

THE WELLTOWN WEEKLY

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SUFFERING & HOPE:

The events of the past week are certainly ones that help us remember that suffering is real. It remains with us and brings out a desire for something better... a desire for something new.

As many of us watched the events that took place in Charlottesville with horror, we may have found ourselves asking God, "Why?" We and many of those around us found ourselves subject to the frustrations that exist due to the fallen state of our world.

In all of this though, we must not let ourselves forget that we do have something to look towards. We do have a better future in store. We are children of God. As such, we look forward to a time when all creation will be freed from the slavery to sin that we are so obviously in. Today... share this good news with others that they might also have hope in a frustrating world.

Readings for the Week:

Exodus 1:8-2:10

Romans 8:12-25

Matthew 16:13-20

WHAT'S GOING ON @ WELLTOWN

- The **Soup Kitchen** will be run by the Welltown UMC volunteers every 1st Thursday of the month. To help, contact **Walter Vickers at (540) 323-7734**.
- **Welltown Food Bank** Reception of food will be on Wednesday at 8:30 am. Distribution is between 5:30 and 7:00 pm on Thursdays.
- **Breakfast Sunday:** Back by popular demand, we'll be having breakfast during church again on Sunday, September 17th. Join us in the Fellowship Hall for breakfast while we praise God. Breakfast is free, so invite a friend!
- **Women's and Men's Meetings:** The Women's and Men's meetings will be held this upcoming Monday at 6:00 pm. The women will meet at Welltown and the men will meet at the Woolen Mills Grill (next to Clearbrook Park).

At Welltown, we exist to call, to equip, and to send people as the body of Christ.

PRAYER LIST: SEND REQUESTS TO PASTOR CARL AT CARLCHAPMAN@VAUMC.ORG OR 937-269-1131

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