

DPC Weekly Update
Darnestown Presbyterian Church
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Remember that Saturday, August 27, is our first Stop Hunger Drive. We will seek to pack 10,000 nutritional meals for distribution to people who are hungry. Sixty of us will gather to accomplish this "hands-on mission" effort in the Fellowship Hall from 9:00 am to noon. Those who have volunteered are needed, but all are welcome to drop in and join us!

This Sunday, August 28, 2016

Worship will be held at 9:30 am in the Sanctuary. Dr. McNeilly will be in the pulpit. His sermon is entitled "What Jesus Brings Us," with scripture taken from Romans 5.

Church News

August Food Drive for Germantown HELP - Our Food Drive for Germantown HELP will take place **during the month of August**. Donations may be brought to the kitchen beneath the Sanctuary. Items always needed are: **1 lb. bags of rice and pasta; jelly, peanut butter, canned fruit, corn and green vegetables, cereal, spaghetti sauce, canned tuna or other meat.**

On the 1st Sunday of each month at 1:00 p.m., we gather to package food boxes for the Food Pantry. The next trip is **September 4**. If you would like to help, please contact Rob Garretson (rgarretson@gmail.com).

NAMI MC Needs your Gently Used Binders

NAMI MC uses binders for all of their class programs and other miscellaneous uses, such as our Family to Family class and Peer to Peer classes. They run over 20 classes a year. **They are in need of gently used or new binders that measure 1.5 or more inches wide.** You might have taken a continuing education seminar or received a binder of information you no longer need that could be donated. **Hint: Take advantage of back-to-school sales.** Please leave your binders in the Social Hall kitchen underneath the sanctuary during the months of August and September. If you have any questions contact Jill Bremer. Thank you so much for your support!!!

Deacons' Annual Church Picnic - Sunday, September 11 following worship. Mark your calendars and come for lots of fun and fellowship!

There will be bingo, the cake walk, games for children and youth, and, of course ... **PONY RIDES!**

Hamburgers, hotdogs, fixings, chips of all kinds, and beverages will be provided. **Please bring a side or dessert to share.** Please donate a dessert for the **DPC cake walk** to be held during the church picnic. Donations of cakes, pies, cupcakes, brownies or anything sweet will gladly be accepted for the cake walk. Please contact Julie Marsh at (301) 840-0778 or at jwm@synergy-intl.com to confirm your donation.

Questions: contact Sue Ciorlito (ciolorito@comcast.net) or Amy Jenkins (ahaasjenkins@gmail.com).

The following summarizes our **Offering Giving** through August 28, 2016:

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| Cumulative Budget | 273,635 |
| Actual Giving | <u>233,272</u> |
| Ahead (Behind) | (40,363) |

Bridges to Worship: Children in Grades 3-5 are invited to a special six-week class to help them better understand and participate in our worship service. The class will begin **September 18** and take place during Junior Church at the 11:00 service. To enroll your child, please email Sarah Henderson (henderson.munter@gmail.com). Regular Junior Church will continue, as always, at the 11:00 service, with activities aimed at children age 4 through Grade 2.

The **BEAR Team** invites you to stay up to date on the progress of the project by periodically reviewing the BEAR Blog. A link is provided at the top of the DPC website Home Page and as follows: <https://darnestownbear.wordpress.com/>. The most recent entry includes a fly-through overview of the new narthex, gathering, and worship spaces which was presented live at the last Congregational meeting. Enjoy!

Welcome Bags are available in the Narthex each Sunday. Who might you invite to worship with you?