

## BULLETIN PRAYER LIST

### Our Lead Pastor on Renewal Leave

Rev. Dr. Malcolm Stranathan and wife, Jacki

### Our Church Family

Dixie Elmes	<i>Long-term:</i>
Lorna Rice	Dan LaFon
Karen Gonsman	Chris Clise
Lynne Rittenberg	Wayne Olson
	Christy Swartzbaugh

### Those in Mourning

The family of Lora Desmond-Butler.

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

JoAnn (friend of Mary Louise Poole)  
Amy Beauchamp (daughter of Charlotte Young)  
Killian (8-year-old grandson of Conni & Dave Highfield)  
Sherri Haines (church administrative assistant)  
Carlie (friend of Melinda Houston)

### Our Global Ministries Missionary & World Vision Child

Nan McCurdy, Miguel Mairena (Puebla Mexico) - GBGM

### Those in Military Service

Jonyae Curry, Army  
(Director of Youth Ministry at Westminster UMC)  
Alex Gray, Air Force, Ft. Eisenhower, GA  
(son-in-law of Steve & Darlene Sadowski)  
Jason Marusiak, Army, 82nd Airborne Div., Fort Riley, KS  
(son-in-law of The Flinns)

## CONTRIBUTE TO DISASTER RELIEF FOR RECENT HURRICANES—You can make a financial donation with checks payable to WUMC, marked "UMCOR" in the memo line. 100% of all gifts will go directly to relief work. (no "overhead") We will forward donations to UMCOR, who will get them to those who need it most.

As countless families and communities face the overwhelming aftermath of two catastrophic storms, UMCOR is supporting conference disaster response ministries across the region. Cleaning and hygiene kits are being delivered. Early Response Teams are removing debris, tarping roofs and cleaning homes. Please pray for all impacted, as well as first responders and volunteers!

## 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—OCTOBER

Linda Catania (410) 596-5067

## MONTHLY 90's BIRTHDAYS

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We celebrate our WUMC nonagenarians!

Oct 5	Janet M. Hersh 5403 George Street Adamstown MD 21710
Oct 11	Doris Beam Carroll Lutheran Village 1000 Weller Circle, Apt 327 Westminster MD 21158

## EDUCATION HOUR, ages 2yrs-adult

*Register online  
for Sunday School,  
2yrs-10th grade*



Lower/Preschool Level Hallway  
-Nursery Childcare, ages 5yrs & under  
-Nursery Sunday School, ages 2-4yrs  
Sunday School Tower  
-Primary, ages 4yrs-grade 5  
Youth House  
-Middle/High, grades 6-10  
NLIC Room  
-New Life in Christ Class  
Disciple Room  
-The Adult Bible Study Class

## 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



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

WELCOME

Conni Highfield

PRELUDE

*"O Worship the King"*

arr. Cherwin

\* CALL TO WORSHIP—Written by Dr. Lisa Hancock, Discipleship Ministries, May 2024  
Leader: Welcome! Welcome to the baggage we carry, the joys we share, the griefs we bear, and the worries we hold.

**People: Come! Let us worship!**

Leader: The voice of God is calling us to come with all that we are and all that we carry to worship.

**People: Come! Let us worship!**

Leader: God calls us to gather, to receive grace in our gathering, and to reorient us, again, to the ways of God.

**People: Come! Let us worship!**

Leader: So, come, members of the family of God! Bring all that you are to be molded by grace, refocused toward Love, and woven together as community in Christ.

**People: Come! Let us worship! Thanks be to God. Amen.**

GATHERING PRAYER

**Lord of joy and mercy, be with us today and every day as we seek you and your guidance. Remove the obstacles that block our ability to not only hear but listen to your voice. Strengthen our commitment and help us to truly be your disciples who put your will in action; for we pray in Jesus's name. AMEN.**

\* HYMN "All Creatures of Our God and King" stanzas 1,4,5,7 UMH 62

\* PASSING THE PEACE May the Peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

INVITATION TO NEW CONSECRATION SUNDAY

KIDS' TIME

ANTHEM "The Potter's Hand" Darlene Zschech  
Praise Band @ Center & Main

A JOYFUL WITNESS Addie Lyle

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 "Take My Life and Let it Be" UMH 399

GOD'S WORD IS READ 2 Corinthians 9:6-15 (NRSV)

REFLECTING UPON GOD'S WORD "A Work in Progress" Lynn Kohr, Lay Leader

OFFERTORY "Devotion" John Ness Beck  
\*Doxology "Bless Thou the Gifts" UMH 587

\*Offertory Prayer  
**Eternal God, we bring these offerings with hearts attuned to your call. As we gather in your presence, may our gifts reflect the wisdom and discernment you desire for us. Use these offerings to nurture understanding, compassion, and justice in our world. Guide us to listen and act with insight, spread your love and grace, and transform our giving into actions that make a difference. In Your holy name we pray. Amen.**

