



July 7, 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 lsimsumcwc@gmail.com. Please send prayer requests to Rev. Case at Mercedes@umcwc.org.

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 July go to support the ministry of David and Lorie Persons, United Methodist missionaries who train pastors and their spouses at Mulungwishi Seminary in the Democratic Republic of Congo. umcmision.org

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 contact Rev.

Mercedes Case (Mercedes@umcwc.org)

WELCOME OUR NEW PASTOR

We hope you will join us on Sunday to welcome our new pastor, Rev. Cyndi Stouffer. There will be a reception in the Gathering Area following the 8:45 am service. Enjoy a piece of cake and greet Pastor Cyndi. Let's give the Stouffers a warm welcome.



JULY SERMON SERIES "TELLING YOUR STORY" Begins July 7

This series will focus on the importance of our stories. Our personal stories, our communal stories, and the story of faith that we want to share with the world. What is the story you have to tell?

July 7: The Greatest Story

July 14: The Whole Story

July 21: God, Where Were You?

July 28: News Worth Sharing; A Life Worth Living

Coffee with Pastor Cyndi



Monday, July 8, 10 am
Join Pastor Cyndi at West Chester Diner for coffee and conversation.

ORION Communities

Over the summer we are collecting school supplies for "Orion", an organization that works together with individuals and families to provide support, education, and emergency assistance. The following items are needed:

composition books, notebook paper, binders, #2 pencils, hand held pencil sharpeners, magic markers, black ink pens, erasers, sticky pads, and crayons. Items can be placed in the box in the Gathering Area.



WOMEN'S BACK PORCH BOOK CLUB

The book for this summer is "After Annie" by Anna Quindlen. It's a novel about prevailing and the power of love to make us resilient,

strong, and the best version of ourselves. Pick up a copy of the book at Amazon or your favorite bookseller and join us for discussion on Aug. 13th at 7 pm. We will meet on Sarah Cass's porch. Please bring a lawn chair.

•**Youth Group in the Summer** - Make sure you're on the youth email list to stay up to date on all summer activities. Contact cory@umcwc.org.

•**Save the date!**- Our annual church picnic will be on Sunday, August 18th at Camp Innabah. More details coming soon.

•Going away this summer?

Don't stop growing just because you are on vacation. Worship in a church and celebrate your faith wherever you are or watch our service on livestream (umcwc.org).



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).

SUNSHINE MEMORY CAFÉ

Tuesdays from 1-2:30 PM

in the Fiesta Center or
East Goshen Park Veterans Pavillion

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 adean0413@gmail.com).



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

- **Men's Morning Bible Study** - Wednesdays at 7:30 am. For information, contact Brian Krug at (bskrug@hotmail.com)
- **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 actinaithgwc.org.
- **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.)
- **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!!
- **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. We also need people to clean up communion after the 11 am worship service. Let Nancy know if you can help with this.
- **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.
- **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.
- **Blessing box** - 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.