

WESTMINSTER UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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he is
not here
he is
risen

Matthew 28:6

March 31, 2024, 10:30am
Easter Sunday

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

WELCOME

Woodie Wood

PRELUDE

“Now the Green Blade Riseth” (UMH 311)

arr. Page

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The tomb is dark, but empty;

People: The one you are looking for has overcome the darkness.

Leader: The stone has been rolled away;

People: The one you are looking for has overcome death.

Leader: The burial clothes are put aside;

People: The one you are looking for is alive!

Leader: Christ is Risen!

People: Christ is Risen, Indeed!

* HYMN

“Christ the Lord Is Risen Today”

UMH 302

* GATHERING PRAYER ~ written by Christine Jerrett

Living Lord, Savior Christ, we praise you,

for you are raised by the power of God and there is a new creation

and, by your grace, we are in it! Alleluia! Amen.

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

KIDS' TIME—PRAYER ~ adapted with permission from Leanne-Hadley.com.

God of the Resurrection, thank you for the fantastic news! May we always be excited to share the Easter story and tell people that Jesus is alive. Amen.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

UMH 33

Baptized, today—Everett Anders Rachin
son of Danny and Brittany (Stranathan) Rachin
brother of Harrison

ANTHEM

"Christ the Lord Is Risen Again"

Philip Stopford

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

"Up from the Grave He Arose"

UMH 322

GOD'S WORD IS READ

John 20:1-18

REFLECTING UPON GOD'S WORD

"Coming to See Jesus!"

Pastor Malcolm Stranathan

OFFERTORY

"Jesus Christ, Our Savior, Who Overcame Death"

Buxtehude

*Doxology

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

UMH 94

***Offertory Prayer—God of the victory of life over death; on this glorious Easter Sunday, we rejoice in the resurrection of your Son, Jesus Christ. Just as the women encountered the empty tomb and the angelic message of new life, we too encounter the living Christ in our hearts and lives. As we come to present our tithes and offerings, may they be an affirmation of our search for the risen Christ, the one who challenges us to see beyond our own expectations. Bless our giving and help us discover the transformative power of the living Jesus in our lives. In the holy name of our risen Savior, we pray. 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

"The Day of Resurrection"

UMH 303

* SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE (please be seated)

"Christ Is Alive!"

arr. Cooman

Stop by the Martha Manahan Room for SYMBOLS OF EASTER REFLECTION WALK.

Today's Easter bulletins are given to the Glory of God and in memory of my parents, Robert & Mildred Poole, and my sister, Bernice Elaine Taylor, by Mary Louise Poole.

SYMBOLS OF EASTER REFLECTION WALK
Displayed in our Martha Manahan Room and available through April 2.

CHURCH BLOOD DRIVE
TUE, APRIL 2, 1:30-7pm, Jubilee Hall
Sign up online at www.redcrossblood.org or call Michelle at 443-605-7569.

KAIROS PRAYER OPPORTUNITY
APRIL 4-7, <https://www.prayervigils.net>
Kairos Prison Ministry in Maryland leads a 3 day mission inside Roxbury Correctional Institution, April 4-7. WUMC's Woodie Wood plus approx 35 men, will minister to approx 42 residents. Kairos Weekends are bathed in prayer. Are you willing to pray for 1/2 hour during one of those days? Sign up at <https://www.prayervigils.net> for "Inside Men's Weekend RCI#22" or just let Woodie know.

