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Christ Came and We Remember!



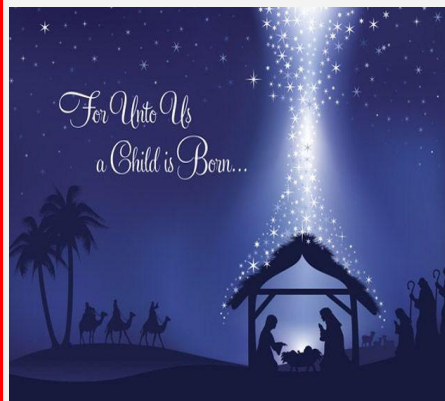
As Isaiah said, **Isaiah 64:1a**, “**O that you would tear open the heavens and come down . . .**” Isaiah’s prayer was answered during the first Advent of Christ coming to earth!

During Advent, the lighting of the Advent wreath is incorporated into our Sunday and Christmas worship. Readings based on Isaiah, the Gospels, and II Samuel are used during the lighting ceremony.

With each worship service a new portion of Scripture and commentary is read to add to that previously read the week before. This creates a building effect from service to service and week to week that heightens the mood of expectation and longing for Christ’s birth during the four weeks of Advent. In addition, trees with “chrismon”* decorations, a nativity scene, and the Advent wreath provide visual focus as we place our attention on the birth of Jesus Christ.

Some of our people have Advent wreaths set up in their homes and daily devotional material for use throughout the season. Our intent is to slow down and reflect on God’s coming during this time and not be distracted by the hustle and busyness that usually characterizes the Christmas season. It requires real **discipline and focus** on celebration of Advent as an **alternative, not as an addition**, to the world’s busy celebrations.

We have families with young children in our congregation. There are several ways to help them develop traditions with meaning such as the Jesse tree**, Advent calendar, and Advent chain to help the children celebrate at home. It also helps parents begin to establish their own family traditions which are rooted in Christ and our identity as his people.



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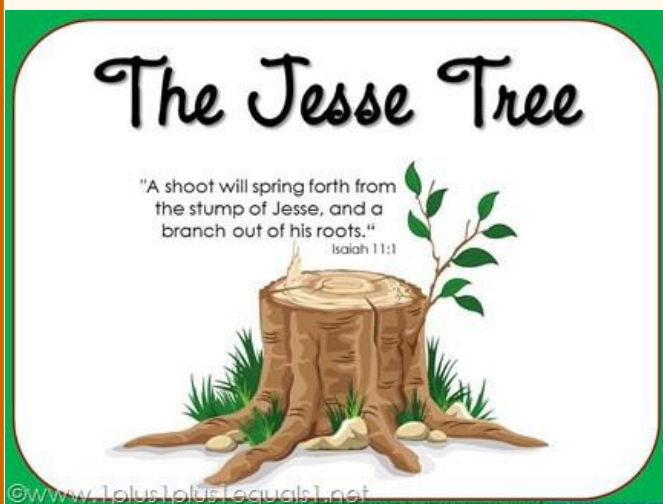
Our congregation also participates in "alternative gift-giving." Instead of giving each other gifts, they support causes such as the mitten tree, and giving donations of food items to the Christmas Food boxes as well as other donations that are directed towards a ministry that helps those in need — such as Love INC.

Because the world has commercialized Christmas much thought and attention has been given to the celebration of Advent and Christmas in our church. At each and every turn, our celebration of Advent and Christmas is an attempt to reject the world's values and focus on the meaning of the incarnation of God for a broken and needy world.

My prayer is that you will make time at home and at Union Methodist Church this advent season to slow down, love each other deeply, seek out the lonely, give to the needy, and celebrate Christ coming to earth for our salvation. As "Tiny Tim" said in Charles Dickens, "A Christmas Carol", "God bless us, everyone"! Christ has come!



** Chrismons, meaning "Christ monograms," traditionally are white and gold designs made from Christian symbols that signify Christ. Often displayed on an evergreen tree during the Christmas season, symbols such as stars, crosses, fish, crowns, and the alpha and omega remind us of Christ's identity, his story, and of the Holy Trinity.*



****The Tradition of the Jesse Tree - Why-Christmas.com**

Christmas Blessings,

Pastor Mark

**WEDNESDAYS**

Praise Team Practice—5pm
Mid-Week Recharge—6pm to 7:30pm

SUNDAYS

Ladies Sunday School—9am
Worship & Praise Service—10am
Children's Wiggle Worship—10:15am
Adult Sunday School—11am
Holy Communion—1st Sunday of the Month

11/30—FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT—Hanging of the Greens Service—10am

Monday, 12/1—Methodist Women Serving the Kiwanis Dinner—6pm

Tuesday, 12/2—Staff Meeting—10am

Wednesday, 12/3—Mid-Week Recharge Gathering—6pm

Thursday, 12/4—“Walk of Warmth & Light” Planning Meeting—6:30pm

Friday, 12/5—Blue Christmas Holiday Service—7pm



Sunday, 12/7—SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Monday, 12/8—Methodist Women Serving the Kiwanis Dinner—6pm

(Fellowship Hall reserved for the Mitten Tree from 12/10—12/20)

Saturday, 12/13—Methodist Men's Breakfast Fellowship—8am

Wreaths Across America Ceremony—Noon

Bridgeville Christmas Parade—6pm



Sunday, 12/14—SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Tuesday, 12/16—Staff Meeting—10am

