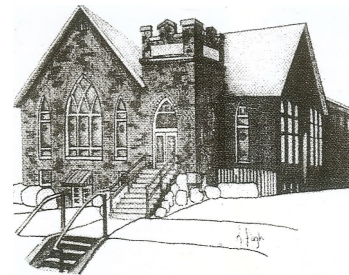


MARS UP CHURCH



We are your hometown church: Faithful to Tradition, Loving in Fellowship & Reaching for Tomorrow!

October 2019

When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you.” (John 16:13-14).

Dear Friends in Christ,

These words were spoken by Jesus at the Last Supper. As he spoke, only eleven Disciples remained – Judas had departed to arrange Jesus’ betrayal. In spite of their brave declarations of loyalty, a few hours later these same eleven deserted Jesus. Their world came to an end.

But what happened three days later? These men (and women!), ashamed and afraid, met the risen Christ. Their lives were forever *changed*. Thanks to the promised Holy Spirit, these men and women *changed*. Judas had vainly tried to *change* God’s eternal plan; the Disciples’ *change* was empowered and sustained by the Holy Spirit himself. These *changed* men and women became the nucleus of the Body of Christ we are today.

Did the Disciples *change* willingly? Let’s be honest – probably not. Thomas doubted, but after encountering Jesus, he *changed*. Was there resistance to the work of the Spirit? Of course! Do you suppose these early followers ever wished for the past? (“Gosh, I remember when...” “It sure was great when...”) The early church fought over rules, tradition, and *change* (Acts 15). Others, reluctant to *change*, fell away.

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Right now at Mars, we are in a time of (what might be called) “*Let’s get on with it!*” As you read this, (hopefully) the Pastor Nominating Committee will soon be receiving and reading resumes. No one except God knows when your next pastor will arrive, but everyone is ready! Do you suppose there might be *changes* on the horizon?

What will YOU do when the *Spirit of truth* tells you to *change*, and you don’t want to? Will God simply let things pass? If there is resistance, even disobedience, to the leading of the Spirit, what will happen to MUP? Will God’s plan for *change* take place? (What does history tell us? I think you know the answer.)

My brothers and sisters in Christ, I will make a bold prediction and announce *there will be change* at Mars United Presbyterian Church. Who are we to resist? Do we, mere pots in God’s creation, have a right to argue with, resist, or disobey God’s plan for *change*? Again, how does that work out?

Jesus loves us infinitely, and knows better than we do what *changes* need to happen here. The role of the Spirit is to glorify God (see passage above), and we should do likewise. Listen to God, listen for *change*, and willingly and lovingly let *change* happen at MUP. Jesus himself promises us that any *change* will bring glory to him.

Change is inevitable. You can be certain it’s coming. Let it happen, and let God be glorified.

In Christ,

Pastor Jim

October Volunteers for 2019

October Nursery

October 6-Angela Badger
October 13-Pat Auld
October 20-Jenny Ivory
October 27-Marsha Haley

October Greeters

Elder-Lisa Barbour and Deacon-Carol Kopar

October Tarry N Talk Hosts

Worship/Membership Committee: June Stirling, Louise Fox, Keith Nichols, Linda Lees, Carol Kopar

October Muffin Crew

October 6– Cookies
October 13 - Linda Lees & Pam Kennedy
October 20- Keith Nichols
October 27– Linda Lees & Pam Kennedy

October Flowers for Worship

Sundays available are: October 13th and 20th

Pastors Schedule for October

October 6th—Rev. Clark Sawyer
October 13th—Rev. Paul Aiello

SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

- Herb Wellman elected Clerk of Session, term not to exceed two years
- Approved Howard Meeder bequest to Fund Special Music Events
- Committee to investigate Site Security issues
- Plans approved for Applefest, Heritage Sunday, 80+ dinner, Bonfire, Veteran's Day
- Discussion to move Annual Congregational Meeting to February
- Approved Ministry Information Form from PNC.

Join us for our “Fall Fest & Bonfire”

October 20th @ 5pm

Enjoy this year's “Fall Fest & Bonfire” on Oct 20th at 5pm at Quality Gardens. Come out for homemade chili, hotdogs, roasting marshmallows—and many fall oriented fun activities! But, most of all, come out to enjoy the fellowship of our church!

All ages are welcome! Please invite friends and family! Also, dress warm, bring a flash-light, forks for cooking hot dogs and a chair for sitting around the fire!

Quality Gardens is located on the left off of 228 E, just past the Mars

Middle School .

Big “Thank You” to the Deacons of Mars up for Sponsoring this Event!!!



WHAT'S HAPPENING in the Life of Mars UP Church this Weekend in October!!

World Wide Communion Sunday, October 6th

10:00 Worship

Rev. Clark Sawyer will be
our guest minister.

