



**December 25, 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

**Gifts given to the Mission of the Month for December 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  
NO Sunday School today**

**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).



*Next Sunday, January 1st*

**Next Sunday we will be having just one worship service at 10:00 AM in the Fiesta Center with a continental breakfast beginning at 9:30 AM. During our worship service we will celebrate Epiphany with Holy Communion and the**

**sharing of the historic John Wesley Covenant Prayer. Start 2023 off right, with renewed commitment and the strength that only the Lord can bring.**

*January 8*

**We will celebrate the Baptism of the Lord by remembering our baptism.** As is our custom you will receive a shell to remind you that you are a part of God's family.



**Sunday, Jan. 8th  
11 am Sanctuary and GA  
12 pm FiestaCenter**

**Can you help? The more hands,  
the easier the job!**

**Acolyte Program**

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.



**UNITED WOMEN  
IN FAITH**

(Formerly United Methodist Women)

**General Meeting  
Tuesday, January 3  
7:00 pm in Room 10**

Start the new year in the warmth and fellowship of our women in Christian ministry. Dr. Cherise Pollard from West Chester University's Poetry Center will be leading us in some poetry listening, reading, and writing to refresh our spirits in the new year. Women of all ages are welcome. Call Melinda Ford (610-918-2331) for more information



A very big thank you to all those who donated toys and outerwear for Doris Haley's ministry over the last few months. Your generosity was overwhelming and very much appreciated.



**UPDATE**

We continue to accept donations that will help us pack 30,000 meals. With your help we will be able to meet the \$11,500 needed.

**\*\*We need your help to pack the meals on MLK Day of Service on Jan. 18 from 9:30-11:30 am.** Register to help online at umcwc.org or in the Gathering Area. We also need 20 strong people to help unload the truck and set up at 8:00 am. Invite a friend or neighbor to help!

**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.

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

**The church office will be closed during this week.** If you have an emergency please call Dr. Brooks at 484-340-0272 or Rev. Rounsley at 484-574-7110.

**If you would like to give a final year-end offering,** your contribution for 2022 must be in the church office by Wednesday, Dec. 28 at noon for it to count towards your 2022 taxes.

# STEPHEN MINISTRY

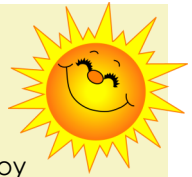


*"Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ." (Gal. 6:2)*

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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:srbopp47@gmail.com).

### SERVICE AND SHARING OPPORTUNITIES

- **Please keep filling the "Eagles" can with money** - Help us raise \$11,500 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. The study will resume on January 4. All women are invited. For more information contact Sue Oliver (610-594-0257 or [eaglesbrad@aol.com](mailto:eaglesbrad@aol.com).)
- **Wednesday Night Out** - Volunteers are needed to help with prep and serving. Contact Nina Yocom at [ninajyocom@gmail.com](mailto:ninajyocom@gmail.com) or 704-564-0545 to find out how you can help.
- **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](mailto: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](http://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](mailto:shaughumcwc@gmail.com)). Send your payment to the church office with a notation that it is for flowers. (You will not receive a bill.)