

Twenty-Third  
Sunday  
after Pentecost

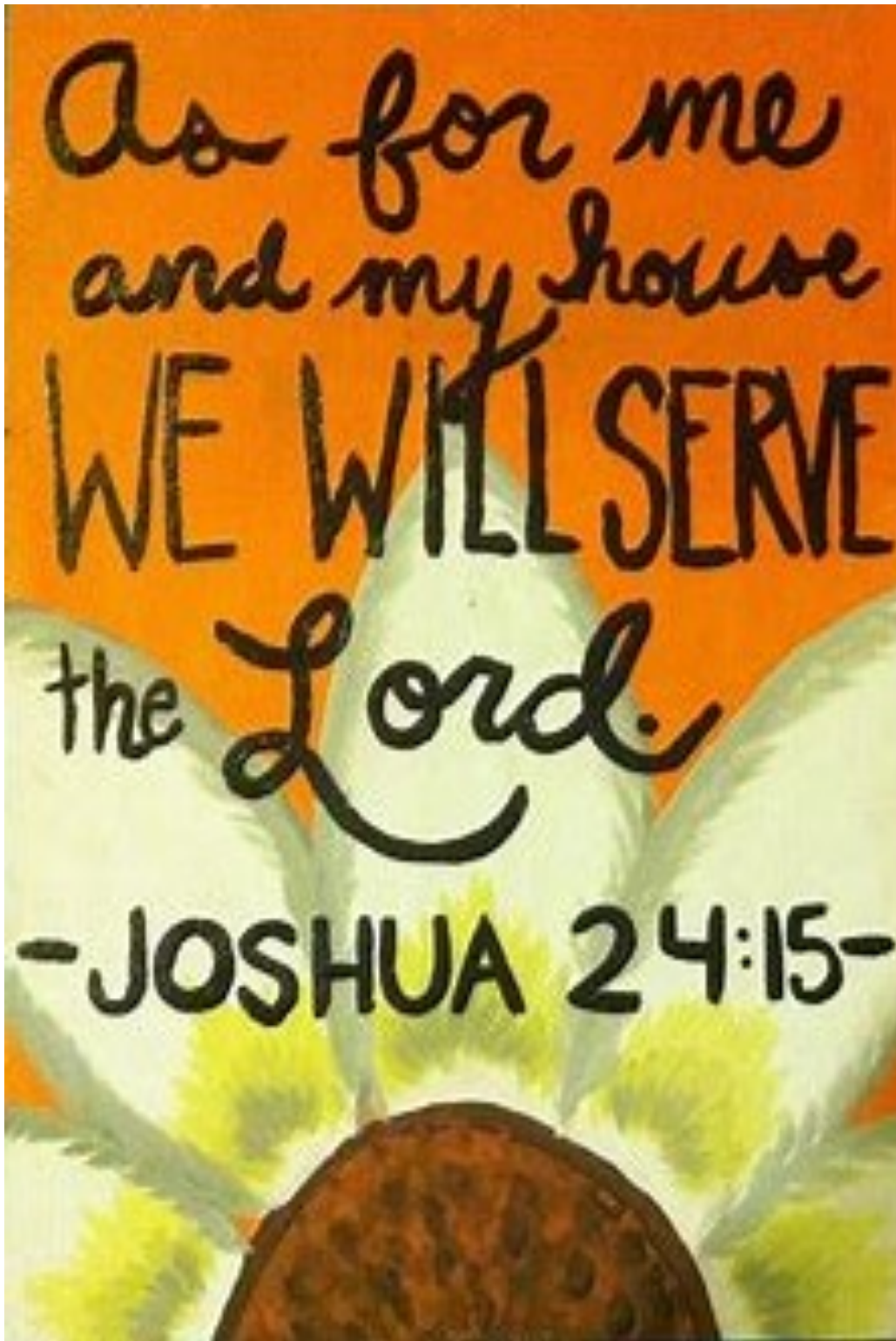
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Memorial United Methodist Church

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MEMORIAL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Poolesville, MD



Thank you for coming together in worship this morning. As we gather, take time to relax and prepare your heart to listen for God through today's time of prayer, song, and scripture study. As you participate with heart and/or voice, the words will be displayed on your screen for your convenience.

UMH=United Methodist Hymnal.; TFWS=The Faith We Sing.

