

DPC Weekly Update
Darnestown Presbyterian Church
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The next **Men's Breakfast** will be held on **Saturday, April 1** in the Fellowship Hall at 8:00 a.m. - *no fooling!* We have an open discussion planned to follow the meal. Mark the date, and we hope you will join us.

This Sunday, April 2, 2017 - Fifth Sunday in Lent

We will worship at 8:45 & 11:00 a.m. We will celebrate the Sacrament of Communion at both services. Dr. McNeilly will be in the pulpit, and his sermon title is "Wellness," with Scripture taken from Romans 12.

Sunday School Classes for all ages will be held this Sunday at 9:45 a.m.

Dark Brew Class resumes today, 9:45 am in the Parlor - All adults welcome.
"The Faith of Jesus in a Pluralistic World" - This series investigates how Christians may hold a particular belief in Jesus as the Christ of God amidst a world of competing religious claims. In these episodes we will focus on both the differences and similarities between Christian faith and other religious traditions. World-class scholars will help us process and learn about how Jesus Christ can be the "way, the truth, and the life," without condemning other people's religious beliefs and values. **The central question of this series is how is Christianity related to other faith traditions?**

April 2 is the deadline to turn in your \$100 deposit (made out to DPC with **"Montreat Summer Camp"** on the memo line) to reserve your spot at Montreat Summer Camp, July 9-15.

We will gather to help stock shelves and pack boxes at the **Germantown HELP Food Pantry** today at 1:00 pm. If you would like to join us, please meet at the Germantown Methodist Church at 1:00 pm.

Church News

The Mission Committee Invites You...to Hands-on Mission! This Lenten season, consider taking on a habit that can last beyond the Lenten season. Review the **attached current list** of local missions your Darnestown Presbyterian community already supports, and choose to investigate online or contact the DPC contact for that mission. Participate in a project that suits you.

Easter Sunday Brunch - April 16, 2017

The Board of Deacons invites you to join us for Easter Brunch, to be held **between services**, in Fellowship Hall. Please bring your favorite Breakfast/Brunch dish to share. We would like to have a nice mix between savory and sweet choices in order to appeal to all diets and tastes. Beverages and an Easter cake will be provided. Contact Sue Ciorito if you have any questions (ciolorito@comcast.net or 240-750-8950).

Save the Date! Music for Missions!

Please save **Sunday, June 3, 3pm** for a time of "Music for Missions." Join Dale May and Eric Waggoner as they sing and play a selection of favorite tunes to bless your life. A free will offering will be taken to support the Montreat Youth Conference and Summer Mission Trip. Mark your calendars now!

Welcome Bags are available in the Narthex each Sunday.

MISSION CHALLENGE

The Mission Committee Invites You....

Let's flip the notion of sacrificing something, like chocolate, that we will resume eating after Lent and consider taking on a habit that can last beyond the Lenten season and hopefully last a life time.

Hands-on giving.

During this contemplative time, take time with your loved ones and review this current list of local missions your Darnestown Presbyterian community already supports. Choose a couple of missions to investigate online or contact the DPC contact for that mission. Online, open the appropriate tabs and look for opportunities. Sign up for the missions updates. Take the plunge and participate in a project that suits you.

Mission	Who DPC supports	DPC contact	For more info....
<input type="checkbox"/> A Wider Circle	DPW	Kathy Kurkjian	http://awidercircle.org
<input type="checkbox"/> Central Union Mission	DPW	Tamara Leonard Lara	http://www.missiondc.org
<input type="checkbox"/> Children's Inn at NIH	DPW	Tamara Leonard Lara	http://childrensinn.org
<input type="checkbox"/> Miriam's Kitchen	DPW	Alan Munter	https://miriamskitchen.org
<input type="checkbox"/> Nightingale House	DPW	Tamara Leonard Lara	13004 Darnestown Road, Gaithersburg MD (301) 598-3030
<input type="checkbox"/> Comfort Cases	DPC/DPW	Betty Petrola	http://www.nomoretrashbags.org
<input type="checkbox"/> Germantown HELP	DPC/DPW	Rob Garretson	http://www.gtownhelp.org
<input type="checkbox"/> Hospice of Montgomery County	DPC/DPW	Tamara Leonard Lara	http://www.montgomeryhospice.org
<input type="checkbox"/> Interfaith Works	DPC	Roland Frenck	http://www.iworksmc.org
<input type="checkbox"/> Mercy Health Clinic	DPC/DPW	Sally Belcher	http://mercyhealthclinic.org
<input type="checkbox"/> National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI)	DPC/DPW	Jill Bremer	http://namimc.org
<input type="checkbox"/> Stepping Stones Shelter	DPC/DPW	Alice Frenck	http://steppingstonesshelter.org/
<input type="checkbox"/> Stop Hunger Now (now - Rise Against Hunger)	DPC/DPW	Tamara Leonard Lara	http://www.riseagainsthunger.org
<input type="checkbox"/> The Lord's Table	DPC/DPW	Tamara Leonard Lara	http://www.stmartinsweb.com/go2/socialconcerns/
<input type="checkbox"/> The Dwelling Place	DPW	Cara Garretson	http://tdp-inc.org/index.html
<input type="checkbox"/> Winter Growth	DPC/DPW	Artha Jean Snyder	http://www.wintergrowthinc.org
<input type="checkbox"/> Shepherd's Table	DPC/DPW	Belinda O'Berry	https://shepherdstable.org
<input type="checkbox"/> Summer Mission Trip	DPC/DPW	Dale May	Currently: http://friendsofrockaway.org/