



News from the Pews

December 16, 2018

Save the Date: Next Level Innovations CUMC Innovations Weekend January 25-27 2019

This three-day weekend will allow the Weekend Innovation Team to meet with leaders and members of the congregation as a whole to understand and listen about our church culture as a whole.

- **Friday, January 25, 7:00-9:00pm:** Focus Groups for Youth, Young Adults, and Newcomers
- **Saturday, January 26, 9:30am-3:30pm:** Engaging Church-wide retreat, includes light snacks and lunch.
- **Sunday, January 27:** One combined worship service

Plot Against Hunger Year-End Report

We are thrilled to close out a successful second year of our vegetable garden at Clarendon UMC. We were blessed to double our space this year as part of an Eagle Scout project. We were able to produce 365 pounds for our friends and neighbors at AFAC. Because our garden is located at a distribution center, our harvesters delivered produce directly to the Saturday distribution. In the spring, we harvested butter lettuce, romaine, and some carrots. In the summer, we had a bumper crop of tomatoes along with some sweet and hot peppers. In the later summer/early fall, we were blessed with a fruitful harvest of pumpkins and other squash. Thank you for your support this year!

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 or calling the church office.*

SECRET SANTA WORKSHOP

TODAY! Sunday, December 16, 9:45 am

All children are invited to come and Christmas shop for their parents and other family members in our special workshop.

CELEBRATION OF LIFE: WINNIE MACFARLAN

Thursday, December 20, 3:00 pm

Please join us at at the Signature Theater to celebrate Winnie Macfarlan, a passionate supporter of the arts in the DC area.

YOUTH HOLIDAY LOCK-IN

Sunday, December 30, 6:00pm

Our Youth Lock-in will be on "New Year's Eve Eve", Sunday, December 30 beginning at 6:00pm. Come for games, food and holiday fun! All youth are welcome to attend. Contact Lisa Gibbs-Smith (lisa@clarendonumc.org) with any questions.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

Monday, December 24, 2018

- **5:00 pm: Family Service**
An interactive service geared toward children, but enjoyed by all ages!
Our Youth lead the music and drama.
- **9:00 pm: Candlelight and Communion**
A beautiful service led by Pastor Tracy and the Chancel Choir.
(Please take note of the time change for this service.)

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