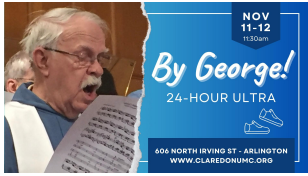


Clarendon Happenings

By-George! 24 Hour Ultramarathon Fundraiser - Join us in Corry Hall



Join marathoner Ted Hobart as he honors the memory of his father, George Hobart, and raises donations for the Clarendon UMC music program that George so dearly loved!

Ted has been walking his ultramarathon from Clarendon UMC through Arlington's Ashton Heights and Lyon Park neighborhoods for the past 24 hours.

He will be returning to the church social hall entrance at 11:30AM today. A special public reception will be held in the social hall after the church service. Ted's 100 marathon medals and endurance memorabilia will be on display during the reception.

Contributions may be made by visiting the Clarendon UMC giving page

(<https://clarendon.churchcenter.com/giving>) and choosing "Saulmon Music Fund" from the drop-down menu.

Fall Clean-Up Day, 9AM to Noon, Saturday, November 18

Please come out and help beautify the church grounds! For clean-up, we will rake/blow leaves to the curb and distribute mulch. We will have some tools but please bring gloves, rakes, electric blowers (no gas blowers, please), wheelbarrows, and shovels suitable for mulch if you have them. It will be fun to work together to make a difference! Contact Elaine Simmons via the office (office@clarendonumc.org) if you have questions.

Volunteer Opportunity for Summer 2024

All God's Children Camp is a weeklong overnight camp for children ages 7 to 12, with an incarcerated parent. We need 90 folks who are willing to volunteer a week this coming summer (2024) and spend time in the great outdoors while mentoring some amazing campers. So grab your Sr. High youth group, your Young Adult group or any other adult group in your church and join us! This is a wonderful mission trip in your own backyard! See dates below and contact Lori Smith at agcc.vaumc.org for more information.

Week 1 - June 9-14 at Westview on the James

Week 2 - June 16-21 at Camp Chanco on the James

Week 3 - August 11-16 and Camp Chanco on the James

For more information about All God's Children Camp, visit <https://vaumc.org/agcc/>

Commitment Cards Still Available

It is not too late to complete your 2024 Commitment Card. Cards are available at the sanctuary entrances and can be turned in via the offering baskets or use the QR code to access the Google form.



Pre-Order Your Christmas Tree and Help the Homeless

You can now pre-order your Christmas tree. We have 300 beautiful firs available for sale this year—*coming to us directly from Canada!* Trees will be available for pickup starting Saturday, November 25th. This year the profits from the sale will be donated to New Hope Housing -



<https://www.newhopehousing.org/>. You are not just buying a gorgeous tree; you are helping our neighbors facing homelessness.

For more information and to place your order visit our website at:

<https://clarendonumc.org/events/christmas-trees/>. Feel free to share with your friends and neighbors.

Volunteers Needed to Help With Tree Sales

We also need volunteers to help with the sales. You can sign up here:

<https://bit.ly/3QMaDan> or by using the QR code.



2023 Messiah Sing - Sunday, November 26



But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid, for see, I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord." ~ Luke 2:10-11

Handel's *Messiah* is indeed for *all* people, and we would love for you to join us for the 52nd Annual Messiah Sing-Along! Erin Freeman (City Choir of Washington) will be at the podium to conduct us through Part I and the Hallelujah Chorus.

The event starts at **7:00PM** with an engaging pre-concert experience that includes a vocal warm-up and peek inside Handel's marvelous score. At 7:30PM the sing-along will begin, showcasing fabulous soloists and accompanied by chamber orchestra. A delightful reception will cap off the evening. **This year we are also highlighting area choral ensembles and giving away pairs of tickets to some of the best local choral events!**

You can bring your own score or borrow one of the ones provided, and there will be a free-will offering accepted to help CUMC keep events like this going. The sing-along will also be live-streamed, so share it with friends and family!



Church office hours: Mon - Thurs, 9AM - 2PM 703-527-8574 or office@ClarendonUMC.org

Items for the Friday email/Clarendon Happenings are due by Noon on Wednesday.

Please submit all calendar and room requests to Fran Underwood at the office email.



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