

BULLETIN PRAYER LIST

Our Church Family

Betty Ridgell *Long-term:*
 Arlene Hirtle Wayne Olson
 Lily Clendaniel Christy Swartzbaugh
 Heidi Trimmer
 Dick & Bonnie Clendaniel
 Susan Harry
 Faye Rosier

Our Family and Friends

(requests in the past two months)

Jack Anderson (father of Jacki Stranathan)
 Amy Beauchamp (daughter of Charlotte Young)
 Mack Demetrakis (great-grandson of The Parlamans)
 Robin Watson (daughter of Fern Schmidt)
 Elisa Galinaitis (family member of Teresa Shipley)
 Joyce Bowman (mother of Jon Bowman)
 Matt Younglove (friend of Mary Louise Poole)
 Lisa Norton (sister-in-law of Belinda Norton)

REQUESTING PRAYER

- 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 MINISTRY

Are you a church member in need of:

- Funeral Lite Fare
- Meals following recovery/mourning
- Transport to local medical appt's

APRIL

Sue Thomas
(410) 917-3149

Brenda Tracy
(410) 215-6557

Those in Military Service

Jonyae Curry, Army
 (Director of Youth Ministry at WUMC)
 John Sherouse, Air Force, Israel
 (good friend of Pastor Malcolm & Jacki)
 Alex Gray, Air Force, Ft. Gordon, GA
 (son-in-law of Steve & Darlene Sadowski)
 Jason Marusiak, Army, 82nd Airborne,
 Fort Carson, CO (son-in-law of The Flinn)
 Lance Cpl. Michael T. Spangler, USMC
 (grandson of Faye Rosier)



ATTENDANCE—

LET US KNOW YOU'RE HERE.

Complete this tear-off for the offering plate or text this info to 443-234-0806.

DATE: _____

YOUR NAME: _____

Names of those with you, today:

Are you a visitor to our church?

Are you seeking a new church home?

Yes No Unsure

Preferred contact: _____

THE WEEK AHEAD, ON CAMPUS

church ministries and charter organization

TODAY—PALM SUNDAY

8:15am Chapel, 10:30am Worship,
9am Education and Confirmation

MONDAY

12:15pm Soup Kitchen—Jubilee Hall

TUESDAY

9:30am Prayer Group—Martha Manahan Room
10:45am Education Workgroup—SS#200

WEDNESDAY

1pm Compassionate Knitters—Library
6:30pm Handbell Choir—Bell Room
7:30pm Chancel Choir—Choir Room

