

BULLETIN PRAYER LIST (see REQUESTING PRAYER, below)

Our Church Family

Linda Lawson
Bob & Dot White
Chuck Sterling
Lynne Rittenberg
Jeff & Marjie Kimble
June & Don Hicks
Wayne Olson

Long-term:

Dan LaFon
Ellis Lawson
Chris Clise
John Carbaugh
Christy Swartzbaugh

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

Warren Grill (brother of Sharon Greenway)
Amy Beauchamp (daughter of Charlotte Young)
Scott Beam (son of Doris Beam MacKenna)
Tara (daughter of Dick & Shirlee Marrs)
Killian (7-year-old grandson of Conni & Dave Highfield)
Sherri Haines (church administrative assistant)
Som & Bill Kraemer & family (friends of Lynne Rittenberg)

Our Global Ministries Missionary & World Vision Child

Nan McCurdy, Miguel Mairena (Puebla Mexico) - GBGM

Those in Military Service

LCDR Tracie Demaree, Navy, serving on an aircraft carrier in The Mediterranean (daughter of Jan Halman-Miller)
Jonyae Curry, Army
(Director of Youth Ministry at Westminster UMC)
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)

INDOOR YARD SALE—Sat, March 16, 8am-2pm.

To rent a space, send your \$25 check to:
Sue Thomas, 92 Willis Street, Westminster, MD 21157.

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—FEBRUARY

Donna Myers (410) 259-2480

Dee Roush (443) 398-5473

MONTHLY 90's BIRTHDAYS

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We celebrate our WUMC nonagenarians!

Feb 20 Mr. John Carbaugh
Bonnie Blink - Masonic Home of MD
300 International Cir, The Terrace #18
Cockeysville MD 21030

Feb 21 Nancy Coats
230 St. Mark Way
Westminster MD 21158

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

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

by appointment, 410-848-8325

Sherri, s.haines@wumcmd.org
Belinda, financesec@wumcmd.org

TEXTING OPTIONS IN WORSHIP

OFFERING

Text amount
to 844-307-2876

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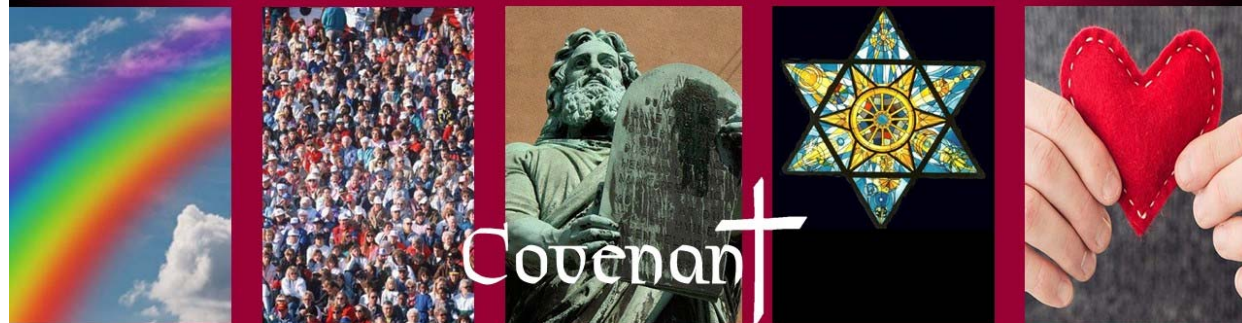
ATTENDANCE

Text "HERE" to 443-234-0806



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Remember: God's Covenants and the Cross

February 25, 2024, 10:30am ~ Lent 2

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

WELCOME

Pastor Sue Shorb-Sterling

PRELUDE

"Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley"

arr. Livingston

* CALL TO WORSHIP Anonymous, reworship.bloggerspot.com

We embark on our own journey of faith; **God's Holy name be praised.**

God makes of us a great people; **God's Holy name be praised.**

In the desert and in the den, in barrio and basilica; **God's Holy name be praised.**

We journey in the presence of God; **And we do not journey alone.**

* HYMN

"Deep in the Shadows of the Past"

FWS 2246

* GATHERING PRAYER

Generous God, you gave us our voices, no two the same. As you did with Abraham and Sarah, you take and touch our lives and they can become extraordinary. And in your Church you have gathered us, in your community of common folk and complainers, prophets and puzzled people, you have called us and made a place for us. So let what we say and do here, what we ponder and decide here, be real for us and honest to you, as you prepare us for the life of the world in which you are praised. Amen. (from Journey of Steadfast Love: Service Prayers for the Second Sunday of Lent, written by the Rev. Daniel B. Randall)

