**The Inter-Faith Chapel**

**“A House of Prayer for All People”**

**3680 South Leisure World Blvd.**

**Silver Spring, Maryland 20906**

 **May 20, 2018**

**Pentecost Sunday**

**9:00 AM Worship Service 11:00 AM**

***As you enter to worship, please remember to silence your cell phones.* **

**SILENT MEDITATION**

*Pentecost means the glory of God’s power and the power of God’s glory. The gift of the Spirit is the gift of power. To experience the indwelling of the Spirit is to be empowered. It is to be delivered from a life of isolation to a life of inclusion, from a life of limitation to a life of liberation. -*Samuel Chadwick

**WORDS OF WELCOME Dr. Woodie Rea**

**LIGHTING THE PEACE CANDLE**

**We light this candle as a symbol of our ongoing commitment to *peace* in our world.**

**PRELUDE *Veni, Creator Spiritus* Maurice Durufle**

**Kevin M. Clemens, Director of Music**

**CALL TO WORSHIP Dr. Sharon Stanley-Rea**

*Leader*: *Come Holy Spirit, in rushing wind and in tongues of flame!*

**PEOPLE:** **Fill our place of worship and open our ears to hear your Word.**

*Leader:* *Come Holy Spirit, when the world divides us.*

**PEOPLE:** **Holy Spirit, make us one.**

Leader: *Come Holy Spirit, when the world calls us orphaned.*
**PEOPLE:**  **Holy Spirit, make us family.**
*Leader: Come Holy Spirit, when we wander and are led astray.*

**PEOPLE: Holy Spirit, guide us home.**

**ALL: Come, Holy Spirit, ignite our hearts with praise and joy!**

 **Come, Holy Spirit, be with us now as we worship.**

** HYMN *On Pentecost They Gathered***

**INVOCATION**

** All who are able, please stand.**

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**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSSION UNISON**

**Almighty God of wind and fire, we confess that we have failed to open our hearts to the power of your Spirit. We confess that we have not realized your unity and accord, but continue to live in the divisions and differences of language, race, and culture. We acknowledge that these distinctions tend to separate rather than unite, and hurt rather than heal. We pray for the gift of fellowship that confirms your spirit among us. Restore our fractured world that we might all live together with joy, and in peace. Amen.**

**WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

** AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

*Leader: Let us stand as we are able and unite our hearts, our spirits, and our voices,*

 *in an Affirmation of Faith.*

**PEOPLE: We believe in God, known as Creator, Son, and ever present Spirit.**

**We believe God gave birth to the church with the gift of the Holy Spirit.**

**We believe that this Spirit energized the disciples and moves us to:**

**Live the Good News, love our neighbor, feed the hungry,**

**Care for the poor, and welcome the stranger.**

**We believe the church is to be a community of hope, forgiveness, love, joy, and acceptance of all.**

**We believe the Spirit is still moving, still acting, and still speaking.**

**We believe the Spirit has the power to turn the world upside down,**

**To break down walls and barriers, and to unite us together in love. Amen.**

** GLORIA PATRI**

 **Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;**

**As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be;**

**World without end. Amen. Amen.**

**NEW MEMBER INTRODUCTION (11:00 AM) Dr. Woodie Rea**

 **Harry and Kathy Geehreng Bill and Anne Matthews**

 **Sponsor: Audrey Rader Sponsor: Lynn Scudder**

***To New Members:***

As members of The Inter-Faith Chapel, will you, with God’s blessing and to the best of your ability, faithfully participate in its ministries through your presence, your prayers, and your contributions of gifts and service?

***To Congregation:***

Do you covenant together to welcome these new members into the family of faith here at The Inter-Faith Chapel and do you pledge to offer them your support, encouragement, and fellowship, as we travel on our faith journey together?

**PRAYER OF AFFIRMATION AND WELCOME**

**ANTHEM *Like the Murmur of the Dove’s Song* Arr. by Robert Lau**

**Chancel Choir**

**MORNING PRAYER**

**LORD’S PRAYER UNISON**

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**SCRIPTURE READING Acts 2: 1-21 NT 144**