October 6th — Collection for
Glade Run Food Bank can



AppleFest – Saturday, October 5th

10am until 4pm

Stop over at the Mars UP “Walking
Taco” booth with pumpkin painting
and more!!



WHAT'S HAPPENING in the Life of Mars UP Church later in the Month of October!!

HERITAGE SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20TH

Heritage Sunday is wonderful day that
celebrates both the rich heritage of
Mars UP Church and faith tradition.

During the 10:00 am Service, we will be
recognizing the 25yr and 50 year anni-
versaries of church members. Included
in the 10:00 am service will be a special
performance by George Balderose on
the bag pipes. Mr. Balderose also per-
formed for last year's Sunday service.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION OF

80+ MEMBERS

AFTER THE 10:00 SERVICE, THERE WILL BE
A CELEBRATION IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL
FOR ALL THOSE OVER 80 YEARS YOUNG.

OCTOBER 27TH



MONTHLY DEACON KINDNESS COLLECTION

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13TH

These funds are used to help those in our community who may need some assistance. Please consider contributing to this worthwhile program.



COME VISIT THE CHURCH LIBRARY



Now let me ask you a question, do you know where our church library is located? It's the first door on the left as you enter from the back of the church – you can't miss it . . . or have you walked right by without noticing?

Stop by, We hope it whets your appetite for some good reading. We invite you to come visit the church library again . . . for the first time!

The quarterly Quiet Hour is also available in our library.



Elementary will be studying from

"All Together Now"

Elementary – Alma Staskiewicz – Room downstairs by Elevator

Adults

Exodus Class – meets downstairs next to Fellowship Hall -Robyn Beckwith – The Book of Genesis

NNN –meets upstairs – Rotating Teachers – Delving in the weekly sermons"

Class in Library – Nancy Huggins – "God is Faithful" a look at God's faithfulness in the Old and New Testaments

Adult Bible Studies

Women's Bible Study - (1st Monday of the month, starting 1:30 on the 9th): David Cook study of the New Covenant in Christ.

