



ENTERING THE PASSION OF JESUS PICTURING OURSELVES IN THE STORY

February 26, 2023
Lent 1

WESTMINSTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Attendance — text “HERE” to 443-234-0806.
Visiting?—text “WELCOME” to 443-234-0806.

WELCOME

Rev. Ken Humbert

PRELUDE

“Hosanna to the Son of David”

Martin

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Malcolm, Rev. Ken



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People: We stand at the gate, hesitant and uncertain. Will we join the parade, risking our reputation along with Jesus? Or will we play it safe? Forgive our fear, our indecision, our apathy. Such moments in life are not easy, O God, yet we know you are with us. You entered our story through Jesus, now help us to enter fully into the story of your kingdom on earth as it is in heaven. Amen.

* HYMN *"All Hail the Power of Jesus Name" stanzas 1,4,5,6* UMH 154

* WORDS OF ASSURANCE Pastor Malcolm Stranathan

* PASSING THE PEACE
Let us enter the passion of Christ, and pass the peace of Christ with each other.

KIDS' TIME *"I Love to Tell the Story"* stanza 1 UMH 156

Repeat after me:	Repeat after me:
We will dare to join the journey.	Loving God,
We will walk your loving way.	Help us live your story,
We will live your sacred story,	By daring to celebrate Jesus
Through the things we do and say.	Wherever we are.
Amen.	Hosanna. Amen.

ANTHEM Listening for the Story, Zechariah 9:9-10
 "Jerusalem, Behold Your King" M.Barrett, D.Angerman

Dwelling in the Story
(a king of “midrash” based on the artwork)

MESSAGE “Entering the Passion: Risking Reputation” Pastor Malcolm Stranathan

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/PASTORAL PRAYER/LORD'S PRAYER (UMH 895)
"Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus" UMH 349

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

OFFERTORY “When He Cometh” arr. Shackley

*Doxology “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” UMH 95

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Offertory Prayer
Text your offering 844-307-2876; Give online at www.wumcmd.org; or Mail to:
Westminster UMC, P.O. Box 2316, Westminster, MD 21158-2316. Thank you.

* HYMN	<i>"God of Grace and God of Glory"</i>	UMH 577
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* SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE (please be seated) *"Postlude on 'St. Dunstan's'"* arr. Wagner

CHURCHWIDE LENTEN STUDY, onsite/online—*Entering the Passion of Jesus*,



based on the book “*Entering the Passion of Jesus: A Beginner’s Guide to Holy Week*” by Jewish New Testament scholar, Amy-Jill Levine; order the book on Amazon.com.
ONLINE—ZOOM with Pastor Malcolm, Thur, 7:30pm; scan code, use eHerald, or church calendar,
ONSITE—Adult Discussion and New Life in Christ classes, Sundays, 9am (see below). or website.



SPIRITUAL RENEWAL PLANNING SESSION

in place of February Church Council Meeting
Tue, Feb 28, 6:30pm—NLiC room

RSVP by Feb 26 to Lorna Rice, ljr17@comcast.net to ensure we provide sufficient supplies and food.

Our goal is to leave the meeting with a plan of action after generating ideas and distributing responsibilities. We need every team/committee represented with at least two members. Pizza and beverages will be provided. Please bring a pen, your thinking cap, and lots of enthusiasm for moving WUMC forward. We look forward to seeing you! Rev. Malcolm, Will, Ronnie

VOLUNTEERS IN LOCAL MISSION

OFFSITE, 77 John Street, Westminster
Sat, Mar 11, 9am-5pm

Sign-ups open, now; deadline Mar 10.

Church Council invites the congregation to form a work team to assist with renovation at non-profit Together We Own It. Sign-up on our eHerald, today’s handout, or contact Sue Shorb-Sterling.

Let Sue know if you can help with:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Painting walls | <input type="checkbox"/> Building walls |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Installing flooring | <input type="checkbox"/> Electrical work |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Plumbing work | <input type="checkbox"/> Food prep for work team |

HELP CONTROL COSTS

Trustees ask your help—when leaving rooms on campus, please lower the thermostat so we’re not unnecessarily heating empty rooms; take notice if the toilet or sink is running. Contact Mike, Facilities; Sherri, Office; or Dan, Trustees.