THURSDAY—MAUNDY THURSDAY

6pm Praise Band Rehearsal—Sanctuary

FRIDAY—GOOD FRIDAY

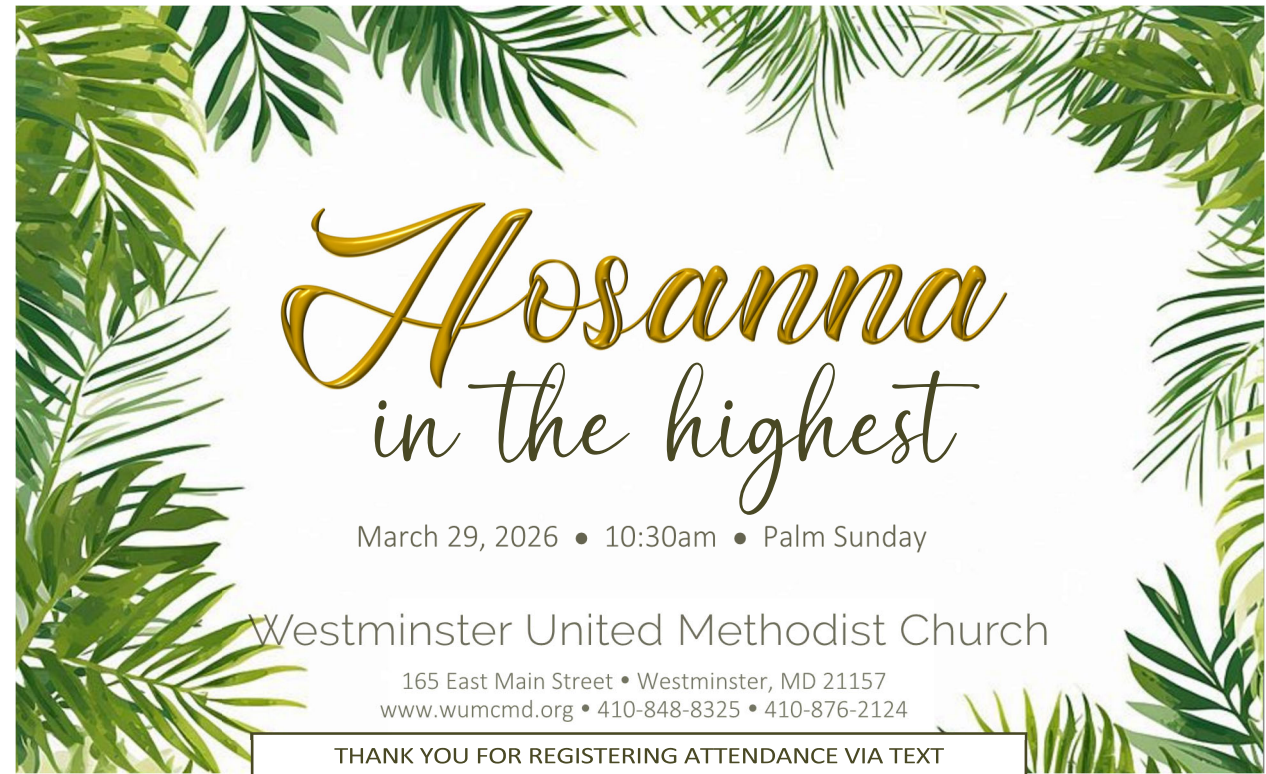
9:15am Susanna Circle—Office Conference Room
12:15pm Soup Kitchen—Jubilee Hall
7pm Good Friday Worship Service & Cantata

Next Week.....

EASTER SUNDAY

10:30am One Big Worship Service (no 8:15 Chapel)
Congregational Photo follows worship.

Deficit Free Land graphic appears next Sunday.



Hosanna in the highest

March 29, 2026 • 10:30am • Palm Sunday

Westminster United Methodist Church

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

THANK YOU FOR REGISTERING ATTENDANCE VIA TEXT

Please text your **FIRST/LAST NAME: 443-234-0806**

Restroom use during worship - youth, especially, are encouraged to access private restrooms via the exit door, front left wall near the altar rail.

WELCOME

Carole Roberts

PRELUDE

"Fanfare Prelude: All Glory, Laud and Honor"

arr. Southbridge

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Hosanna! Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord!

People: Hosanna! Glory to God in the highest!

Leader: We join the crowd, waving branches, welcoming the King with joy!

People: We praise you, Christ!

Leader: Yet even now, you are calling the unlikely people –
the cautious, the curious, and the ones at a distance.

People: Call us closer, Lord Leader:from celebration to courage **All: We will follow, Hosanna!**

* OPENING HYMN

"Who Is He"

3082

1 Who is he who comes in triumph?
Who is he who comes to die,
comes in peace and comes in power,
hidden One now lifted high?
Jesus, Jesus, Lord, Messiah,
mighty Master of the grave!
See him ride, the King of glory!
God himself has come to save!

2 See him there in humble splendor.
Hear them shouting all around.
Joy explodes in wild procession.
Praise is now the victor's crown.
"Glory, glory in the highest!"
Like the angels hear them sing,
dancing 'round the Long awaited -
once their hope, and now their King.

3 Rise and join the glad procession!
Hear them passing by again
all the ransomed, all his children, marching to
Jerusalem!
Look ahead the gates of splendor!
Hear the everlasting hymn!
Open wide your hearts in worship!
Let the King of glory in!

* GATHERING PRAYER—Sovereign Lord, we open wide our hearts in worship as we celebrate and let the King of Glory in. Draw us closer to this one, closer to the cross, closer to one another, and closer to the courage as we follow you into this holy week. Make us willing companions or unlikely allies in your work of love and grace. Hosanna today, faithful tomorrow, we pray in your holy name, Lord Jesus! Amen.