New Sunday School and
Worship Hour

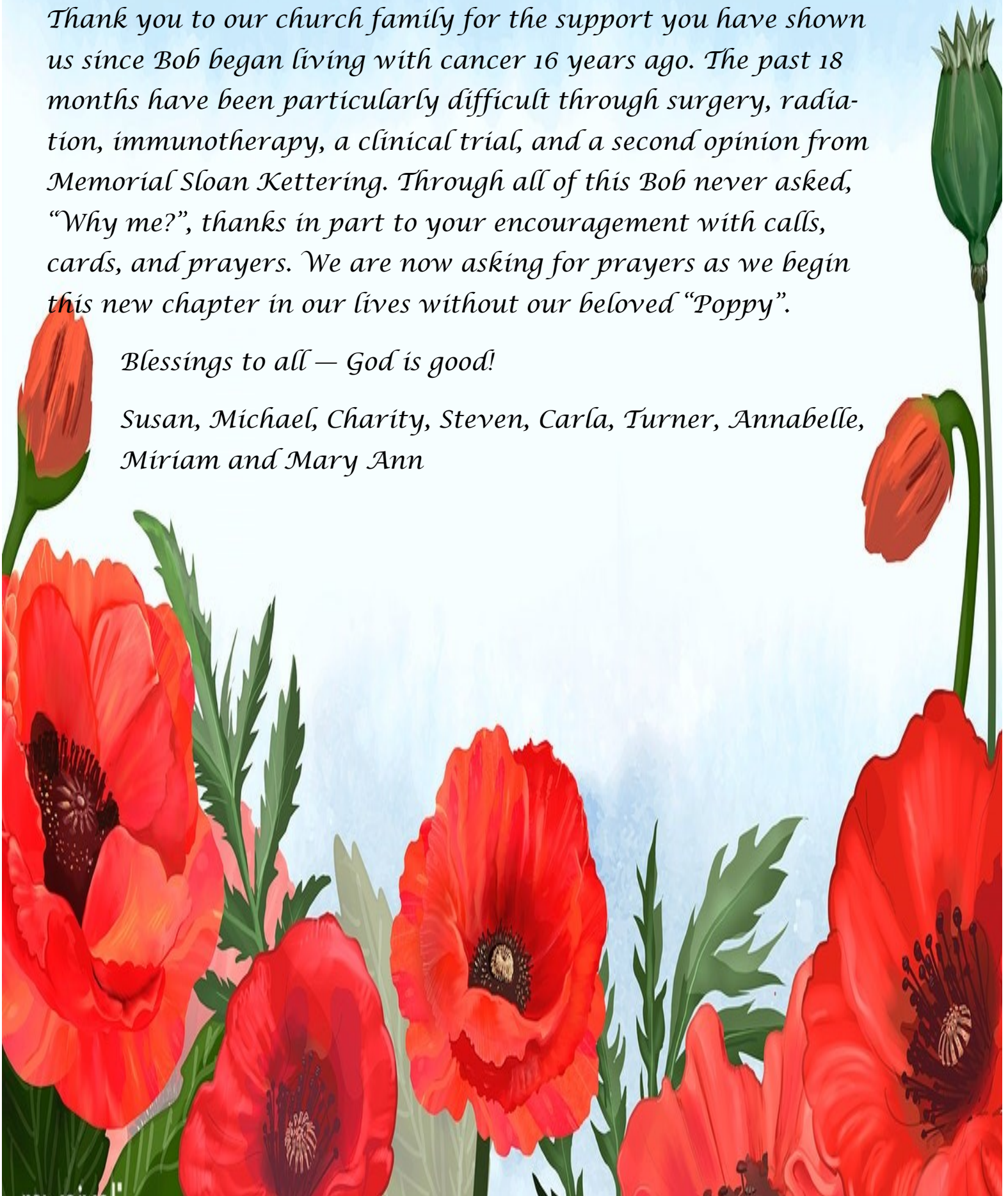
Sunday School at 9:00 AM

Morning Worship at 10:00 AM

Thank you to our church family for the support you have shown us since Bob began living with cancer 16 years ago. The past 18 months have been particularly difficult through surgery, radiation, immunotherapy, a clinical trial, and a second opinion from Memorial Sloan Kettering. Through all of this Bob never asked, "Why me?", thanks in part to your encouragement with calls, cards, and prayers. We are now asking for prayers as we begin this new chapter in our lives without our beloved "Poppy".

Blessings to all — God is good!

*Susan, Michael, Charity, Steven, Carla, Turner, Annabelle,
Miriam and Mary Ann*



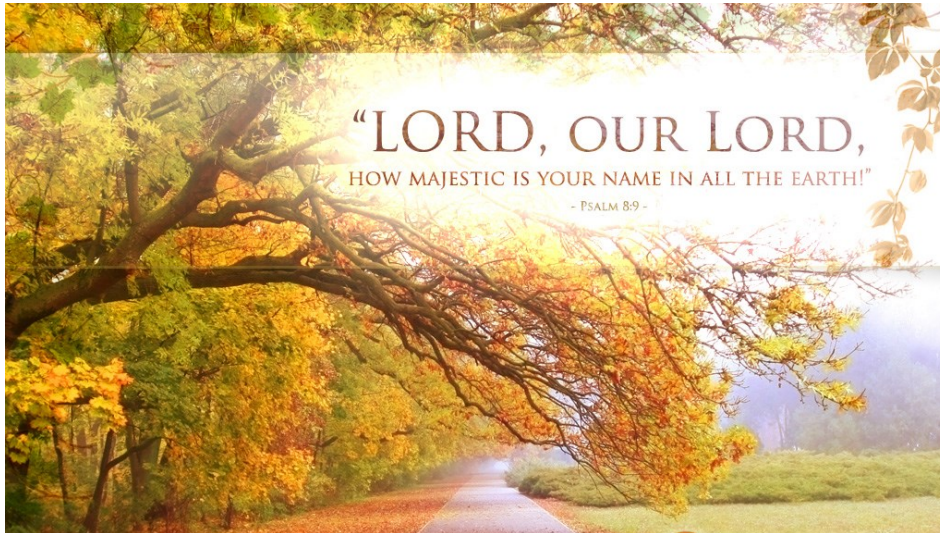
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Tarry N Talk Hosts: Worship/
Membership– June Stirling,
Louise Fox, Keith Nichols,
Linda Lees, Carol Kopar

		1 9am A-Team 7:00 pm	2 9am Material Girls 7:00 Chancel	3 7:15 Deacon Meeting	4	5 10:00 AM Applefest
6 9:00am Sunday School for all ages 10:00 am Morning Worship/ Communion 11:00 B & G Mtg	7 1:30pm Wom-ens Bible Study 6:30pm Griefshare 6:30pm	8 9am A-Team 7:00 pm	9 9am Material Girls 6:00 Steward-ship Meeting	10	11	12
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SAVE THE DATE!

- ♦ OCTOBER 5th– MARS APPLEFEST (DOWNTOWN MARS)
- ♦ OCTOBER 6th– WORLD COMMUNION– Rev. Clark Sawyer
- ♦ OCTOBER 13th— GUEST MINISTER— Rev. Paul Aiello
- ♦ OCTOBER 20th—HERITAGE SUNDAY
- ♦ OCTOBER 20th- FALL FEST/BONFIRE” QUALITY GARDENS
- ♦ OCTOBER 27TH– 80+ DINNER



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