

The Magothy Deaf Messenger

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New Bible Study

Reverend Kang will lead our new Bible Study group. We meet every Thursday at 7 p.m. for one hour. Please come join us as we delve deeper into the meaning of the word of God. Our first topic is the book of Matthew.



World Communion Sunday

The Methodist Church began celebrating World Communion Sunday in 1940 with the Presbyterians. On World Communion Sunday, all the congregations have Holy Communion and reflect on the connectedness of the body of Christ, knowing that Christians around the world are doing the same thing on the same day. In Methodist churches, a special offering is collected that is used to provide ministry training for racial and ethnic minorities.



Worship Times

Join us for Deaf Sunday School and Deaf Worship Service.

Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. in room 5

Worship Service: 10:15 a.m. in the church sanctuary

FSF Lunch Ministry

Every Monday and Tuesday, our church provides lunch for deaf adults in a day program at the Family Services Foundation. Volunteers don't actually have to cook the food, but



purchase it for the staff at FSF to prepare. Contact Darlene Koontz at koontz9@comcast.net for more details or to volunteer.

Pastoral Visits

Reverend Kang would like to personally meet with each member of the congregation so he can get to know everyone better. Please contact Rev. Kang at lordseakang@hotmail.com and let him know when would be a good time to visit.



Reformation Sunday

Sunday, October 29 is Reformation Sunday. On the last Sunday in October in 1517, a priest named Martin Luther nailed a paper to the church door with 95 arguments with how the Catholic church offered salvation. He was eventually kicked out of the church, but the reforms he started led to the Bible being translated into English so that people other than priests could read it.



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- 1—World Communion Sunday
- 3—United Methodist Women @ 6:30
- 5—Bible Study @ 7p
- 6—Sign Dinner at Panera Bread @ 5p
- 7—Choir practice @ 9:30a
- 8—Holy Communion @ Worship Service
- 8—National Children's Day
- 8—Pastor Appreciation Day
- 9—Columbus Day
- 12—Bible Study @ 7p
- 13—United Methodist Men @ 6p
- 16—Hearing Church fundraiser dinner at Cactus Willie's @ 5p
- 19—Bible Study @ 7p
- 21—Hearing church fundraiser breakfast @ 8a
- 21—Choir practice @ 9:30a
- 26—Bible Study @ 7p
- 29—Potluck lunch @ noon
- 29—Daylight Savings Time End
- 29—Reformation Sunday

The “Can’t Wait to Get to Church” Club

Last year, several people started showing up at church around 8:30 a.m. each Sunday. We found that by doing this, we had time to sit and talk before our 9:30a.m. Sunday school session and 10:15 a.m. church service.

This also gave us a great opportunity to get to know each other better. We got to ask questions: How did work go for everyone this week? Was anybody going through any health issues that they just wanted to talk about? Did anyone have any exciting news about

family or friends?

So many people started showing up early that former Pastor Leo gave us the name “The Can’t Wait To Get To Church Club.”

We didn’t have as much time to spend with each other during the past few summer months, since summer is such a busy time for everyone with vacations and other activities.

Now that summer is over, we thought it would be a great idea to get together again, so starting on

October 8, we will make sure that the hot coffee and doughnuts are ready at 8:30.

We would love to have you join us! We will be in room 5 every Sunday at 8:30 a.m. and hope to see you there. All are welcome. This is also a great time for hearing people who have started coming to our church to learn more sign language. We are always happy to help hearing people with signing skills.

If You Think God Can’t Use You, Just Remember....

Noah was a drunk
Abraham was too old
Isaac was a daydreamer
Jacob was a liar
Leah was ugly
Joseph was abused
Moses had a stuttering problem
Gideon was afraid
Samson had long hair and was a womanizer
Rahab was a prostitute
Jeremiah and Timothy were too young
David had an affair and was a murderer
Elijah was suicidal
Isaiah preached naked
Jonah ran from God
Naomi was a widow
Job went bankrupt
Peter denied Christ
The Disciples fell asleep while praying
Martha worried about everything
The Samaritan woman was divorced (more than once)
Zaccheus was too small
Paul was too religious
Timothy had an ulcer
And Lazarus was DEAD!