VOLUNTEER SPRING CLEANUP / GARDEN HELP DAY, Bell Garden, other areas
SAT, APRIL 13, 9am-12pm
Rain date SAT, MAY 4, 9am-12pm
WHO: Anyone (children must be accompanied by an adult).
WHAT: Gardening, weeding, clearing trash, mulching (mulch will be supplied). Please bring yard work tools if you have any.
WHERE: Meet in front of the church.
SIGN-UP, TODAY! Please contact Dan Dell at trusteeschair@wumcmd.org; dan.dell81@yahoo.com

NLIC CLASS UPCOMING EASTER SERIES
9am New Life in Christ Room, adult Sunday school
All are invited to a 6-week series "The Third Day: Living the Resurrection," led by WUMC teachers & supported by weekly video by UMC Bishop Tom Berlin, we look at the lives of those first impacted by the Resurrection of Jesus. (Coffee provided)
April 7 - Mary Magdalene April 28 - Emmaus
April 14 - Simon Peter May 5 - Paul
April 21 - Thomas May 12 - Jesus

GET ACQUAINTED—NEW DATE COMING
Coming soon, 11:30am / follows 10:30am service
New Member Class in the Disciple Room
Class is led by Larry Bohn. Contact Larry for more info at membershipsec@wumcmd.org

SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE—
8:15am CHAPEL SERVICE—Duvall Chapel
9am EDUCATION HOUR—all ages
Nursery—3yrs and under (Preschool hall)
Primary—pre-K—grade 4 (Tower) ^{No class on Easter}
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, The Book of Daniel
10:30am WORSHIP—onsite and online
11:45am CHILDREN OF HOPE—grades 3-7 led by Linda Wood (Handbell room)
Feb 4—Apr 21



SPONSOR A BULLETIN—Scan the QR code to sponsor a bulletin with your dedication— or—go to our website www.wumcmd.org and MEMBER TOOLBOX tab.

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 Praise Band @ Center & Main: Rich Umla, Worship Leader
Brass Quartet: Kris & Will Somers, Craig & Tyler Williams Liturgists: Woodie Wood, Rev. Ken Humbert
ASL Interpreter: Bill Pond
Slides: Kyler Brengle AV Techs: tbd

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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."

Easter Gifts



Our Easter Gifts are given to the Glory of God and dedicated as follows:

— LILIES —

In honor of our children and grandchildren - Rob, Heather, Jakob, William, Josh, Brittany, Mabel, and Wren, by Al and Sandy Keefer.

In memory of Earl Griswold and Lura Griswold, by their family.

In honor of my brothers, Keith Clise and Chris Clise, by Jennifer Munch.

In honor of Loved Ones, by Bill and Peg Pond.

In memory of Stephany and Geoffrey Seargeant, by Bill and Peg Pond.

In honor of my children and grandchildren, by Dee Roush.

In honor of my children and grandchildren, by Sue Thomas.

In honor of my children and grandchildren, by Brenda Tracy.

In honor of Sherri Haines, by the Westminster United Women in Faith.

— TULIPS —

In honor of Jennifer Munch, by Ronnie and Larry Bohn.

In honor of my wife and daughter, Michele and Alex, by Gary Bowman.

In memory of our parents, John and Cathy Miller, and Don and Dora Bowman,
by Gary and Michele Bowman.

In honor of my children and grandchildren, by Jackie Cage.

In memory of Bob Cage, by Jackie Cage.

In memory of Knowlton Foote, by Connie Foote.

In memory of Erich J. Hofmann, Jr. - Happy 1st Heavenly Easter,
with love by The Hofmann-Keefer Family.

In memory of Earl Griswold and Lura Griswold, by their family.

In honor of my sisters, Ronnie Bohn and Sarah Sampson, by Jennifer Munch.

In honor of my family passed and present, by Carole Roberts.

In memory of David Roush, by Dee Roush.

In memory of my husband, Tom Thomas, by Sue Thomas.

In honor of Sherri Haines, by the Westminster United Women in Faith.

In memory of my mom, Terry Kulakowski,
with love by Sarah, Craig, Tyler, and Emma Williams.

Easter Giving continued.....

— LOAVES & FISHES SOUP KITCHEN —

In honor of Chris Clise, by Ronnie and Larry Bohn.

In honor of our granddaughters, Addie and Sydney Lyle,
by Michael and Vicki Collett.

In memory of my Conover Family and Ruth Ohler, by Richard Conover.

In honor of our church choir, by Dixie Elmes.