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

KIDS' TIME

GIVING THANKS FOR BELINDA'S MINISTRY AMONG US Kenna Haj, SPRC Chairperson
(reminder—join us immediately following worship in the Martha Manahan room to bid Belinda farewell)

ANTHEM "Jerusalem, Behold Your King" Barrett and Angerman

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 "O How He Loves You and Me" TFWS 2108

GOD'S WORD IS READ John 19:31-42

DRAMA—Unlikely Allies Joseph of Arimathea—Before Pilate

REFLECTING UPON GOD'S WORD "An Unlikely Lent: Unlikely Allies" Pastor Malcolm Stranathan

DRAMA—Unlikely Allies Joseph—After the Resurrection

RESPONSE TO THE WORD Practice: Take a Stand

OFFERTORY "Ah, Holy Jesus" arr. Wilson
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.

RESPONSE TO "TAKING A STAND"—God of the unlikely, much like Joseph and Nicodemus we can find ourselves having a cautious faith, and yet you call us to move from caution to courage. Keep moving in our hearts and in our calendars so that we can love our neighbors in tangible ways. Make clear the means by which we are called to reconcile, to stand, and to commit to your work of justice in the world. Amen.

* CLOSING HYMN "Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley" TFWS 2112

SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE "We Sit Down in Tears from St. Matthew Passion" J.S.Bach
please be seated for the Postlude

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE 


SUN, MAR 29—Palm Sunday—onsite at WUMC
8:15am Chapel, 10:30am Worship


THU, APR 2—Maundy Thursday—OFFSITE
6pm, Church of the Ascension (NEW—Holy Cross Hall)
26 N. Ralph Street, Westminster

FRI, APR 3—Good Friday—onsite at WUMC
7pm worship service & cantata (no livestream)
Note: Good Friday service will not be recorded, so please plan to worship in person.

SUN, APR 5—Easter Sunday—onsite at WUMC
one big service at 10:30am & photo (see below)

ONE BIG CONGREGATIONAL PHOTO!
EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 5, following worship
Join us after our 'one big Easter service' for a full congregational photo! We'd like to capture our congregation in their Easter finery as a gift for Pastor Malcolm and for our new clergy, Pastor Amanda. The photo will also be used on our website. We look forward to having everyone included in our photo.

SPONSOR A COLOR BULLETIN
Scan the QR code to sponsor a bulletin with your dedication—or—go to our website www.wumcmd.org, click the MEMBER TOOLBOX tab. 
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Please note the bulletin date on your check memo line.


 CHURCH LEAGUE SOFTBALL TEAM SIGN-UPS—Tim Edwards, 410-596-8760, wvualum95@gmail.com
WUMC's softball team needs a few more players to fill our roster for this season. Eligibility—18yrs or older. Games/Fields—Thu nights, Carroll Co Sports Complex. Season—Thu, Apr 16, thru July.

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 Liturgist: Carole Roberts
Drama: Matthew Hempstead ASL Interpreter: Bill Pond
Slides: Bill Eckles AV/Slides: Bill Eckles

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

TODAY'S BULLETINS are given to the Glory of God and in honor of United Women in Faith, by Sue Thomas. 

TODAY'S PALMS are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of my brother, Craig Roberts, by Carole Roberts.

TODAY'S FLOWERS are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Eileen Burgher, by her family.

WE EXPRESS OUR HEARTFELT GRATITUDE for today's grand altar arrangement of palms, lovingly donated by Kristy Vandervalk.

BLOOD DRIVE—SEVERE BLOOD SHORTAGE
TUE, APR 7, 1-6pm, Jubilee Hall
Make appointments now, www.redcrossblood.org or send Michelle a text 443-605-7569. Thank you. Supply is down by 35% over the past month.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS—9am Education Hour
NURSERY—ages 2-4yrs—Nursery Room, ground level
PRIMARY—ages 4yrs-4th grade—Sunday School Tower
YOUTH—ages 5th-10th grade — Youth House
NEW LIFE IN CHRIST CLASS—NLIC room
ADULT DISCUSSION CLASS—Library room

MONTHLY 90+ BIRTHDAYS
We celebrate our nonagenarians and centenarians!
Apr 2 Mr. Donald L. Hicks
660 Gahle Drive
Westminster MD 21157
If we missed you, reach out to Sherri, s.haines@wumcmd.org