

Oakland United Methodist Church  
5901 Mineral Hill Road  
Sykesville, MD 21784

November 2021—January 2022



# Oakland Trumpet

## PASTOR'S CORNER

Fall is in the air...can you feel it? Autumn arrives with the best of intentions, what with warm days and cool evenings. But by the end of Autumn, you will realize that winter isn't far off. All the signs are there...the changing weather, the fall colors, the harvesting of the fields. All of these remind us that time is short and there is much to be done before the realities of the cold, harsh weather is upon us.

In many ways, Autumn is a reflection of our very lives. We start off with the best of intentions, enjoying the warmth and excitement we find all around us. We rush to complete those end-of-summer chores, we relish in the enthusiasm of our favorite football or volleyball team, we struggle to harvest the crops we cared for all summer, and we hurry to enjoy the last vestiges of those beautiful autumn days. But in the back of our minds, we realize that our time is limited and there is only so much we can do before everything changes.

Did you ever stop to consider the similarities between Autumn and our Christian experiences? We accept Christ into our lives and we find a world of joy and wonder. For a time, everything is fresh and new and exciting. We rush to find our place in the Will of God, touching the lives of others while we ourselves are blessed in return. Yet all the while, there is a nagging in the back of our minds that reminds us that our time is short. There is so much to do, so many lives that we affect and are affected by ours, so many ways to serve God before everything changes.

Soon, Autumn will be behind us. The community around the Church will be decorating and making preparations for a different season. Our community. The harvest is ready, but the workers are few, busy with their lives and the distractions of the world. When all is said and done, and you have the time to look back and reflect upon your life, what impact will you have made? What lives will you have touched? What crop have you helped to harvest? What will you be remembered for?

Yes, Autumn is truly a season of change. Allow God to change your heart today!

Pastor Bob



**PASTOR:**

**Rev. Robert Wellman**

**Church/Fax:**

410-795-5030

**Pastor's Cell:**

410-622-5558

**Pastor's email:**

[bwellman@oaklandumc.org](mailto:bwellman@oaklandumc.org)

## INSIDE THIS ISSUE

Christmas Eve .....	2
Bazaar .....	2
Veteran's Dinner .....	2
Family Ministry .....	2
Children's' Ministry .....	2
Directory Update .....	3
Oakland Bakers .....	3
Outreach/Mission .....	4
Book Corner .....	4
Birthdays /Anniversaries ..	5
Children's Corner .....	6
Refrigerator Page .....	7

**Church email:**

office@oaklandumc.org

**Oakland Website:**

[www.oaklandumc.org](http://www.oaklandumc.org)

**Conference**

**Website:**

[www.bwcumc.org](http://www.bwcumc.org)

**Secretary email:**

jwilson@oaklandumc.org

**HALL CALENDAR  
REMINDER**

If you would like to reserve the hall for an event please contact me with the date(s) that you interesting in reserve the hall/kitchen for 2021/2022. Things change at the drop of a hat. All I can say is check with me and I will try to have an answer for you.

**Myrna**

**410-795-2029**

[mjrcrafts2412a@aol.com](mailto:mjrcrafts2412a@aol.com)

**CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE**

Join us at 7 pm on Friday, December 24, 2021 for our candle lighting service, as we celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ!

**37TH CHRISTMAS IN THE COUNTRY BAZAAR**

Join us on November 5th from 9 am to 7:30 pm and November 6th from 9 am to 2 pm for our 37th Christmas in the Country Bazaar.

**Co-Chairs: Connie Burgoon, Diane Harpine, Myrna Tracey**

*I am only one, but still I am one, I cannot do everything but I can do something; and because I cannot do everything, I will not refuse to do the something I can do.*  
*Chicken Soup for the Christian Soul*

**VETERANS DINNER CANCELLED**

“You may never understand a veteran’s sacrifice.  
But you can always show gratitude for it.”

Gail Martin 410-795-8252/410-795-3833

GOD BLESS AMERICA!!!

**FAMILY MINISTRY**

In December we will be holding our Annual Christmas Pot Luck Dinner on Saturday, December 11th from 6 – 8 pm. There will be a sign up sheet in the Sunday school hallway. We will provide fried chicken and drinks please bring a dish to share with everyone.