In memory of our friends, Stephany and Geoffrey Seargeant,
with love by Lori and Alexa Hayman.

In memory of my friend, Mac Conover, with love by Lori Hayman.

In honor of the pastors and staff, by Dave and Conni Highfield.

An anonymous gift.

In memory of Anna Mae Melown Beard, Robert W. Melown,
and Harry B. Beard, Jr., by Al and Sandy Keefer.

In memory of Brian Lockard, by Lynda Lockard.

In memory of Hank Majewski, India and Darrell Caless,
and Pauline Majewski Dittmar, by Sally C. Majewski.

In honor of the Loaves and Fishes volunteers, each week, by Carole Roberts.

In honor those who are jobless, by Dennis Shoop.

In honor of our Risen Lord and Savior, and honoring all who feed
and all who are fed, by Rev. Dr. Sue Shorb-Sterling.

— CARROLL COUNTY FOOD SUNDAY —

In memory of my Conover Family and Ruth Ohler, by Richard Conover.

In honor of the Feb. 17th birth of our 4th grandchild and first granddaughter,
Jolene Susie DeStefano, by Susan and John Harbold.

In honor of our parents and grandparents, Barbara and Bob Hayman,
with love by Lori and Alexa Hayman.

An anonymous gift.

In memory of Hank Majewski, India and Darrell Caless,
and Pauline Majewski Dittmar, by Sally C. Majewski.

In honor of the staff at Carroll County Food Sunday, by Carole Roberts.



Your kindness and generosity
in Easter Giving
will have a positive impact
in our community as we commit
to feeding the hungry of Carroll County
here in WUMC's soup kitchen
and in our broader community
through the good works of CCFS.

\$ 674	—	Loaves & Fishes Soup Kitchen (at WUMC)
<u>306</u>	—	Carroll County Food Sunday
\$ 980		Easter Giving Total

...plus, fresh flowers to adorn our space!

Thank you for your compassionate giving.

BULLETIN PRAYER LIST (see REQUESTING PRAYER, below)

Our Church Family

Gail Holman	<i>Long-term:</i>
Karen Gonsman	Dan LaFon
Sharon Greenway	Ellis Lawson
Linda Lawson	Chris Clise
Bob & Dot White	John Carbaugh
Chuck Sterling	Christy Swartzbaugh
Lynne Rittenberg	
June & Don Hicks	
Wayne Olson	

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

Alice (mother-in-law of Anne Dorwart)
Killian (7-year-old grandson of Conni & Dave Highfield)
Sherri Haines (church administrative assistant)
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)

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. Eisenhower, GA
(son-in-law of Steve & Darlene Sadowski)
Jason Marusiak, Army, 82nd Airborne Div., Fort Riley, KS
(son-in-law of The Flinns)

EMPTY BOWLS of Carroll County—offsite

St. John's Church, Portico, 43 Monroe Str, Westminster.
Sun, Apr 7, seating at 11am, 12:30pm, 2pm. Benefit The Shepherd's Staff Emergency & Crisis Assistance Programs.
Tickets, 410-857-5944 or go.rallyup.com/2024shepstaffemptybowlscc

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—APRIL

Kristy Vandervalk (410) 917-3149

Brenda Tracy (410) 215-6557

MONTHLY 90's BIRTHDAYS

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We celebrate our WUMC nonagenarians!

April 2 Mr. Donald L. Hicks
660 Gahle Drive
Westminster MD 21157

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

VBS SUMMER 2024—

Sun-Thu, July 7-July 11, 6-8:30pm

Scuba VBS, Diving into Friendship with God. More information, coming soon!



SIGN UP—CHURCH SOFTBALL

LEAGUE 16yrs+, season starts Apr 25, play on Thu nights at CC Sports Complex. Contact Tim Edwards, 410-596-8760 or wvualum95@gmail.com.

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

Mail to POB 2316, Westminster 21158

Online offering—please scan QR code

ATTENDANCE

Text "HERE" to 443-234-0806

