

# THE WELLTOWN WEEKLY

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## BACK TO WORK:

It feels like summer just started, and yet, we are already sending our kids back to school. We are getting stuck behind school buses on back roads. We are having to snap out of our summer slow pace and we feel like getting back to work again.

What a time for the church to be at work. Over the past few weeks, it is evident that we live in a nation divided. For us as a church, it is time to get to work as well. As humans, we have a temptation to dwell too much on how we got here, which is important. However, when all our focus is on how we got here, we miss out on our calling which is to pull people into a better future.

So, let us get to work forgiving others. Let us get to work looking to a brighter future. Let us get to work, repenting from who we have been and becoming who God has called us to be.

## Readings for the Week:

Genesis 45:1-15

Romans 11:1-2, 29-32

Matthew 15:21-28

## WHAT'S GOING ON @ WELLTOWN

- The **Soup Kitchen** will be run by the Welltown UMC volunteers every 1<sup>st</sup> 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 17<sup>th</sup>. Join us in the Fellowship Hall for breakfast while we praise God. Breakfast is free, so invite a friend!
- **Budget Requests:** We are beginning to look at the budget for the year 2018. The finance committee will be meeting to discuss budgetary changes in 2 weeks. If you have any requests for this committee, please contact Pastor Carl or Doris Santmier.
- **Youth Group Kickoff:** The Youth Group will be kicking off the school year right on September 17<sup>th</sup>. We will be doing motel ministry followed by laser tag! Permission slips must be filled out by parents or guardians.

*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](mailto:CARLCHAPMAN@VAUMC.ORG) OR 937-269-1131

The church throughout the world, The United Methodist Church, The Virginia Conference, Our nation and leaders, Strife in our world, Bishop Lewis, Our Law Enforcement and Firefighters/EMTs, Rose Godlove, Margie Nickles, Erma Coffman, Terry Gulick, Alice Hart, Patty Weston, Christina Bennett, Nancy Young, Bailey Vincent, Ruth Kieffer, Connie Pike, Laurel Boyd, Rick Hench, Amber Bentley, Brittany Holiday, Dale Alderman, Lisa Leonard, Ilisa Wyman, Tammy Stine, Pam Gillespie, Mary Lou McGee, Teresa and Tom Bosley, Charlene Knox, Donna Walter, Wayne Miller, Kieth Kansler, Gwen Huber, Cady Oster, Mary Shreves, Fabiola Hutchins, Don Pitman, Arthur Clarke, Mary Rickard, Lorraine Hench, Brad and Cody Elwood, Marty Reedy, Tiffany Boyer, Sonny and Cindy Larrick, Bonnie Connor, Bill Kieffer, Raejean Overholtzer, Tiersa Riggelman, Jerry Bennett, Kelly Bennett, Brett Lewin, David Bosley, Stephanie LaMarr, Dan Moran, Amaya Kremer, Garris Miller, Ruby Smelser, Jenny Shannon, Dick Colbert, Sue Smitley, Dan Jackson, Laney Jenkins, Evelyn Bosley, Donna Dawe, Trudy Solenberger, Jeanie Crosen, Walter Vickers, Joan Fuller, Mary Statler, Charlie Goddard, Rich Goddard, Brittany Heisey Mary Dotson, Wayne Miller, Stephen Finley, Becky Harmon, Bobby Frye, Betsy Batten, Those who find themselves homeless in our area, Plus all the "Silent Requests" of the heart.