Jaclyn Wilson

**CHILDREN'S MINISTRY**

Thank you to everyone who came out to the Halloween Party on Sunday, October 31st. We had a fun time!

Our next event will be Breakfast with Santa on Saturday, December 4th from 9-11m. Ticket prices are \$8 for an Adult, \$4 for a child (12-3), and 2 and under is free. Reservations are required so please call or email Jaclyn Wilson at 410-236-2442 or jaclynwilson13@gmail.com. You can also register online at [www.oaklandumc.org](http://www.oaklandumc.org)

## DIRECTORY UPDATE

Please do not forget to let the church secretary (Jaclyn Wilson, 410-236-2442, jwilson@oaklandumc.org or place your information in her "secretary folder" in the church office or the membership secretary (Myrna Tracey 410-795-2029 mjrcrafts2412a@aol.com) know of any and all changes in membership information.

Remember we are not mind readers. Our records are only as good as you help us keep them. If your birthday or anniversary is not listed in the newsletter and you would like for it to be, please let us know. Thanks!

### CONGRATULATIONS TO:

**Nick\* and Melody Edmondson** 2610 Arthur Ave, Sykesville, MD 21784 on celebrating their 1st wedding anniversary on October 24th and the upcoming birth of their daughter on Thursday, October 28th.

**Kris and Megan\* (Raines) Bowers**, were married 10/17/2020. Belated congratulations!

### WELCOME

**Mark Jarema\***, 443-977-0760, 5936 Oakland Road, Sykesville, MD 21784, who transferred his membership to Oakland on October 17, 2021.

**Morris\* "Butch" and Pam\* Pearce**, 410-596-3941, 1603 Andylin Way, Eldersburg, MD 21784 who transferred their membership.

**Kent Kelly**, 443-497-7444, 2411 Nickoles Drive, Sykesville, MD 21784 who has been worshipping with us.

**Merritt and Crystal Bender**, 2156 Tulsa Road, Eldersburg, MD 21784 who have also been worshipping with us.

**Alan Mattson**, 917-696-2545, 2050 Bandy Ave, Sykesville, MD 21784 who have also been worshipping with us.

### PRAYERS FOR:

**Gloria Serrao and family** in the passing of her father Thornton Hush 7/15/2021

**Patsy Bruce and family** in the passing of her husband Bob Bruce 7/29/2021

**Matt and Keri Richard\*** and family in the passing of Ray Richard Jr. 9/5/2021

The family of **Dorothy "Dottie" Hood**, 198 Jesses Run Road, Fairview, WV 26570 formally of Eldersburg.

### The following welcome cards and notes and continue to need our special prayers:

**Nancy Kelly\***, 2016C Rudy Serra Drive, Eldersburg, MD 21784

**Sam Kendrick\***, Brightview, 507 High Acre Dr., Rm #304, Westminster, MD 21157, 410-848-1324

**Patsy Bruce**, 2821 Old Liberty Road, Sykesville, MD 21784

**Edna Lander**, 2021C-1C Rudy Serra Drive, Eldersburg, MD 21784

**MaryJo Ridgely**, Golden Crest II, 1779 Nelson Road, Westminster, MD 21157

**Teresa Brown**, (Tom Brown's parents), 130 Lassiter Cir., Finksburg, MD 21048

**Fran Mickel\***, Brightview, 507 High Acre Dr., Westminster, MD 21157

**Gloria Serrao & family**, 633 Heritage Drive, Gettysburg, PA 17325

\*indicates members

## OAKLAND BAKERS

Thank you ALL who ordered our delicious APPLE DUMPLINGS. We made 599 and will have them for sale at our Bazaar Nov. 5th and 6th.

See additional information below.

We will also have our tasty **Homemade Cookies** for sale.

We thank you for your loyal support in all our fundraisers.

Gail Martin  
410-795-8252/  
410-795-3833

For additional information.

\*\*\*\*\*

God didn't promise ..  
days without Pain,  
laughter without Sorrow  
or sun without Rain

But He did promise...  
Strength for the day  
Comfort for the tears  
And Light for the way.