(Desserts for the Troops Drop-off—9am to 3pm)

SPRC Meeting—7pm

Wednesday, 12/17—Dessert Transport to Dover AFB—9am

Thursday, 12/18—Methodist Women Pot-Luck Luncheon—11:30am

Friday, 12/19—“Walk of Warmth & Light” - 6pm to 8pm

Saturday, 12/20—Mitten Tree Delivery Day—8am to Noon

“Walk of Warmth & Light” - 6pm to 8pm



Sunday, 12/21—FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Wednesday, 12/24—Silent Communion (6pm)

Christmas Eve Service (7pm)

Thursday, 12/25—CHRISTMAS DAY

Friday, 12/26—Church Office is Closed



Blue Christmas

a Service of Hope for the Holidays

Blue Christmas Holiday Service

Friday, Dec. 5th—7pm

A Blue Christmas Holiday service recognizes that during the holiday season there are many individuals that find this time of year very difficult. It may be that this will be the first Christmas without a loved one, a recent separation or divorce, difficulty finding employment,

or a family crisis. Whatever the reason may be, it is hard to find joy in what should be such a happy time of celebration.

On Friday evening December 5th, Union will be hosting a Blue Christmas Holiday service at 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary. The service will include an uplifting message from Pastor Mark as well as appropriate music selections.

The event is open to everyone: congregation and community. If you, or someone you may know, struggles getting through the holiday season, please let them know of this service. Our prayer is they find comfort in knowing they are not alone and able to find peace in the celebration of the season.



National Wreaths Across America Day Ceremony

Saturday, December 13, 2025—Noon

at the Bridgeville Cemetery and Union Church Parking lot



At Christmas time every year, a wreath is laid on each of the 300+ veteran graves at the Bridgeville Cemetery. A brief ceremony is held prior to the laying of each wreath. The mission of Wreaths Across America is: **"Remember—Honor—Teach"**

We give thanks to Logan Jackson and the Jackson Family for coordinating each year this time of remembrance and honor for our veterans that have passed on. Help is needed to lay the wreaths on the graves following the brief ceremony—check in for volunteers helping to lay the wreaths is at 11:30am. To sponsor a wreath on a veteran's grave, go to: Wreaths4Bridgeville@gmail.com or call 302-858-7841. If you prefer to give a monetary donation, give to Aaron or Jill Jackson or Jerry and Joanne Jones. Checks can be made payable to Dublin Hill 4-H Club. Wreath sponsorships are \$17.



"And the God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ, after you have suffered a little while, will himself restore you and make you strong, firm and steadfast." I Peter 5:10





**The Methodist Women's group
will meet on**

Thursday, Dec. 18th at 11:30am

**Ladies are asked to bring a lunch
item to share with everyone. After
lunch we'll spend time wrapping**



**and bagging the
presents and
assisting with the
mitten tree
ministry.**

ALL ARE WELCOME!



METHODIST MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

**Saturday—Dec. 13th
8:00 AM**

**Join us at the Golden Eagle Diner
in Seaford for breakfast as we
continue our Methodist Men's
Fellowships.**

**All are Welcome
— bring a friend!**



**When making a donation, over-and-above
your regular tithes and offering, towards our
goal of having a Family Ministries Coordina-
tor, be sure to clearly designate "Ministries
Coordinator" on your envelope or check.**

**You can also designate your donation
through: www.unioninbridgeville.com / GIVE /
Ministries Coordinator.**

**We are looking forward to seeing how we can
grow our church, especially our children and
family ministries at Union.**



**Distribution of numbered offering
envelopes for 2026 will take place during
the month of December. Please contact
Sherry Holmes at 302-337-7066 by
Sunday, Dec. 7th if you do not currently
have envelopes and would like to receive
them, or if you no longer wish to use the
numbered offering envelopes issued to
you each year. The 2026 envelopes will
be available in the narthex beginning
on Sunday, Dec. 21st .**

GOD'S TORCH



Under Jeff Allen's leadership, our new graduate/young adult group will currently be meeting monthly at his home. Contact Jeff for additional information about this ministry. We're excited about this new fellowship opportunity for our young adults.

MID-WEEK



Join us on Wednesday evenings from 6pm to 7:30pm for Session #3 as we fellowship mid-week to "Recharge".

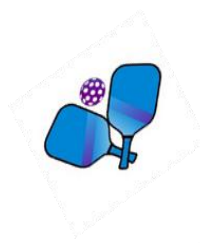
Session #3 is planned for 5 weeks: *January 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th, and Feb. 4th.*

We'll conclude **Session #3** with an **All-Church Family Night** on Feb. 11th.



Session #4: March 4th—April 15th

Each Recharge gathering will **begin at 6pm with dinner**. At 6:30pm, adults will choose to participate in a Bible Study or a variety of workshops/activities. The children will receive biblical instruction through storytelling, arts and crafts, and music. The evening ends with a brief devotion and prayer concluding by 7:30pm.



FEED OUR TROOPS



Once again Union Church welcomes the opportunity to provide desserts for approximately 1,000 of our military troops at the Dover Air Force Base after they enjoy a delicious home-cooked dinner. The dessert items we transport that day will provide a "sweet ending" to this holiday meal and show our thanks and appreciation for their service to our Country.

