what resilience looks like: how we put ourselves back together. One such story, foundational to the Judeo-Christian narrative, is the story of the Babylonian exile, beginning in 586 BCE. Just like the Covid pandemic has become a defining moment in our 21st-century history and identities, the conquest of Jerusalem and years of exile shaped the writing of the Bible and Jewish identity more than any other event, save perhaps the Exodus from Egyptian slavery.

When the Jewish people who had been held captive in Babylon were allowed to return, after roughly 50 years, their city was in ruins and their lives and faith permanently altered. As much as they would have liked to pick up where they left off and return to normal, they simply couldn’t. Everything was different.

Clearly, we have not been carried off to captivity, nor has our country been overtaken. We have much to be grateful for. And yet the returning exiles of 2500 years ago have something to say to us about how to rebuild lives—and churches—that may never feel “normal” again. As we begin to emerge (in fits and starts and frustrating setbacks) from the pandemic, we could use a little pep talk from people who’ve been there. And so we’re going to spend four weeks this fall listening to post-exilic Biblical authors we don’t usually hear in worship: Joel, Haggai, Zechariah, and Ezra. We’ll learn about the value of a good cry; the importance of setting spiritual priorities; God’s concern with how we treat each other in stressful situations; and how we hold the bitter and the sweet, the hopeful and the tragic, in a single embrace. I’m excited to dive into these rather-obscure scriptures with you, and will see you on Zoom or whatever way we manage to worship in these not-quite-post-exilic days!

Peace, Rev. Kara

Traveling? Can’t Make it to Church or Zurch? Join Us on YouTube

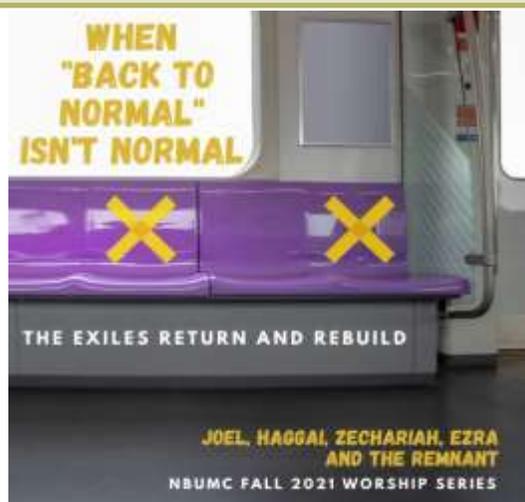
Every Sunday, NBUMC’s worship service launches at 10 a.m. (EDT) on our [YouTube channel](#). Rev. Kara posts a complete service from Introit to Benediction, with music and the same sermon she preaches to the in-person congregation. It’s a great way to hear the Message and stay in touch with NBUMC. Click on the link above or go to: youtube.com and search for “North Bethesda United Methodist Church.”



WORSHIP THEMES

Song Stories - September 5

We spent the summer getting to know each other a little better by hearing NBUMC members share in worship about Bible stories that have been meaningful in their lives. We heard about people's connections to Hagar and Ishmael, Jacob and Esau, Joseph and his brothers, Daniel in the Lions' Den, David and Goliath, Martha and Mary, the Prodigal Son, the Samaritan woman at the well, and Jesus feeding the multitudes. But we know that, in addition to Bible stories, hymns and worship music play a major part in our faith formation. And so our summer series will wrap up on Labor Day weekend with a worship service that gives people a chance to share their personal connections to favorite hymns and songs. Join us on Zoom--and invite a friend!--for a fun Sunday of worship and learning about how God has shown up in each other's lives.



September 12 - October 3: When "Back to Normal" Isn't Normal; The Exiles Return & Rebuild

September 12: Joel 1:1-20; 2:12-14

September 19: Haggai 1:1-2:5

September 26: Zechariah 8:4-23

October 3 (World Communion Sunday): Ezra 3:1-13

World Communion Sunday - October 3

World Communion Sunday is October 3rd, and even if the uptick in Covid cases continues to prevent us from safely gathering in the sanctuary, we will press on with grateful worship and remembrance. Pending input from the NBUMC Re-Entry Team (and weather permitting), we will have an outdoor Communion service at 11am on World Communion Sunday (following our regularly-scheduled 10am service, which will likely still be exclusively on Zoom). We are also looking for worship participants who speak languages other than English to lead prayers and read scripture that day (both on Zoom and outside.) Let Rev. Kara know if you are willing!