He didn't promise us that  
life would be easy either  
but HE did promise to go  
with us every step of the  
way.

## OUTREACH AND MISSION PROGRAMS

### West Virginia Mission Project

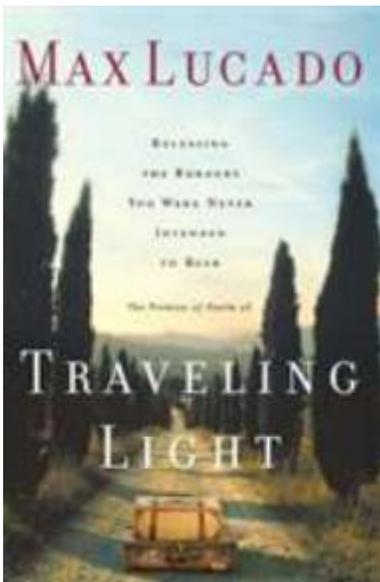
We delivered 3 car loads of clothing, shoes, school supplies, and books this summer. The home school library is sharing books with an Amish Community that has been established in the area. The public library (35 mins away) has been referring kids in the area to the home school library because of the wide variety of books. Many thanks to all who donated used books. Please know that your donations have made a huge difference in this community. We will be starting the Christmas project after the bizarre. We adopt families in the community and buy clothing, toys, personal hygiene items, and food bags for the families. All of the families we adopt have had a home visit by Cara (minister's wife) to determine their need. She also checks with other agencies and churches to make sure the families are not getting double help.

A new family with 4 children was just added to our Christmas list. The mother was killed in an accident the 7th of October. The Dad is not in the picture so the Aunt has taken the kids. If it wasn't for our Church these kids would have no Christmas. Thanks to all who contributes to West Virginia Operation Christmas Child/Shoeboxes

At the Pizza, Pack & Pray there were 16 adults and 4 children. We packed 124 shoeboxes that will be delivered to children all over the world. These boxes are packed with toys and school supplies. This is the only present these children receive. We are currently collecting postage to mail the boxes. The boxes will be taken to the collection church the 2nd week of November. Thanks to all who helped and contributed items to fill the boxes. I hope everyone has a Merry Christmas and a happy and healthy New Year.

Connie Burgoon

## BOOK CORNER



“Traveling light : Releasing the burdens you were never intended to bear”

By Max Lucado.

We all lug loads we were never intended to carry. Fear. Worry. Discontent. No wonder we get so weary. We're worn out from carrying that excess baggage. Wouldn't it be nice to lose some of those bags? That's the invitation of Max Lucado. With the Twenty-third Psalm as our guide, let's release some of the burdens we were never intended to bear. Using these verses as a guide, Max Lucado walks us through a helpful inventory of our burdens. May God use this Psalm to remind you to release the burdens you were never meant to bear.

---

*Happy Birthday and Happy Anniversary to our Friends and Members in November, December, and January!*

---

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

2 - Tara Frye  
2 - Kelly Keim  
2 - Christina Kick Peterson  
3 - Connie Franklin  
4 - Adam Helmick  
5 - Jacob Sensel  
7 - Nelson Claytor  
7 - Leah Edmondson  
7 - Heather Hoff  
7 - Julie Polk  
9 - Ryan Bellin  
9 - Douglas Fountain  
10 - Ashly Ebeling Babulitz  
11 - Virginia Hush  
11 - Carolyn Naill  
13 - Nikolay Gavrishhev  
13 - Julene Mabe  
13 - Kate Mielke  
16 - Lucas Polk  
17 - Cora Forrester  
17 - Isabelle Forrester  
17 - Anne Leatherwood  
17 - Owen McFadden  
18 - Christopher Gehrke  
19 - Karen Ruch  
20 - David Martin  
23 - Nelson Brauning  
23 - Kaylee Ruch  
25 - Peg Ludwig  
26 - CJ Mielke  
27 - Corina Gartland  
27 - Della Polk  
29 - Bill Luecking  
30 - Thomas Brown, Jr.