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

KIDS' TIME

PSALTER Psalm 22:23-31 bulletin insert

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND PARDON

Holy Friend, our God and Saviour, we have talked much about faith yet have been slow to take its risks, we have lauded forgiveness yet have been miserly in giving it, we have praised truth yet have fudged our own integrity, we have extolled love yet have placed conditions on our loving, we have urged hope for others yet have ourselves lived like cynics, we have honored Christ's Cross yet have avoided our own. (silent prayer)

Most faithful God, by your Spirit enter the secret caverns of our hearts and there counsel, cleanse and reform us. As we draw close to you, you draw ever closer to us. In the barrenness of our faith, imbue your love and a realized forgiveness, which is lived out as compassion and kindness toward all for indeed, in Christ Jesus, we are forgiven. Amen.

ANTHEM *"The God of Abraham Praise"* Buda
Erin Mellott, flute

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 *"He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought"* UMH 128

GOD'S WORD IS READ Genesis 17:1-7,15-16

REFLECTING UPON GOD'S WORD Pastor Malcolm Stranathan
Remember God's Covenants: Abraham and Sarah: Parents of many nations

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

OFFERTORY *"Pleading Savior"* arr. Callahan

*Doxology *"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"* UMH 95

*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.

* HYMN *"O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go"* UMH 480

* SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE (please be seated) *"Andante"* Rinck

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LENTEN NEWS

WEEKLY GATHERINGS—Thursdays, 6pm, in the Chapel. Pastor Malcolm invites you to join him. Learn more in your Feb Herald. Please register for these workshops, phone—410-848-8325, x14, or email—m.stranathan@wumcmd.org

WUMC PRAISE BAND COFFEEHOUSE

March 10, 11:45am, Jubilee Hall
A lite lunch with dessert and beverages will be provided. All are welcome!

FAMILY FRIENDLY OPPORTUNITY

FAITH, FAMILY, AND FRIENDS

Dan and Kristi Reppe are hoping to start a group within our congregation called Faith, Family, and Friends. To start, we will meet for a family friendly afternoon/night out once a month. A time of fellowship amongst those raising children to be followers of Jesus. A time out in the community where parents and kids can visit and have some fun together, lean on each other for support, and have a safe space for discussion.

Our hope with this group is down the road it could also turn into a small group Sunday school class with a focus on family, marriage, and raising kids in Christ meeting weekly.

Those interested in being a part, please email Dan at DReppe@gmail.com, and get on the email list and be a part of the planning updates.

THANK YOU FROM CUB SCOUTS

Thank you to everyone who donated a Birthday Bag for Carroll County Food Sunday. With your generous donations and the bags donated at our Blue and Gold banquet, we collected 112 bags (plus some extra cake mixes), weighing in at 323 lbs. Thank you! We appreciate all of your support. This was a great way to help us kick off our Scouting for Food campaign, next month. If you missed the chance, there will still be time to donate at that time.

SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE—

8:15am CHAPEL SERVICE—Duvall Chapel

9am EDUCATION HOUR—all ages

METHODISM SERIES (Martha Manahan Rm)
Jan 28-Mar 3, Rev. Ken and Pastor Malcolm
Nursery—3yrs and under (Preschool hall)

Primary—pre-K thru grade 4 (Tower)

Middle School—grade 5-7 (Youth House)

High School—grade 8-10 (Youth House)

Adult Sunday School—New Life in Christ
led by Woodie Wood, Rev. Dr. David Highfield,
Rev. Dr. Sue Shorb-Sterling (NLIC room)
"Remember: God's Covenants and the Cross"
led by Rev. Lou Piel and Woodie Wood

Adult Discussion Class—(Disciple Room)
led by Anne Dorwart. Advent Study
Attending Methodism Series

10:30am WORSHIP—onsite and online

11:45am CHILDREN OF HOPE—grades 3-7
led by Linda Wood (Handbell room)
Feb 4—Apr 21



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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: Rev. Dr. Sue Shorb-Sterling

Slides: Katherine Scherck ASL Interpreter: Bill Pond
AV Techs: Bill Eckles, James Scherck, Anne Marie Scherck

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