



MILESTONES

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DR. COGMAN'S CORNER

As we go take this transformational journey with Jesus to the cross, let's commit ourselves to giving, praying and fasting consistently. I would challenge us to let this 40+ days' journey be the beginning of a total transformation in our personal lives which in turn will change for the better our homes, our church and our community.

Keep our focus on JESUS! Jesus is the light that is needed in this dark world. If we want to let go of the darkness that covers us, and live a life free of weightiness, we must consciously make a change. We must choose not to dwell on the past but focus on the present and prepare for the future.

What steps are you taking? I would love to hear from you. Let me know what you're doing and how you see God working in your life!
#letsjourneytogether

On Good Friday, we will be engaging the "Stations of the Cross" at 7:00pm. We will celebrate Resurrection Sunday with our sister church, St Paul UMC at their 6:30am Sunrise Worship and then have our own 10:30am worship at Oxon Hill UMC. Please bring your family and friends and folks you don't even know. Jesus loves all of us!!!
#weareone

Pastor Announcement

Bishop LaTrelle Miller Easterling has announced that the Rev. Mi Ja Cho has been assigned to Oxon Hill UMC beginning July 1, 2020. We look forward to her arrival and partnership in ministry.

SPRING IS COMING!

March 1st: Warm Nights debrief. Contact Cindy Cobleigh with comments.

March 14th: Connect Leadership Summit, St. Leonard, MD

March 22nd: 4th Sunday non-perishable food collection for Oxon Hill Pantry. repeats April 26th, May 24th, June 28th

March 29th: 5th Sunday Missions offering. Coffee Hour sponsored by Missions Ministry. repeats May 31

April 10th: Good Friday "Stations of the Cross" 6:30 pm. If you are interested in participating, contact Pastor Cogman.

April 12th: Easter Sunday: 6:30 am service at St. Paul's with breakfast following; 10:30 am service at OHUMC

May 2: UMW Spring Luncheon at OHUMC noon

June 6th: Flea Market - start saving your fleas!

March pulpit

March 8 - Ms. Eun Jin Kim
Psalm 121 and John 3:5-17

March 15 - Mrs. Anna Stephens
Psalm 95 and John 4:5-15

March 22 - Min Delila Parham
Psalm 23 and John 9:1-11

March 29 - Rev. Lauren Harris
Psalm 130 and John 11:1-14

Important Message from SPRC

All paid staff are under the leadership and guidance of the Staff Pastor-Parish Relation Committee (SPRC). If you have a concern, contact the SPRC. Please refrain from direct staff contact.

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DID YOU KNOW??

- 2nd quarter student recognition will be coming soon! Watch for how to submit report card & celebration date!
- Flintstone Elementary will celebrate the Wonderful Women of Flintstone on March 20th. We will be providing some refreshments for the event.
- Former OHUMC Pastor John Warren has suffered the loss of his son and grandson. Memorial service for his son: Saturday March 7, 2020, 11 am, Immanuel UMC, 17400 Aquasco Rd, Brandywine, MD 20613
- The Missions Ministry is most grateful for all the helping hands and support for Warm Nights, for returning partners and our new partnership with the Hispanic 7th Day Adventist Church, whose Youth Department (below) unloaded the van and set up the shelter.

**BIBLE STUDIES AND SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Adult: Tues. 6:30 pm via ZOOM - Lenten study
Thurs. 11 am - Social Hall
Fri. 10-noon - study of the book of Esther
contact Adrienne for info

Young Adults: Selina Brijbasi - online:

<https://www.facebook.com/oxonhillumc/>

Sundays 9:30 - 10:15 am

Adults: Tommy Schwartz - Rm 302

Youth: Tim Johnson - Youth Center

Wednesday Lenten Services

All services begin at 7 pm.

March 4 – Rev. Kapfumvuti at Shiloh UMC

March 11 – Pastor Moore at Pisgah UMC

March 18 – Rev. Slade at Asbury UMC

March 25 – Pastor Bennett at Metropolitan UMC

April 1 – Pastor Mason at Grace UMC

Providence-Ft. Washington UMC will hold a 1 pm service on each Wednesday above. All welcome.

Need to schedule a future event or see what is on the calendar? Check out the calendar on the church website! Go to: <http://oxonhillumc.com/>. Calendar link is in the right-hand column. The Trustees appreciate your continued use of green forms to schedule events!

CHURCH COUNCIL NOTES - February 16th

Council Chair Vivian Sayeh-Weeks opened the meeting by introducing and welcoming Dr. Johnsie Cogman, OHUMC's Interim Pastor and District Superintendent. In the interest of time, Vivian requested brevity from reportees because there were several important matters that needed to be addressed. **Trustees:** *Pending Finance and Council approval of estimates, possible renovation of the bathrooms and other repairs scheduled for the parsonage. *Investigating the nonfunctioning office AC system. *Cleaning supplies provided by the church are the only ones to be used. *Important to fill out green form for all meetings. **Finance:** *End of year finances: surplus of \$13K. *Loan payments continuing. *Plans have been devised to temporarily cover the Treasurer's position. The Disciple does not require that we have a Chair of Finance so that position may remain temporarily vacant. *An external audit, standard procedure with a change in Pastor, will be performed. *Changes to the budget structure were tabled.

UMM and UMW: Both were in service to Warm Nights. **UMW** will continue serving Coffee Hour for the 1st Sunday of each month. Council is seeking families and other groups to host additional Sundays - does not have to be regular - one-time host or occasionally is great! A calendar will be established.

Worship: *Worship Design Team met 2/17. *In honor of Women's History month, all speakers for March will be women of different backgrounds/nationalities. The plan is to make the Worship experience an experience, more than just tradition.

Communications: Steve will continue Facebook campaigns. The calendar is available on the website and is updated regularly. **Missions:** *Warm Nights expenses: \$726 for regular supplies; \$340 additional spent to meet client needs: socks, underwear, etc.

Membership Total members 181: 14 new members received; 6 members removed (charge conference - 5; death - 1). **Pastor:** *Endorses re-establishing a youth ministry program at Oxon Hill. Planning is underway. **Next meeting:** Sunday, April 19th.

Minutes available on request.

INVITE SOMEONE TO JOIN YOU FOR WORSHIP, BIBLE STUDY OR A SPECIAL EVENT!

Thanks for reading "The Milestones." We are happy to have feedback at any point in order to provide you with the news that you want and need!