

Immanuel's Lighted Path

Summer 2019

IMPORTANT DATES

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

JUNE 22
2PM

PASTOR HAYDEN'S LAST SUNDAY

JUNE 30
FELLOWSHIP FOLLOWING SERVICE

ICE CREAM SOCIAL NEW PASTOR MEET & GREET

JULY 6, 6PM

REVEREND JOHNSON'S FIRST SUNDAY

JULY 7

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

JULY 8-12
6:00PM-8:30PM

BACK TO CHURCH SUNDAY CHURCH PICNIC

SEPTEMBER 8

TOWNSEND FAIR & PARADE

SEPTEMBER 28

PASTOR HAYDEN'S FAREWELL FELLOWSHIP

On June 30th, immediately after the worship service, we plan to have a short reception as we say good bye to the Haydens and wish them well in their new appointment in the Baltimore-Washington Conference.

Please plan to stay for a few minutes as we share some of Martha's cake and thank Pastor Hayden for his service here.

WELCOME

NEW PASTOR MEET & GREET



On July 7th, we will welcome the Rev. Grant Johnson to our pulpit for the first time. The evening before, on July 6th, he and his wife Pearl will attend our annual ice cream social. This will be an opportunity for us to get to know him and him to get to know us in a more informal setting. Hope to see you there to share

FREE ICE CREAM.

Time to Say
Goodbye

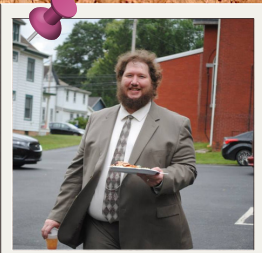


Welcome To Townsend

"Immanuel has grown tremendously in the four years of our ministry and I am confident that there is plenty of room for new growth to take place in ways we have not begun to imagine yet."



1st VBS



Church Picnic

"I have been so blessed to be your pastor for the last four years. You know the situations that my sons and I have endured and have relied upon our faith and the love of this church to persevere. For that reason I continue to praise God for you, realizing how God's providence put us here in this place for these times."



Jammin'@
Ice cream Social



Introducing.....
Rev. Dr. Vaughan Hayden



Sunday Service



Townsend Parade
We won 1st Place!!



Sunrise Service

"As we prepare to move into another season of our lives and you prepare to enter a new season of with Rev. Johnson, I know that the love that you have poured into our lives will continue to be poured into Rev. Johnson as he leads you into ministry opportunities to share with the community."

God Be With You Till We Meet Again,

Pastor Hayden



Youth Group



CALL TO A NEW LIFE IN CHRIST

"So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!" (2 Corinthians 5:17)

I am looking forward to serving as the new pastor of Immanuel United Methodist Church in Townsend, Delaware. Along with many Methodist clergy I was a bit surprised and taken back when asked to move to a new location. When the District Superintendent told me that the Bishop was appointing me to Townsend I wondered, why? I had never been to Townsend and only knew about it from reading road signs speeding on my way to Wilmington or Philadelphia. I wondered what gifts I had to offer that would help the church be faithful to their call to discipleship.

I find myself with a spirit of newness. Like a kid on Christmas morning, I anticipate meeting new people. I will be following new customs and traditions, and I will explore new vistas in my growth in faith. Throughout the Bible God is always calling people to something new; to strength for new possibilities, to expand our faith and trust in God. God speaks those comforting words; "fear not, I am with you."

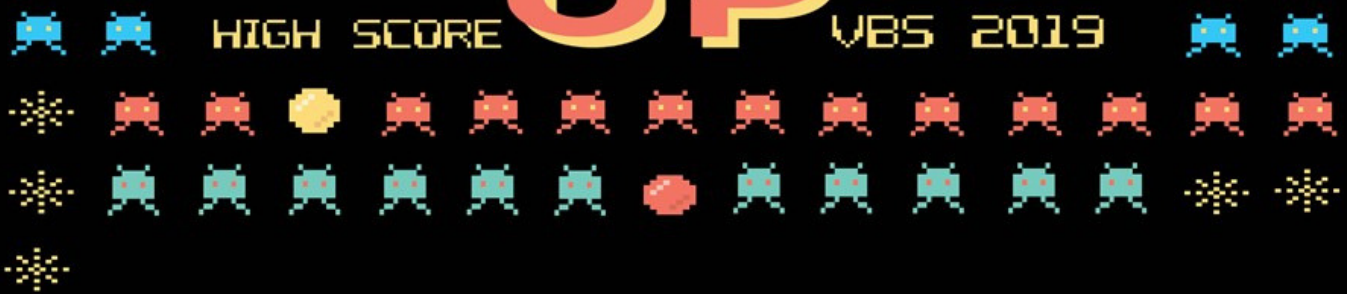
The Annual Conference refers to my assignment to Townsend as a cross racial/cultural appointment. I am an African American male pastor. I grew up in Cambridge, Maryland in a very racially segregated environment. I use to look at life, including religion, through that cultural lens. I surrendered my life to Jesus Christ as a college student. Throughout my faith experience I have been challenged to reach beyond what was comfortable to embrace other people who claim Christ as their Savior as well. My experience of following Jesus has led me to many people from very different backgrounds. The apostle Paul says, we no longer view people from a human point of view. In Christ we are new creations.

