

BULLETIN PRAYER LIST

Our Church Family

Dick & Bonnie Clendaniel

Sharon Row

Susan Harry *Long-term:*

Faye Rosier Dan LaFon

James Brown Chris Clise

Lorna Rice Wayne Olson

Karen Gonsman Christy Swartzbaugh

Those in mourning

Helen Miller and family on the death of Helen's sister, Glenna Krebs, December 16th.

Dawn Darnall and family on the death of husband, father, and grandfather, Danny Darnall, December 14th.

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

Amy Beauchamp (daughter of Charlotte Young)

Patrick O'Brien (husband of Patty O'Brien)

Eddie Harbold (grandson of John & Susan Harbold)

Pastor Brandy (Barr family pastor in Texas)

Killian (8-year-old grandson of Conni & Dave Highfield)

Craig (brother of Carole Roberts)

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 1-22: 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

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



WESTMINSTER UMC

162/165 East Main Street • Westminster, MD 21157
www.wumcmd.org • 410-848-8325 • 410-876-2124

TRADITIONS: Mary's Song

Advent 4
December 22, 2024, 10:30am

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

WELCOME

PRELUDE

Christmas Medley arr. Denise M. Owen/Edgar Horton
"Jingles Bells/Away in a Manger/Silent Night"
Children of Hope Handbell Choir

* HYMN

"O Come, All Ye Faithful" stanzas 1-3

UMH 245

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

The Brown Family

All: 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, and Peace, and Love, and Joy.

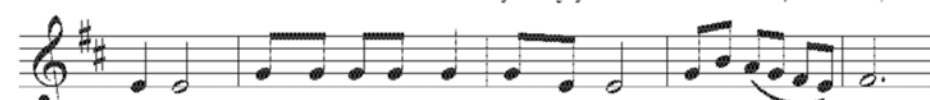
SONG OF JOY

"Come and Fill Our Hearts"

TFWS 2157 - Come and Fill Our Hearts



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



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

GATHERING PRAYER

Loving God, today we hear the story of a baby. A story about love, hope, and joy. As the children bring this story to life, may our hearts be open to wonder. May our voices join the angels in song, and may we welcome Jesus, just as he comes to us—humble, small, and yet full of light! Bless this time together, bless the children who share this story, and bless us all with your peace, in Jesus name we pray, Amen.

JOYFUL WITNESS

Alexa Hayman

OFFERTORY

“Now is Born the Divine Christ Child”

arr. Smith

*Doxology

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

UMH 94

*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.

THE NATIVITY

presented by Primary and Youth Sunday School

CAROL

“Come, Little Children”

W&S 3055 (bulletin insert)

READING 1

Luke 2:1-7

CAROL

“The Friendly Beasts”

UMH 227

READING 2

Luke 2:8-13

READING 3a

Luke 2:15

READING 3b

Luke 2:16-19

READING 4

Matthew 2:1-11

DANCE OF THE STARS

“We Three Kings”

arr. Walz

CAROL

“Silent Night”

UMH 239

READING 5

John 3:16-17

* CAROL

“Joy to the World” stanzas 1,4

UMH 246

* SENDING FORTH

Be sure to pick up a Christmas simmer bag in the Narthex today, made with love by Youth and Primary Sunday School for our congregation!

SOUP KITCHEN

CHRISTMAS LUNCH AND GIFT

Today is the final day to donate.

This year we are giving each Soup Kitchen client a \$10 Chick-fil-A gift card. Please consider financial donations in the gift box in the narthex to support the Soup Kitchen Christmas Gift. We will gladly shop for you & purchase \$10 Chick-fil-A gift cards.

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES



7pm CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

9pm CANDLELIGHT SERVICE

WUMC Christmas Eve offering will be split between Night by Night Shelter and Good News Global international prison ministry placing chaplains in local jails to share the love of Jesus Christ. Good New funds will support Derrick Seegars, chaplain at Carroll County Detention Ctr.

ONE SERVICE ONLY, SUNDAY DEC 29

10:30AM WORSHIP SERVICE, ONLY

No 8:15am Chapel. No 9am Education Classes.

2024 YEAR-END GIVING DONATIONS

- Bring to the church office at 162 E. Main Street until Dec 31, at noon.
- Transfer of funds or stock donation must be received by our third party processors by Dec 31.
- Mail-in donations must be postmarked no later than 12/31/2024, and mailed to: Westminster UMC, P.O. Box 2316, Westminster, MD 21158.

Questions? ...please contact Belinda, Financial Secretary, FinanceSec@wumcmd.org or in the office at 410-848-8325 x15.

2025 OFFERING ENVELOPES ARE IN!

AVAILABLE IN THE NARTHEX thru Jan 5

After Jan 5, boxes available via mail or pick-up by appointment with Financial Secretary via email at FinanceSec@wumcmd.org, or 410-848-8325, x15.



Today's bulletins are given to The Glory of God and in honor of the young people of our congregation by the Education Committee.

CHRISTMAS CARD LISTS

AVAILABLE AT THE NARTHEX WALL DESK

Let's remember our church family at home with Christmas greetings. Lists are formatted to cut and tape directly on envelopes or print to labels.



SAVE YOUR CANCELLED STAMPS

MISSION HALLWAY DROP-OFF. Your stamps are valuable to the New Oxford Brethren Center.

SUNDAY ENTRY & GREETERS REQUEST

We are seeking volunteers for the back door #14, Chapel door #17, and Mission Hallway door #5. Volunteers receive a few minutes of orientation and will serve as much or little as preferred.

Let one of us know if you can help out: Larry Bohn—410-549-6827, lab37024@comcast.net Ed Davis—240-446-8589, eddavis643@comcast.net

Should anyone find an entrance door locked, you can always enter through the front doors.

ADVENT DEVOTIONAL BOOKLET

****NOW with added entries**** Pick up an Advent Devotional Booklet from the narthex wall desk. All contributions were 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).



SPONSOR A SUNDAY BULLETIN Scan the QR code

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 Children of Hope Handbell Choir Leader: Linda Wood
 Education Chairperson: Linda Wood Children's Minister: Emily Gibbs
 ASL Interpreter: Bill Pond Slides: Kyler Brengle AV Techs: tbd
 Advent Candle Lighting: The Brown Family

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