



TIDINGS OF WELLER

*"The Church on the Hill with a Heart for All:
Learning, Loving, Sharing and Serving God"*

September 2025

"The Harvest of the Spirit"

by Grace Johnson

The leaves, like souls, begin to change,
From green to gold in a vast exchange;
Autumn's embrace, a gentle reminder,
Of our own seasons, a time to surrender.

God's hand, like the wind, guides our way,
As we walk through life, both night and day;
And just as the trees, we shed our fears,
Trusting that His love will dry our tears.

For every leaf that falls to the ground,
A new prayer rises, a hopeful sound;
Our hearts, like branches, sway in the breeze,
As we find solace on our spiritual knees.

WORSHIP SERVICES

Please join us!

8:30 a.m. Traditional Service and 10:30 a.m. Praise Service

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Weller UMC Sermons

Did you know that you can listen to Pastor Mark's sermons each week by phone, or watch one of the services on Facebook and YouTube!

Listen: If you know someone who doesn't have internet access or you'd like to listen to it again, please call 240-288-1302.

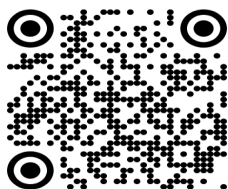
Watch: You can watch all recorded sermons on Facebook at www.facebook.com/WellerUMC -or- on YouTube by searching "WellerUMC WorshipAcct".

WUMC Sunday School 9:30 a.m.	<u>Pre K-Kindergarten</u> Debbie Stull & Joan Staub In Church Nursery	<u>1st thru 5th Grade</u> Donnie & Kelly Wastler In Weller House
WUMC Sunday School	<u>Adult</u> Sarah Pickett & Roger & Becky Harbaugh In Church Library	<u>Adult</u> Fred Younkings In Weller House

Worship Attendance	
August 3	93
August 19	96
August 17	87
August 24	110
August 31	109

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**SEPTEMBER
BIRTHDAYS
&
ANNIVERSARIES**



09/01 Wes Baugher	09/21 Chloe Mathias
09/01 Anita and Ken Drye (A)	09/21 Jesse Shultzaberger
09/05 Bob and Joan Follin (A)	09/22 Betty Rice
09/06 Karen Shank	09/24 Kelsey McClure
09/06 Ernie and Joan Staub (A)	09/24 Ryan Shultzaberger
09/07 Joan Freeze	09/26 Deborah Shultzaberger
09/07 Riley Keilholtz	09/26 Hope Howard
09/07 Wyatt Reese	09/27 Sue Baugher
09/09 Tammy Dutrow	09/27 Daisy Purcell
09/09 Roger Harbaugh	09/27 Karen Schildt
09/09 Christine Miller	09/28 Tom Shaffer
09/09 Ryan Wivell	09/28 Roger and Becky Harbaugh (A)
09/15 Bob Benjamin	09/29 Jill Hurley
09/15 Dottie Davis	09/30 Emmalee Miller
09/15 Dorothy Selders	
09/15 Darren Staub	
09/16 Rick and Kathy Wivell (A)	
09/17 Andrew and Heather Mathias (A)	
09/18 Charley Keilholtz	
09/20 Chris Keilholtz	
09/20 Becky Long	

CEMETERY BOARD by Bob Miller

Weller Cemetery Honorary/Memorial Brick Fundraiser

The Cemetery Board of Trustees is once again offering spots on its honorary/memorial brick walkway (on the right side of the church) for purchase. Single (regular) sized bricks will be offered at \$200.00 each, while double-sized bricks will be \$240.00 each.

Forms are available in the narthex.

September Mission News Highlights

Next **Mission Central Trip** will be on Thursday, September 11th. Meet at the church at 8 a.m. and return around 3 p.m. See the **sign-up sheet** in the front hall for more information. If you have shoes or computers to donate, there is a bin in the hallway.