Pastor Mark and MaryAnn will be coordinating this project and transporting the desserts to the Air Base on Wednesday, Dec. 17th as well as volunteering that day.

Items we are in need of are sheet cakes, brownies, and homemade cookies [no pies please]. [Note: place donations in disposable pans or cardboard trays as your containers will **NOT** be returned to you. Individual dessert size of approx. 3" x 3" is ideal.]



Drop off your desserts to the church kitchen no later than 3pm on Monday, Dec. 16th so they can be loaded early the next morning for transport up to Dover.



THANK YOU for being a part of this important ministry to our military!



MISSIONS
...at home and around the world



Union Church Supports
Missions Around the World!

Lance & Laura Ostman [*Mindinao, Philippines*]

David & Dottie LaCompte [*The Caucasus, Armenia*]

Treasures of the Nation Children's Center [*Kyiv, Ukraine*]

Amadeus & Masha DeKastle [*Kyrgyzstan & Tajikistan*]



In November and December our annual review of our current missionaries will take place to determine whether to continue support in 2026 or replace with another local or foreign mission project or missionaries. Contact the church office if you have a missions project you would like to see considered in 2026 or wish to be involved with the Missions Committee. We welcome your interest in missions.



Christmas Love Gift for Pastor Mark

As a congregation, we choose to show our thanks and appreciation to our Pastor at Christmas with a monetary love gift for his faithful watchcare over our Union Church family throughout the year.

Your love gift may be given by December 21st to John Clawson [Lay Leader], dropped off to the church office, or placed in the offering plate clearly designated "Pastor—Christmas".



Our Chrismon Tree



Christmas Poinsettias

\$10.00 Each

If you would like to place a poinsettia (8" pot) in the church in honor of, or in memory of a loved one, please complete an order form available in mid-November. Orders are due on, or before, December 1st.

Checks should be made payable to: Jeff's Greenhouse

Please return your order form and payment to the Church Office or clearly designated and place in the offering. Flowers will be displayed on Sundays, Dec. 14th & 22nd and on Christmas Eve, Dec. 24th.

The poinsettias should be taken home after that service.



UNION'S MITTEN TREE MINISTRY **CARES FOR CHILDREN**

Under the direction of Jean Wilson and the many volunteers on her committee, the Mitten Tree & Food Basket ministries is in full swing this month. A mitten for each boy and girl in the Woodbridge School District in need of Christmas assistance is hung on the Mitten Tree in the narthex along with additional information about that child including

their age, clothing sizes and items on their "wish list" *[these are suggested items only]*.

Visit the Mitten Tree on Sunday mornings or Monday—Friday during church office hours (9am-3pm). If you select a mitten, please fill in the information on the clipboard displayed next to the mitten tree so we can keep accurate records.

Needed items for the Food Baskets are: Peanut Butter, Jelly/Jams, Macaroni & Cheese, Stuffing Mix, Gravy, Instant Mashed Potatoes, Boxed Cereals, Chicken Noodle or Vegetable Beef Soups, Crackers, Pudding Packs, Applesauce, Fruit Cups, Spaghetti O's, Ravioli, etc. Watch for those sales!

Last year the Mitten Tree ministry provided toys, clothing and food items for 138 community children in need. YOU make this ministry possible.

Others way to help are: gift wrapping, food box sorting and assembly, gift deliveries, and more. Contact Jean for more info.



DELIVERY DAY **FOR THE MITTEN TREE GIFTS**

Saturday, December 20th

8:30am until approx. 11am

Help is needed that morning to deliver the gifts and food boxes to assigned homes in our community.

Your help is greatly appreciated.

Our new children's "wiggle worship" time held during the morning worship service is open for children in Kindergarten up through 4th Grade. **Check it out!**

1st Sunday—Rick Orwig

2nd Sunday—Jill Jackson

3rd Sunday—Crystal Brock

4th Sunday—Melissa Mitchell

wiggle
WORSHIP



3rd—Melissa Mitchell

11—Jerry Jones

Larry Snyder

16—Janet Snyder



22—Walt Rudy

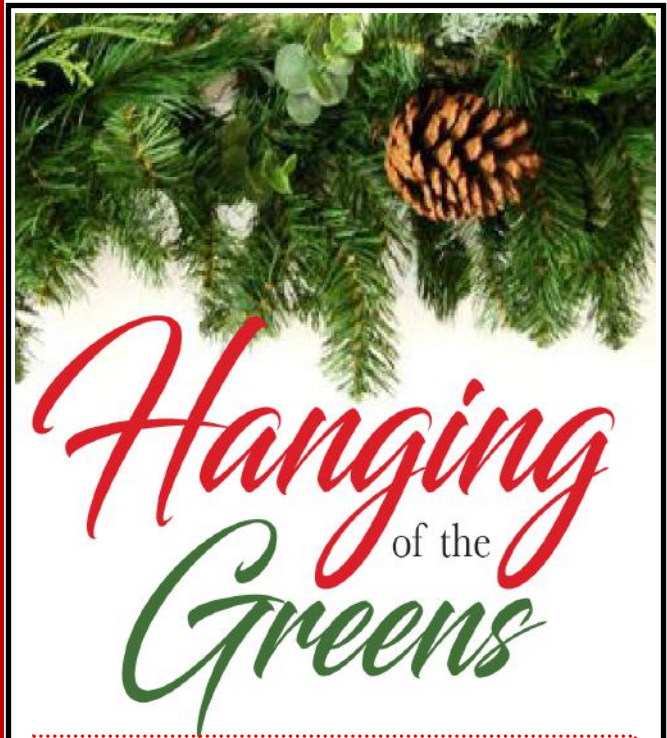
23—Sandy Supers

25—Roger Hovermale

30—Grant Parker



If you have a birthday and have not been listed, please contact Debbie in the Church Office so you can be included in our birthday listing. Thank You.



