



Life@Benevola

*“Together we are called to worship
and witness, grow and give, love and
live for the glory of God.”*



OCTOBER 2019

Sunday Worship: 9am Sunday School 10:30am 301-791-3576

FROM THE PASTOR DESK

Dear Benevola,

September at Benevola has been filled with special events and opportunities: We enjoyed a full weekend of Boonsboro Days events including Sunday worship in the park. We kicked off a new year of Sunday classes for all ages. We celebrated our church anniversary by remembering our United Brethren clergy (Many thanks, Ruann, for putting this together!). And we've had a Sunday to worship with Rev. Wunderlich, our new district superintendent. We were blessed to worship and serve a meal at the Rescue Mission. We have welcomed a new class of confirmation students. I'm thankful for all of these moments that we share as a church family—and we're gearing up for more.

As we turn the calendar to October, our focus is on serving our neighbors and sharing our blessings at home and around the world. The apostle Peter gave this exhortation to the church:

Be quick to give a meal to the hungry, a bed to the homeless—cheerfully. Be generous with the different things God gave you, passing them around so all get in on it: if words, let it be God's words; if help, let it be God's hearty help. That way, God's bright presence will be evident in everything through Jesus, and he'll get all the credit as the One mighty in everything—encores to the end of time. Oh, yes! --1 Peter 4:9-11 (The Message)

October abounds with natural beauty and constant reminders of God's abundance. It is also a time ripe with opportunities to share God's love in our community and around the world. Peter urges us to be quick to give, quick to serve. Get everyone in on it. Give glory to God through acts of love. We are blessed, so let's be a blessing! Here are some ways we can put our hands and hearts together for Christ:

- The CROP Hunger Walk October 13.
- Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Ministry
- VIM Mission trip opportunities
- Micah's Backpack
- Habitat for Humanity basket donations
- Workdays at New Windsor October 18 & 30
- Katie's Cupboard
- Angel Tree

In worship we will celebrate Holy Communion on October 13 (as I will be away October 6), and Laity Sunday on October 20. Each week we will dig into gospel lessons where grace and truth meet in the life and stories of Jesus. I pray God's Spirit will move each of us to deeper, more active faith as we worship and witness, grow and give, love and live for the glory of God.

Grace and Peace, Pastor Cindy

WORSHIP IN OCTOBER

During October we will continue with gospel stories to explore Jesus' parables in the Gospel of Luke. We will also enjoy hearing from our lay speakers on October 6 & 20. So far you may have noticed a common gospel theme: Jesus reaching out to margins of society—to the folks who so often are overlooked or avoided. Who are the people in the margins today? Where in our community would Jesus be spending his time? What are the places, and who are the people that you and I tend to avoid? Chances are, that's where you would find Jesus today.

October 6

Active Faith
Mark 5:21-34
Message by Mac Caldwell

October 13

Ten Lepers
Luke 17:11-19
Holy Communion

October 20

Topic TBA
Message by Kathy Witman
Laity Sunday

October 27

The Pharisee & the Tax Collector
Luke 18:9-14

TURKEYS FOR KATIE'S CUPBOARD

Katie's Cupboard is asking for donations of turkeys to give to the recipients of KC for Thanksgiving. Any size or brand of turkey will be great. Turkey breasts will also be welcomed. Please see Joanne or Wayne Duffy or Kathy Witman to donate a bird. We'll need all donations well before 12 November, as we will be giving the turkeys out on that day. Thank you all for your support in this and for all donations throughout the year.

ANGEL TREE

We will be making available the opportunity to provide Christmas for many south county children again this year. Look for the bulletin board sign up in the foyer the Sunday after Thanksgiving.



	Greeter	Liturgist	Acolyte	Head Usher
10/6	Wescott Family	Linda Stump	Isaac Wescott	Bill Flook
10/13	Alice Hartzell		Brett Sharpless	Kevin Fox
10/20	Gena Norwood		Hayden Shank	Nelson Baker
10/27	Klaus & Becky Hein	Klaus Hein		Joe Reed



Dear Benevola Church Family,

As some of you know, I have recently retired and moved to South Carolina. I have transferred my membership to Belin Memorial United Methodist Church in Murrells Inlet. I wanted to thank you for helping me accept and grow in Christ. I appreciate the lifelong friendships I have made over the years. You will continue to be in my prayers and wish Benevola Church continued success.

~ LuBeth Ridenour Reeve

CHURCH PROFILE

The SPPRC committee would like help in compiling our Church profile for the District Superintendent and conference report. A survey monkey questionnaire has been created where we would like your input. Please look for the link to take the survey. If you need a paper copy, they will be available at church and can be dropped off in a box in the foyer. We hope that you can complete the survey in about five minutes. Please fill out just one survey per person.