**HYMN *Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart***

**SERMON “All Together Now” Dr. Woodie Rea**

**INVITATION TO THE OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY  *Peace I Leave with You* Philip M. Young**

**Chancel Choir**

**DOXOLOGY (Tune: Lasst Uns Erfreuen)**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;**

**Praise God, all creatures here below;**

**Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Praise God, the source of all our gifts!**

**Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!**

**Praise Spirit, Holy Spirit!**

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

** PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

** PASSING THE PEACE**

** CLOSING HYMN *Wind Who Makes All Winds That Blow***

** BENEDICTION**

** BENEDICTION RESPONSE Tune: Ar Hyd Y Nos**

 **Text: Jaroslav Vajda**

**“Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone.**

**Waking, sleeping, I am with you, you are my own.**

**In my love’s baptismal river I have made you mine forever.**

**Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own.”**

**POSTLUDE *“Toccata” from Organ Symphony #5 Charles-Marie Widor***

**Kevin M. Clemens, Director of Music**

**PARTING THOUGHT**

*If ever there is a tomorrow when we’re not together, there is something you must always remember. You are braver than you believe, stronger than you seem, and smarter than you think. But the most important thing is, even if we’re apart, I will always be with you.*  - Christopher Robin (Winnie The Pooh)

**Welcome To The Inter-Faith Chapel**

**We are committed to being “*A House of Prayer for All People*.”**

**We are seeking to share the Love of God through caring, outreach, study, and worship. We invite you to share with us in this journey.**

**We are delighted you are here today, and hope you will return soon and often!**

**Believing in God whose love and grace are accessible to all,**

**we strive to make our worship service accessible to all.**

**For V isually I mpaired Large Print Bibles are available**

**For H earing I mpaired Sound Enhancement Headphones**

**For P hysically I mpaired Wheelchair Accessible Seating**

**Automated Doors are available at front and side entrances**

**If you need help with any of these aids, please ask an usher for assistance.**

**ALTAR FLOWERS Dedicated by Barbara Bowers in memory of her brother**

 **Bill on his May 19 birthday**

**FLOWER MAKERS Chie Colvis and Ann Dobbs**

**USHERS 9:00 AM Ralph Sheaffer, Head Usher**

 **Salome Duncan-Augustt, Pat McConnell, Naomi Rogers**

**USHERS 11:00 AM Georgiana Jones, Head Usher**

 **Eun Joo Robinson, Melvin Robinson, Vivian Williams**

**GREETERS 9:00 AM Juanita Sealy-Williams**

 **11:00 AM Tyra Thompson**

 **Delivery of Altar Flowers on Monday, May 21**

 **Beryl Adams Naomi Rogers**

**Presence on Sunday, May 13**

**9:00 AM 85  11:00 AM 120  Total 205**

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| **May 13 Offering** **$4,092** | **Weekly Budget Need****\*$8,173** |
| **Year to Date Offering****$152,552** | **Year to Date Budget Need** **\*155,287** |

\*This amount represents offerings received and pledge budget only and does not reflect approved withdrawal of $11,698 per month from the endowment fund needed to meet overall 2018 budget.

***ANNOUNCEMENTS & OPPORTUNITIES***

**GREETING TO VISITORS** We extend a special welcome to you and hope that you will return to be with us again soon. We would appreciate having a record of your attendance today. Please sign the *Visitor Register* located in the narthex and be sure to pick up an Inter-Faith Chapel coffee mug as our small gift. Also, please make your presence known to one of our pastors, we would enjoy being in conversation with you. Thank you for coming!

**NEW MEMBER / AFFILIATE REGISTER** If you are interested in joining The Inter-Faith Chapel, please let us know by signing the *Member / Affiliate Register* located near the coat room in the narthex. We will be in touch with you to joyfully welcome you into the full fellowship of this congregation.

**CAPITAL WIND SYMPHONY** Please join us **today** at **3:00 pm** for the Inter-Faith Concert featuring the Capital Wind Symphony, over 50 brass, woodwind and percussion instrumentalists. Invite your friends, family and neighbors to attend the 3:00 pm concert. A reception will follow and a free will offering will be taken to support the concert series. Invite your neighbors and friends! Tickets are not required.

**SPEAKER FROM A WIDER CIRCLE**  The Unitarian Universalists of Leisure World invite all Leisure World residents to hear Dr. Mark Bergel, founder of A Wider Circle, speak on **Tuesday, May 22** at 2:30 pm in **Clubhouse II**. A Wider Circle works to end poverty and Dr. Bergel has been recognized as a CNN Hero and Washingtonian of the Year. The Chapel makes donations to A Wider Circle through the Missions budget and through the annual bedding drive.