Hanging of the Greens

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2025

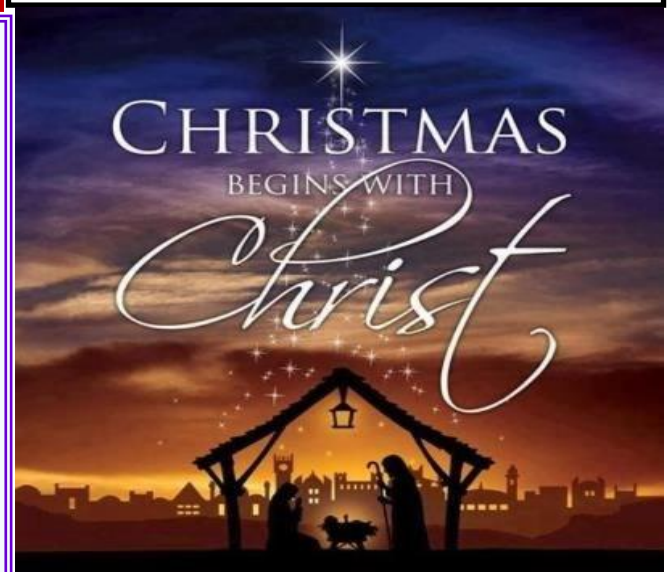
"Hanging of the Greens" is a traditional Christian ceremony where evergreen plants and other decorations are used to prepare our Sanctuary space for the Advent and Christmas seasons. Originating in Europe, this practice symbolizes eternal life and hope in Christ, as evergreens remain green and alive in winter.

Our service that morning will be a joyful anticipation of Christ's birth.



We are seeking children and youth (2nd Grade or higher) to light and extinguish the altar candles during a worship service.

If you are interested in being involved in this ministry, please contact Debi Adams, Pastor Mark, or call the church office.





A Walk of Warmth and Light

You're invited to celebrate this special season of the year with us as you stroll through thousands of lights and interactive displays. Step away from the holiday distractions and rediscover the simple beauty of Christmas.

**Friday and Saturday
December 19 & 20
6-8pm**

**Union Methodist Church
2 North Laws Street
Bridgeville, Delaware**

www.unioninbridgeville.com

As part of Union's new Christmas outreach and gift to our community, we are seeking individuals and/or families that are willing to prepare a display and/or assist with staffing this event. These representations of our love for Jesus and His people may be an interactive one (*examples: candy cane tasting, make a luminaire, etc.*) or some displays may simply be for visual enjoyment (*examples: Victorian Christmas, winter wonderland, train garden, beachy Christmas, etc.*).

Unleash your creativity!

Contact the church office at 302-337-7409 for more information about the displays or to help.

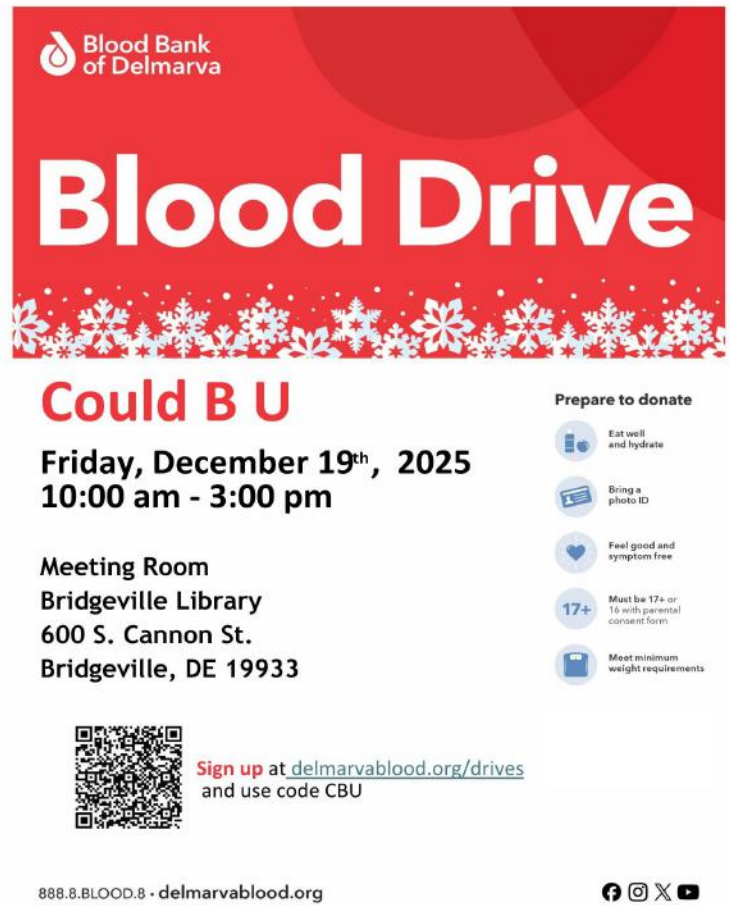


Christmas Eve Service

Wednesday, December 24, 2025

Silent Communion—6pm

Candlelight Worship—7pm



Blood Bank of Delmarva

Blood Drive

Could B U

Friday, December 19th, 2025
10:00 am - 3:00 pm

Meeting Room
Bridgeville Library
600 S. Cannon St.
Bridgeville, DE 19933

Prepare to donate

- Eat well and hydrate
- Bring a photo ID
- Feel good and symptom free
- 17+ Must be 17+ or 16 with parental consent form
- Meet minimum weight requirements