CROP HUNGER WALK

Sunday, October 13, 2019 at 2 pm

Beginning and ending at Taylor Park in Keedysville, MD, walkers go to Boonsboro before returning to Keedysville.

For 50 years, Americans have been stepping up to end hunger for neighbors around the block (25% of the money raised will be given to the South Washington County Emergency Fund for food assistance) and around the world. The CROP walkathon was begun in this area in York, PA by Roger Burtner. Today, 44 states host Church World Service sponsored CROP Hunger Walks with the same goal: a world where every child has enough healthy food every day.

Your participation impacts individuals and families in more than 35 countries. In many developing nations, people can walk up to six miles a day to get food and water. One in nine people worldwide lack access to clean water and a healthy diet. We walk to be in solidarity, bring awareness to these issues and raise funds for permanent change.

How will you make a difference? What difference can we at Benevola make?

- \$5 Provides Hygiene Education for Children in Cambodia
- \$20 Provides seeds for a community garden to improve nutrition
- \$25 Sends chickens for a family in Indonesia
- \$50 Provides a medical kit in Myanmar
- \$100 Provides 200 chicks for families, as a self-propagating food source
- \$130 Provides a pair of goats in Haiti as a source of milk and income
- \$300 drills 10 meters of a shallow borehole well to improve hygiene and sanitation
- \$1,000 Builds a water pump for clean drinking water and community training for long-term success.

Sign up to walk with Becky Hein at Benevola or go to crophungerwalk.org to donate online. Invite others to support your passion to end hunger. Not able to make it to the Walk? You can still raise funds or donate to Church World Service through CROP! Make checks payable to CROP, place in the offering plate or give to Becky by Nov. 1.



WORK DAYS AT NEW WINDSOR

We will be working on Friday, October 18, 2019 at New Windsor. That day we will be working at Material Resources checking the health kits to be sure all 7 items are in them.

The other day is Wednesday, October 30 we will work with SERRV to check the art items that come from around the world. After we check items for imperfections, we price them, and then repack them to be sold at places like 10,000 Villages.

For both days, the work day is 8:30 am until 3:30 pm with lunch provided. After lunch there will be an opportunity to shop at the SERRV retail store. There are lots of sit down jobs on both days. If you are able to volunteer, please contact Roger Burtner through email at REB21756@msn.com or by phone 301-432-5772.

A requirement now in effect is to give a name and a phone number of someone who may be contacted in case of any emergency arising with you as a volunteer. Please relate that information to Roger when you notify him that you seek to volunteer.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOX MINISTRY

Each year Benevola Church participates in Samaritan's Purse global mission, Operation Christmas Child. From children to seniors, people [pack shoebox gifts](#) each year to bless children in need around the world. Each year we are invited to join with volunteers to support these efforts across the country. Boxes are available now in the church lobby.

HOW TO PACK YOUR SHOEBOX GIFT



1. Get a shoebox to pack for a boy or girl. Decide what age child you want to pack for. Put a label on the box.
2. Select a WOW item: soccer ball, doll, outfit, shoes.
3. Fill with other toys, hygiene items, and school supplies.
4. Most importantly, PRAY for the child who will receive your gift. Include a personal note, photo, and address if you want. They may write to you.
5. A donation of \$9 is critical to cover shipping etc. Checks can be made out to Samaritans Purse or Benevola UMC. You can write one check for several boxes. Give on line at Samaritanspurse.org through **Follow Your Box** and discover the destination of your shoebox.
6. Boxes are due back to Benevola UMC by Sunday, Nov. 10, 2019.

Don't wrap the boxes. Close with rubber band.

Be sure to include **\$9.00** for each box.

Do NOT Include: candy, toothpaste; used or damaged items; war-related items such as guns, knives or military figures, chocolate or food; fruit rolls or other fruit snacks, drink mixes; liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins, breakable items (no glass); aerosol cans.



UMVIM TEAM NEWS

On Tuesday, October 15th at 7 PM the UMVIM team that Klaus and Becky Hein have joined the past few years will have the first planning session at Mt. Nebo UMC, Boonsboro. The Volunteer in Mission trip will be next spring. This is a great opportunity to serve those who need our help to get back into their homes after a natural disaster. As you may be able to imagine it must be a devastating experience to find yourself without a place to live.

The United Methodist church has an effective connectional system to bring hope to those who find themselves in this situation. Mt. Nebo Church has been involved for over 30 years in these projects from Maine to Georgia to Louisiana and several locations between.