*Text your offering 844-307-2876; Give online at [www.wumcmd.org](http://www.wumcmd.org); or Mail to: Westminster UMC, P.O. Box 2316, Westminster, MD 21158-2316. Thank you.*

\* HYMN "Great is Thy Faithfulness" UMH 140

\* SENDING FORTH  
Go in peace to serve God, who dwells among us. Remember and carry with you the love that you have experienced in your life. Listen, and be open to all the wonders and opportunities that God puts before you. **AMEN.**

POSTLUDE (please be seated) "Allegro Vivaci" Handel

**THIS MORNING,  
WE WELCOME TO THE PULPIT:**

**Lynn Kohr, Lay Leader**

Bio for Lynn Kohr is in your August Herald newsletter, page 3. Additional August Herald newsletters available in the narthex & online at our website's "What's New" tab or directly at [www.wumcmd.org/monthly-newsletters.html](http://www.wumcmd.org/monthly-newsletters.html).



**KAIROS PRISON MINISTRY** in Maryland Oct 24-27, will be holding "inside weekend" at Roxbury Correctional Inst., Hagerstown. We expect 36 residents participating; hearing about and experiencing the love of God for them. You can be a part God's work at Roxbury by praying for the residents and the "outside brothers" (volunteers) hosting the weekend. To make a tax deductible gift in support of this ministry, make check payable "**Kairos in Maryland**" and submit it to WUMC's Woodie Wood.

**ADVENT TRADITIONS DEVOTIONAL SUBMISSIONS DUE OCT 30**—Electronic submissions (WORD doc) to Carolyn Scott: [carolynss@yahoo.com](mailto:carolynss@yahoo.com). Mailed submissions to: Carolyn Scott, 1000 Weller Circle, Apt. 214, Westminster, MD 21157 —or— submit to a Worship Arts Team member before worship (narthex) / after worship (front, near piano).

**JOYFUL WITNESS (10:30am service)**  
Share your 3-minute joyful witness!  
Contact [ronniecbohn@gmail.com](mailto:ronniecbohn@gmail.com) to schedule.

Sherri, Admin, will be out of the office Oct 21-25.



**SPONSOR A SUNDAY BULLETIN**  
Scan the QR code

Rev. Dr. David Highfield, 410-596-2918, will serve as Interim Visitation Minister, this week.

**SING THE SEASON!**

Join the Chancel Choir to sing the four Sundays of Advent and Christmas Eve. Rehearsals are every Wednesday, 7:30pm, Nov 13 through Dec 18 (exception Tues. Nov 26 rather than Wed. Nov 27). The anthems for these services will be practiced first in rehearsal. Please contact Kyler to let him know of your interest: [k.brengle@wumcmd.org](mailto:k.brengle@wumcmd.org); call/text 443-789-9754.

**ADULT BIBLE STUDY**

Leader: Anne Dorwart  
Beginning Oct 20, we will be studying the Minor Prophets of the Old Testament, starting with Hosea and going in order from Hosea to Malachi.

**NEW LIFE IN CHRIST CLASS**

Oct 20-Nov 24, **LEARN TO LIVE GRATEFULLY**  
Teacher: Rev. Dr. Sue Shorb-Sterling  
We learn at a young age to say "Thank you," but how can these words transform us into living gratefully? How do we integrate gratitude in both our personal and communal lives? This class will explore the role of gratitude from biblical, ethical, psychological, and sociological perspectives and discover the benefits of living a grateful life.

**TAKIN'-UP-TUESDAYS!**

**FASTING & PRAYER, TUESDAYS THRU NOV 5**  
Takin'-Up-Tuesday weekly posts are on our website [www.wumcmd.org](http://www.wumcmd.org) and Facebook.

**SO(UL)JOURN IN THE HOLY WORD!**

**YOU... ACTUALLY WRITING SCRIPTURE**  
**THE STORY OF JESUS' BIRTH**—  
A Kinetic Learning experience.  
Scripture will be presented HERE during Night in Bethlehem and in our Christmas Eve services. TODAY, after church... Sign up to participate.

**SERVICE NOTES INFORMATION BOX**

8:15am/10:30am—Music: Peggy Brengle, CAGO-organist      Leading Worship: Lynn Kohr, Lay Leader  
10:30am—Chancel Choir: Kyler Brengle, Director      Praise Band: Rich Umla, Worship Leader  
Liturgist: Conni Highfield      ASL Interpreter: Bill Pond      Slides: Dave Hughson      AV Techs: tbd

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