Sign up at delmarvablood.org/drives and use code CBU

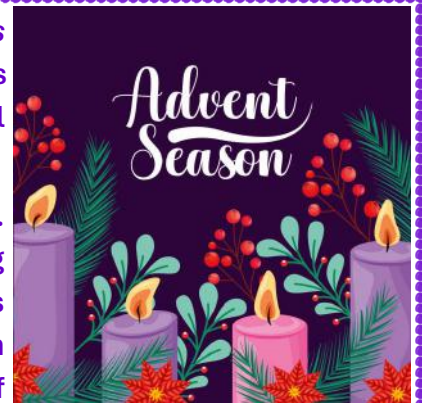
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The season of Advent, which comes from the Latin word *adventus* meaning “coming” or “visit,” begins four Sundays before Christmas and ends on Christmas Eve. Advent is the beginning of the liturgical year for Christians.

During Advent, we prepare for, and anticipate, the coming of Christ. We remember the longing of Jews for a Messiah and our own longing for, and need of, forgiveness, salvation and a new beginning. Even as we look back and celebrate the birth of Jesus in a humble stable in Bethlehem, we also look forward anticipating the second coming of Christ as the fulfillment of all that was promised by his first coming.

The Christmas season begins at sundown on December 24 (Christmas Eve) through Epiphany of the Lord (January 6). This period is popularly referred to as “the twelve days of Christmas.”



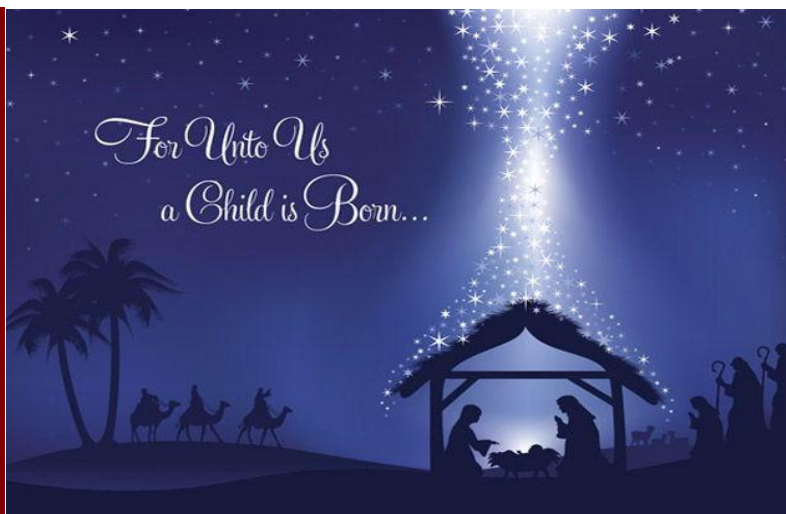
DID YOU KNOW . . . that Union Church maintains an online photo directory? The online directory is handy to keep on your cell phone and allows you to call or text directly from the directory. Call the church office for information.



PRAY
WITHOUT
CEASING
BECAUSE
SATAN IS
CERTAINLY
PREYING
WITHOUT
CEASING.

#BENNYMAC#SPEAKLIFE

For Unto Us
a Child is Born...



Love INC of Mid-Delmarva

Food Needs!



Give back to those in need by donating these needed items:

- Fruit Cups
- Single-Serve Snacks
- Granola Bars
- Sandwich Bread
- Lunch Meat & Cheese
- Pasta
- Pasta Sauce
- Rice
- Canned Veggies
- Canned Fruit
- Canned Beans
- Canned Soup
- Cereal



703 E King St.

Seaford, DE 19973

There are many opportunities to help our neighbors and to serve as a volunteer at Love Inc.

For more information about volunteer opportunities, call the Love Inc Connection Center at 302-629-7050.



www.unioninbridgeville.com

ONLINE GIVING THROUGH APPLE PAY; GOOGLE PAY; PAYPAL; OR CREDIT CARD (a 2.5% SERVICE CHARGE WILL APPLY.)

ONLINE GIVING is available through the Union Church website for the following:

Tithes & Offerings

Memorial Gifts

Renovation Projects

Building Fund

Designated Giving

Capital Improvements

Local & Foreign Missions

Family Ministries Coordinator

Mitten Tree Ministry

Disaster Relief

Special Needs

Other . . .

