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Happy New Year, 2020 was a year like none other! As I reflect on the events of the past year, I look toward 2021 with anticipation and hope.

For me, probably the biggest moment of 2020 occurred while living downstate in the early stages of the pandemic. It was during the middle of Lent that I received a phone call from the DS, asking me to come and serve the Unified Parish. To say the call came when I least expected it would have been an understatement! The prospect of moving was both exciting and frightening at the same time. However, God was in control. Sally and I made the move and we have been blessed in ways we could not have imagined.

As we look to the coming year, things are still unsettled. We just went through the Advent and Christmas seasons without in person services and there is no clear indication when we will be able to be together again for worship. However, God is still in control and I know we will continue to be blessed in ways we cannot imagine.

Beginning this month and leading up to Ash Wednesday on February 17, our online worship services will focus on discipleship and what it means in relationship to our baptismal vows. Those vows are the very core of what we believe as Christians and how we are to be the body of Christ in this world.

However, I must admit it is hard to act on those vows and work with each other if we are social distancing. My hope is that we can develop new ways of coming together. Between now and the beginning of Lent my prayer is that we can begin to form small groups of 4-8 people willing to commit to meeting regularly (by phone or Zoom if we cannot meet in person). It will be an opportunity to touch base, share in scripture, pray, and support each other. The concept is similar to the holiness clubs set up by John and Charles Wesley while they were at Oxford. Please let me know if you are interested in being a part of on of these groups.

Don't forget that each weekday there is Williamsburg UMC Facebook Live devotion at 3:16 in the afternoon. Also, Pastor Stan Hayes from Fife Lake UMC is in the process of organizing a Facebook Bible study. Watch for more information as it becomes available.

May God continue to bless you in the coming year!

Pastor John

open minds

open doors

JANUARY 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Happy New Year!	2
3 Service Unified Parish YouTube Channel	4 3:16pm WUMC Facebook live devotion	5 3:16pm WUMC Facebook live devotion	6 3:16pm WUMC Facebook live devotion	7 3:16pm WUMC Facebook live devotion	8 3:16pm WUMC Facebook live devotion	9
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February 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 Groundhog Day!	3	4	5	6
7 10:15 Service	8	9	10	11	12 Lincoln's Birth- day	13
14 10:15 Service Valentine's Day	15 President's Day	16 Mardi Gras	17 ASH WEDNESDAY	18	19	20
21 10:15 Service	22 Washington's Birthday	23	24	25	26	27

JANUARY & FEBRUARY CELEBRATIONS!

JANU	ARY
3rd	Dwain Provins
4th	Sue Burrows
7th	Clara Hasenick
8th	Sue Morrison
8th	Donn Hubbell
9th	Carol Walter
11th	Jan & Steve Donker's Anniv.
13th	Sherry Boucher
14th	Marcy Block
15th	Jaclyn Voice
18th	Pam & John Hamstra's Anniv

24th	Zach Reece
31st	Sue Mull

22nd Jerri Hubbell24th Jason Hamstra25th Jerri Bloxsom

FEBRUARY

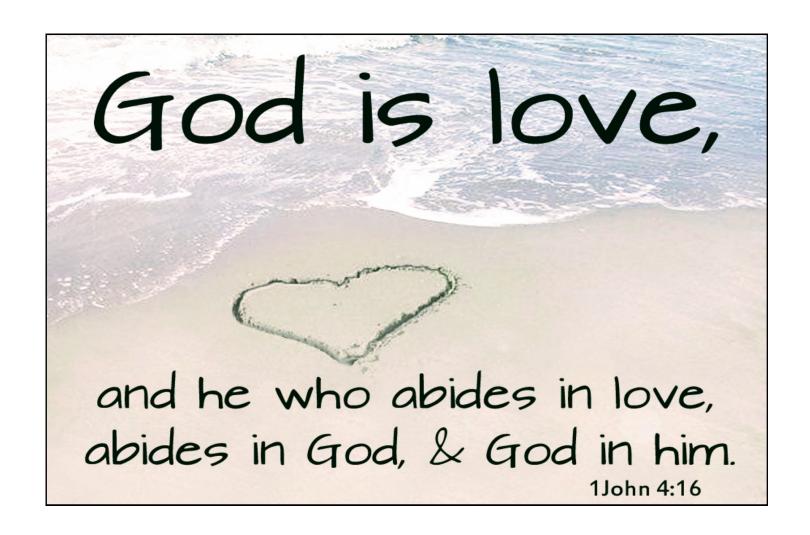
2nd	Vonnie Everts
2nd	Gavin Hamilton
3rd	Rich Hargreaves
4th	Jim & Evie Huver's Anniv.
4th	David Huver
8th	Dorothy Karker
8th	Jackie Axtell
19th	Hayden Thomas



Candle Light Cards Chocolate Cupid Date Dinner First Kiss Memories Movie Pink Poem Proposal Red Romance Roses St. Valentine **Sweetarts** Teddy Bear True Love

Chicken Scratch NY

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