**THE INTER-FAITH MEN** The Inter-Faith Men will be meeting on **Wednesday, May 23** at Montgomery County Airpark at 10:00 am. The event will include a brief discussion of aviation by George Samara, and a limited number of short flights will be available for those interested. Lunch will follow at the Airport Café. To RSVP, or for more information, please call George Samara at 330-418-6795.

**INTRODUCTION TO HANDBELLS** The art of handbell ringing will be introduced in a series of classes beginning on **Tuesday, June 5** and continuing through **Thursday, June 21.** The group will meet on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 11:00 am – 12:15 pm. Call Kevin Clemens, Director of Music, at 301-598-5312 or email him at k.clemens@inter-faithchapel.org if you are interested.

**POTLUCK PICNIC AT WHEATON REGIONAL PARK** Everyone is invited to join the *Born 1942* *and After* group for a potluck picnic on **Tuesday, June 5** from 1:00 pm – 3:30 pm. The Chapel will provide hamburgers, hot dogs, chips, paper supplies and beverages, and each person is asked to bring a dish to share. Sign up in the Narthex or at [www.inter-faithchapel.org](http://www.inter-faithchapel.org). Payment of $8.00 per person is due by May 27.

**BOOK CLUB** You are invited to join the *Born 1942 and After* group for a book club discussion on **Wednesday, June 20** at 7:00 pm. *The Light Between Oceans* by Margot L. Stedman is the story of a lighthouse keeper and his wife who, in 1918 Australia, make one devastating choice that forever changes two worlds. If you would like The Chapel to order the book for you, RSVP by Thursday, May 24 at [www.inter-faithchapel.org](http://www.inter-faithchapel.org) or by calling 301-598-5312. The cost of the book is $11.00. If you will get your own copy of the book, RSVP by Thursday, June 14. Snacks and beverages will be provided and donations accepted to cover the cost.

**GETTING YOUR LIFE IN ORDER** All are invited to this informative session on **Wednesday, June 20** from 10:30 am – noon in the Fellowship Hall. Numerous topics will be covered including advance directives, funeral pre-planning, powers of attorney, and long term care options. Give your loved ones the gift of having your affairs in order and making your wishes known. Pre-register by calling 301-598-5312 no later than Sunday, June 17. There is a $10.00 donation requested to cover the cost of the notebook.

**IN PRAISE OF AGE** Each year, we honor all our members and friends who are 90 years old or older. Mark your calendars for our *In Praise of Age* services on **Sunday, June 24**. If you are 90 years old or will celebrate your 90th birthday in 2018, please call the Chapel office at 301-598-5312 to make sure that your name is included amongst our list of honorees.

**CHRISTMAS CRAFTS** What! We just celebrated Easter! It is time to start planning crafts for the Christmas gift bags for our affiliates and friends who are home-centered or live in care facilities. If you are a crafter, please come to the initial meeting of Santa’s helpers on **Thursday, June 28** at 10:00 am in the Fellowship Hall.

***ON THE TOWN* AT THE OLNEY THEATRE** The *Born 1942 and After* group invites everyone in the congregation to attend *On The Town* at the Olney Theatre on **Wednesday, July 18** at 2:00 pm. Call 301-598-5312 or go to [www.inter-faithchapel.org](http://www.inter-faithchapel.org) to register. Cost is $45 per person payable by check to NARFE Chapter 1143. RSVP and payment are due no later than Monday, June 25.

**CHAPEL CALENDAR**

**Sunday, May 20 3:00 PM Capital Wind Symphony**

**Monday, May 21 1:00 PM Sermon on the Mount Bible Study**

 **2:00 PM Sandwich Makers**

**Tuesday, May 22 12:00 PM Staff Meeting**

 **1:30 PM Outreach Committee**

 **3:00 PM Council Meeting**

**Wednesday, May 23 10:00 AM Women’s Chorus**

 **10:00 AM Inter-Faith Men**

**Thursday, May 24 1:15 PM Women’s Bible Study**

 **7:00 PM Chancel Choir**

**Friday, May 25 10:00 AM Knitting Group**

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**CHAPEL OFFICE HOURS**

**9:00 AM - 3:00 PM  Monday – Friday**

**301-598-5312**

***Rev. Dr. Woodie Rea, Senior Minister***

***Rev. Dr. Ramonia Lee, Minister of Congregational Life***

***Kevin M. Clemens, Director of Music***

***Linda Faith, Administrator/Facilities Manager***

***Bonnie Bonner, Administrative Secretary***

***Steve Buck, Gary Carpenter, Video Technicians and Sextons***