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If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

1 John 1:9

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Our sign choir meets for practice on October 7th and 21st at 9:30 a.m. in the church library and then performs the song they practiced in church on Sunday. Our new choir director is Kathy Russo. She has some great ideas for music for the choir to do and is very open to suggestions from choir members, too.

Please come help us make a joyful noise to the Lord.

October

- 8—Dominic Koontz
- 9—Cari Mitchell
- 11—Melany Parlaman
- 15—Daniel Pyles
- 17—Flo Johnson
- 20—Ed Johnson
- 24—Marie Christian
- 26—Melissa Steinhice
- 28—Edith Matthews



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Our monthly potluck luncheon will be on October 29 in room 5 after the worship service.

Please bring a dish to share and stay for fellowship.

October Anniversaries

- 16—Leo & Betty Yates
- 18—Rick & Denise Parlaman

Deaf Coffee



Across the nation, deaf people get together to chat at Starbucks coffee.

Our local group meets the first Saturday of each month (Oct 7 is the next one!) at Starbucks 4A Mountain Road, Glen Burnie. Host is Allan Bryant, e-mail allanpost2002@yahoo.com.



From the Pastor's pen...



I read a newspaper article a long time ago about Marilyn Monroe's underwear that was sold at an incredibly high price at the auction. I heard that the 700th homerun ball that was hit by

Barry Bond could be worth more than a million dollars. The value can be varied depending on whom it is used by or for. The items used or owned by most important and famous persons can become very valuable.

We are leading a short life on the earth. We are not supposed to live several lives, but only one life. Many philosophers have speculated on how to make our life more significant and meaningful. I had wanted to see my life more satisfying and meaningful. The question was how. Fortunately, the Bible gives us an answer. If we live our life for God, our life will become most valuable. So, I dedicated my life to God and decided to live for the glory of God when I was a junior high school boy. Then I noticed God blessed my life and made it successful. I became the first deaf ordained Presbyterian minister in Korea. I enjoyed a great privilege to serve a deaf church that is believed to be the largest deaf church in the world as senior pastor for ten years. I may not be very famous compared to movie stars, singers or pro sports players, but I know my life is extremely valuable in the sight of God. Just like the items used or owned by famous stars like Marilyn Monroe and Barry Bond, I came to a conclusion that if we live our life for God, our life will become invaluable.

I visit Gallaudet University twice a week for campus ministry. I noticed some new buildings there and one of them is the Andrew Foster Auditorium. Do you know who Andrew Foster is? He is the first black deaf person who graduated from Gallaudet University. He became a pastor and decided to work for many deaf Africans as missionary. He went to Africa and established 33 schools for the deaf as well as many deaf churches. Unfortunately, he was killed by an airplane crash in Africa. But his life became more successful and famous. He has been respected by so many people around the deaf communities and churches. As a pious Christian, he decided to live his life for the glory of God and dedicated his life for education and religion for deaf Africans. As a result, his life became most successful and adorable.

Do you want to see your life successful and valuable? The answer is simple. Live your life for God!

"For none of us lives to himself alone and none of us dies to himself alone. If we live, we live to the Lord and if we die, we die to the Lord. So, whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord." (Romans 14:7-8)

If you worry,
you didn't pray.

If you pray, don't
worry!

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Send e-mail with your name and address to kfisher@jhmi.edu to be added to our newsletter list!

We're on the Web!
www.magothydeafchurch.org

New Web Site for Magothy UMC of the Deaf!!!

We have re-designed our church website. Please visit our site at www.magothydeafchurch.org and send an e-mail to the webmaster with your comments and suggestions.

The "Gallery" page is still under construction. We would like to create a photo gallery of members and include a members e-mail directory.

Please note that our church can now offer e-mail accounts!

If you would like to have an e-mail account created for you such as JohnDoe@MagothyDeafChurch.org, send an e-mail to our new Webmaster at webmaster@magothydeafchurch.org.

Enjoy clicking on the crosses!

