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February 5, 2023

# SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

Join us for worship at 8:45 and 11 am. We will continue to follow the covid guidelines set by the Church Council. Both worship services will be livestreamed. Watch them on our website at umcwc.org. All services are archived on YouTube. Go to YouTube and type in West Chester UMC.

## **COFFEE IN THE GATHERING AREA**

Please join us in the Gathering Area following the 8:45 worship service for a time of fellowship and coffee. Proceeds go to support our youth ministry.

### PRAYER LINK

To receive the prayer link email Luanne Sims at Isimsumcwc@gmail.com. Please send prayer requests to Rev. Brooks at tbrooksumcwc@gmail.com.

## GIVING

**Online Giving:** go to our website umcwc.org/giving. Click the link for online giving. Enter the amount and select the fund to which you would like to donate.

**Text Giving:** follow the instructions below. Adjust the dollar amount to match the amount you would like to give.

General Fund	Text UMCWC \$50 to 73256
Mission of the Month	Text UMCWC MISSION \$50 to 73256
Building Fund	Text UMCWC BUILDING \$50 to 73256
Rise Against Hunger	Text UMCWC HUNGER \$50 to 73256
Amber Allan	Text UMCWC AMBER \$50 to 73256

Gifts given to the Mission of the Month for January go to support Africa University providing scholarships to students from African nations who attend the United Methodist college in Zimbabwe.

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES -10:00 AM Children ages 2-grade 5 - Meeting in rooms 6 & 7 For information contact Kelly Lynn (Kelly@umcwc.org)

### Youth Bible Study and Confirmation Class -Meeting in the Youth Room.

For information contact Cory Smith (cory@umcwc.org). Adults

Mustard Seed Class - Meeting in room 12 Seekers-Meeting in room 7 Upper Room-Meeting in the Chapel For information on adult classes contact Rev. Rounsley (mdrounsleyumcwc@gmail.com). Ash Wednesday

Worship Service - Feb. 22, 7:00 PM Willistown United Methodist Church, 6051 West Chester Pike

We will once again join with the other churches in the West Chester area UMC Missionlink. Rev. Truman Brooks will deliver the message.



orders for chicken noodle or spinach tortellini soup (pick up date Feb. 12) and Italian wedding soup (pick up date Feb. 26). Order in the Gathering Area. Proceeds go to support the various outreach and mission projects of UWF.



Wednesday Night Out Join us at 6 pm each Wednesday for good food, conversation, children's choirs, praise team, and adult bells. We need help to set-up & serve WNO. Contact Nina Yocom (ninajyocom@gmail.com) to put your hospitality skills to work.



Plan on joining our Lenten Study Luke: Jesus and the Outsiders, Outcasts, and Outlaws Begins Feb. 26

# SUNSHINE MEMORY CAFÉ

#### Tuesdays from 1-2:30 PM in the Fiesta Center

A welcoming place where persons with memory loss and their care partner can enjoy activities, share stories, and socialize. Know someone who might benefit? Contact Adean Bridges (610-349-3401) or Pastor Rounsley (484-574-7110). UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH (Formerly United Methodist Women)

General Meeting Tuesday, February 7 7:00 pm in Room 10

The program will be presented by Rachel Thomas Steadman and Melanie Palumbo from Bridge of Hope Chester County. They will tell us more about how they work with neighboring churches to serve families who are struggling with secure housing. All Women are invited Call Melinda Ford (610-918-2331) for more information.

### •The ROMEOs Men's Lunch

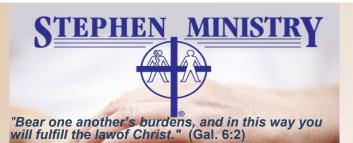
**Group** will meet on February 8, 11:30 am, at Gramm's Kitchen, 557 E. Gay St., West Chester (in the shopping mall just east of the West Chester Police Station). Gramm's has parking, space, and a variety of foods and drinks. Be prepared to Get the latest news, weather and sports, and company... Please RSVP to Bill (484-459-8939) so that adequate seating can be guaranteed.

•Acolytes - We need youth in grades 3 through 12 to light and extinguish the candles at the 8:45 service. If your child is interested, please sign up using the link in the weekly email.

•New Member Class forming. If you are interested in joining, contact Rev. Brooks at tbrooksumcwc@gmail.com or contact the church office.

•2023 Offering Envelopes have arrived. They can be picked up at the church Mon.-Thurs. from 9 am until 4 pm or on Sunday morning.

•Job Opportunity - The Children's Center is looking for part-time help. Information is on the round table in the Gathering Area or contact the director, Hillary White, at UMCC.kidsmatter@gmail.com



As we look towards a post-Covid future, it is natural to feel anxious. Over the course of the past 12 months there has been significant change to adapt and acclimatize to and now many of us are wondering about the future. If you would like to have someone to talk to about your concerns one of our church's Stephen Ministers can help. Stephen Ministry is a one-to-one confidential lay caring ministry that helps people who are going through a tough time. If you would like someone to talk with you as you deal with these feelings a Stephen Minister can help. To keep everyone safe we will use phone calls and/or Zoom meetings in place of the usual in person meetings. Please contact Pastor Rounsley (610-692-5190 or mdrounsleyumcwc@gmail.com). Let one of our Stephen Ministers walk with you in this difficult time.



The Good Works Team from our church meets on the 3rd Saturday **I** of each month to do home repairs in our area. Interested in helping? Contact Bryan Travis at Bryan.travis@verizon.net.



## Safe Harbor Lunches Update

We continue to provide 25-30 lunches on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month. Sally Bopp is the new coordinator of this program. Right now Sally is handling te Harbor the lunch signup through emails. If you are interested in helping with this ministry, please email her at: srbopp47@gmail.com.

# SERVICE AND SHARING OPPORTUNITIES

•Women's Bible Study - Wednesday mornings at 9:30 am in rm 12. All women are invited. For more information contact Sue Oliver (610-594-0257 or eaglesbrad@aol.com.)

•Communion Servers Needed - No special skills required. We celebrate communion on the 1st Sunday of each month. If interested in being part of this ministry, contact Nancy Holland at hollandnancy31@gmail.com. We also need people to clean up communion after the 11 am worship service. Let Nancy know if you can help with this.

•Interested in helping out with worship in 2023? We can always use more hands helping with the Audio-Visual Team, voices singing in the choirs and praise teams, more folks willing to serve as ushers, greeters, and readers. If you are blessed with a talent that is useful in leading our church in some way, you have been blessed in order to be a blessing. Don't hide God's light under a bushel. Contact Mike Muzzo or Dr. Brooks for info.

•Act in Faith - Act in Faith is in need of food, toiletries, and cleaning supplies. Items can be placed in on the table in the lounge area of the Gathering Area. Thank you! The ministry is growing. They need more volunteers to meet the needs of our community. Contact Hallie Romanowski at actinfaithgwc.org.

•Pop Tab Recycling Program Keep saving them. The tabs convert to \$\$ that provide short-term housing assistance to families of AI DuPont patients and allows them to be close to and support their loved ones during their hospital stays.

•We are still collecting unused hotel toiletries for our church's Clean Sweep Program. Items go to Ronald McDonald House, Safe Harbor, and Salvation Army. Place items in the basket by the elevator in the Gathering Area.

•Live flowers for the Lord's Table: The cost for each arrangement is \$40. Orders must be placed at least 2 weeks ahead. To place flowers in memory of or in honor of the loved one please call the church office (610-696-5190) or email Sue (shaughumcwc@gmail.com). Send your payment to the church office with a notation that it is for flowers. (You will not receive a bill.)

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