I come to Townsend to serve God. As pastor, I come to work with the congregation to fulfill the mission of Christ; to make disciples. The church is to model the life of Christ and to share it with others who do not know him.

What Paul is talking about is a transformation from the inside out. When a person comes to faith in Christ, the "reveal" is nothing less than stunning. The old, junky, clunky, sin-filled past of the makeover subject is carted out to the dumpster and replaced with a brand-new life. Our mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

Reverend Johnson

POWER UP



We are excited to "Power Up" this year at VBS! All week long, kids will join in songs, games, crafts, and worship as we help them to discover how to raise their game by knowing God and trusting Jesus. Don't miss out on the fun.

Register early by visiting: www.myvbs.org/iumc2019

For more information or to volunteer contact VBS Director, Laurie Poore, 302-740-9038 or lbj812@comcast.net

July 8-12

6:00pm-8:30pm



RAISE YOUR GAME





Church Trustees



The trustees are considering and getting prices for 3 major projects at the church:

1. Replacing the front and side walks into the church from the main sidewalks. While the town is redoing the sidewalks in town, it seems to be an appropriate time to get this work done. Approximate cost \$4,500 to \$6,000
2. Repairing or replacing the door to the ramp and refinishing the front doors. Approximate cost \$8,000 to \$10,000
3. Repairing the steeple with composite material and securing the bell which seems to be in a very precarious condition. Fixing the spindles on the steeple which is the easy part of this project will cost about \$1,000. We expect the bell repair to be very costly. At this time, the bell can not be rung. We are not sure of its safety.

Along with these projects, we still have plans to powerwash the ramp and parking lot entrance to Fellowship Hall. The dead buses at the front have been removed.

Since the parsonage will not be used by Rev. Johnson, our plan is to rent it. We have work to get done inside before it can be rented.



Immanuel's Youth Group

Who: All youth grades 6-12

When: Re-Starting Sept 15th
1st & 3rd Sunday immediately following worship

Where: Upstairs in the Board Room

Why: To develop a deeper understanding of God and
your place in the world & great fellowship!

For more information or with any questions contact
any of the 2019-2020 officers:

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Secretary-Taylor Moffett

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United
Methodist
Women

FAITH • HOPE • LOVE IN ACTION

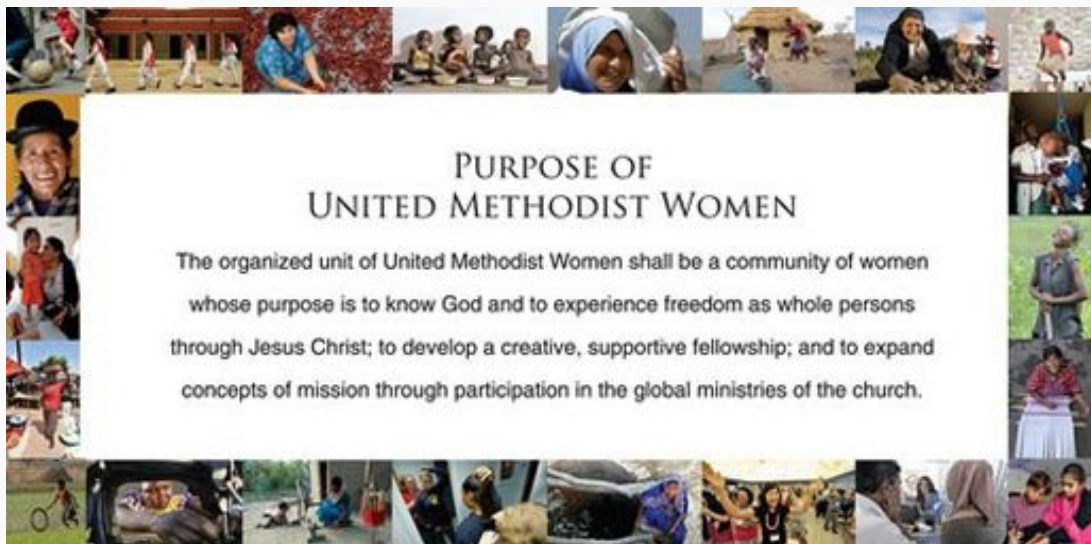
Our UMW group has been very blessed by all the support you continue to give to our various missions and fundraisers. Thank you!!

UMCOR and Neighborhood House are two of several organizations we help. For the last 3 months you have been helping us with donations of school supplies needed by UMCOR.

UMW takes the items you have donated, sorts them and then buys any items that are needed to complete the kits. On June 8, members of the UMW delivered 12 completed kits to the HUB. We then spent the rest of the morning with members from other churches assembling and verifying additional school kits and health kits. It's a fun and rewarding day. Anyone can come and help.

We collect throughout the year for Neighborhood House. They send us a list of items that they need and you all generously help us to fulfill this need. Neighborhood House is very grateful for all your help.

The United Methodist Women meet the second Wednesday of the month at 7 PM. Our next meeting is in September. Please join us. Our President is Jenny Trunfio and our VP is Christine Benedict.



Save the Date!!

Back To Church Sunday

Church Picnic

TOGETHER

Join us & Grow this Fall!

September 8

