

BULLETIN PRAYER LIST (see REQUESTING PRAYER, below)

Our Church Family *Long-term:*
Lynne Rittenberg Dan LaFon
Chuck Sterling Ellis Lawson
Jeff & Marjie Kimble Chris Clise
June & Don Hicks Grace Justice
Wayne Olson John Carbaugh
Ron Morningstar
Christy Swartzbaugh

Our Family and Friends (requests in the past two months)
Sam & Bill Kraemer & family (friends of Lynne Rittenberg)
Warren Grill (brother of Sharon Greenway)
Ed Klein (brother-in-law of Tom Flinn)
Sherri Haines (church administrative assistant)
Karen McCarthy (daughter of Ed & deceased Betty Davis)
Susan Hagarty (niece of Randy & Diane Groft)
Mack (grandson of Darlene & Charlie Parlamen)
Lorraine Hinton (Chris Brown's aunt)
Tommy Walker (grandson of Dianne & David Bearr)

Quick update from Sherri—Thank you, WUMC church family, for your prayers. I am at the halfway mark of phase 1 in my year-long treatment plan. I hope to complete this aggressive phase by Dec 31. Thank you for your patience with my adjusted schedule during this time.

Our Global Ministries Missionary & World Vision Child
Nan McCurdy, Miguel Mairena (Puebla Mexico) - GBGM
Onney Khosa (Zimbabwe) - World Vision/WUMC UMYF

Those in Military Service

LCDR Tracie Demaree, Navy, serving on an aircraft carrier in The Mediterranean (daughter of Jan Halman-Miller)
Jonyae Curry, Army
(Director of Youth Ministry at Westminster UMC)
Alex Gray, Air Force, Ft. Gordon, GA
(son-in-law of Steve & Darlene Sadowski)
Jason Marusiak, Army, 82nd Airborne Div., Fort Riley, KS
(son-in-law of The Flinns)

REQUESTING PRAYER

Submit your prayer request via online, email, or phone:
• 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.

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—OCTOBER
Linda Catania
410) 596-5067
Linda Clark
(410) 402-4829

MONTHLY 90's BIRTHDAYS
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We celebrate our WUMC nonagenarians!

- Oct 5 Mrs. Janet M. Hersh
5403 George Street
Adamstown MD 21710
- Oct 17 Mrs. Jacqueline Hering
33 Fitzhugh Avenue
Westminster MD 21157-4407

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

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS
by appointment, 410-848-8325

Sherri, s.haines@wumcmd.org
Belinda, financesec@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



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October 15, 2023, 10:30am—Pentecost 20



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

WELCOME

Anne Dorwart

PRELUDE

"Ave Maria"

Bach/Gounod

* CALL TO WORSHIP—written by Ann Siddall

L: Though we have known hardship and pain, though life has not always turned out as we had hoped, we will stand here and say:

P: God's steadfast love endures for ever!

L: Though life becomes more complex, the deepest questions remain unanswered, and the mystery of faith deepens, we will say:

P: God's steadfast love endures for ever!

L: And though the pain of the world often seems more than we can bear or address, we will stand firm in our faith and say:

P: God's steadfast love endures for ever!

* HYMN

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

UMH 140

* GATHERING PRAYER

Holy God, your faithful love toward us never ends! We've gathered together in this place to offer you our worship and our thanksgiving; to declare to any who will listen that You are our God, and we are Your people. May Your Spirit be at work among us as we worship, opening our eyes to the light of Your presence in this place. In Jesus Name, Amen.

* PASSING THE PEACE The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

KIDS' TIME

NEW MEMBER RECEPTION Colby & Laura Watts, with sons Gavin & Garrett UMH 33

ANTHEM "I Cried All Night Long" arr. Clayton White
(see bulletin note on Announcements Page, to the right)

PASTORAL PRAYER/COMMUNITY PRAYER/LORD'S PRAYER (UMH 895)

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.

* HYMN "Humble Thyself in the Sight of the Lord" Bob Hudson
"Awesome God" Rich Mullins

GOD'S WORD IS READ 1 Kings 19:1-18 (The Message)

REFLECTING UPON GOD'S WORD Pastor Malcolm Stranathan
"For the Long Haul: Respite in the Desert!"

