

DPC Weekly Update
Darnestown Presbyterian Church
www.darnestownpc.org

We are finishing up a wonderful week of **Vacation Bible School!** We extend a special word of **thanks** to volunteers who helped to make the week a success!

[This Sunday, July 2, 2017](#)

The Rev. Nancy Clark will be our guest preacher, and her sermon title is "From Pain to Joy" with Scripture taken from Psalm 13 and Matthew 10. We will celebrate the Sacrament of Communion. Nancy Clark was the 2nd woman ordained by National Capital Presbytery in 1974. In 1981 she started specializing in interim ministry and served 17 interims before her retirement in 2012. She has been very active at all levels of the denomination, but especially with Committee on Ministry activities here in NCP. She is currently COM liaison to our Interim Search Committee and will continue as liaison with our Pastor Nominating Committee when that time comes later. Her hobbies include jam/jelly making, needlework, cooking and reading murder mysteries.

The Montreat Summer Camp participants will be commissioned during this Sunday's worship service and will lead the worship service on **July 16**. They are: Brooke Daughtry, Brett Kimball, Shannon Marsh, Dale May, Sabrina May, Belinda O'Berry, and Sara Simmons.

"Pop-Up" Mission Project - please see the attachment about providing much needed baby items to one of the local missions we support - **Stepping Stones Shelter**. **Sunday is your last day to donate!**

[Church News](#)

We have **pastoral coverage** in case of emergencies while Tamara is away July 2-8. Please call the church office if you have such a need.

Reminder: Required Montreat Summer Camp **FORMS** are due to Tamara no later than **July 5**.

Guest Preacher - July 9

Join us as we welcome the Rev. Dr. Barry Dawson and his wife, Shelly Dawson, Mission co-workers in Thailand since 2013, serving together as World Mission's regional liaison for Southeast Asia. Barry will preach about their ministry. Darnestown Presbyterian Church supports Barry and Shelly through our mission budget.

The Membership and Outreach Committee is requesting your assistance in reaching out to our community and enhancing service to our own members.

- **First and foremost**, please volunteer to deliver *DPC Welcome Bags* within your own neighborhood to newly arriving families or to the unchurched. Help us to grow our church and introduce others to the blessings of DPC!

- **Second**, please provide relatively *recent personal photos* for our website. These can be uploaded directly, or moved to our Google Drive at the following address:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/OB5EmfpjiQuQXMDE1ZUI6eDVGVIU> . You may even provide physical photos for us to digitize and post. Current photos will be especially helpful in introducing new pastoral leadership to our members.

- **Finally**, we are asking members of our church to *join our Committee* to assist in the work of extending God's blessings.

If you are willing to assist or have any questions, please contact Larry Ciorlito at 301-801-8406, or Ciorlito@Comcast.Net. Thanks, and God Bless!

The Mission Committee is pleased to announce our *Local Mission page* on our <http://www.darnestownpc.org> website has been updated with live links!!!! Please visit our updated page to help meet your personal **Mission Challenge**.

Welcome Bags are available in the Narthex each Sunday.

“Pop Up” Mission: Stepping Stones Shelter

The Mission Committee asks for your support in a “pop up” mission, an accelerated hands-on mission to support one of DPC’s longest-supported charities. Stepping Stones Shelter of Rockville “...provides support to homeless families with children in order to move them from crisis to a stable home environment by providing temporary shelter and services in an atmosphere of dignity and respect.” Their clients come from crisis situations and often need help with basic needs as well as help finding housing and jobs.

How can we help? Stepping Stones has a list of *immediate* needs, and we’d like to help fill some of those needs as quickly as possible. Their requests change often due to the nature of their work, so our campaign will be brief. Please consider bringing the following items to the Social Hall Kitchen from now until July 2nd. Don’t delay; that’s only two short weeks to make a huge difference in their lives. The DPC Mission Committee and Stepping Stones Shelter thank you.

*Baby wipes (any variety)

*Diapers (size 5)

*Pull ups (size 5)

Johnson’s Baby Wash

Johnson’s Baby Lotion

* = most needed

For more information about Stepping Stones Shelter, their volunteer activities, and their long-term needs, please visit: <http://steppingstonesshelter.org/>

Any item from their wish list on Amazon:

https://www.amazon.com/gp/registry/wishlist/ref=cm_wl_search_2?ie=UTF8&cid=A2ZGTNTOVBLHKK

(These items can either be bought on Amazon and shipped directly to them, or bought locally and brought to Social Hall to deliver with the baby items)

