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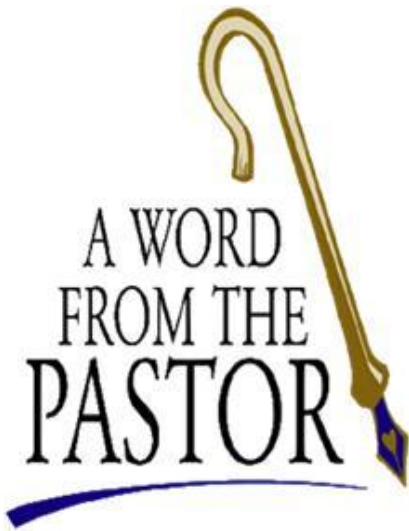
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Dear Siblings in Christ,

How do you say goodbye when so much of life has happened together? That is the question that has plagued me as I have tried to write this letter. Can you sum up eight years of ministry in a few paragraphs? How do you express how much people have shaped you as a human being? How do you put into words the gratitude that overflows from your heart and spirit? You begin with scripture.

On Jesus' last night with his disciples he offered these words: "Don't be troubled. Trust in God." (John 14:1) I've always read these words as comforting for the disciples, but this past few weeks I've been asking how it felt for Jesus to speak those words.

Surely, Jesus knows they will be troubled. They will be sad, grieving, perhaps even heart broken. Everything they have known for the past three years in ministry with Jesus is about to change; how can he honestly say to them "don't be troubled." It can only come from a place of deep belief that God knows what God is doing.

Just as Jesus asked his disciples so long ago to trust in God, so now he is asking it of us. Trusting in God is easy when we can see the future or like what is happening; it is much harder when there is uncertainty, change, and grief. Still it is what we are asked to do as disciples of Jesus Christ. So I am trusting that the Holy Spirit is at work in this change and I pray that you can do the same.

I vividly remember the first time I walked into Mayo UMC and met with the church leadership. It was May 2018 and I walked into the conference room (now known as the music room) and was greeted with a table of smiles. I instantly felt welcomed, safe, and that I belonged. I think so many of us have experienced these feelings at Mayo UMC. I share the memory because I want to remind you that I was not the one who created that feeling. It was already here when I came and now it is yours to share with those who come next.

I have loved my time here as your pastor and I will always believe that I received more than I gave. Thank you for the love you have shown me over these years. Thank you for the forgiveness when I failed or was not enough. Thank you for trying new things with me. Thank you for all of the laughter we have shared. There really are no words that I can find to express the blessing that is Mayo UMC.

Jesus offered two other thoughts on that last night. First, he asked the disciples to love one another. (John 15:12) Please continue to love one another. Our world is a challenging place full of anger and disagreement. There is war and violence. There is financial hardship and poverty. Do not let these weigh you down, instead, always love one another and trust in God. Lastly, in the words of the Christ, "Peace, I leave with you. My peace I give you. I give to you not as the world gives. Do not be troubled or afraid."

With great gratitude and love,
Pastor Amanda



Sunday School
Is on Summer Break

Ladies Luncheon and Church Night Out are taking a summer break

“As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of the varied grace of God.” – 1 Peter 4:10



Dear Disciples of Christ

As summer begins and the rhythms of life begin to shift, June offers us an opportunity to reflect on how we are living out our faith in everyday ways. In the life of the church, stewardship is about far more than budgets or buildings—it is about recognizing that all we have are gifts from God.

Each of us has been entrusted with unique gifts, experiences, abilities, and opportunities. Some are called to encourage. Others to teach, organize, visit, pray, build, sing, cook, listen, or care. No gift is insignificant in the kingdom of God. Together, these gifts become the hands and feet of Christ in the world.

The vision of the United Methodist Church calls us to **love boldly, serve joyfully, and lead courageously**, and stewardship is one of the ways we live out that calling. We love boldly when we offer our gifts freely for the sake of others. We serve joyfully when we participate in the life and ministry of the church with willing hearts. We lead courageously when we step into new opportunities to serve, even if we feel uncertain or unqualified.

Summer often brings both busyness and flexibility. It can also become a season of renewal and re-engagement. Rather than stepping away from the work of ministry entirely, perhaps this is the perfect time to discover a new way to serve. Sometimes stewardship begins not with grand gestures, but with simple faithfulness. A small act of kindness, a willingness to help, or a moment of encouragement can become a powerful witness to God's grace.

May we continue growing together as a church that reflects Christ's love through joyful service and courageous faith. Thank you for the many ways you already give of yourselves to this congregation and community.