There will be a **Yard Sale** at the Weller House Garage on October 8th and 9th weather permitting. This will be to benefit the **Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Gift Ministry** that we contribute to each year. If you have any items in good condition that you would like to donate they can be placed in the Weller House garage.

Sandy Fahnestock delivered some personal care products to **Edenton Assisted Living in Frederick** for residents without families. The Activities Director told her that the residents are so happy when they receive these items that it's like Christmas. On our next delivery they will also get a few chocolate treats which they enjoy very much.

The **Catoctin Pregnancy Center** can still use girls and boys clothing, size 3-5T in addition to infant and toddlers, as well as larger size disposable diapers.

The Mission Team was able to send a check for **\$1,000** to the United Methodist Committee on Relief- **UMCOR for U.S. Disaster Recovery** in August. This was able to be donated through designated funds given in the Mission Envelopes or otherwise designated for Missions.

If you have any questions, please call Pat Alexander at 301-514-2638.

SPECIAL CELEBRATION

A photo of Margaret Reed enjoying her 93rd birthday celebration.



Proverbs 16:3: "Commit your work to the Lord, and your plans will be established."

We are approaching the time for 2026 budget to be prepared. As we look at this year so far we are tracking near what was expected. Now is the time for your input to shape how we wish to dedicate our resources to God's will. If you have ideas that God has put on your heart which we should commit a portion of our budget please speak to Pastor Mark or any of the council members to ask for inclusion in 2026 plans. Or if you have questions and concerns about the spending allocation, speak to Jim Monroe or Henry Alexander for additional details. This table is an overview using 2025 as a starting point for discussion.

2026 Weller Church General Fund Budget		
Salaries, Taxes and Benefits	\$	121,184
Property Operating Expenses	\$	33,814
Baltimore-Washington Conf	\$	24,186
Church Office	\$	7,100
Care Team	\$	450
Education: Sunday School	\$	1,500
Emergency Discretionary	\$	1,000
Fellowship	\$	2,000
Music & Licenses	\$	1,400
History	\$	300
Outreach-Advertising	\$	1,200
Worship	\$	2,710
Youth	\$	100
General Fund Total	\$	196,944
Capital - Building Fund		10,000
Elevator		19,800
Missions		9,500
Cemetery		16,000
Parsonage		10,500
Youth		100
Total all Accounts	\$	262,844

Electric, fuel, insurance, phone

postage, copier, paper

Service & Repairs

Loan repayment

Local & overseas projects

Mowing & tree work

Taxes, Insurance, Mgmt Fee

ANNOUNCEMENTS

—UPCOMING MEETINGS—

Outreach—Sept. 8, 6:00 p.m.

Council Meeting—Sept. 9, 6:00 p.m.

Cemetery —Sept. 16, 6:00 p.m.

Ministerium—Sept. 18, 7:00 p.m.

SPR—Sept. 22, 6:00 p.m.

IMPORTANT MESSAGE!!

Dear Weller members and visitors,

Please be advised that we are live-streaming our 10:30 service, and occasionally our 8:30 service, on YouTube. You and/or your children may appear on camera in the video, which is then permanently available on YouTube to anyone who finds our channel.

If you have a concern and do not wish to be shown on camera, please let the Audio Visual (A/V) team, the pastor, or the church office know!

May God Bless you as we worship Him together!

Bob Miller and the A/V team



Join the Weller UMC Handbell or Vocal Choir



I would like to extend an invitation to join one of the music performance choirs at Weller UMC.

The Hilltop Ringers, the handbell choir, will meet weekly beginning Sept. 18, from 6:00-7:00 p.m.

The Hilltop Singers, the vocal choir, will meet weekly beginning Sept. 18, from 7:15-8:30 p.m.

These choirs will present our Christmas Cantata on Sunday, December 14, at 9:30 a.m.

If you would like more information or are interested in joining one or both of our choirs, please contact Deborah Shultzaberger at Debjrccp@aol.com or the church office, at 301-271-2802.

ANNOUNCEMENTS (Cont'd)

ATTENTION!!

