



# First Church of Barboursville

**“In the Meantime” part 4  
“BELIEVE!”**

BULLETIN FOR ONLINE MESSAGE 8-9-2020

## **Welcome**

## **Call to Worship**

### **UMH405 SEEK YE FIRST**

*Karen Lafferty*

## **Let us pray...**

Pastor: “Lord, In Your mercy”.

Response: HEAR OUR PRAYERS

## **Pastoral Prayer / The Lord’s prayer.**

### **UMH 361 ROCK OF AGES**

*Augustus M. Toplady*

## **Scripture reading**

## **MESSAGE**

***Special song*** “I will rest in the hope” by Teresa Adams

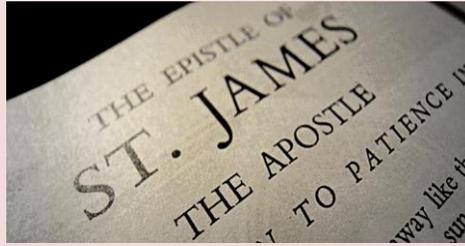
## **Tithes and Offerings**

*Offertory - doxology*

### **Hymn # 144 THIS IS MY FATHERS WORLD**

*Maltbie D. Babcock*

## **Blessing**



## SCRIPTURE USED FOR “In the Meantime ”part 4

### **Proverbs 2:3-6**

Yes, if you call out for insight and raise your voice for understanding, if you seek it like silver and search for it as for hidden treasures, then you will understand the fear of the Lord and find the knowledge of God. For the Lord gives wisdom; from his mouth come knowledge and understanding;

### **James 1:5-7**

If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you. But when you ask, you must believe and not doubt, because the one who doubts is like a wave of the sea, blown and tossed by the wind.

That person should not expect to receive anything from the Lord. Such a person is double-minded and unstable in all they do.

### **IN THE MEANTIME**

Believe God is at work in you to mature you.

### **IN THE MEANTIME**

ENDURE to MATURE



## Annual Conference Report

By Allen Diamond CLM Candidate

Annual Conference came to order in Special Session with the various districts of the WVUMC meeting in locations selected. The Western District site was at Steele Memorial and was overseen by DS Okey Harless.

The Bishop was at Wesley Chapel in Buchannon, WV, Bishop Ball was linked to the various sites in a video conference to conduct the meeting. There was 2 sessions at each held at each location. One was at 1:00 and the other at 3:00. Then a meeting was held at 5:00 to give the results of the voting.

The 1:00 and 3:00 sessions were identical and voting occurred in both sessions. Once the voting was over after the second session there was a session at 5:00 to give the results of the voting.

Judy Kenniston was selected as Conference Secretary again.

There was an Organizational Vote in which it was stated there would be no amendments to the items up for vote and no discussions. We were to vote as they were written this year. This vote passed.

Ministry Reports all passed, to include pensions and Equitable pay.

Conference Trustees Passed in the vote as well.

Council Ministries passed.

Financial Administration Passed.

Ken Willard reported on leadership Vitality and Development.

He spoke of how we need to follow guidelines suggested by Jason Moore on how to react to new guests in our churches. He also spoke of how he wants to get more classes going to better train our Pastors, CLM's, and church leaders in classes like Coaching and finish getting more people certified as Coaches.

Joe Kinniston and Bishop Ball did Celebrate Worship and made a point to say "Love Thy Neighbor, Wear A Mask". He also spoke of ways to share the gospel. He mentioned how some churches had Drive in Services, Online Services, and Also mentioned how one church was actually visiting member at home. They held private services in their yards, or on porches if the members wanted it. He also spoke of how Outreach ministries needed to continue if it was at all possible. He mentioned that we needed to keep up zoom services as well when Covid-19 is over to continue to reach out the public to increase the numbers.

This Fall they are planning a Live meeting about improving race relations and ending racism. They mentioned a book called **How to be an Antiracist**.

They paid a special praise to those that was able to incorporate IT in the churches. And also to those with sewing skills for the making of masks to protect everyone.

Rich Schaffer spoke about the Young Disciples Ministry. And how we need to bring more of our young into discipleship in the church as well.

Hope is the first step in growing the church, and all of us are called upon to spread the ministry. Thanks to all the Laity for being the Light of Christ. For the Light of Christ brings new life.

In September there will be a Special Day of Hope for those recovery from drug and alcoholic addiction.