What's Happening



January

- 1 NEW YEAR'S DAY (*Church Office is Closed*)
- 10 Methodist Men's Breakfast Meeting, 8am
- 11 Recognition of Church Leadership & Committees
- 17 Methodist Women's Lunch Meeting, Noon
- 20 SPRC Meeting, 7pm
- 25 Recognition of New Members, 10am
- 27 Church Council Meeting, 7pm

February

- 14 Methodist Men's Breakfast Meeting, 8am
- 15 Easter Egg Sales Begin
- 16 PRESIDENTS DAY (*Church Office is Closed*)
- 17 SPRC Meeting, 7pm
- 18 Ash Wednesday Service, 7pm
- 19 Methodist Women's Meeting, 1pm
- 25 Soup & Sandwich Boxed Lunch Sale

March

- 14 Methodist Men's Breakfast Meeting, 8am
- 17 SPRC Meeting, 7pm
- 19 Methodist Women's Meeting, 1pm
- 19-21 Egg Making
- 23-27 Egg Pick-Up
- 24 Church Council Meeting, 7pm
- 29 Palm Sunday

April

- 2 Maundy Thursday Tenebrae Service, 7pm
- 4 Community Easter Egg Hunt, 10am
- 5 Easter Worship, Sunrise 6:30am, 10am
- 6 Easter Monday (*Church Office is Closed*)
- 11 Methodist Men's Breakfast Meeting, 8am
- 16 Methodist Women's Meeting, 1pm
- 21 SPRC Meeting, 7pm
- 26 Recognition of New Members, 10am

May

- 9 Methodist Men's Breakfast Meeting, 8am
- 10 Mother's Day Celebration
- 16 Methodist Women's Luncheon Meeting, 11am
- 17 Baccalaureate Service, 10am
- 19 SPRC Meeting, 7pm
- 24 Recognition of Graduates & Children/Youth Sunday
- 25 MEMORIAL DAY (*Church Office is Closed*)
- 26 Church Council Meeting, 7pm

June

- 7 Camp Staff Dedication Sunday
- 8 Summer Camp Staff Training
- 15-19 Summer Camp Week #1
- 16 SPRC Meeting, 7pm
- 21 Father's Day Celebration
- 22-26 Summer Camp Week #2

Communion Service - First Sunday of each Month
Sunday Worship Service - 10am
Wednesday Mid-Week Recharge Gatherings - 6pm
God's Fire Youth Group - Wednesdays 6pm
God's Torch Young Adults Group - Monthly

What's Happening

2026

July

3 *(Church Office is Closed)*
 6-10 Summer Camp Week #3
 21 SPRC Meeting, 7pm
 13-17 Summer Camp Week #4
 26 Recognition of New Members, 10am
 28 Church Council Meeting, 7pm
 20-24 Summer Camp Week #5

August

3-7 Summer Camp Week #6
 10-14 Summer Camp Week #7
 17-21 Summer Camp Week #8
 18 SPRC Meeting, 7pm
 23 All-Church Breakfast, 8am
 23 Summer Camp Sunday

September

Month of September – Camp Scholarships Coin Drive
 7 LABOR DAY *(Church Office is Closed)*
 11 PATRIOT DAY *(Church Office is Closed)*
 12 Methodist Men's Breakfast Meeting, 8am
 15 SPRC Meeting, 7pm
 17 Methodist Women's Meeting, 1pm
 22 Church Council Meeting, 7pm

October

Month of October – Camp Scholarships Coin Drive
 4 World Communion Sunday
 9 – 10 Apple Scrapple Festival
 12 COLUMBUS DAY *(Church Office is Closed)*
 15 Methodist Women's Meeting, 1pm
 20 SPRC Meeting, 7pm
 25 Recognition of New Members, 10am

November

1 Mitten Tree Collection Begins
 1 All Saints Day Service
 11 VETERANS DAY *(Church Office is Closed)*
 12 Finance Committee Meeting, 6:30pm
 14 Methodist Men's Breakfast Meeting, 8am
 17 SPRC Meeting, 6pm
 17 Church Council Meeting, 7pm
 19 Methodist Women's Meeting, 1pm
 22 Thanksgiving Service
 22 Annual Business Meeting
 26 THANKSGIVING DAY *(Church Office is Closed)*
 27 *(Church Office is Closed)*
 29 Hanging of the Greens Service *(1st Sunday of Advent)*

December

4 Blue Christmas Holiday Service, 7pm
 12 Wreaths Across America, Noon
 15 SPRC Meeting, 7pm
 8 – 19 Fellowship Hall Reserved for Mitten Tree
 12 Methodist Men's Breakfast Meeting, 8am
 12 Bridgeville Christmas Parade
 17 Methodist Women's Christmas Lunch, 11am
 18 – 19 "Walk of Warmth & Light", 6pm-8pm
 19 Mitten Tree Delivery Day, 8:30am
 24 Christmas Eve Silent Communion, 6pm
 24 Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship, 7pm
 25 CHRISTMAS DAY *(Church Office is Closed)*

Communion Service - First Sunday of each Month
Sunday Worship Service – 10am
Wednesday Mid-Week Recharge Gatherings – 6pm
God's Fire Youth Group – Wednesdays 6pm
God's Torch Young Adults Group – Monthly

