



# Magothy Messenger

## Pastor's Corner

July 1, 2021, marks the beginning of my fourth year as pastor of Magothy United Methodist Church. It has certainly been an interesting appointment, especially due to the challenges that the COVID-19 pandemic has presented to us since March 2020. What also has made my time here interesting is that I have never before encountered a church that is as loving and as welcoming in as genuine a way as Magothy is!

As we embark on a new “year” at Magothy United Methodist Church, I am pleased that we have crafted a succinct mission statement for Magothy:

- Share Christ’s Love
- Hear the Word of God
- Serve People

I firmly believe that if we stay true to and live out this mission statement, we will transform our life together and the surrounding community in powerful and holy ways. In living out this mission, we need to continue to study what the Bible has to say to us. Through worship, Bible studies, service, and fellowship activities, we bring the action of the Bible stories right into our lives. This

means understanding the text in the context of when and where it was written, but also how the lessons relate to our lives today. We need to witness to each other one-on-one and in groups to how the words of Jesus and the actions of the Holy Spirit have confronted us in amazingly clear and intricate ways.

We must challenge ourselves to share our faith with people we know (or may come to know) who have not yet recognized how God is working in their lives. Sharing our stories of how Christ inspires, transforms, or challenges us is necessary to making our faith relevant both for ourselves and for people who have yet to come to church. Sharing our stories is more than simply telling people about the grace of God that we experience. It also means “learning the language” of others so that they can understand in clear and specific ways what we have experienced and what a personal relationship with Jesus Christ looks like. Sometimes, our “church talk” may need to sound like “street talk” to make sense to people who don’t

know what church is all about!

Our new mission statement is not a new way of proclaiming a new message. It is a way of sharing the old message of the Gospel of Jesus Christ in a way that becomes exciting and meaningful to those who need to hear it. It also reminds us that we have been commissioned by Christ to “*go and make disciples...teaching them everything that I have commanded you*” (Matthew 28:19 – 20). Let us show Anne Arundel County and the whole world that Magothy United Methodist Church:

- Shares Christ’s Love!
- Hears the Word of God!
- Serves People!

## Street Care

Magothy United Methodist Church is embarking on a new ministry in partnership with Bright Mind Enrichment: Street Care!

This ministry will involve offering necessities (socks, hygiene items, small nut-free snacks, etc.) to homeless people in the community and beginning to build relationships with this vulnerable population. We will begin this on-going outreach in Pasadena and gradually move into the rest of Anne Arundel County.

We are in need of:

- Socks
- Hygiene items (especially female products)
- Nut-free snacks
- Deodorant

We are also in need of volunteers to help pack bags.

We also need volunteers to join a team led by Magothy members to spend 2 - 4 hours per month in this endeavor.

A training and informational session about Street Care will be held on Sunday, July 11, 2021, 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. in the Church Library. If our numbers are large, we will move to Fellowship Hall or the white chapel sanctuary.

For more information, please contact Pastor Martin at 410-255-2634 or at [pastor@magothy.org](mailto:pastor@magothy.org)



**Hygiene  
Kits  
Needed**

## United Methodist Women

*We are excited to announce that the Magothy/Community UMW will meet in person this year and we invite you to join us. We are a small but enthusiastic group who are mission oriented while enjoying educational opportunities and fellowship. Recently we studied Prevention of Teenage Sex Trafficking and conflicting faith during the Civil War. We support missions in Pasadena, the United States and the world with the goal being to improve the lives of women and children. If you have ever*

*shopped at the Niftee Thriftee you are part of our mission! Please join us at our next meeting and share your interests and support. Meeting date and time will be published in the next newsletter along with information about the UMW Legacy Fund.*



The COVID-19 pandemic has hindered our ability to host our 3rd Saturday Community Breakfasts. Thankfully, the lifting of restrictions now allows us to have these gatherings again. We are, however, in need of help to continue this important and fun ministry.