SECURE DONATIONS WHILE YOU SHOP

The AmazonSmile program ended, but you can still raise \$\$ for church. **Sign-up with iGive.com** and shop with an avg 3% donation to WUMC—**PLUS—earn \$5 for each new account by March 1!**

EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

Linda Wood, Chairperson education@wumcmd.org

CHILDREN’S SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sundays, 9am

3yrs through 5th grade—Sunday School Tower
Children’s Ministry Emily Gibbs:
childrensminister@wumcmd.org
or 410-848-8325, x17



6th-8th grade—Youth House

9th-12th grade—invited to attend our adult classes, at this time (more info, coming soon).

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Sundays, 9am

New Life in Christ Class—NLiC Room
Leader: Rev. Dr. David A. Highfield

Adult Discussion Class—Disciple Room
Leader: Anne Dorwart.

CHILDREN OF HOPE BELL CHOIR

3rd through 6th grade bell choir

Rehearsals—Sundays, 11:45am, Alex Olson Ste

Performance—Sun, Apr 30, 10:30am
during worship service

Linda Wood, Director, llwood@gmail.com
410-596-1258

VBS—June 25-29, 6-8:30pm

SERVICE NOTES INFORMATION BOX

Masking is optional; we respect your personal health choice.

Music: Peggy Brengle, CAGO-Organist

Chancel Choir: Kyler Brengle, Director

Soloist: Conni Highfield

ASL Interpreter: Bill Pond

Slides: Bill Eckles, Kyler Brengle

AV Tech: Bill Eckles, Aidan Eckles, Mark Gieselman

Liturgist: Rev. Ken Humbert

Leading Worship: Rev. Dr. Malcolm Stranathan

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Contact Kyler Brengle, Director of Music Ministries, for additional details, if needed.

Our Mission: “Changing lives through Jesus Christ to make a difference.”

BULLETIN PRAYER LIST

Our Church Family

Mary Louise Poole	<i>Long-term:</i>
Jeff Kimble	Chris Clise
Wayne Olson	Grace Justice
Gayle Dix	Dave Taylor
Ron Grill	John Carbaugh
Hank Diener	Christy Swartzbaugh
Dan & Carol LaFon	

Our Family and Friends (requests in the past two months)

Killian Kenney, grandson of Conni & Dave Highfield

Our Global Ministries Missionaries & World Vision Child

Nan McCurdy, Miguel Mairena (Puebla Mexico) - GBGM
Onney Khosa (Zimbabwe) - World Vision/WUMC UMYF

Those in Military Service

Bailee Stevens, Air Force, Germany
(granddaughter of Ann & Steve Hull)
Alex Gray, Air Force, Ft. Gordon, GA
(son-in-law of Steve & Darlene Sadowski)
Jason Marusiak, Fort Riley, KS
(son-in-law of The Flinn's)

2023 OFFERING ENVELOPES delayed from supplier.

We hope to have them in the narthex and available for pick-up, soon. Questions? Please contact Belinda, 410-848-8325 x15, financeSec@wumcmd.org.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY—month to date for Feb 19th

Weekly Receipts needed to meet budget	\$ 11,184
Last Week's Operating Receipts	\$ 3,097
Last Week's Operating Disbursements	\$ 9,566
YTD Operating Receipts	\$ 73,796
YTD Operating Disbursements	\$ 81,046

We thank you for your continued financial support during this challenging time.

Monthly financial reports available on request from the Financial Secretary.

REACH

OUR MISSION: To reach out to those within our congregation who are reaching out to us in need of help.

Are you a church member in need of:

- Funeral Lite Fare
- Meals following recovery or mourning
- Transport to local medical appointments

Please contact REACH, directly, for help:

REACH—MARCH

Peg Hepler—(410) 236-4174

Kristy Vandervalk—(443) 789-0346

MONTHLY 90's BIRTHDAYS

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We celebrate our WUMC nonagenarians!

Feb 20 awaiting permission

Feb 21 Nancy Coats
230 St. Mark Way
Westminster MD 21158

If we missed you, reach out to Sherri,
s.haines@wumcmd.org.

TEXTING OPTIONS IN WORSHIP OFFERING

Text amount
to 844-307-2876



Mail to POB 2316, Westminster 21158

Online offering—please scan QR code

ATTENDANCE

Text "HERE" to 443-234-0806

REQUESTING PRAYER

Submit prayer requests:

- Online, www.wumcmd.org/prayer-requests.html
- Email Pastor Malcolm,
m.stranathan@wumcmd.org
- Email Rev. Ken, revkenh@starpower.net
- Call the church office, 410-848-8325.