

United Methodist Women's News
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LOOK WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH ST. MARK'S UNITED METHODIST WOMEN!

SPAGHETTI DINNER scheduled for Tuesday evening, September 24.

United Methodist Women have scheduled a **spaghetti dinner** as a fund raiser for Tuesday evening, September 24 from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. in the church dining room. Funds raised will go to UMW mission projects such as Spring Heights camp scholarships for Saint Marks' children and youth, Gabriel project, West Virginia Kids Count, Church Women United, and Youth Mission of Peace trips. Cost is \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children. Extra donations are always appreciated to help fund the mission projects. Forms will be available for **Take out Orders**. Please reserve the date and come out and have a great dinner served by **our youth** plus entertainment by **Darrell Sebolt as he plays his accordion**. Please make checks payable to St. Marks United Methodist Women.

Sunday, September 15 is our next UMW Unit Meeting which begins at 12:15 following the church service. Lunch will be homemade casseroles, salad, dessert, and beverage. A slate of officers for the year 2020 will be presented and the World Thank offerings will be collected; so, remember to bring your World Thank Banks, cash or a check made out to St. Marks UM Women. Of course, there will be a brief business meeting.

October 13 is United Methodist Women's Sunday. Plan to be in church that day to support the women of the church. We will be celebrating the 150th birthday of United Methodist women.

Pecans, halves and pieces, from the Terri Lynn Company will be available from United Methodist women in time for Thanksgiving baking. Check the church bulletin and announcements for further information.

The Annual Meeting of United Methodist Women will be at Trinity United Methodist Church in Bluefield on October 25-26. See Becky Britton for more information and reservation forms. Shannon Priddy, National United Methodist Women President will be the Keynote Speaker. The theme: Making the Future.

Did you know that the word September comes from the Latin word septem, “seven,” because this had been the seventh month of the early Roman calendar? (*From the 2019 Old Farmer’s Almanac.*)



I think most of us have sung or heard the hymn “This is My Father’s World.” It was written by a “country-loving man, Maltbie D. Babcock.” (1) In this hymn “he brings God close to us through the words of his hymn.” Mr. Babcock enjoyed all the “wonders” of God’s creation. Remember singing about the rocks and trees and skies and seas? I can’t help thinking of this song as I hear the birds sing in the morning or see a gorgeous sunrise or see the ocean at the beach. He also reminds us in the hymn that “though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the ruler yet.” (2) [(1)Hymns illustrated by Chalk; (2) United Methodist Hymnal, pg. 144.] Sometime take a moment and turn to page 144 in our UM Hymnal and read the words to the hymn and remember “**This is My Father’s World.**”

”The earth is the Lord’s, and the fullness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein.” (Psalm 24:1)