We are in need of:

- Cooks / chefs
- Servers
- People to set up tables and chairs
- People to clean up
- Someone (or a few someone's) who can assist in picking up the ingredients (the church pays for these)

## Community Breakfast

If we are able to identify people for these positions, we hope we could start up again in August or September. If you are able to volunteer 1 to 4 hours each month or need more information, please contact the church office at 410-255-2420 or Pastor Martin at 410-255-2634 or at [pastor@magothy.org](mailto:pastor@magothy.org)

## Volunteer Opportunities

There are many of ways to contribute to our church and community, volunteering is a great way to help out! If you or a family member or neighbor would like to volunteer we have multiple projects/ groups that would love to have you volunteer some time. You can contact our church at 410-255-2420 or by emailing our Pastor, Marin P. Brooks at [pastor@magothy.org](mailto:pastor@magothy.org) and/ or our secretary at [secretary@magothy.org](mailto:secretary@magothy.org)

## Niftee Thriftee

*The "old" Niftee Thriftee has been around for over 40 years and it underwent a face lift in 2019. Although Magothy Church owns the property and building, it is managed by the*

*United Methodist women and run by volunteers. The success of the Niftee Thriftee is due to the generous donations from the community and our hard-working volunteers. The*

*proceeds from the sales are portioned to organizations that support women and children. We encourage all of you to pop in and check out our new digs!*

## *A Letter from The Rankin's*

Pastor Martin Brooks And The Congregation of Magothy United Methodist Church

We have come to a point when we must officially and sadly say goodbye to all of the wonderful folks at 'The Little White Church On The Hill,' as Bud called it. We were met with open arms and open hearts when we first attended MUMC and that loving embrace never ended. Because of our age, we felt we had to discontinue attendance when the pandemic hit and we feel so disappointed that we lost a year and a half of worship with our church. However, we did watch church services on TV each Sunday as many did. It wasn't the same without our church friends but we did worship our Savior who never changes. Such a blessing in such a tragic time for the world.

We have found a United Methodist church that is only two miles from our new home and it is also a warm and loving church, very much like MUMC. It was built in 1844 and, except for the additional buildings and its rural location, it very much resembles Magothy. We now consider this beautiful place our church home. They have a very nice website (with pictures) if you care to look---Singleton United Methodist Church, Schley, VA.

As far as our actual home is concerned, for those of you who don't already know, our daughter, Sherri and our son-in-law, John purchased a 60 acre property a few miles outside of Gloucester, VA. (Pronounced 'Gloster'). It has a very large home and also a cottage about 100 yards away. We sold our home in Pasadena and we now rent the cottage. It was an old converted carriage house that now has three bedrooms and two baths, a modern kitchen, etc. It has a very rustic living room and dining room with actual rough-sawn barnwood walls.

Gloucester, VA is a small city with one main street, Main Street, which is a beautiful place with little shops and restaurants. It's a great place for a Sunday walk. The life pace here is much slower and very pleasant, there are country lanes for morning walks, AND there is an ice cream store just up the road.

And, although we miss you all and our neighbors on 11th Street, we are very happy and love it here. We wish you all good fortune and God's Blessings.

Love,

Sharon and Bob Rankin

## *77 for Magothy is Coming!*

**MAGOTHY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH INVITES YOU TO SUPPORT THROUGH 77 FOR MAGOTHY! THIS EVENT COMMEMORATES AND CELEBRATES EARLY AMERICAN METHODIST MISSIONARY FRANCIS ASBURY'S VISIT AND SERMON AT MAGOTHY ON AUGUST 27, 1777 (THE CHURCH BEAN IN 1764!). THIS PROJECT ALLOWS AS MANY PARTICIPANTS AS POSSIBLE TO MAKE A SIGNIFICANT AND POSITIVE IMPACT FOR MAGOTHY'S WHITE CHAPEL AS WELL AS MAGOTHY'S COMMUNITY MINISTRIES.**

**BEGINNING AT 9:00 A.M. ON FRIDAY, AUGUST 27, 2021, A MEMBER OF THE CHURCH WILL CONTACT YOU ABOUT MAKING A SPECIAL FINANCIAL OFFERING TO THE CHURCH**

**ABOVE AND BEYOND YOUR REGULAR GIVING. ANY AMOUNT IS WELCOME, BUT YOU MAY WISH TO CONSIDER A GIFT OF \$77 OR \$177 OR \$1,777 TO COINCIDE WITH THE 77 PORTION OF THIS EVENT'S TITLE. PLEDGE GIVING WILL LAST FOR 77 HOURS WILL END AT 2:00 P.M. ON MONDAY, AUGUST 30, 2021.**

