

Clarendon Happenings

Christmas in the Library

Parents and children are invited to visit our newly remodeled Helter Library and enjoy the collection of children's books with Christmas themes.

Meet the Pastors Today

Join us during the Coffee Hour this Sunday to meet the pastors. They would love to get to know you and share a little about Clarendon UMC.



Stations of the Manger: Preparing for the Coming of Jesus

Join us for a special time of meditation, reflection and prayer using Advent prayer stations. Prayer stations are a wonderful way to engage all the senses and are appropriate for most ages. They include scripture, mediation, and an activity. The sanctuary will be open on Thursday, December 11, 6:30AM-9PM and Friday, December 12, 6:30AM-12Noon.

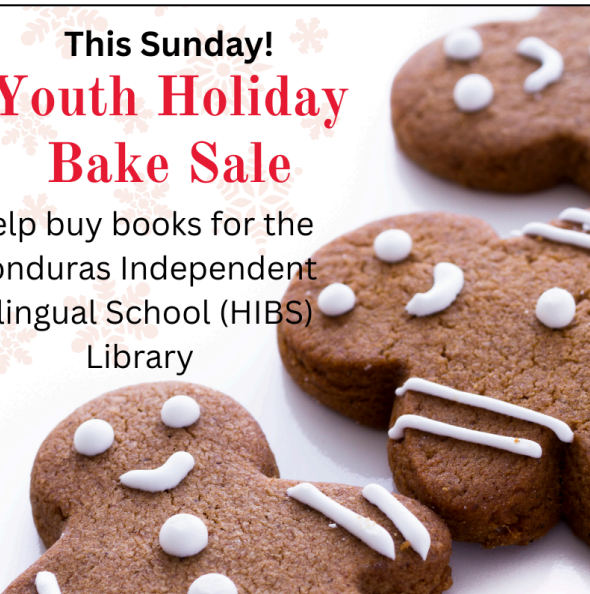
Drop in any time and spend a little while contemplating the meaning of Advent and preparing yourself for the coming of Jesus.

Advent Contemplation Class - It's not too late to join

All are invited to join Jennifer London for guided meditation and reflection on selected nativity narratives using Lectio Divina and imaginative prayer. (No prior experience with either of these approaches to praying with scripture is necessary!) This will be a chance to be quiet, be still, and open your heart to deeper connection with Jesus, God's incarnate gift to us, God with us. Sundays at 4 pm in the library (12/7, 12/14, and 12/21).

This Sunday! Youth Holiday Bake Sale

Help buy books for the
Honduras Independent
Bilingual School (HIBS)
Library



Youth Bake Sale for HIBS Book Drive

Our youth are putting their faith into action and stepping into the kitchen! You are invited to support a Youth Bake Sale to raise funds to send much-needed books to Honduras Independent Bilingual School (HIBS). Every cookie, brownie, and slice of cake will help put stories, learning, and hope into the hands of students in Honduras. This is more than dessert. It is a way for our young people to live out God's love, serve other children their age, and grow in compassion and generosity.



Poinsettias Help Make Worship Festive

Sponsor a poinsettia for the sanctuary to help us decorate for the holiday.

Plants can be placed in honor or in memory of a friend or loved one. Your name and the dedication will be listed in the Dec. 21 worship bulletin. You may take your poinsettia home following the 9PM Christmas Eve service. We have twelve small plants for \$8 each and sixteen large plants available for \$16 each. Sign up using the Church Center app, QR code or see the newsletter for a direct link.



The Bishop is Coming to Clarendon!

We have the great honor of having Bishop Sue Hauptert-Johnson, Bishop of the Virginia Conference with us in worship on Epiphany Sunday, January 4. Bishop Sue (as she likes to be called) will be delivering the sermon and celebrating communion. You can learn more about Bishop Sue at <https://vaumc.org/bishop/>. We look forward to welcoming Bishop Sue in worship!



Write a Lenten Devotion

Help us create a Lenten devotional by writing one! More information is available in the Friday newsletter. Sign up via Church Center or the link in the newsletter.



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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