

**February 11, 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. 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 February go to support Amber Allen, missionary to Ecuador, Amber grew up in our church and has dedicated her life to spreading the gospel and alleviating poverty in Coaque, Ecuador. Learn more at themanofpeace.com.

•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)



**Sundays at 11 am
in the Fiesta Center**

Come be part of a relaxed service where we worship and grow our faith as we build relationships. See Pastor Merc for more info.



**Worship Service - Feb. 14, 7:00 PM
Marshallton United Methodist Church,
1282 W. Strasburg Rd, West Chester**

We will once again join with the other churches in the West Chester area UMC Missionlink.



If you ordered spinach tortellini soup you can

pick it up in the Gathering Area today. You can still order Italian wedding soup and chicken noodle (pick up date Feb. 25). Cost is \$10/quart. Order in the Gathering Area. Proceeds go to support the various outreach and mission projects of United Women in Faith.

B.L.E.S.S.

This year's Lenten focus and study will be B.L.E.S.S. - 5 Everyday ways to love your neighbor and change the world.

During Lent we will look at these practices and learn how to share God's love and your faith with others. Begins Feb 18.

**UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH
SPRING RETREAT**

**STEPPING OUT
with JESUS**

**Saturday, March 16
8:30 AM-12 PM
in the Fiesta Center**

***Continental Breakfast Included**
For more information contact
umcwcuwf@gmail.com.

**Register using the QR code or call
the church office.**



**New Men's Morning
Bible Study
Wednesdays
7:30 am at UMCWC.**

Contact Brian Krug
484-983-2884 or
bskrug@hotmail.com



**MARK THE DATE!
VACATION
BIBLE SCHOOL
June 24-27**

•The ROMEOs Men's Lunch Group will meet on Feb. 14, 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 food. Please RSVP to Bill (484-459-8939) so that adequate seating can be guaranteed.

•The new parking system for lot #5 will begin soon. The spots will be available Mon. - Thurs. from 8am through 8pm and Fri. from 8am through 6pm. All cars must have a hanger displayed in order to park in the leased spots and not be ticketed. The church will supply hangers to all members who regularly volunteer or attend meetings/studies. You will be able to get them from your group leader or the church office.

****The hangers will be distributed soon.** The old system remains in place until they are distributed.

•Wednesday Night Out - Join us in the Fiesta Center at 6 pm each Wednesday for a delicious meal (\$8/person) and great fellowship. ****NO WNO on Ash Wednesday-Feb. 14.**

•Women's Bible Study - Meets on Wednesdays at 9:30 am in rm 12. The current study is "The Call-The Life and message of the Apostle Paul". All women are invited.



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).



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.

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).

SERVICE AND SHARING OPPORTUNITIES

- **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.
- **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** - 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.