**WE ARE HOPING FOR AS MANY PARISHIONERS AS POSSIBLE WHO CAN GIVE A DONATION AT THIS TIME. THERE IS ABSOLUTELY NO OBLIGATION TO THOSE WHO CHOOSE NOT TO OR CANNOT PARTICIPATE, AND ANONYMOUS PLEDGES ARE CERTAINLY WELCOME. WE ARE HOPING THAT PARISHIONERS WILL GIVE AS GENEROUSLY AS POSSIBLE, AND THAT EACH PARISHIONER OR HOUSEHOLD CAN PLEDGE AN AMOUNT OF AT LEAST \$77.**

**ANY PLEDGE AMOUNT WILL BE A GREAT BLESSING. ALL PLEDGE MONEY WILL BE MAILED IN OR GIVEN TO MAGOTHY'S FINANCIAL SECRETARY LEANNE KOLMAN BY SEPTEMBER 2, 2021.**

**THE TOTAL PLEDGE GOAL IS \$4,000. THE HOPE IS THAT PARISHIONERS WILL BE ABLE TO MEET THIS AMOUNT, AND POSSIBLY BEAT THIS GOAL BY RAISING \$5,000. ALL MONEY DONATIONS WILL GO DIRECTLY FOR NEEDED REPAIRS OF MUMC'S HISTORIC CHAPEL.**

**PLEASE CALL OR EMAIL MR. GARRETT "G" HAYDEN (410-599-2502; GWHAYDEN1@NETZERO.NET) OR THE REVEREND MARTIN P. BROOKS (410-255-2634; PASTOR@MAGOTHY.ORG) FOR MORE INFORMATION.**

## *The Daniel Plan*

You're invited to join us! Join us for a 6 week series called The Daniel Plan—40 Days to a Healthier Life. This is a groundbreaking approach to achieving a healthy lifestyle that is both transformational and sustainable. The Daniel Plan is centered on five es-

entials that will guarantee your success: faith, food, fitness, focus, and friends.

**When:** Starting Saturday July 10th for seven (7) classes

**Where:** Magothy United Methodist Church

3703 Mountain Road  
Pasadena, MD 21122

**Time:** 5:30 pm—6:30 pm

For more information, contact Dr. Jim Stinemire @ 410-699-3500

Cost of Text/ Study Guide: \$37.00

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### Regular Worship Schedule

9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service in the Historic Sanctuary

10:15 a.m. Sunday School Classes for Adults (September–June)

10:30 a.m. Contemporary Praise Service in the Fellowship Hall.

-Sunday School for children and youth following Children's Time.

-Holy Communion the first Sunday of every month.

-Summer Worship Schedule (June– September)

9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Service in the Chapel in the Woods (weather permitting)

10:30 a.m. Contemporary Praise Service in the Fellowship Hall.

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## *Trustees*

The Trustees have completed the following projects recently:

1. Outside fellowship hall electrical work was done to re-wire electric outlet to operate a sewage pump. Cost \$1250.00
2. Replaced a sewage pump that was not working Cost \$1350.00
3. Scheduled maintenance was performed on all three air-conditioners in the fellowship hall, white chapel, and parsonage. Changed thermostat settings in fellowship hall to coordinate with occupancy times. Total cost: \$900
4. Outside clean-up and mulch in flower bed was done by Boy Scouts and church members. Mulch donated by church member.
5. Copier in church office was returned to leasing company. Cost savings to the church now as there will be no lease payments and maintenance fees. Still a copier in the library.

Future projects for the Trustees:

- 1 Replace chapel church concrete ramp with new concrete or metal ramp. Base of existing ramp is falling apart and beyond repair / patching.

2. Annual inspection of fire alarm system scheduled for July 2021.

3. Repair kitchen back door as hard to open.

4. Remove plexi-glass on chapel stain glass exterior that yellowed and replace with new material. There are 20 stain glass windows, and some need individual glass needs to be replaced. May require a fund-raising plan and / or the need to find grant funds.

5. Install a monitoring device on the co-op nursery school electrical panel to determine the electric usage.

Please contact the Trustees at [magothyumc@hotmail.com](mailto:magothyumc@hotmail.com) or at 410-255-2420 if you want to support any of the above projects. Also, contact us if you notice any safety, health, or hazardous issues at the church.

Please remember to turn-off lights when leaving a room. Check if exterior doors are secured when leaving the building