October 12 - 31: Tough Acts to Follow: Jesus' Strongly-Verb-ed Messages in the Gospel of Mark

October 10: Sell & Give; Mark 10:17-31

October 17: Humble; Mark 10:35-45

October 24: Cry Out; Mark 10:46-52

October 31: Love; Mark 12:28-34



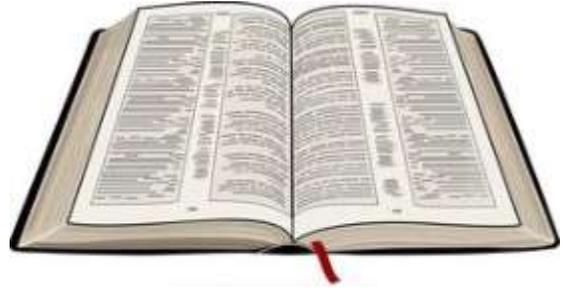
PRIMETIME WORSHIP RESUMES

Primetime Worship for Children and Youth (via Zoom) will resume September 26, 2021. After meeting with parents, we decided to move it to the 2nd and 4th Sundays. K-3 students will meet from 5:30-6:00pm to learn Biblical principles on sharing, making new friends, effective communication and caring for others. Starting at 6:05pm until 6:45pm, youth in grades 4th -12th grades will meet and focus on setting goals, effective communication, expressing and dealing with feelings, managing stress, mindfulness and being our best selves through Biblical teachings.

Our Primetime worshippers are missing in-person gatherings and have expressed a desire for a more interactive and fun platform. As such, we are exploring new ways to enhance their worship experience and welcome your suggestions. Primetimers will continue to take Communion with Rev. Kara and their families.

We are still hoping to recruit a volunteer to fill the role of Assistant Worship Leader previously held by Ms. Malaika. Malaika has volunteered to join us from time to time to share strategies, special topics and events. I encourage church and community members to join us as well, to share stories, games, exercises, songs, music, etc. with our children and youth that will enrich their worship experience. Thank you for your continued support and please feel free to reach out to me to participate.

Yours in Christ,
Renee Newman
Director, Christian Education



Small Group Bible Studies

Looking for a way to feel more connected with your church family during this challenging time? Want to go deeper in conversation about the scriptures we're reading in worship each Sunday? Join us for a small group Bible study this fall starting September 15 through October 27! You're welcome to come on Wednesday mornings from 10-11am or on Wednesday evenings from 7-8pm, whichever is a better fit for your schedule. (Both groups will meet exclusively on Zoom, at least for now.)

The discussion questions each week will center on the scripture passage that was preached for worship the previous Sunday, and will encourage us to live out the teachings in our daily practices. Each group meeting will include time for sharing and prayer. If neither sessions work for you, and you are interested in leading a small group study at a different time each week (the curriculum will be provided to you) please contact Gordon Cragg (our Lay Leader) or Rev. Kara!

The Lectionary

September 5: 15th Sunday after Pentecost
Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23; Psalm 125
James 2:1-10, (11-13), 14-17; Mark 7:24-37

September 12: 16th Sunday after Pentecost
Proverbs 1:20-33; Psalm 19; Isaiah 50:4-9a
James 3:1-12; Mark 8:27-38

September 19: 17th Sunday after Pentecost
Proverbs 31:10-31; Psalm 1
Wisdom of Solomon 1:16-2:1, 12-22
James 3:13 - 4:3, 7-8a; Mark 9:30-37

September 26: 18th Sunday after Pentecost
Esther 7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22; Psalm 124
Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29; Mark 9:38-50

October 3: 19th Sunday after Pentecost
Job 1:1, 2:1-10; Psalm 26
Genesis 2:18-24; Mark 10:2-16

October 10: 20th Sunday after Pentecost
Job 23:1-9, 16-17; Psalm 22:1-15
Amos 5:6-7, 10-15; Mark 10:17-31

October 17: 21st Sunday after Pentecost
Job 38:1-7, (34-41); Psalm 104:1-9, 24, 35c
Isaiah 53:4-12; Mark 10:35-45

October 24: 22nd Sunday after Pentecost
Job 42:1-6, 10-17; Psalm 34:1-8, (19-22)
Jeremiah 31:7-9; Mark 10:46-52