Town of Bridgeville Upcoming Events

*www.bridgeville.delaware.gov/events
for additional information on town events.*

**Dec. 2—Town Hall Tree Lighting
Ceremony**

**Dec. 2—Christmas in
Bridgeville Craft
Show**

**Dec. 13—Bridgeville
Christmas Parade**



3RD ANNUAL REDEMPTION CITY "UGLY SWEATER" 5K RUN/WALK



REDEMPTION CITY



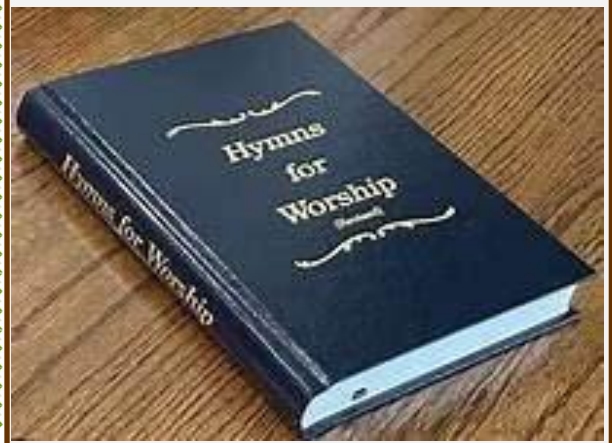
The Christmas Cross



"From Bethlehem's manger to
Calvary's hill, His purpose clear,
His love unswill, The connection
strong, from birth to cross,
Redemption's gift, our gain, not
loss. So as we celebrate this
Christmas night, Let's remember
the gift of purest light, The birth
of Christ, His sacrifice true,
Bringing hope and salvation to
me and you."

USED HYMNALS

Union has dozens of hymnals that are no longer needed or are in use but may be of great use in another place of worship. Feel free to take the hymnals if you, or someone you know, could make use of them. The hymnals are free and are currently located in the vestibule when you enter the Sanctuary from Laws Street.





TOWN OF BRIDGEVILLE'S FOURTH ANNUAL

TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY

JOIN OUR COMMUNITARIANS FOR A WINTER CEREMONY WITH PERFORMANCE BY THE WOODBRIDGE EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION CENTER CHORUS

VISIT WITH SANTA, AND WHEELS WITH FRIENDS BY THE FIRE! FREE HOT CHOCOLATE AND POP CORN (WHILE SUPPLIES LAST) BOOZY RAIDS FOR THE FIRST 100 KIDS!

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2025
6:00 PM

101 N. MARKET STREET - NEXT TO TOWN HALL



2025

Seaford Christmas Parade

DECEMBER 6TH, 7 P.M.

Candyland Christmas

The parade route begins at the intersection of Nylon Blvd. & Pennsylvania Ave. and ends at Market St. by Seaford Middle School.

Register at www.seafordde.com



TOWN OF BRIDGEVILLE'S ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARADE

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2025 6:00 PM
RAIN/SNOW DATE - SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2025 5:00 PM

"PARADE OF LIGHTS"

CONTACT TOWN HALL FOR REGISTRATION!
TOWNOFBRIDGEVILLE@GMAIL.COM BRIDGEVILLE.DELAWARE.GOV



Bridgeville Public Library
600 S. Cannon St.
Bridgeville, DE 19933



BRIDGEVILLE LIBRARY'S

Snacks with Santa

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 11TH

Join us for: crafts, snacks, & photos with Santa

CHOOSE A SESSION:
10am-12pm
OR
6-8pm

Registration is required.
Call 302-337-7401 ext. 101 to reserve your spot.

*There will be a special short ballet performance of *The Nutcracker* @ 5:30-6pm

600 S. CANNON ST. BRIDGEVILLE, DE

DELAWARE BALLET

Bridgeville Public Library

READ TO THE L.E.A.P. DOGS

Bring your child to the library on the second Tuesday of the month @ 11am to read to these sweet dogs.

The goal of the Literacy Education Assistance Pups is to improve the literacy skills of children and grow their enthusiasm for reading.

Oliver

Penny will be joining us too!

Tuesday, Dec. 9th

600 S. Cannon St. Bridgeville, DE

BINGO

The 2nd Tuesday of Every Month (December 9th)
3:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Bridgeville Public Library
600 S. Cannon St. Bridgeville, DE 19933
302-337-7401

FREE to Attend! FREE Prizes!

We will play AT LEAST six games of regular bingo for \$5 Walmart Gift Cards. Up to two cards per person. Repeat winners will receive an alternate prize. Refreshments provided by the Bridgeville Library.

HOSTED BY: **PACE YOUR LIFE**

paceyourlifemwv.com

FOR ADULTS AND OPEN TO TEENS 14+

MAHJONG

WE ARE LOOKING FOR BEGINNERS TO EXPERIENCED PLAYERS TO LEARN OR PLAY THE GAME OF MAHJONG!

Held on the 3rd and 4th Friday (Dec. 12th and 19th) @ 3-5pm

WE WILL HAVE 2 BOARDS AVAILABLE OR YOU MAY BRING YOUR OWN BOARD/RACKS AND CARDS/TILES TO PLAY, IF YOU WISH. REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED.

PLEASE CALL 302-337-7401 EXT. 101 OR ONLINE: DELAWARELIBRARIES.LIBCAL.COM

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*Disclaimer-We will be playing the American version of Mahjong with cards, using the 2024 card.

Drums Alive!

Join us for a fun Cardio Drumming Class
Suitable for all abilities!
(Option to stand or sit)

Monday, December 1st and Monday, December 8th @ 2:00 pm

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A FREE Class Courtesy of: **PACE YOUR LIFE**

First-Come, First-Served up to 23 people

Your Bridge to the World
A culinary and literary adventure

THE BOY IN THE SUITCASE
by LENE KAAERBOL and AGNETE FRIIS

Join us on Saturday, December 13th from 11am-1pm as we discuss a murder mystery selection from Denmark "The Boy in the Suitcase" by Lene Kaarbol and Agnete Friis. Participants can volunteer to bring a potluck item. Before the event, you will be contacted if you are bringing an hors d'oeuvre, a side dish, or a dessert.

