



January 22, 2023  
3rd Sunday after Epiphany

# WESTMINSTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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

WELCOME

Lynn Kohr

PRELUDE

*“Foundation”*

arr. Schalet

\* CALL TO WORSHIP (written by Joanna Harader)

Lynn Kohr

Jesus calls us to praise and prayer, to song and silence;

**Jesus calls us to worship.**

Jesus calls us to hearing and healing, to service and solidarity;

**Jesus calls us to love.**

Jesus calls us to advocacy and action, to protest and provision;

**Jesus calls us to justice.**

Let us heed the call of Christ.

***Let us worship together with joy.***

\* HYMN

*“I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light”*

UMH 206

\* GATHERING PRAYER — posted on *Liturgy Alive*

Lynn Kohr

**God of all nations, peoples and cultures, this is the day you have made bright with your light and your love destined for all. Guide us in the new ways of your Son. Let your kindly light shine everywhere, that all peoples may praise you in their own language and enrich your Church with their own gifts. We ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord and Savior for ever. Amen.**

\* PASSING THE PEACE

The Peace of the risen Christ be with you; **And also with you.**

KIDS' TIME

ANTHEM

*"Who at My Door Is Standing?"*

arr. K. Lee Scott

TEXT: Mary Slade, c. 1875 MUSIC: English Folk Song

PASTORAL PRAYER/COMMUNITY PRAYER/LORD'S PRAYER (UMH 895)

Pastor Malcolm

**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

*"Goodness Is Stronger than Evil"* (sing twice)

FWS 2219

GOD'S WORD IS READ

Matthew 4:12-23

Lynn Kohr

REFLECTING UPON GOD'S WORD

Pastor Malcolm Stranathan

Questions from God, "Will you come and follow me?"

MISSION MOMENT

The Least of These Ministry VIM Trip

Jacki Stranathan

OFFERTORY

*"Arioso"*

J.S.Bach

\*Doxology

*"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"*

UMH 95

\*Offertory Prayer

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

*"The Summons"*

FWS 2130

\* SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE (please be seated)

*"Allegro Moderato"*

Walczyński

### SERVICE NOTES INFORMATION BOX

*Masking is optional; we respect your personal health choice.*

Music: Peggy Brengle, CAGO-Organist Chancel Choir: Kyler Brengle, Director

Slides: Bill Eckles, Kyler Brengle AV Techs: Bill Eckles, Maddie Schryer, Mark Gieselman

Liturgist: Lynn Kohr Leading Worship: Rev. Dr. Malcolm Stranathan ASL Interpreter: Bill Pond

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Contact Kyler Brengle, Director of Music Ministries, for additional details, if needed.

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

## WHAT A MISSION-MINDED CHURCH WE ARE!

In 2022, WUMC gave \$13,050 through your support of the budget to missions such as The Least of These, Shepherd's Staff, and missionaries. Additionally, we gave \$41,900 to outreach and missions through our conference apportionments. On top of that, members of our congregation gave over \$28,600 to missions and other outreach over and above our regular giving to support the general church budget.

More about this in next Sunday's bulletin...

## STAMPS & CARDS & MORE

Stop by our Mission Hallway and donate to our collections of cancelled stamps, ink cartridges, and more for mission support. Also accepting Christmas Card front covers!

## NIGHT-BY-NIGHT SHELTER

To donate money for meals or to volunteer, please email Norman Hirtle, Missions Chair, [missionchair@wumcmd.org](mailto:missionchair@wumcmd.org) or call 443-340-4476.

## SPONSOR A BULLETIN

Sponsor a color bulletin; we will include your dedication in the bulletin.

## 2023 OFFERING ENVELOPES

Our 2023 Offering Envelopes are delayed due to supplier issues (Covid and unforeseen mechanical issues). When delivered, 2023 Envelopes will be available for pick-up in the Narthex. In the interim, feel free to use pew envelopes, 2022 envelopes, or no envelopes. Please watch the eHerald and bulletins for further updates.