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

1 - Gail Martin  
2 - Chuck Hand  
2 - Melissa Higgs Stevens  
2 - Joan Robosson  
2 - Mike Wallace  
3 - Payton Stevens  
4 - Tom Brown  
4 - Karen Keller  
9 - Phil Valenzia  
10 - John Greer  
10 - T.C. Rose III  
12 - Sue Jaeger  
13 - Wayne Brauning  
13 - Breeze Reed  
14 - Rebecca Dickerson  
14 - Ricky Patterson  
14 - Debbie Plummer  
15 - Terry Brown  
16 - Debbie Blum  
16 - Cherie Stevens  
17 - Shannon Dickerson  
17 - Jessica Frye  
17 - Todd Kiple  
18 - Grace Weise  
19 - Shelby Martin  
21 - Kurt Bopst  
21 - Matt Schissler  
22 - Loretta Greer  
22 - Christopher Jaeger  
24 - Jeff Schissler  
24 - Samantha Quinn  
26 - Brooke Priest  
28 - Larry Crum  
28 - Daphne Dressler  
28 - Chelsea Priest  
28 - Carole Martin  
29 - Tommy Brown III  
29 - Tori Metts  
29 - Carl Miller  
29 - Dan Nicholson  
31 - Daniel Fountain  
31 - Rich Franklin

31 - Robert Stolzenbach Jr.

31 - Karah Yates

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

1 - Sydney Keim  
2 - Donna Antonelli  
2 - Chad Wisner  
2 - Holden Crispino  
3 - Ken Schissler  
4 - Jin-Hee Dickerson  
6 - Kelli Creighton  
6 - Kim Dickerson  
7 - Chip Johnston  
8 - Bridget Leahy  
9 - Sarah Plummer  
9 - Daniel Poole  
11 - Todd Bell  
11 - Twig Ludwig  
13 - Patsy Bruce  
13 - Kyle Bruner  
13 - Joshua Franklin  
16 - Carole Davis  
16 - Kyle Jenkins  
16 - Kelli Yates  
17 - Carol Beth Bethea  
17 - AJ Antoneli  
18 - Natilie Raines  
18 - Lee Mabe  
19 - Andrew Sensel  
20 - Nichole Graham  
23 - Le Hand  
23 - Chris Hartman  
24 - Glenn Martin  
26 - Leslie Polk  
26 - Grace Schissler  
27 - Lilly Priest  
28 - Joseph Luecking  
30 - Gina Adolph  
30 - Scott Dressler  
31 - Ryleigh Rose

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

2 - Linda & George Brown  
21 - Roger and Myrna Tracey  
22 - Jamie and Susan Bouma  
29 - Lee and Rose Edmondson  
30 - Lee and Julene Mabe

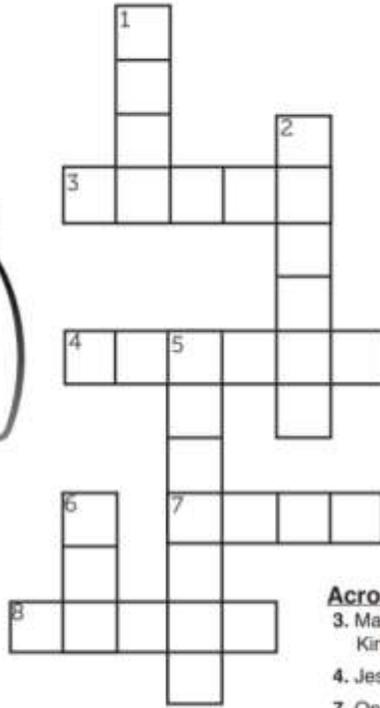
DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

1 - Tom & Terry Brown Sr.  
6 - Todd & Jennifer Schlossnagle  
20 - Gloria & Gary Serrao  
28 - Denise & Chris Gallagher

JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

7 - Debbie & Bruce Anderson  
9 - Mary & Rick Patterson

# Children's Corner



Help Mary and Joseph escape to Egypt.

