



March 17, 2024

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

Join us for worship at 8:45 and 11 am. 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 lsims@umcwc@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 March go to support our U.M. Children's Center Scholarship Fund which assists low income families with tuition payments so their children can attend our preschool. Unitedmethodistchildrenscenter.com.

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES - 10:00 AM

Children ages 2-grade 5 - Meeting in rooms 4&5. 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 contact Rev.

Mercedes Case (Mercedes@umcwc.org)



Palm Sunday
March 24
8:45 AM - Worship in the sanctuary
11:00 AM - Worship Café in the Fiesta Center

Holy Week Schedule

As hosted by the
WC Area
UMC MissionLink

Maundy Thursday
March 28, 7 PM
Willistown UMC
6051 West Chester Pike,
Newtown Square, PA

Good Friday
March 29, 7 PM
UMC of West Chester
129 S. High Street
West Chester, PA

Easter Sunrise Service
March 31, 6:30 am
Boot Road Park
110 Boot Rd., WC



Time is running out to order Easter flowers in honor of or in memory of a loved one. The cost of a plant is \$14. Choose a lily (5-blooms) or tulips (8 bulb plant various colors). You can also give a mission gift. Order cards were mailed. You can also pick one up in the Gathering Area. Orders must be placed **by March 18.**



EASTER EGG HUNT
Mar. 23 10-11 am
Register online at UMCWC.org or in the Gathering Area

Bake Sale March 24

There will be delicious Easter Breads as well as cakes, pies, cookies and more! All monies go towards church and United Women in Faith mission projects. Stock up for Easter!



EASTER WORSHIP AT UMC of West Chester
8:45 AM - worship in the sanctuary
11 AM - Worship Café in the Fiesta Center

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Pre-paid punch cards are available. Each card costs \$20 and allows for 20 cups of coffee. All proceeds go to support our youth mission trip.



Each
Week!!!
6pm

Dinner Cost: \$8.00 (Discount for larger families) Volunteer helpers warmly welcomed. See Beth Buglio.

- If you took Easter Eggs to fill, please return them as soon as possible and place them in the receptacle in the Gathering Area.
- “Undies for Easter”- The EPA Conference Prison Ministry Team is again collecting men's underwear that will be distributed to the Philadelphia prison. Donations must be purchased through their Amazon gift registry (link is in the weekly email). Please be sure to use the EPAUMC Prison Ministry's gift registry address as the shipping address. Order deadline Mar. 23.
- Women's Bible Study meets on Wednesdays at 9:30 am in the chapel. All women are invited.
- Men's Morning Bible Study - Wednesdays at 7:30 am. For information, contact Brian Krug (bskrug@hotmail.com)

SERVICE AND SHARING OPPORTUNITIES

●**Are you feeling lost or overwhelmed?** Let one of our Stephen Ministers walk with you in this difficult time. Stephen Ministers are members of our congregation who receive special training to provide one-to-one confidential Christian care to 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. Our Stephen Ministers will meet you in-person, by phone, and/or via Zoom. Please contact Kelly Lynn (Kelly@umcwc.org).

●**The new parking system for lot #5 is now in place.** If you volunteer or attend meeting/studies regularly and have not received a parking hanger from your group leader, please contact the church office. Hangers must be displayed Mon. - Thurs. from 8am through 8pm and Fri. from 8am through 6pm if parked in one of the leased spots. If you visit the church for any reason during those hours please get a hanger from the church office for the time you are here.

●**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).

●**The Pastor Jo Higgins Children's Library** is open. It's located on the lower level by the elevator. There are books for 1 year olds through teenagers. New books are being added regularly. COME AND ENJOY!!

●**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 a 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.

●**Ushers and greeters are needed** for both worship services. For info write "usher" in the Friendship Folder or contact Tony Piccone (apic13@outlook.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.

●**Children and Youth in Grades 3-12 are needed** to light and extinguish the candles at the 8:45 service. Email Carin at crawfordcarin@gmail.com for more information.

Safe Harbor Lunches—We continue to provide 25-30 lunches on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month. Sally Bopp is the coordinator of this program. If you are interested in helping with this ministry, please email her at: srbopp47@gmail.com.

●**Act in Faith** - Act in Faith is in need of food, toiletries, and cleaning supplies. Items can be placed on the table in the lounge area of the Gathering Area.

●**Pop Tab Recycling Program** Keep saving them. The tabs convert to \$\$ that provide short-term housing assistance to families of Nemours Children's Hospital 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 G.A.