## **Laity Session report** By Allen Diamond CLM Candidate

Rich Schaffer open the Laity Session for the laity during Annual Conference. This is Rich Schaffer's last Annual Conference as Laity Delegate to the WVUMC. Rich has held the position the last 8 years. We wish him good luck as he moves on.

Normally the Clergy and Laity Sessions are going on at the same time on the first morning of Annual Conference. With the Special Session this year it made it possible for Bishop Sandra Steiner Ball to address the Laity Session. Bishop Ball delivered a very excellent sermon to the laity and was really happy to be able to do it this year. She spoke of how we need to be increasing membership in the United Methodist Church. And how fear is playing a role in the church. She used the Pandemic to show how this is happening. She also commented on how more are watching online and this is leading to an increase in numbers. She also stated this can be an out let to help increase membership in the churches of the WVUMC.

She also deliver a sermon from Luke C-9 telling how Saul came looking to join a church and how people did not believe he was an Apostle of Jesus. And how Barabous defended Saul telling of how Jesus spoke to him on the road coming in. Some may remember that later on Saul changed his name to Paul.

Barabous told how the numbers increased even in fear. She spoke of turning things around in ripple effects. Like Lifegiving, new hope and most of all life. She spoke of Courage to turn things around and how contagious it is to be part of turning things around.

She also spoke of how we must boldly claim Jesus is turning things around. And we are not alone. Through Jesus all things are possible. And we need to bring a revival to the church. And increase the number of members in the churches. Kristi Wilkerson was elected Conference Lay Leader in place of Rich Schaffer.

Eva Faulkner was elected as Associate Conference Lay Leader.

Kim Mathews was elected Director of Laity Servant Ministry. And position she currently held.

All spoke of how we need more Laity to step up and help lead the WVUMC as one of the following positions.

Certified Lay Servant which is the lowest level.

Certified Lay Speaker is in the middle.

Certified Lay Minister.

At the end of the 2018 year there was 115 Certified Lay Servants. A goal was set to increase the number of Certified Lay Servants by 15% to 133 by the end of the year ending in 2019. We actually increased the number of Certified Lay Servants by 41% to 162. This was a great accomplishment.

But we still need more Laity to answer the call. If anyone is interested in how to get training in any of these certifications. You can come and talk with myself or Pastor Teresa. We will be happy to discuss this with anyone interested.

## **CHURCH CHARGE CONFERENCE 2020**

Will be through ZOOM

Tuesday September 29 at 7pm.

**We are...**

**Barboursville First United Methodist Church**

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[www.FirstChurchBville.com](http://www.FirstChurchBville.com)

Annual Conference: [www.WVUMC.org](http://www.WVUMC.org)

Western District: [www.WDUMC.org](http://www.WDUMC.org)

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Ministers:	all of us
Pastor:	Teresa Adams
Lay Leader:	Diana Racer
Music Director:	Trina Smith
Organist:	Becky Baldwin
District Superintendent:	Okey Harless
Bishop:	Bishop Sandra Steiner Ball

Counters for Aug. 2: Ed Miller & Mike Tatum &  
Aug. 16: David Stansberry & Allen Diamond.

**THE FLOWERS ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD**

by Ed Miller in memory of Don & Marie Miller.

**UPDATE OF OUR INHOUSE WORSHIP SERVICES**

**SUNDAYS OF AUGUST:** We have put the following measures into place for everyone's safety: limited seating areas, wearing of facemasks during worship, and no congregational singing. Worshipers will have their temperature scanned upon entry into the church, and we must take care to avoid hugging and handshakes.

We will be reevaluating weekly whether or not to have inhouse worship services.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation with our safety measures, and please contact Greg Racer (736-9622) if you have feedback regarding in-person worship.

**If you are feeling unwell, please remain home.**

**Also, if you have traveled recently to a high COVID-active area, please remain home.**

**Aug. 9:** 11:00am, "in-person" worship service, 11am, sanctuary.  
(facemasks required. Online optional)

**Aug. 16:** 11:00am, "in-person" worship service, 11am, sanctuary.  
(facemasks required. Online optional)

PRAYER REQUESTS AUGUST 9, 2020

Please remember the following people with prayers,

Names are carried on this list for the calendar month. Requests and changes can be reported in writing on worship prayer request cards or by calling the church office. All prayer cards must be dated and signed by the person who is sharing the information. Thank you for your ministry of intercessory prayer.