Questions? Please contact Belinda Norton, Financial Secretary, at 410-848-8325 X15 or by email at [FinanceSec@wumcmd.org](mailto:FinanceSec@wumcmd.org).

## EDUCATION OPPORUNITIES

Linda Wood, Chairperson [education@wumcmd.org](mailto:education@wumcmd.org)

## CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sundays, 9am

3yrs through 5th grade—Sunday School Tower  
Children's Ministry Emily Gibbs:  
[childrensminister@wumcmd.org](mailto:childrensminister@wumcmd.org)  
or 410-848-8325, x17



6th-8th grade—Youth House *Register online*

9th-12th grade—invited to attend our adult classes, at this time (more info, coming soon).

## ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Sundays, 9am

New Life in Christ Class—NLiC Room  
THE TWELVE APOSTLES, a Bible study  
Teaching & small group table talk.  
Leader: Rev. Dr. David A. Highfield

Adult Discussion Class—Disciple Room  
Women of the New Testament  
Leader: Anne Dorwart.

## CHILDREN OF HOPE BELL CHOIR

*is beginning soon!*

3rd through 6th grade bell choir

Rehearsals—Sundays, 11:45am, Bell Room  
starting Feb 5

Performance (tentative)—Sun, Apr 30, 10:30am  
during worship service

For more info, please contact:  
Linda Wood, Director, [llwood@gmail.com](mailto:llwood@gmail.com)  
410-596-1258

## COMMUNICATION FORUMS

We have many forms of print and media communication. We hope you enjoy our Sunday Bulletins, Weekly eHeralds, monthly Herald newsletters, church website, church Facebook, and YouTube. We also have a COMMUNITY EVENTS BULLETIN BOARD. *CHECK OUT THE BOARD, TODAY*, to view Will Knox' flyer for an upcoming event; flyer includes ticket details.

## BULLETIN PRAYER LIST

### Our Church Family

Mary Louise Poole *Long-term:*  
Jeff Kimble Chris Clise  
Wayne Olson Grace Justice  
Gayle Dix Dave Taylor  
Ron Grill John Carbaugh  
Hank Diener Christy Swartzbaugh  
Dan & Carol LaFon

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

01/13-01/19—Howard Wisner, father of Teresa Shipley  
12/02-01/12—Kathy Bare, friend of Mary Louise Poole  
Killian Kenney, grandson of Conni & Dave Highfield  
10/12-12/01—Dawn Hull, daughter-in-law of Ann Hull

### Our General Board of Global Ministries Missionaries

Nan McCurdy, Miguel Mairena (Puebla Mexico)

### Those in Military Service

Bailee Stevens, Air Force, Germany  
(granddaughter of Ann & Steve Hull)  
Alex Gray, Air Force, Ft. Gordon, GA  
(son-in-law of Steve & Darlene Sadowski)  
Jason Marusiak, Fort Riley, KS  
(son-in-law of The Flinn)

### FINANCIAL SUMMARY—WEEK ENDING 1/15/22

Weekly Receipts needed to meet budget	\$ *12,593
Last Week's Receipts	\$ 8,181
Last Week's Disbursements	\$ 20,261
YTD Operating Receipts	\$ 23,242
YTD Operating Disbursements	\$ 20,754

We thank you for your continued financial support during this challenging time. Monthly financial reports available on request from the Financial Secretary.

*\*based on 2022 budget; 2023 budget awaiting approval*

## 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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We celebrate our WUMC nonagenarians!

Jan 22 Mrs. Anna Carl  
250 St. Luke Circle #716  
Carroll Lutheran Village  
Westminster MD 21158-4112

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

### 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

## REQUESTING PRAYER

Submit prayer requests:

- 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, [revkenh@starpower.net](mailto:revkenh@starpower.net)
- Call the church office, 410-848-8325.