October 31: 23rd Sunday after Pentecost
Ruth 1:1-18; Psalm 146, Deuteronomy 6:1-9
Mark 12:28-34

November 1: All Saints Day
Wisdom of Solomon 3:1-9 or Isaiah 25:6-9
Psalm 24
Revelation 21:1-6a John 11:32-44

HAPPENINGS

ZURCH RETURNS

After several in-person Sunday services, we returned to Zoom Worship in August out of an abundance of caution because of the Covid-19 Delta Variant. The Re-entry Committee and Rev. Kara are monitoring the situation and will make recommendations when it is safe to return. Need Zoom instructions? Contact the Church Office by [email](#) or call 301-530-4342.



INTERFAITH WORKS

NBUMC Volunteers provided meals to the Interfaith Works Women's Homeless Shelter in Rockville in July. Thank you to our volunteers:

- Sara Barakat, Michele Bernot, Joy Hallman and Chris Lee (Sunday)
- Ardoth Hassler, Wayne Huff, Natalie McManus, Kim Santoro (Thursday)
- Jacqui and Gordon Cragg, Joye Jones, Basil Manns, Leslie McIntire, and Emmett and Jane Ward (Saturday).

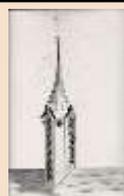
IW is currently raising funds to help school-aged children from needy families start the new school year right by supplying new backpacks filled with new school supplies to 3,000 students, who are coming back into classrooms after a challenging year of remote learning.

You can [support the campaign by making a financial donation here](#). Or you can support the program by donating items to their wish list [here](#).

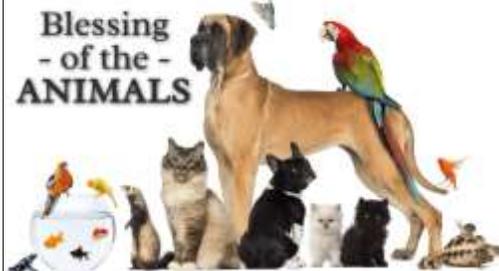


NBUMC Charge Conference

October 6, 2021 7 pm
Via Zoom



Blessing - of the - ANIMALS



Sometime in October! Watch the weekly email for exact date and time.

INTERFAITH WORKS

Mark your calendars for October 24th to 30th when NBUMC is again scheduled to prepare meals for the shelter. If you are able to volunteer, please contact Gordon or Jacqui Cragg. Watch the Weekly Email for further information.

All Saints Day

To Remember and Give Thanks

Observed November 7, 2021

Notify the Church Office of saints you would like to remember.

LOOKING BACK

Paul Hurlburt, Church Historian

First Year of Our Church Ended in a Flurry of Activity

Our Church celebrated its first anniversary without a building on September 8, 1957. Except for the first few Sundays, when worship was held in nearby barracks of the National Guard, services had taken place at the Grosvenor Elementary School in Bethesda. Get-acquainted sessions had also taken place in members' homes for new members and friends.

With membership increasing to 208 as the year progressed, the activities of the young church had increased in proportion. As a result the first year culminated in a flurry of activities like those of an established church, despite the lack of a building.

The July-August issue of the church newsletter, the Synopsis, records this flurry of activities, which likely reflects the energy and enthusiasm of the young families who made up the bulk of the membership.

The summer kicked off with Vacation Bible School, held the week after school closed, which kept 45 children "hopping," and no doubt their nine adult leaders, with "Bible study, arts and crafts, music, outdoor activities and refreshments." Meanwhile, the Methodist Youth Fellowship enjoyed a cookout at the home of Harry and Kathryn Wynkoop featuring hot dogs, hamburgers and "the works" on June 30. Margie Ellis led the devotions.

For their June meeting, the Men's Club drew 70 "members and friends" to an unstated location for "a delicious steak dinner prepared by the men." Another meeting of the club was held in July. Upcoming events included an ice cream social August 14, sponsored by the Women's Society for members "and their Gentlemen" at the home of Vivian and Warner Bogley, and a church-wide picnic three days later at the Bethesda Recreation Center.

At the same time, there was the usual summer drop-off in attendance, which was noted in a report by Finance Commission Chairman Warner Bogley, who called this "normal" while asking members to "Catch Up by Paying Up." Normal or not, the absence of some members did prompt the Rev. Richard Irvin, then pastor, to "wonder" about them, the Synopsis reported: "He urges all members to call him the week before going away.... This will serve a dual purpose; first, it will make you conscious of your absence; second, it will save the pastor making so many phone calls. How about it?"