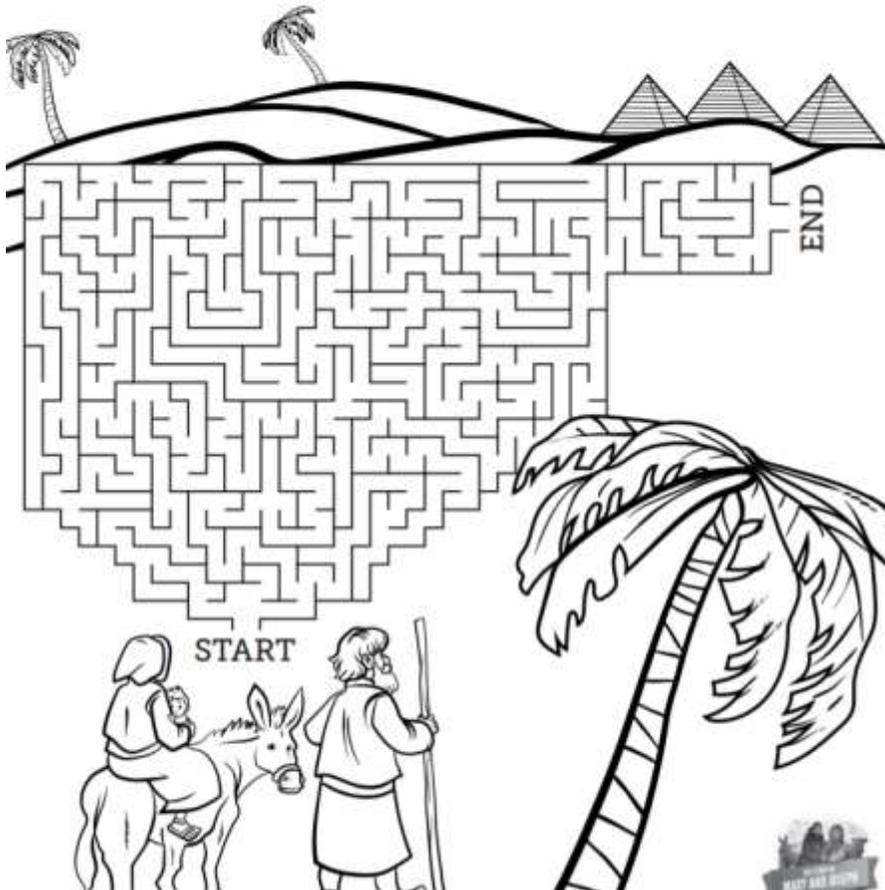
### Across

3. Mary, Joseph, and Jesus fled to \_\_\_\_\_ until King Herod died.
4. Jesus' \_\_\_\_\_ included King David and Abraham.
7. On the night that Jesus was born, a \_\_\_\_\_ appeared over the stable.
8. God warned them in a \_\_\_\_\_ that King Herod planned to kill Jesus.