Last spring we spent two weeks in Beaufort, NC on several projects. We saw joy and hope appear on the faces of those we helped where there was only a look of despair and pain when we arrived. God does great things when we allow Him to work through us.

All you need is a servant's heart to experience the joy of giving and watching the change of hope and attitude. You may feel you have no building skills but the more important skill is having compassion for those we serve.

Come and join us for our October meeting. There were about seven churches represented last year. You will find quite a collection of God's servants and personalities, all with one thing in common. A servant's heart and the willingness to let our God work through them.



- 3 Brianna Hammond, Tanja Fulks, Valen Meadows, Doug suffecool
- 5 Scott Stevens, Don Coulter, Matthew Baker
- 6 Jackson Burker
- 7 Jessica Hess, Evan Kerr
- 8 Bobby Stiles, Lynnsay Erskine
- 10 Dennis Embly, Kim LaBrush
- 12 Danny Baker, Bonnie Weddle, Ayden Chesnutwood
- 14 Jason Reeder, Audrey Rohrer
- 16 John Hines, James Arnold
- 18 David Shifler, Brian Schultheis, Roger Burtner, Luke Hess
- 19 Sheila Slifer, Bert Windle, Jessica Mitchell, Sean McCullough, Ray Young, Jr.
- 20 Sharon Coulter, Gena Norwood, Karl Hummer, Bonnie Diehl
- 21 Ronald Rowe
- 22 Lori Royce, Chayden Burtner, Sammy Burtner
- 24 Jack George
- 26 Jim Shifler, Laila Rottmund, Megan Brooks
- 27 Ryan Sharpless, Ronald Walters
- 29 Jenny Reed, Benjamin Hartings
- 30 Sue Barnes, Scott Bare



- 1 Wyatt & Grace Burtner
- 3 Jack & Faye Slye, Jonathan & Jennie Slifer, Tony & Jennifer Kinzer
- 5 Dave & Cathy Collins, Bryan & Dana Reeder
- 7 Desiree & Steve Peperak, Jesse & Liz Rohrer
- 11 Scott & Stephanie Coulter, Charlie & Linda Stump
- 15 Jeremy & Kimberly Angle
- 17 Rusty & Tammy Arnold, Charlie & Lisa DeLuca, Shannon & Heath Burker
- 18 Charles & Jamie Johnson
- 20 Doug & Scherrie Duerr
- 21 Jim & Jody Roupe, Jim & Kathy Witman, Heather & Kevin Hutchinson
- 25 Eric & Pam Lego
- 26 Tim & Lisa Schilling



October 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 9:00 Quilting	2 12:00 Lunch Bunch @ Kitzie's 5:30 Body & Soul 8:00 Men's Hoop	3 10:00 Bible Study 6:30 choir practice	4	5 7:00 Men's Breakfast
6	7 5:30 Body & Soul	8 9:00 Quilting 4:00 Katie's Cupboard	9 5:30 Body & Soul 8:00 Men's Hoop	10 10:00 Bible Study 6:30 worship mtg	11	12
13 2 crop walk	14 5:30 Body & Soul 6:30 Outreach	15 9:00 Quilting 6:30 CE meeting	16 12 Moving on@ Track Side 5:30 Body & Soul 8:00 Men's Hoop	17 10:00 Bible Study 6:30 Choir practice	1812 Book Club	19
20	21 5:30 Body & Soul Newsletter deadline	22 9:00 Quilting 4:00 Katie's Cupboard	23 5:30 Body & Soul 8:00 Men's Hoop	24 10:00 Bible Study 6:30 Choir practice	25	26
27 4:30 soup & chili competition Trunk or treat	28 5:30 Body & Soul 7 YF Campus life	29 9:00 Quilting 6:30 choir practice	30 5:30 Body & Soul 8:00 Men's Hoop	31 10:00 Bible Study		

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Change Service Requested

Benevola's staff and leadership:

Pastor: Rev. Cindy Caldwell
Administrative Assistant: Teri Baker
Organist: Ruann George
Child Care: Megan Brooks & Jenna Hornbaker
Lay Leader: Becky Hein
Treasurer: Dawn Baker
Financial Secretary: Bill & Karen Flook
Ad Council Chair: Klaus Hein
Trustee Chair: Jack Slye
Outreach Chair: Kathy Witman
SPPRC Chair: Becky Hein & Morgan Boyd
Worship/Music Chair: Cindy Stevens
Finance Committee Chair: Nelson Baker
Fellowship & Ministries: Brenda Embly/Gena Norwood
Education Chair: Linda Stump
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Family Ministry: Heidi Boyd
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