

BULLETIN PRAYER LIST

Our Church Family

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| Faye Rosier | <i>Long-term:</i> |
| James Brown | Dan LaFon |
| Bonnie Clendaniel | Chris Clise |
| Dixie Elmes | Wayne Olson |
| Lorna Rice | Christy Swartzbaugh |
| Karen Gonsman | |
| Lynne Rittenberg | |

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

Eddie Harbold (grandson of John & Susan Harbold)
 Pastor Brandy (Barr family pastor in Texas)
 Killian (8-year-old grandson of Conni & Dave Highfield)
 Sherri Haines (church administrative assistant)
 Craig (brother of Carole Roberts)
 JoAnn (friend of Mary Louise Poole)
 Amy Beauchamp (daughter of Charlotte Young)

Our Global Ministries Missionary & World Vision Child

Nan McCurdy, Miguel Mairena (Puebla Mexico) - GBGM

Our Least of These Ministries church member Missionary

Jacki Stranathan (soon serving in the DR)

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)

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Leader: Anne Dorwart

Dec 1-29: Advent Study by Amy Jill Levine "Light of the World: A Beginner's Guide to Advent."

NEW LIFE IN CHRIST CLASS

Sundays, Dec 1-22, 9am - Advent Study
 The Christmas Letters, by Magrey R. deVega
 We will look at these ancient letters as a kind of Christmas letter to the modern day church.
 Come, join us for the journey beginning December 1st!

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, 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—DECEMBER

Kristy Vandervalk—(443) 789-0346

MONTHLY 90's BIRTHDAYS

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 We celebrate our WUMC nonagenarians!

No December 90yrs+ birthdays.

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

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

Larry Bohn

PRELUDE

"Improvisation on "Aberystwyth""

Hopson

* CALL TO WORSHIP

The day foretold is coming

When our tired eyes will behold a fire, a blazing star in the eastern sky!

The one foretold is coming –

Whose light will shine through the deepest gloom; a manger's glow in the silent night!

The day is at hand! **World, keep watch!** The savior draws near!

* HYMN

"People, Look East"

UMH 202

ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTING (based on Luke 1:78-79)

The Lyle Family

Because of the tender mercy of our God, the dawn from on high will break upon us, to shine upon those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of Hope. SONG OF HOPE TFWS 2157 - Come and Fill Our Hearts

GATHERING PRAYER

Ever present God, you taught us that the night is fare spent and the day is at hand. Grant that we may ever be found watching for the coming of your Son. Save us from undue love of the world, that we may wait with patient hope for the day of the Lord, and so abide in him, that when he shall appear, we may not be ashamed; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



Come and fill our hearts with your hope. You a-lone, O Lord, are



ho-ly, Come and fill our hearts with your hope, Al-le-lu-ia!

KIDS' TIME

ANTHEM "Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus" arr. Marianne Forman (ASCAP)

JOYFUL WITNESS Kenna Haj

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.

RESPONSE TO PRAYER "Until Jesus Comes" W&S 3050/bulletin insert

GOD'S WORD IS READ Luke 21:25-36

REFLECTING UPON GOD'S WORD "Traditions: Be Alert" Rev. Dr. Malcolm Stranathan

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON, PASSING THE PEACE
We cannot come before God unless we are first honest with ourselves about who we are, about the mistakes we make, and about how well or how poorly we care for others. In this spirit, let us offer our prayers to God.

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgement. Set us free from a past we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. (silent prayers of confession) Lord in your mercy, Hear our prayer.

Hear these words of assurance: Christ, in whom we wait, comes to life and dies while we are yet sinners. Doesn't this prove God's love toward us? In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. In the name of Christ, you are forgiven. Thanks be to God. The Peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

COMMUNION LITURGY

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right to give you thanks and praise as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

So, we await your new day we wait for you this day, your day. Amen.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

"Prelude on "Dear Jesus Sweet"" Krouse

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 "View the Present through The Promise" W&S 3048/bulletin insert

* SENDING FORTH

Friends, be alert

As you have been fed at this table, go to feed the hungry.

As you have been set free, go to set free the imprisoned.

As you have received, give, as you have heard proclaimed.

And the blessing that you have received

From the Father, Son and Holy Spirit be always with you. Amen.

POSTLUDE (please be seated) "Let All Mortal Flesh" arr. Manz



A NIGHT IN BETHLEHEM IS COMING, THIS WEEKEND!

FRIDAY, DEC 6, 5:30-8pm

SATURDAY, DEC 7, 5:30-8pm

SIGN-UP NOW to ensure your tour spot!

Click the QR code to learn more and to reach the sign-up link.

We look forward to seeing you at A NIGHT IN BETHLEHEM.



CHRISTMAS ALTERNATIVE GIVING DUE, TODAY, SUNDAY DEC. 1st
Order forms are in the narthex on the wall desk and also in your November Herald.

2025 OFFERING ENVELOPES ARE IN! AVAILABLE IN THE NARTHEX thru Jan 5
The next time you're in the main building for worship, a meeting, or event, please stop by and pick yours up. After Jan 5, boxes will be available by mail or pick-up by appointment in the church office with Financial Secretary via email at FinanceSec@wumcmd.org, or 410-848-8325, x15.

ADVENT DEVOTIONAL BOOKLET
Pick up an Advent Devotional Booklet from the narthex wall desk. All contributions were written/submitted by WUMC members.

CELTIC CALENDAR
Celtic Calendars available on the narthex wall desk. The calendar spans Nov 17-Jan 6. Also in your Nov Herald (November dates) and your Dec/Jan Herald (full calendar, Nov 17-Jan 6).

BIG THANK YOU, VOLUNTEERS!
CAMPUS CLEANUP—we appreciate your hard work in cleaning up our outdoor campus areas.
HANGING OF THE GREENS—we are enjoying your artistic displays in this holy season.

THE SHEPHERD'S STAFF - URGENT REQUEST FOR CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS
The Shepherd's Staff has an immediate and URGENT need for Christmas stockings for children in Carroll County. Filled stockings and / or stocking stuffers are both welcome. Currently, The Shepherd's Staff has a goal of 1,700 stockings and they are needed as soon as possible. Find more info on their flyer posted on our Community Board. (lower narthex)

CARROLL COUNTY FESTIVAL OF TREES
Fri-Sat Nov 29-30, 10am-5pm; Sun, Dec 1, 10am-2pm; benefits Shepherd's Staff JOHN STREET QUARTERS, 28 John Street, Westminster, MD. Admission is free of charge. Learn more on their flyer posted on our Community Board. (lower narthex)

CONCERT—A CHRISTMAS CARROLL
Sat, Dec 14, 7pm; benefits Shepherd's Staff, NESAP CROSSROADS CHURCH, 1040 S. Carroll Street, Hampstead, MD. Free admission with charitable donation of personal care essentials and/or \$13 suggested donation. For suggested items, check flyer on our Community Board. (lower narthex)



SPONSOR A SUNDAY BULLETIN
Scan the QR code

Table with 2 columns: Time and Music/Worship details. Includes entries for 8:15am/10:30am and 10:30am with names of musicians and worship leaders.

All music used in today's service is podcast/streamed with permission from either ONE LICENSE #731177-A or CCLI Licenses #627547 & #20216174. Contact Kyler Brengle, Director of Music Ministries, for additional details, if needed.

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