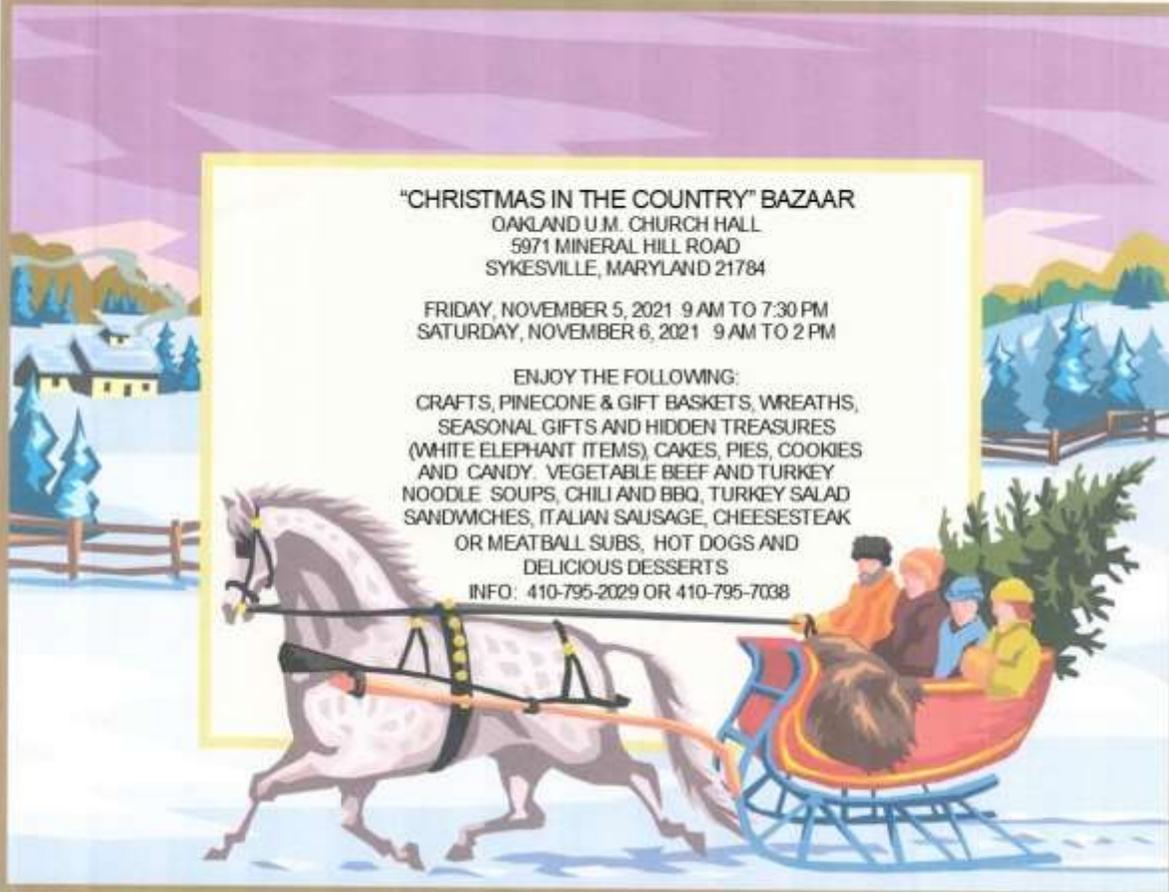
### Down

1. The Magi gave Jesus expensive gifts fit for a \_\_\_\_\_.
2. There was no room at the inn, so Mary and Joseph stayed in a \_\_\_\_\_.
5. Mary was going to give birth to the \_\_\_\_\_.
6. Joseph was \_\_\_\_\_ when he found out Mary was pregnant.

“He took a little child whom he placed among them. Taking the child in his arms, he said to them, “Whoever welcomes one of these little children in my name welcomes me; and whoever welcomes me does not welcome



## REFRIGERATOR PAGE



**"CHRISTMAS IN THE COUNTRY" BAZAAR**  
OAKLAND U.M. CHURCH HALL  
5971 MINERAL HILL ROAD  
SYKESVILLE, MARYLAND 21784

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2021 9 AM TO 7:30 PM  
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2021 9 AM TO 2 PM

ENJOY THE FOLLOWING:  
CRAFTS, PINECONE & GIFT BASKETS, WREATHS,  
SEASONAL GIFTS AND HIDDEN TREASURES  
(WHITE ELEPHANT ITEMS), CAKES, PIES, COOKIES  
AND CANDY, VEGETABLE BEEF AND TURKEY  
NOODLE SOUPS, CHILI AND BBQ, TURKEY SALAD  
SANDWICHES, ITALIAN SAUSAGE, CHEESESTEAK  
OR MEATBALL SUBS, HOT DOGS AND  
DELICIOUS DESSERTS  
INFO: 410-795-2029 OR 410-795-7038

## Breakfast with Santa

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2021  
9 AM TO 11 AM

AT OAKLAND'S FELLOWSHIP HALL  
5971 MINERAL HILL ROAD,  
SYKESVILLE, MD 21784

TICKET PRICE  
\$8.00 ADULT  
\$4.00 CHILD (3-12)  
2 AND UNDER FREE

MUST MAKE RESERVATIONS.



Oakland United Methodist Church  
5901 Mineral Hill Road  
Sykesville, MD 21784

Rev. Robert T. Wellman

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

U.S. POSTAGE PAID  
NON-PROFIT ORG.  
PERMIT #8  
SYKESVILLE, MD 21784

DATED MATERIAL

November 2021- January 2022

“A CHURCH FOR ALL SEASONS SERVING GOD AND COMMUNITY”