



Westminster United Methodist Church



July 16, 2023, 10am • Pentecost 7
Attendance — text “HERE” to 443-234-0806.
Visiting?—text “WELCOME” to 443-234-0806.

WELCOME

Delmas Wood

PRELUDE

“Holy Spirit, Faithful Guide”

arr. Hughes

* CALL TO WORSHIP (Romans 8: 31-39) ~ from Keeping in Step with the Spirit

If God is for us, who is against us?

He who gave us his son,

now gives us the Spirit in power!

The Holy One is in our midst:

equipping us for life in the service of Christ.

In Christ we are more than conquerors,

for nothing in creation can separate us from the love of God!

May the all-surpassing grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And the unshakable love of God be with you.

The joyous communion of the Holy Spirit be with us in worship this day!

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* HYMN *“As a Fire Is Meant for Burning”* FWS 2237

* GATHERING PRAYER

Life-giving God, we gather in Your presence to offer You thanksgiving and praise. Jesus Christ, we have been set free—free from the power of sin that leads to death, free to follow your lead in this world. Holy Spirit, inspire our praise and our prayers. Triune God, open our hearts and minds to your presence among us and within us, and to the word you have for us today. Amen.

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

ANTHEM *“Jesus Does”* Bergthold, E. Cash, F. Cash, Briskin, M. Cash & S. Cash
Rich Umla and Hanna Al-Kowski, vocalists

KIDS’ TIME

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 *“When the Church of Jesus”* UMH 592

REFLECTIONS FROM CAMP HOPE

OFFERTORY *“Jesus Is All the World to Me”* arr. Southbridge

*Doxology *“Give Thanks”* TFWS 2036

*Offertory Prayer

O God of our salvation, your Word brings joy to our hearts. We find contentment in your presence as we pray and worship you. Enable us to focus on your Holy Spirit who brings life and peace. Inspire our congregation to reach out in creative ways to draw our neighbors into a closer relationship with you. Receive our gifts and offerings for the sake of Christ our Savior. Amen

*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 *“Walk with Me”* FWS 2242

* SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE (please be seated) *“Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart”* arr. Ritter

FUNDRAISER by Westminster Youth Project
PAPA JOHN'S BOGO CARDS
TODAY! — NARTHEX

Support Westminster Youth Project and get free pizza! WYP provides meals, tutoring, and other support in the youth house four afternoons a week. You can support them by purchasing a \$15 Papa John's card, which will get you unlimited BOGO carryout pizzas for an entire year. Yes - unlimited! Stop by the narthex or text Leah Schryer at 812-525-9160.

Proceeds benefit the Westminster Youth Project.

EMORY GROVE NEWS

JULY 23—6pm SERVICE & DINNER ON THE GROUNDS AT EMORY GROVE. Our Worship Arts Committee will provide plates, napkins, utensils and drinks. If everyone brings a dish of picnic fare to share, we'll have a feast.

JULY 23—7pm SERVICE LED BY WUMC PASTORS AND CHOIR.

CAMP MEETING, Summer Wednesdays, 7pm, 50th year of weekly Hymn Sings. Pastor Malcolm Stranathan hosts alternate weeks with Bill DeHaven, while Peggy Brengle accompanies during July. Find more WUMC talent on the schedule of events: <https://www.emorygrove.net/copy-of-hymn-sings-4>

A BABY SHOWER FOR JESUS
DONATIONS ACCEPTED THROUGH DEC 4
COLLECTION BOX IN THE NARTHEX

Our "A Night in Bethlehem" event (more info, top right column) requires creation of scenery/props. Donation lists are available in the narthex. We kindly ask your support and greatly appreciate your generosity as we prepare for the arrival of the Baby Jesus.

Note: *All supplies are considered donations and will not be returned.* Thank you for your help!