RESPONSE TO THE WORD
Congregational Thanks to the WUMC Staff and Pastor Conni Highfield, Larry Bohn

OFFERTORY "Softly and Tenderly" arr. Southbridge
*Doxology "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH 94

*Offertory Prayer
Generous and giving God, you have offered us a deep and soul-satisfying relationship with you, one that extends far beyond our earthly journey. As we offer our gifts this day, may we better receive the relationship you offer us and may we walk more closely. In Christ's holy name, we pray. Amen

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 "It's Me, It's Me, O Lord (Standing in the Need of Prayer)" UMH 352

* SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE (please be seated) "We, Your People, Praise You" Haydn/Edwards

CUB SCOUT POPCORN SALE
TODAY, OCT 15
NARTHEX
Stop by for all your popcorn needs and support our church Cub Scout Pack #631.

PASTOR AND STAFF APPRECIATION
TODAY, OCT 15, 10:30am service
Today we share your support of our pastor and staff. Thank you for your loving generosity.

ANTHEM NOTE
TODAY, OCT 15, 10:30am service
There is no back-ground information readily available for the Negro spiritual, I Cried All Night Long, arranged by Clayton White. Thematically, this spiritual deals with the themes of conversion and salvation, which slaves sang of often. Interpreted with a medium-slow tempo, the singer recalls their challenges along the way as they seek and eventually find God and feel assured of their salvation.

ANNUAL RUMMAGE SALE
SPONSORED BY UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH
Friday, October 20, 9-5pm
Saturday, October 21, 9-1pm
Jubilee Hall
HUGE INDOOR SALE!!!
BONUS—
We will have Chef Richard's Pumpkin Bread for sale, too!



LADIES LUNCHEON (not a ministry of UWF)
FRI, OCT 20, 11:30am—**change from Oct Herald**
Olive Garden, Westminster. Dutch Treat. Meet at the restaurant. We look forward to seeing you.

SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE—
8:15am CHAPEL SERVICE—Duvall Chapel
9am EDUCATION HOUR—all ages
Nursery—3yrs and under (Preschool hall)
Primary—pre-K thru grade 4 (Tower)
Middle School—grade 5-7 (Youth House)
High School—grade 8-10 (Youth House)
Adult Sunday School—New Life in Christ led by Woodie Wood, Rev. Dr. David Highfield, Rev. Dr. Sue Shorb-Sterling (NLIC room)
Adult Discussion Class—(Disciple Room) led by Anne Dorwart. Studying the Gospel of Mark using resource by Amy Jill Levine.
10:30am WORSHIP—onsite and online
11:45am CHILDREN OF HOPE—grades 3-7 led by Linda Wood (Handbell room)

ATTN: ALL CHURCH COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON—kindly remove any materials or supplies stored in church closets as necessary, or label them for future use. A team is formed and will start cleaning the closets before the end of the month. Thank you for your cooperation.

A TIME TO SHARE—SUNDAYS, OCT. 22 & 29
Jesus is coming again into our troubled world. WUMC celebrates with "A Night in Bethlehem," Dec. 8th and 9th. We invite your financial support of this community ministry with a Special Offering opportunity, Oct 22, 29.

BE PART OF THE WELCOMING AND WONDER OF CHRIST'S COMING AMONG US!

WUMC IS IN SEARCH OF an individual with an IT background to join the Trustees team. Assistance is needed to advise on various IT needs and upgrades, such as computer systems, Microsoft 365, internet, WiFi, and security cameras. A great fit will be someone with a current or past career background in IT. If you would like to share your talents with the church please email Dan Dell at: trusteeschair@wumcmd.org.

SERVICE NOTES INFORMATION BOX

8:15am/10:30am—Music: Peggy Brengle, CAGO-Organist Leading Worship: Rev. Dr. Malcolm Stranathan
10:30am—Chancel Choir: Kyler Brengle, Director Slides: Katherine Scherck, Kyler Brengle
AV Tech: tbd Liturgist: Anne Dorwart ASL Interpreter: Bill Pond

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