Author Note: As Rev. Kara has reminded us so clearly and compellingly, we are a community of the beloved above all the activities. I'm not sure calling the pastor before taking a trip gets it, but I know Rev. Kara is happy to hear from us, whether we're taking a trip or not. As for me, I'm looking forward to vacationing in New England as I write this. See you in September. (PH)



Members of the Methodist Youth Fellowship enjoy a cookout in the backyard of Harry and Kathryn Wynkoop June 30, 1957. The Rev. Richard Irvin, our church's first pastor, is on the right. Harry Wynkoop is in back on the left. Kathryn Wynkoop once told the historian she likely took the photo "because I'm not in it."

THANK YOU

Lotsa Helping Hands Lines Up Helpers at NBUMC

Carol Malmi



After shoulder surgery on June 25, my right arm was essentially crippled. It faced six months of physical therapy. It was immobilized in a formidable sling for the first seven weeks. I discovered lotsa things I could not do with my left hand alone. Out with shoe strings, in with Velcro closures. Unscrew a jar top or pry up a tight container lid: help! Cooking: unsafe. Spills and drops: get used to it.

The dress code called for button-up shirts with short sleeves to pull up the limp right arm like a sock. Then struggle into the rest of the shirt and button up one-handed. Then wrestle on the sling festooned with straps, buckles, and a lotta voracious Velcro. Persistent shoulder pain kept me awake in bed, on sofa, and in recliner. I roamed like Goldilocks nightly, seeking sleep wherever I could find it. Now, eight weeks in, the sling has gone and the arm, which regained range of motion with PT, is entering a regime of strength training. I am optimistic and on the way to recovery.

Ardoth Hassler-Short foresaw these trials well before I did. She organized an NBUMC Lotsa Helping Hands team to provide two meals (good for leftovers) a week and rides to PT appointments. This Florence Nightingale brigade got me through a rough time with kindness, good humor, and a delicious variety of cooking that put my own plain fare to shame. Sometimes a delivery included a welcome visit. Drives were always gab-fests that kept me up on NBUMC news and made extra stops at CVS or Giant Grocery. I will forever be thankful for this warm embrace by my church

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Flora Milans
Jacqui Cragg
Joanna Voight
Joye Jones

Linda Thompson
Ludmilla Gawrisch
Mary Lou Griffin
Michele Bernot
Renee Delacroix
Rich McManus

Lotsa Helping Hands was founded by technology entrepreneurs Hal Chapel and Barry Katz after Barry's experience as family caregiver during his wife's four years of cancer treatment, ending in her death. This is their mission:

"Lotsa Helping Hands powers online caring Communities that help restore health and balance to caregivers' lives. Our service brings together caregivers and volunteers through online Communities that organize daily life during times of medical crisis or caregiver exhaustion in neighborhoods and communities worldwide. Caregivers benefit from the gifts of much needed help, emotional support, and peace of mind, while volunteers find meaning in giving back to those in need."

<https://sgk.lotsahelpinghands.com/about-us/>

The organization added a blog available to everyone who wants to organize a community to provide help including meals, transportation, visits, and other forms of support to a neighbor, friend, or family member. This is the tool NBUMC uses to line up volunteers to help in times of need. Carol Malmi is the most recent recipient of this wonderful service.

Welcome Silas William!



Silas was born to Claire and Justin Carrico (left) on August 17th, 21" long and weighing 8 pounds, 15 ounces.

Proud grandparents are Tony and Brigid Ashur (right).



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active in [PEO](#) (a Philanthropic Educational Organization of "women helping women"), according to Amy and Kathy. I learned the Donigians traveled to Australia more than once to visit Booty's sister.

They were a very private family. Michael Jr. lived with his parents, taking care of them as they aged. When Booty passed away in 2015, she and Mike had been married 61 years. Michael Jr. followed her in 2019. With Mike on his own and in mental decline, he lived at Collingswood Nursing Home in Rockville, MD for his remaining years. He had a court-appointed guardian.

Nearing the end of their lives, the Donigians had a church family. Choir members recall Christmas caroling at their home. In later years, they didn't participate in many church activities, but attended church when their health permitted. They resisted members' attempts to visit them or bring food.

