# Come Join Us!

Worship with us on Sundays, 9:30 am. Sunday School for youth during worship. Youth Group meets monthly with Pastor Yohan, Juhee and Crystal for lunch and activities.

Fellowship and coffee after service each week is a great time to visit with friends old and new

**Prayer Meetings** are held Saturdays at 9am at the parsonage, unless announced otherwise. We explore and practice different ways of praying. All are welcome.

**Worship Music** – We are always looking for new choir members. If you would like to share your gift of singing with the choir or If you would like to do special music some Sunday, please sign up with Sharon Keith.

### **Church Meeting Joke**

Three churches - Baptist, Methodist, and Presbyterian - worked together to sponsor a community- wide revival. After the revival had concluded, the three pastors were discussing the results with one another.

The Methodist minister said, "The revival worked out great for us! We gained 4 new families." The Baptist preacher said, "We did better than that! We gained 6 new families."

The Presbyterian pastor said, "Well, we did even better than that! We got rid of our 10 biggest troublemakers!"

#### source:

http://www.jokebuddha.com/joke/Church\_Meetin g#ixzz5omxdNVK8



Thursday to Saturday, June 13-15, 2019 DOUBLETREE BY HILTON MANCHESTER DOWNTOWN\*\* 700 Elm St., Manchester, NH 03101

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<u>Sharon.nelson21@gmail.com</u> by the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month or by mail to Sharon Collins at 35 Highland Street, West Brookfield, MA 01585 or by phone at 508-335-2181.

# THE ROCK

George Whitefield

United Methodist Church West Brookfield, Massachusetts June 2019



When we first started our spiritual journey together, there were many concerns since it was the first cross-cultural appointment for our church and me. Language barriers and cultural differences could cause possible conflicts. But we soon have become one happy family in Christ. What makes us a good church family despite of our differences? I believe that it was love, the love for our Christ and the love for one another. We embrace each other with love Christ taught us. Love binds everything together in perfect harmony. (Colossians 3:14) I thank you all for your love for me and Juhee. Your love has surely nurtured us to grow to be better pastors. I also hope that our church embraces our new pastor, Christy Wright, with love and continue our spiritual journey for the Christian perfection. Some of us may feel anxious about the uncertainty for our new journey ahead of us. But as God has been faithfully led our journey together, God will be with us in our new journey.

Again, I appreciate your love and support during my ministry at George Whitefield UMC. I am blessed to be a pastor of our beloved church. God blesses you! ~ *Pastor Yohan* 

# The May 19th "Music for the Soul" Concert Update



Our 3<sup>rd</sup> "Music for the Soul" concert featured amazing performances by tenor Heejae Kim and baritone Seungyun Kim. They both sang several solo pieces and duets. Also performing was the George Whitefield UMC Violin School String Chamber with players Peter Lewis, Angelina Howard, Edward Jung, Emma Landine, Harrison Lewis, Jungyoon Lee, Kenzie Gallagher and Maxwell Lewis featuring our own Juhee Lee who also performed solo pieces by Tchaikovsky and Weiniawski. The house was quite packed and there were many standing ovations. Many thanks to all the performers for their beautiful music they shared with us.

### **Food Share Ministry**



Did you know that George Whitefield UMC has a ministry that helps to feed the hungry in our community by asking the congregation to please bring in nonperishable food items that can be delivered to the Food Pantry at the First Congregational Church in town who are distributors in this area? There is a box labeled for food donations in the front of the Sanctuary and your donations are always welcomed any Sunday. Thank you.



#### **June Coffee Hour Hosts**

02 – Mike & Betsy Cox 09 – Barbara Smith & Betty Sue LaMontagne

16 – Mari & Charlie Reim

- 23 Diane Mundell & Vickie Chisholm
- 30 Tommy McKeon & Karen Farrell

#### June Birthdays

Michael Chicoine	04
Kristen Cloutier	11
Danielle Cloutier	11
Evelyn Armitage	15
Phyllis Adams	17
Cindy DiSanto	20
Marge Reim	28
Dell Marona	28

(Disclaimer: If your name or someone you know (member) is not listed, please contact Jane Dolan or Sharon Collins.)

### **New Pastor Bio**

Pastor Christie Wright comes to us from Boston University School of Theology (2018) with a Master of Divinity concentration in Global and Community Engagement. Her work with rural to suburban churches includes five years of youth work and experience in supporting church plants in creative ministry and fundraising. Her passion for bringing all people to the table has roots in her love of the intersection of food and faith, where she believes that every meal can be sacred, and the act of cooking and eating in community can be healing. Christie is very excited to be joining the GWUMC community in July and cannot wait to get to know you all. ~ SPRC