Prayer requests or concerns should be emailed to Pastor Mark (pastormark1umc@gmail.com) and copied to our Admin. (secretary@wellerumc.comcastbiz.net). You may also text or call Pastor Mark directly with prayer concerns. Pick up his business card in the narthex. This is to ensure that prayer requests are seen outside of normal office hours. Thank you!

RESTHAVEN BURIAL PLOTS—An individual has offered to donate the proceeds of the sale of two burial plots at Resthaven Memorial Gardens in Frederick, MD to Weller Church. The plots are located in the Garden of Devotion, lot # 59-C, spaces three and four. The price of \$7,250.00 includes two spaces, perpetual care, interment, one bronze memorialization, two custom built crypts and the deed transfer fee. Contact Pastor Mark or the Church Office at (301) 271-2802 if interested.

FALL FEST: Join Weller's Fall Fest Celebration on Sunday, October 26 at 9:30 a.m. You can dress in your favorite costume. There will be some fun fall crafts and lunch will be provided at 11:00 a.m. We hope to see you there.

THE GIVING WAGON: We hope you consider sharing food donations for families in need this Thanksgiving. Children will be collecting the food every Sunday starting on October 19 with November 16 being the last Sunday for collection. We will be collecting the following food items on their respective Sunday:

10/19 Boxed Mashed Potatoes & Gravy	11/09 Sauerkraut and Cranberry Sauce
10/26 Corn and Peas	11/16 Sweet Potatoes
11/02 Stuffing Mix	

The Potter's Hands – Puppet Ministry NEEDS YOU!!

The Potter's Hands Puppet Ministry needs your help so we can continue to entertain and the word of Jesus Christ. This is a fun, exciting and fulfilling method of ministry presented during church services, VBS or shows.



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Our Puppet team mainly consists of what I call the 3 P's.

- Puppeteer – handling the puppets during songs (no talking required), during skits (where talking is required but you are behind the stage).
- Propateer – work with making and using signs and props during a performance.
- Picturteer – (I made up that word) but means to help create and design the signs and props.

Best of all, this is for those of you that would like to 'Do Something' to share the word of Jesus Christ by being a part of this Ministry. If you don't like to be seen by lots of people, this is exactly why puppetry would be perfect for you! We work totally behind curtains, and no one knows who is doing what!

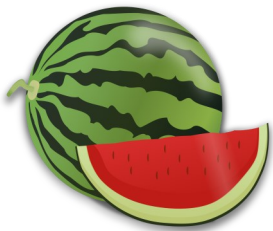
We are looking for anyone in the 5th grade or older, teenagers, young adults, adults and older adults like me! LOL!! Our normal practices are Sundays starting at Noon going to 1:30 p.m.

If interested, please contact Wes Baugher (240) 818-1122 (texting is best option) or the Church office at (301) 271-2802 and we'll provide you with further details. We would love to have you join our team!!

Weller Picnic 2025



WELLER PHOTO ALBUM (CONT'D)





2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 *Office Closed Labor Day	2 Book Club 7:00 pm	3 Bible Study Weller House 9:00 am	4	5 *Office Closed	6
7 Sunday School Begins	8 Outreach 6:00 pm *Office Closed	9 Council Meeting 6:00 pm	10 Bible Study Weller House 9:00 am	11 Mission Central Trip 9:00-12:00 Carpool Departs Weller at 8:00 am	12 *Office Closed	13
14	15 *Office Closed	16 Cemetery Meeting 6:00 pm	17 Bible Study Weller House 9:00 am	18 Ministerium 7:00 pm Handbell Practice 6:00-7:00 pm Choir Practice 7:15-8:30 pm	19 *Office Closed	20
21	22 *Office Closed SPR 6:00 pm	23	24 Bible Study Weller House 9:00 am	25 Handbell Practice 6:00-7:00 pm Choir Practice 7:15-8:30 pm	26 *Office Closed	27
28 Combined Service 9:30 a.m.	29	30				