Registration required: Call 302-337-7401 ext. 101 or go to bridgevilliblibrary.com/calendar/events

Available on

STORY BOOK CORNER FOR ALL AGES TUESDAYS @ 10AM

JOIN MS. HILARY TO ENJOY STORIES, SONGS, AND RHYMES ABOUT WINTER IN DECEMBER & JANUARY.

DEC. 2ND, 9TH, 16TH
JAN. 6TH, 13TH, 20TH, 27TH

Little Acorns Music & Movement WEDNESDAYS @ 9AM

MS. HILARY WILL MODEL SONGS, RHYMES, FINGER PLAYS AND BOUNCES FOR YOU TO USE AT HOME WITH BABY.

DEC. 3RD, 10TH, 17TH
JAN. 7TH, 14TH, 21ST, 28TH

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THE 1ST TUESDAY OF EVERY MONTH STORY BOOK CORNER IS HELD AT THE SEAFORD CHICK-FIL-A

FREE Gaming

Play all your favorite games on all of your favorite consoles and make friends at the Bridgeville Public Library with Small Town Gaming

Saturday, Dec. 6th 10am-2pm

600 SOUTH CANNON STREET BRIDGEVILLE, DE 19933

FREE LUNCH PROVIDED ALL MODERN CONSOLES AVAILABLE



COMMUNITY Bridge to Wellness

2025

Let's Celebrate!

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18TH

6-8PM

Join us as we celebrate YOUR success with our Community Bridge to Wellness program. We will pull the winning tickets, enjoy a light healthy meal, and share our future programming.

Registration is required.

Call 302-337-7401 ext. 101 to reserve a spot.

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Health is on its way.



HEALTH2GO

MOBILE HEALTH CARE CLINIC


Bridgeville Public Library
600 S. Cannon St. Bridgeville, DE 19933
December 9th, 2025 | 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM
For more information, call: 302-283-7190

Free Mobile Health Care Clinic
No appointment needed.
Insurance accepted but not necessary.
Certified translators are available.

- COVID-19 Vaccination
- HIV Testing, Counseling, & Referrals
- Diabetes Testing & Referrals
- Cholesterol Testing & Referrals
- Blood Pressure Screenings & Referrals
- Smoking & Vaping Cessation Referrals
- Lead Testing
- Seasonal Flu Shot
- Clinical & Community Resource Referrals
- Educational Materials
- Opioioid Rescue Kits available (Naloxone)

DELAWARE HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES
Division of Public Health

JOIN US AS WE IMPROVE OUR PHYSICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH IN 2025



COMMUNITY Bridge to Wellness

2025

YOGA CLASS

with Bonnie



EVERY Wednesday @ 6pm

Oct. 8th thru Dec. 10th


(no class on Nov. 26th)

These classes are for all ages and levels. Open to the public on a first-come, first-served basis. Please bring your own mat.

If you cannot attend in person, a virtual option will be available. The link will be posted on our FB and website.

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Ananda Yoga
Sanskrit Yoga, Hatha, Vinyasa



We need YOUR help to make our online church directory as accurate and updated as possible.

If you are currently not in the church directory, please contact the church office. We would love to have all of our Union church family included.

If you are listed in the directory, but have not submitted a photo. Contact the Church Office or Pam Tull and we'll be happy to take your photo or you may choose to select a favorite photo you already have (*your photo will be returned to you*). Having a complete pictorial directory is helpful to us all to learn names and recognize others within our church family.

Do you have the **CHURCH DIRECTORY** on your phone? It's easy to do. Go to the App Store or Google play and search Instant Church Directory. From there select Union UMC. You will need to enter your email — it must match the one on file with the church. Follow the instructions. You will receive a confirmation email for security purposes. If you have any problems, please contact the church office for assistance. **If you have had any changes to your contact information, keep us informed so the directory can be kept up-to-date. You do not need to be a Union church member to be included in the online directory.** Contact Debbie in the church office at 302-337-7409 if you have any questions.

Union Methodist Church

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Using Our Head, Heart & Hands for Jesus

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*Items for the monthly newsletter must be submitted to the church office
no later than the 25th of the month to ensure they will be included.*

**MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES AT UNION CHURCH**

Help is needed in the following areas—contact the church office for additional information.

Event/Activity Planning

Methodist Men & Women

Nursery Volunteers

Mid-Week Recharge Help

Christian Education (Youth/Children) Chairperson

Walk of Warmth & Light Christmas Event

Greeters and Ushers

Special Music/Instrumentals

Hands Ministries Chairperson

Acolytes

**Mid-Week Recharge Gathering**

Wednesdays—6:00 pm to 7:30 pm

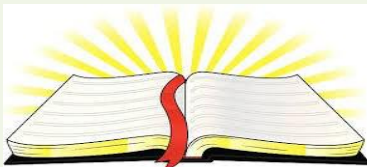
Sunday Worship Service Hours

Ladies Sunday School—9:00 am

Praise & Worship Service—10:00 am

Children's "Wiggle Worship"—10:00 am

"Son-Seekers" Adult Class—11:00 am



Pastor
Mark Bell



Monday—Friday

[Limited Office availability on Wednesdays]

9:00am to 3:00pm

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