Habitat for Humanity is driven by the teachings of our Christian faith. We witness the power and love of Christ as we build simple, decent houses in partnership with all people. We offer faith groups a powerful way to put their faith into action, and many faith partners support us in our communities through their generous donations, prayers and volunteers.

Dedication of Faith
Build home at Farm Road, Aberdeen

We recently welcomed home Nicole and her daughters in a joyful ceremony attended by some of our many church sponsors! Our thanks go to the following for their financial support of this Faith in Unity home:

Bel Air United Methodist Church
Bethel Presbyterian Church
Christ Fellowship Church
Church of Holy Spirit
Churchville Presbyterian Church
First Presbyterian Women
Grace United Methodist Church Aberdeen
Grove Presbyterian Church
Havre de Grace United Methodist Church
Highland Presbyterian Church
Holy Cross Episcopal Church
Hopewell United Methodist Women
Leeds United Methodist Church

Linden Heights United Methodist Church
Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd
Mt. Zion Baptist Church
Presbyterian Women/First Presbyterian Church
St. Ignatius Roman Catholic Church
St. Margaret Parish
St. Mary Anne’s Episcopal Church
Susquehanna Ministerium
Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church
Union United Methodist Church
Pictured: $10K check presented by Bel Air United Methodist Church for the Faith in Unity house.

NOTE: St. Margaret Parish also contributed $10K towards this Faith in Unity house.

Pictured: Gifts to the homebuyer Nicole included home supplies from the Darlington United Methodist Church; Wesleyan Chapel; Karas & Bradford law firm.

Pictured: Gifts to the homebuyer Nicole and her daughters included bedding supplies from the Susquehanna Charge, Hopewell United Methodist Church & Chapel. Additional home supplies (not pictured) were gifted from the Joppatowne Women's Club and Harford Mutual Insurance Group.

Lent Build results

During the 40 days of Lent we held a fundraiser asking congregations to consider donating their loose change as a symbol of thanks for their homes. The donations went towards our Repair Program to help low-income homeowners with their critical home repairs. We thank everyone who donated towards our Repair Program and wanted to share the results that we raised approximately $700.

Since last year’s Lent Build fundraiser raised $3,600, we’d be interested in hearing from YOU as to how we can improve our efforts for next year. Contact Phyllis Mosca, Donor & Faith Relations Manager, at pmosca@habitatsusq.org for feedback.

Want to hear a presentation about our Repair Program? We’d love to give a talk to your Men’s group, Women’s group, church luncheon, etc. Contact Heather Gibson at hgibson@habitatsusq.org to request one.

Acknowledgements

Since our last published newsletter’s thanks, we’ve received monetary
donations from the following:

**Havre de Grace United Methodist Church** donated towards our Women Build efforts in Havre de Grace as a "Raising the Roof" sponsor.

**Deer Creek Parish** donated towards our Lent Build fundraiser for the Repair Program's efforts to help low-income homeowners with their critical home repairs and weatherization needs.

We thank you for these financial blessings!

In addition: Between March to the present, members from **Catholic University** volunteered with us at our Habitat build sites. During that same timeframe, we had Pastor Luis Machado, **Mountain Christian Church**, who gave the house blessing at our home dedication at Edmund Street, Aberdeen; Pastor Steve Basht, **Janes United Methodist Church**, who gave the house blessing at our home dedication at Walnut Street, Rising Sun; Fr. Matt DeFusco of **St. Margaret Parish** who gave the house blessing at our wall raising ceremony at S. Stokes Street, Havre de Grace; Pastor Norm Obenshain, **Havre de Grace United Methodist Church**, who gave the house blessing at our home dedication at Farm Road, Aberdeen; and, Pastor Allan Gorman from **Harford Community Church**, who gave the prayer over the build site at our First Nail ceremony at Erie Street, Havre de Grace. Thank you for giving of your time, and for being God’s hands and feet, here to serve others and show them His love.

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Seeking to put God’s love into action, Habitat for Humanity brings people together to build homes, communities and hope.