SAVE THE DATES—DEC. 8-9, 2023
A NIGHT IN BETHLEHEM

Don't miss, "A Night in Bethlehem"—an interactive, memorable experience to connect with guests, church, and Jesus. Travel back to Bible times in Bethlehem where families explore a bustling marketplace with local shopkeepers sharing the Christmas story and even meet Mary and Joseph to learn about the miracle of Jesus' birth. We welcome your time and talent as we prepare for this exciting Christmas adventure. Stay tuned for more info announced in worship and eHeralds.

ALTAR FLOWERS—All summer, you're invited to bring your garden blooms in a vase to place atop the altar and share the beauty with all of us!

BE THE BRIDGE—OFFSITE OPPORTUNITY
6 SESSIONS | JULY 6—AUG 10, 6:30-8pm
CROSSROADS CHURCH, in-person/virtual
Crossroads Church invites all to attend. Sign-up: <https://www.crossroads140.com/ccb/group/1544/> or email Corbin: cferguson@crossroads140.com

EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES
Linda Wood, Chairperson education@wumcmd.org

SUMMER FAMILY FELLOWSHIP

Sunday, 9-10am, June 18-July 30, held in Westminster City Park (Rain-days = Jubilee Hall)

ALL AGES — Prayer — Bible Stories — Nature Boxes — Games — Music — Play Share Ideas — Connect Spiritually as families & church family.

Drop-in/out - Parents/ caregivers responsible for child supervision. For more info contact Emily childrensminister@wumcmd.org, or Jonyae umyf@wumcmd.org

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL
resumes in the Fall, Sunday, 9am

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES
resume in the Fall, Sundays, 9am


SERVICE NOTES INFORMATION BOX

Masking is optional; we respect your personal health choice.

Music: Peggy Brengle, CAGO-Organist Praise Band: Rich Umla, Worship Leader
ASL Interpreter: Bill Pond
Slides: David Hughson, Kyler Brengle AV Techs: Bill Eckles, Mark Gieselman
Leading Worship: Rev. Dr. Malcolm Stranathan Liturgist: Delmas Wood

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

 Today's bulletin is given to the Glory of God
in honor of Richard Marrs' 90th birthday,
by his wife, Shirlee, children, and grandchildren.

BULLETIN PRAYER LIST (on request; see box, bottom right)

Our Church Family

Lisa Bowman
Sue Harbold
Ron Morningstar *Long-term:*
June Hicks Ellis Lawson
Tricia Rossig Chris Clise
Eileen Burgher Grace Justice
Wayne Olson Dave Taylor
Hank Diener John Carbaugh
Dan & Carol LaFon Christy Swartzbaugh

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

Lesli Sauble (friend of Ann Hull)
Peter Thomas (son of Sue Thomas)
Frank Dorwart & family (uncle of Anne Dorwart)
Som Kramer, Bill & family (friends of Lynne Rittenberg)
Lorraine Hinton (Chris Brown's aunt)
Butchie Pardini (uncle of Anne Dorwart)
Amy Beauchamp (daughter of Charlotte Young)
Caitlin, Ty, and twin babies (daughter of Patty O'Brien)

Our Global Ministries Missionary & World Vision Child

Nan McCurdy, Miguel Mairena (Puebla Mexico) - GBGM
Onney Khosa (Zimbabwe) - World Vision/WUMC UMYF

Those in Military Service

Jonyae Curry, Army, Fort Dix, NJ
(Director of Youth Ministry at Westminster UMC)
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, Army, 82nd Airborne Div., Fort Riley, KS
(son-in-law of The Flinns)

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—JULY

Kim MacLean-Blevins—(410) 259-0710

Joan Redman—(410) 596-7152

MONTHLY 90's BIRTHDAYS

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We celebrate our WUMC
nonagenarians!

July 18 Mr. Richard Marrs
 1867 Carnoustie Court
 Finksburg MD 21048

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
- Email Pastor Malcolm,
m.stranathan@wumcmd.org
- Email Rev. Ken, revkenh@starpower.net
- Call the church office, 410-848-8325.