



# News from the Pews

November 18, 2018

## YOUTH THANKSGIVING BAKE SALE TODAY! Sunday, November 18, 9:30am-1:30pm

Swing by the Youth Bake Sale today to support the Youth going to Honduras in June 2019 to minister through music! A wide variety of baked goods will be available just in time for the Thanksgiving holidays:

- Purchase a cake or pie for your Thanksgiving dinner celebration
- Buy sweet breads or cookies to freeze for enjoyment through the holidays
- Show someone special your gratitude by purchasing them a delicious treat
- Take home sugar cookies to decorate with the kids for Christmas
- Pre-order! We are offering pumpkin pie, pecan pie pound cake, and ginger cookies that will be fresh-baked and ready for pickup on Wednesday, November 21st between 9:30am and Noon.

### We Give Thanks

As we enter this week of Thanksgiving, the Outreach Team would like to share our gratitude for the opportunities our church has had to serve this year. Your enthusiasm, hands-on-help and generosity have enabled us to do God's work in Arlington, in America and around the world. Yesterday we funded and packed 20,000 emergency meals. Our garden grew 431 pounds of produce for AFAC. We just donated 60 pounds of treats to hospital cancer centers, and we have raised \$10,500 for Wings of Caring. Working together, we have made many positive contributions. For that, we give thanks.

**PRAYERS** *We have a designated, focused, prayer team that intentionally brings the concerns of the congregation before the Lord. If you would like someone added to the prayer list, or if you would like to be a part of this essential ministry, please contact the team by emailing us at [clarendonprayerteam@gmail.com](mailto:clarendonprayerteam@gmail.com) or calling the church office.*

### CHRISTMAS TREE SALES

**Saturday, November 24 – Saturday, December 15**

This is one of our biggest fundraisers for Outreach, raising over \$9,000 last year. This year's beneficiaries are Rise Against Hunger, Arlington THRIVE, and Wings of Caring. **We need your help!** Sign up to help sell trees at <https://tinyurl.com/y7mlntky>, 2) Make a donation to the cause, and/or 3) be willing to buy one of the very last trees on the lot and sign up on the "Charlie Brown Christmas Tree List." If you have any questions, you may contact Lindsey at [Lindsey.Kirkwood@gmail.com](mailto:Lindsey.Kirkwood@gmail.com).

**Sales hours:** Saturdays: 10am-8pm; Sundays: 12-6pm; Weeknights: 6-8pm. Hope to see you there!

### CONCERTS AT CLARENDON

*Concerts at Clarendon* is a unique series in that it is constantly evolving with new performance opportunities arising throughout the year. In the next two months we are excited to offer:

**Sunday, November 26, 7:00pm** - The **47th Annual Messiah Sing-Along** - Richard Giarusso, conductor. Soloists and orchestra lead Part I of Handel's *Messiah*. Scores are provided and a reception follows. Free. We are privileged to give this gift of music and Scripture to our community. Please volunteer [here](https://tinyurl.com/y9ej8kd8) (<https://tinyurl.com/y9ej8kd8>), to be a greeter, bring food items, and extend hospitality towards our visitors.

**Saturday, December 8, 5:00pm** - *Words & Music* vocal chamber ensemble presents *Star of the Morning*, their annual candlelight program celebrating Advent, Hanukkah, the Solstice, Christmas, and the coming of the New Year. Free.

**Saturday, December 15, 7:00pm** - Virginia Bronze handbell ensemble presents *The First Noel*, a holiday concert with their new director, Brian Seemann. Tickets available online at [vabronze.org](http://vabronze.org). Advance tickets are \$12 for adults, \$10 for seniors and children. At the door tickets are \$15 for all ages.

### Unity of the Church and Human Sexuality: Toward a Faithful Witness

**LAST SESSION TONIGHT at 6:30pm in Corry Hall**  
**SESSION FOUR: "How Do We Navigate Our Way Together"**

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