What is our lesson here? Living in a pandemic with imposed isolation, we need to be there for one another--be it with visits, Zoom, telephone calls, cards or letters. As Paul Hurlburt writes (page 7), "we are a community of the beloved." I wish we had been more so for Mike and Booty. Jack remarked in worship on Sunday, August 29, on the passing of two of his long-time colleagues, noting, "it gets lonely at the top" as there are fewer family members and friends to remember us as we age. Five faithful souls attended Mike's grave-side service, with Linda representing all of us. Now, we remember him here. And, the Donigians will always be remembered in our church as they donated the *Holy Bible with Shining Candle* stained-glass window in our Narthex.

- Ardoth Hassler-Short, ed.



The Open Bible indicates that God's Holy Word is accessible throughout the world, and that translations of the Bible have been published in more than a thousand tongues. To the ancients, a lighted lamp, or candle, was not merely a light for darkness, but also a symbol for wisdom and knowledge, enlightenment and religious enthusiasm. "Thy word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path."

Given by Mike, Booty, and Michael J. Donigian, in memory of Carl Drafts Donigian, born December 3, 1957 and died September 7, 1997



Thank you for responding to the call to contribute to earthquake and hurricane relief through the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR.) As of the

end of August, we have collected \$652.75 through checks and online giving, which will be sent to the Baltimore-Washington Conference and on to UMCOR. UMCOR is distributing funds to on-the-ground partners in Haiti who care for people's basic needs such as food and clean water, hygiene, shelter, and other basic necessities. Disaster response funds continue to be needed to support communities in Haiti as well as in Louisiana following Hurricane Ida. If you would like to donate, you may do so directly through UMCOR's web site (umcor.org.) The funds from any designated Vanco gifts or checks to NBUMC with UMCOR in the memo line will also be forwarded on to UMCOR to support their efforts. Thank you for your generosity!

Rev. Kara

Miscellany



Each year, Americans observe National Hispanic Heritage Month from September 15 to October 15, by celebrating the histories, cultures and contributions of American citizens whose ancestors came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean and Central and South America.

BWC Annual Conference

The 237th annual session of the Baltimore-Washington Conference will be held October 25 - 27, 2021 entirely online.



FALL COMES TO NBUMC

We all miss the rummage sale...

But when we can't have one, there is always **craigslist**[®] 

Rev. Kara and our SOC Committee have had success selling items donated for the rummage sale that have been stored on the stage in Johnson Hall! Proceeds benefit Missions.

And, previous sales have continuing benefits.

A few years back, a member donated a custom-made tuxedo he no longer needed. Another member bought it for her musician son. Now, no longer needed again, the tux was donated to the Community Closet at Bethesda-Chevy Chase High School. The Music Boosters will see to it that a young musician will have concert dress when in-person performances resume.



Here's hoping we can have a "real" Rummage Sale in 2022!



SEPTEMBER 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 4:30 pm Choir	2 10:00 am Fit for Eternity 6:00 pm Chef Majed Meals	3 Nat'l Food Bank Day	4 Nat'l Wildlife Day 
5 10:00 am Worship 11:15 am Coffee Hour	6 Labor Day	7 10:00 am Fit for Eternity	8 4:30 pm Choir	9 10:00 am Fit for Eternity 6:00 pm Chef Majed Meals	10 Nat'l TV Dinner Day 	11
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October 2021

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31 Halloween 10:00 am Worship 11:15 am Coffee Hour						

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SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER WORSHIP SERVICE PARTICIPANTS

This is the schedule for worship participants for the months of September and October. Please note on your calendar. If there is a conflict with your schedule, **please arrange for a substitute and inform the office of that change so it can be published in the weekly bulletin.** Liturgists are for individual Sundays. **Greeters and ushers are for the whole month.** Communion Stewards are for the first Sunday of the month.

DATE	LITURGIST	Sunday Worship 10:00am _____ _____ Contact the Church Office to be added to the mailing list for weekly updates.
September 5	Jacqui Cragg	
September 12	Stephen McSpadden	
September 19	Carol Malmi	
September 26	Mary Lou Griffin	
October 3	Multiple	
October 10	Gordon Cragg	
October 17	Carol Malmi	
October 24	Janet Replogle	
October 31	Irving Williams	