

**BULLETIN PRAYER LIST** (see REQUESTING PRAYER, below)

**Our Church Family**

Cooper Reppe  
Chuck Sterling  
Lynne Rittenberg  
Jeff & Marjie Kimble  
June & Don Hicks  
Wayne Olson

*Long-term:*  
Dan LaFon  
Ellis Lawson  
Chris Clise  
John Carbaugh  
Christy Swartzbaugh

**Those in mourning**

The Marrow family on the death of mother and grandmother, Colleen Marrow.

The Haines family on the death of father and grandfather, Sen. Larry E. Haines.

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

Som & Bill Kraemer & family (friends of Lynne Rittenberg)  
Sherri Haines (church administrative assistant)

**Our Global Ministries Missionary & World Vision Child**

Nan McCurdy, Miguel Mairena (Puebla Mexico) - GBGM

**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 Flinnis)

**REQUESTING PRAYER**

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

- Online, [www.wumcmd.org/prayer-requests.html](http://www.wumcmd.org/prayer-requests.html)
- Email Pastor Malcolm, [m.stranathan@wumcmd.org](mailto:m.stranathan@wumcmd.org)
- Email Rev. Ken, [k.humbert@wumcmd.org](mailto:k.humbert@wumcmd.org)
- 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—JANUARY**

Donna Myers (410) 259-2480  
Dee Roush (443) 398-5473

**MONTHLY 90's BIRTHDAYS**

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No 90's birthdays in January

If we missed someone, please reach out to Sherri at [s.haines@wumcmd.org](mailto:s.haines@wumcmd.org).

**CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**

by appointment, 410-848-8325

Sherri, [s.haines@wumcmd.org](mailto:s.haines@wumcmd.org)  
Belinda, [financesec@wumcmd.org](mailto:financesec@wumcmd.org)

**SECURITY SYSTEM ALERT**

**Please conclude church business and exit all buildings by 9:30pm, latest.**

**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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**BECOMING THE PEOPLE OF GOD  
A SECOND TIME**

January 21, 2024, 10:30am ~ Epiphany 3

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

WELCOME

Anne Dorwart

PRELUDE

*"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"*

arr. David Lasky

\* CALL TO WORSHIP ~ Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock

Leader: Are you listening? God is doing a new thing! Will you join in?

*High Voices: Yes! We will follow!*

Leader: Listen! Did you miss it? God calls us again to build the kin-dom of heaven.

Will you join in?

*Low Voices: Yes! We will be builders of the kingdom.*

Leader: Wait, did you catch that? Again, God calls us to declare the good news to those in need.

Will you join in?

*High Voices: Yes! We will declare the good news with our voices and our lives.*

Leader: And still, God calls. God never quits calling us to live and to give abundant life.

Will you join in?

*Low Voices: Yes! We will join with God in sharing the gracious gift of abundant life with the world.*

**ALL: May we respond to God's loving and persistent call with a loving and persistent yes!**

**A yes for us, a yes for our neighbors, and a yes for our world to be transformed by the good news that God's kingdom has come near. Amen.**

\* HYMN "O God, Our Help in Ages Past" UMH 117

\* GATHERING PRAYER
O God, you are our light and our salvation. Living in your presence, we have nothing to fear. Open our hearts to your word this day. As we hear the story of the call of the first disciples, make us ready to follow Jesus on whatever path he leads us. Cast aside our fears and doubts, and teach us to trust wholly in you. For we ask this in Jesus' Name, AMEN

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

GOD'S WORD IS READ Mark 1:16-20

KIDS' TIME

ANTHEM "The Summons" FWS 2130

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 "Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus" UMH 349

REFLECTING UPON GOD'S WORD Pastor Malcolm Stranathan
"Becoming the People of God: A Second Time"

OFFERTORY "Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love" arr. Robert Powell
\* Doxology "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH 94

\* Offertory Prayer
Generous God, we ask you to bless the gifts we give this morning. We ask that you help grow the trust in us so that we might follow without looking back and we might leave behind more of our old lives to experience more deeply new life in you. Help us to leave our nets on the shore and leave those things that seemed essential before we heard the call, so that we might travel the road you have put before us. In the name of Christ who goes before us and beside us, we pray. Amen. (Jonah 3:1-5, 10; Mark 1:14-20)

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 "O Jesus, I Have Promised" UMH 396

\* SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE (please be seated) "Oh, Love, How Deep" arr. Stephen Gabrielsen

STATISTICAL REPORT SUBMISSIONS WERE DUE TO OUR CHURCH OFFICE JAN 19
It's the time of year we compile info about the great outreach and charitable events hosted by our ministries. If you lead a ministry that hosted outreach or charitable events and have not yet submitted your info to the church office, please send your completed forms by Monday to Sherri at s.haines@wumcmd.org. Forms are available on your recent eHeralds or at https://www.wumcmd.org/member-toolbox---forms-policies-etc.html

Did you know Jesus was fond of asking questions? Gather Sundays at 9am in the New Life in Christ room. Together we'll grow in our Christian faith. All invited!
Jan 21 "Why Are You Anxious?"
Jan 28 "What Do You Live For?"
Feb 4 "What Are You Looking For?"
Feb 11 "Who Will You Love?"

2024 OFFERING ENVELOPES available for pick-up in the Happening Hub or by arrangement with Belinda at FinanceSec@wumcmd.org or x15.

INVITATION TO LISTENING SESSIONS AND PRAYER FOR BWC RESTRUCTURING
The bishop of the BWC UMC is inviting folks to listening sessions and prayer for the BWC UMC. Special session for youth/young adults, Jan 27 (reg. required by Jan 24). Check your eHerald for links to BWC Restructuring.

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. Advent Study
10:30am WORSHIP—onsite and online
11:45am CHILDREN OF HOPE—grades 3-7 led by Linda Wood (Handbell room)

Advertisement for BIG-LITTLE Valentine PAINT-NIGHT. Includes details for Westminster United Methodist Church on Friday, Feb 9th at 6-8pm. Price is \$25 Double Canvas (1 adult & 1 child) and \$10 for each additional child. Will be served cookies and cocoa. Register at www.westminsteryouthproject.org or scan the QR code. All proceeds benefit Westminster Youth Project.

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SERVICE NOTES INFORMATION BOX
8:15am/10:30am—Music: Charlotte Young, Organist Leading Worship: Rev. Dr. Malcolm Stranathan
10:30am—Praise Band @ Center & Main: Rich Umla, Worship Leader Liturgist: Anne Dorwart
AV Tech: Mark Gieselman Slides: Will Somers, Katherine Scherck ASL Interpreter: Bill Pond
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