



November 27, 2022

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.

PRAYER LINK

To receive the prayer link email Luanne Sims at lsimsumcwc@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

Don't forget to return your 2023 Commitment Card to the church office or fill it out online at UMCWC.org.

Gifts given to the Mission of the Month for November go to support Doris Haley Ministry which offers ongoing support of prison inmate families and low income Chester County residents.

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).



Oatmeal Bar with lots of fixin's

Sunday, Dec. 4 Cost:\$6

Get a nice warm bowl of oatmeal between the worship services and support our Rise Against Hunger meal packaging event. If you can donate items for the oatmeal bar, please use the link for the sign up genius in the weekly email.



Santa Claus is making an early stop at UMCWC to visit children of all ages and to help with our

Rise Against Hunger fundraising efforts. Santa will be here for photos (bring your own camera) on Saturday, Dec. 10th from 10 - 11 am and on Sunday, Dec. 11th between worship services. The cost is \$10 and everyone is invited.

Advent Study**ALMOST CHRISTMAS****A Wesleyan Advent Experience**

The study will be held on Sundays at 10 AM in the Mustard Seed and Seekers Classes beginning on Nov. 27 and during the Women's Bible Study on Wednesdays at 9:30 AM. Contact Rev. Rounsley to purchase a book.

COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES

Final exams are almost here. Do you have a college student in your family? Want to send them some love and cookies on behalf of their church family? Just send an email to patricia.valencia@gmail.com with their name, address, phone number, and any allergy information. We will be making homemade cookies to send out to them as a boost during finals week. Please email your requests by Dec 3rd. Cookies will be packed Dec 4th and mailed Dec. 5th. Donations of cookies and shipping \$ accepted.



Decorate the church this Christmas with a poinsettia in honor or memory of a loved one. The poinsettias will be in the sanctuary for the worship service on Sunday, Dec. 18 and on Christmas Eve. You can pick up your poinsettia following the 7 PM Christmas Eve worship service or Sunday morning, Dec. 25. Cost of a plant is \$12. You can also give a mission donation. This year the gift to mission will go to our Rise Against Hunger meal packaging event. Orders must be placed by Dec. 12. Order cards are on the table in the Gathering Area. For questions call the church office.

**Gifts for Doris Haley Ministries**

We are collecting gifts for children in 2nd to 5th grade. Items should be new and unwrapped. The receptacle is in the Gathering Area next to the elevator.

Giving Tuesday- This year Amber Allan of Man of Peace mission in Ecuador is raising funds to offer a traveling dental clinic ministry to the people of her village. \$6,000 is needed. Scan the QR code or pick up a card in the Gathering Area.



Artwork for Christmas Eve- Are you an artist? Would you like to share your talent? We need original artwork for our Christmas Eve bulletins. We ask for a general Christmas Eve theme. Contact the pastors or Sue Haugh if you are interested in submitting.

Outerwear Collection for Doris Haley

- Donations of new or clean, gently used outerwear (coats, jackets, snow pants, scarves, hats, mittens, fleeces and sweaters) will be collected through mid December. Please place donations in the bin in the Gathering Area.

Children's Center Book Fair - Dec. 5-16. The books will be displayed in the hallway near the ramp entrance. This is a great way to support our Children's Center and also purchase a nice gift for a special child in your life.

Blue Christmas Service

December 11th - 4 PM in the chapel

(RSVP to sign up genius in the weekly email or call the church office)
Invite someone who mourns a loss this year to experience communion, singing, meditation, prayer, and deep healing.

STEPHEN MINISTRY

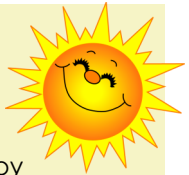


"Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ." (Gal. 6:2)

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.

SUNSHINE MEMORY CAFÉ

Tuesdays from 1-2:30 PM
in Room 10



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).



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



Safe Harbor
OF CHESTER COUNTY, INC.

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 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

- **The Brandywine Singers will perform** Rutter's "Magnificat" on Sat., Dec. 10, 7:00 pm, in the sanctuary. Tickets (\$25) can be purchased online at thebrandywinesingers.org.
- **Chester County Choral Society** will present "Carols & Lullabies", Dec. 10 at 7:30 pm at Church of the Good Samaritan, Paoli. Tickets are \$20.
- **Please keep filling the "Eagles" can with money** - Help us raise \$11,000 for our meal packaging event in January. The can is in the Gathering Area every Sunday morning.
- **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.)
- **Wednesday Night Out** - Volunteers are needed to help with prep and serving. Contact Nina Yocom at ninajyocom@gmail.com or 704-564-0545 to find out how you can help.
- **Acolytes needed** - All children and youth third grade and older are invited to light the candles at the 8:45 am service each Sunday. If your child or grandchild would like to participate, sign up by using the link that was sent out in the weekly email. Please contact Rev. Rounsley if you have any questions.
- **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.
- **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 Al 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.)
- **Blessing box** - As the weather gets colder, don't forget to help us keep our Blessing Box supplied. This is a way for us to directly provide relief for individuals and families in economic crisis. Let's supply our blessing box with items like this: Canned food with ring-pulls (our homeless neighbors don't have can openers), hand warmers, crackers, peanut butter, small packets of tissues, bottled water, non-perishable foods. Be a blessing to those in need.