**NURSING HOMES AND ASSISTED LIVING**

Virginia Chapman, Midland Meadows  
Charles Gerwig, Huntington Health & Rehab

Bob Maxwell, The Wyngate

**HEALTH NEEDS**

Sara Alexander	Mary Gerwig	Bernice Hesson	Winona Holbrook
Jim Mannon	Beryl Myers	Jim Myers	Linda Reid
Leo Savilisky	Millie Smith	Naomi Sparks	Sally Wells

**OTHER RELATIVES AND FRIENDS WHO NEED OUR PRAYERS**

Bishop Sandra Steiner Ball	DS Okey Harless	The United Methodist Church	
President Trump	our First Responders	Boedy Higson	Lushie Preece
Cindy Stickler	Triplett Family	Pat Lawrence	Bettina Doyle
Marianne Russell-Herr	Shane Summers	Carey Hasty	Jack Day
Rich & Donna Oderwald	Ashley Sinclair	Rick Clark	Sherry Hickey
Debbie Jackson	Corky Martin	Hannah Caserta	Joanie LaRosa
Luke White	Ann Handley	Martha Spaulding	Larry Clark
Lanny Adkins	Michelle Sinclair	Tommy Fife	Allen Bleigh
Brittany McComas	Ron White	Becky Wilson	Patsy McComas
Sonny Rice	Axl Colt Barber	Belinda Amos	Aunt May
Lilly Heath-Massey	Robin Darby	Bobby Sinclair	Mark Horwich
Brad Caserta	Roger Ray	Ricky Chapman	David McComas
Rusty Bowling	Brandy Facemyer	Flohouse family	Barb Ellis
Mary Alice & Rockie Holbrook		Unspoken	the pandemic
Pastors and congregations in transition		Brad Hooper	Donna M.
Uncle Harold	Bill Vipperman	Pastor Teresa	Matt Cleveland
Lisa Howard	Anthony Cobb	Cade Click	Trina Smith & Family
Berry Langhorst			

**REST IN PEACE**

Judy Mayo	Sarah Clay	James (smoothie) Smith
Keith Wagner		

**We are... BARBOURSVILLE FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

Our purpose is to continue becoming more Christ-like  
and to share the love of God with people in a hurting world.

We are a part of The United Methodist Church.  
Our mission as United Methodists is  
to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

To find out more about The United Methodist Church, check us out online:  
[www.umc.org](http://www.umc.org) [www.wvumc.org](http://www.wvumc.org) [www.wdumc.org](http://www.wdumc.org) [www.FirstChurchBville.com](http://www.FirstChurchBville.com) [www.UMCOR.org](http://www.UMCOR.org)  
Pastor Kerry's sermons are archived online at [www.WordsFromPK.blogspot.com](http://www.WordsFromPK.blogspot.com)

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DURING THIS TIME of GLOBAL PANDEMIC  
***PLEASE CONTINUE TO BE THE CHURCH***

Your prayers are needed.  
Your non-anxious presence is needed.  
Your devotion and witness are needed.

And yes, your offerings are needed.  
Our local church enables and empowers ministry  
because of your faithful giving.

United Methodist churches around the state of West Virginia  
enable and empower ministry around the state  
and around the *globe*  
because of your faithful giving.

Our financial giving is one of the ways that we participate in the body of Christ.  
Offerings can be mailed to First UMC, PO Box 293, Barboursville WV 25504,  
or dropped off at the church building (please call ahead to 610-304-5437 to drop off),  
or even picked up by a church member.

Thank you for your continued faithfulness.

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Please keep in your prayers  
West Virginia Annual Conference's elected delegates  
for General Conference 2020 and Jurisdictional Conference 2020.  
GenConf2020 will take place in Minneapolis, August 31 – Sept 10, 2021

GC20 Laity: Judi Kenaston, Rich Shaffer, Erin Sears  
GC20 Clergy: Amy Shanholtzer, Jeff Taylor, Lauren Godwin

JC20 Laity: Rachel Flynn Fulton, Kristi Wilkerson, Royce Lyden  
JC20 Clergy: Mary Ellen Finegan, Mike Estep, Joe Hill

Laity alternates: Bree Moll, Judy Raines  
Clergy alternates: Sharletta Green, Joe Kenaston