With gratitude,
Mayo UMC Finance Team

June Stewardship Challenge:

This month, intentionally use one of your God-given gifts each week to encourage, serve, or care for someone else.



**There will be
one church service
at 9:15 am
on Sunday, June 14th**



We need your Help!

Here are some opportunities to help...assist...aid...lend a hand...

- ♦ The week of June 13-20
Sprucing up the parsonage:
 - Painting
 - Minor handyman repairs
 - Yardwork

See or contact Elizabeth Davis
By email: mayoUMCACT@gmail.com

All offers of help, assistance, aid or lending a hand will be gratefully accepted!

Mission *in* **ACTION**

Sunday, June 21st

Come and hear about our own
Jacki Baker's experience in medical
mission in Tanzania.

**Can we impact lives around
the world?**

Join us as we worship
and celebrate the Lord
by making a joyful
noise!



Sunday, June 28th

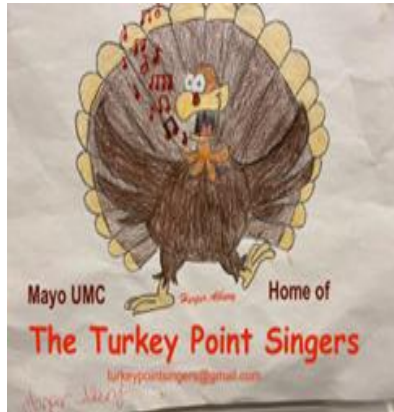
Remember our shut-ins:

Doris Hennen
8 Lee Airpark Dr. #327
Edgewater, MD 21037

Katherine Neate
Brightview-Annapolis
1935 Generals Highway #2
Annapolis, MD 21401

Please let our shut-ins know we are thinking of them.

If you have someone you would like to be included here please email the office (mayoumcmd@gmail.com) or call the church (410.798.6110).



The Turkey Point Singers

All young people are encouraged to join the rehearsals following Sunday services.

The Bulletin

The Bulletin is a monthly resource designed especially for local churches to share important and meaningful information about faith and vitality as it is being lived out in the Baltimore-Washington and Peninsula-Delaware Conferences.

Here's the link:

<https://www.pdcbbc.org/the-bulletin.html>

Deadline REMINDER

Submissions are due by June 22nd to be included in the July 2026 issue of: Mayo Connection.

Email to mayoumcmd@gmail.com or call the church office at 410.798.6110



First Sunday Worship

At Brightview-South River

June 7

@ 2:00 PM

Join Pastor Amanda and Doug for a time of worship, hymns, and fellowship with the residents of Brightview Senior Living.

**8 Lee Airpark Drive
Edgewater MD 21037**

Join us
for a
Farewell Celebration
Honoring
Rev. Amanda McMurtrey
As her journey continues
Sunday, June 14
following the 9:15am service

Come join in celebrating 8 years
in Ministry with Pastor Amanda.

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HOSPITALITY

One of the wonderful aspects of Mayo UMC, is the opportunity to share a meal on Sunday's during our Fellowship time. It allows us to get to know each other while enjoying wonderful, delicious culinary items (soups, salads, deviled eggs, sandwiches, desserts, and more), prepared by our own Vince Drago, a trained chef. While a donation is not required to share a meal, it is what funds the meal. Your donation in the basket or via Zelle (designated fellowship meals) makes these meals possible.

We thank you for supporting our mission to help make our friends more connected.

Bon Appetit,
Carol Hurley, Lay Leader

Mark your calendar so you don't miss...

Vacation Bible School

August 9-13
6:00-7:30 pm



Jun-26

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3	4	5 Church Office Closed	6
7 9:15 in Sanctuary with Holy Communion Sun School & fellowship Brightview -South River @ 2 PM	8	9	10	11	12 Church Office Closed	13 Parsonage Sprucing up
One Service 14 Worship @ 9:15 AM Pastor Amanda's Send-off following the service	15 Parsonage Sprucing up	16 Parsonage Sprucing up	17 Parsonage Sprucing up	18 Parsonage Sprucing up	19 Office Closed	20 Parsonage Sprucing up
Special Worship 21 Mission in Action Sunday 8:15 Worship 10:15 Worship	22	23	24	25	26 Church Office Closed	27
Special Worship 28 Music Sunday 8:15 Worship 10:15 Worship	29	30				
<p>Save the Date Vacation Bible School August 9-13 6:00-7:30 PM</p>						