## WORSHIP SERVICE

November 8, 2020

MESSAGE - *The Meaning of Life*

READINGS - Genesis 2:1-9, 15 and Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25

### CALL TO WORSHIP

LEADER: The God of our ancestors has led us to this place.  
PEOPLE: **We are witnesses.**  
LEADER: We have sworn to teach God's promises to all generations.  
PEOPLE: **We are witnesses.**  
LEADER: The time is coming when Christ will come again in glory.  
PEOPLE: **We are witnesses.**  
LEADER: Let us tell the world of God's faithful love.  
PEOPLE: **We are witnesses.**

### OPENING PRAYER

**Loving God:** Your love has brought us together, and sustains us through each day. We pray that you would keep us faithful, and strengthen us to work for you; to reveal your kingdom on earth. Give us the courage to witness to your presence in the world today, tomorrow, and all the days of our lives. We pray in the name of the coming Lord. Amen.

### MUSIC

PRE-SERVICE	<i>Take Time to be Holy</i> <i>The Lord's My Shepherd</i> (in the setting of G.F. Handel's <i>Largo</i> from <i>Xerxes</i> )	by Stebbins/Larson by Cindy Berry
PRELUDE	<i>Gather Us In</i>	by John Behnke
HYMNS	<i>The Summons</i> <i>Together We Serve</i>	TFWS 2130 TFWS 2175
POSTLUDE	<i>Praise to the Lord, the Almighty</i>	arr by Fred Swann

### CONTRIBUTORS - *Thanks to those helping make this week's worship possible:*

PASTOR	Rev. Timothy A. Dowell	WORSHIP ASST	Sandy Parnell-Dowell
ORGANIST	Linda Custer	READER	Sandi Baggett
VOCALIST	Kelly Haga Wendy Huff	AUDIO/VIDEO	David Melton, Tim Melton

## UPCOMING HAPPENINGS

<b>SUN - NOV 8</b> <i>23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost</i>	9:15 - 10:15 am 9:30 - 10 am 10:30 - 11:30 am	Adult Sunday School - <b>Zoom</b> Child & Youth Sunday School - <b>Zoom</b> Worship Service - <b>In-Person &amp; YouTube</b>
<b>TUE - NOV 10</b>	7 - 8:30 pm 7 - 8:30 pm 8:30 - 9:30 pm	Church Council Meeting - <b>Zoom</b> Women's Bible Study - <b>Google Meet</b> Task Force Committee Meeting - <b>Zoom</b>
<b>WED - NOV 11</b>	2 - 3 pm	Saval Food Distribution to Community- <b>Parking Lot</b>
<b>THU - NOV 12</b>	7 - 8 pm 7 - 9 pm	Review/Preview with Pastor Tim - <b>Zoom</b> IOOF #97 Meeting - <b>Cancelled</b>
<b>SUN - NOV 15</b> <i>24<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost</i>	9:15 - 10:15 am 9:30 - 10 am 10:30 - 11:30 am	Adult Sunday School - <b>Zoom</b> Child & Youth Sunday School - <b>Zoom</b> Worship Service - <b>In-Person &amp; YouTube</b>
<b>TUE - NOV 17</b>	7 - 8:30 pm 8:30 - 9:30 pm	Men's Group Meeting - <b>Zoom</b> Task Force Committee Meeting - <b>Zoom</b>
<b>WED - NOV 18</b>	2 - 3 pm 7 - 9 pm	Saval Food Distribution to Community- <b>Parking Lot</b> Friendly Thrift Shop Ministry - <b>in Shop</b>
<b>THU - NOV 19</b>	7 - 8 pm	Review/Preview with Pastor Tim - <b>Zoom</b>
<b>SAT - NOV 21</b>	5 - 7 pm	Youth Group Hanging Out in the Parking Lot
<b>SUN - NOV 22</b> <i>Christ the King Sunday</i>	9:15 - 10:15 am 9:30 - 10 am 10:30 - 11:30 am	Adult Sunday School - <b>Zoom</b> Child & Youth Sunday School - <b>Zoom</b> Worship Service - <b>In-Person &amp; YouTube</b>

## UPCOMING READER SCHEDULE

DATE	NOV 15	NOV 22	NOV 29
READERS	Pam Flick	Beth Parker	AVAILABLE
<b>PLEASE consider signing up. Visit <a href="http://www.pmumc.org">www.pmumc.org</a> and click on the announcement regarding sign-up for ministries or contact the church office.</b> * Virtual Participation			

## DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Sun., Nov 8 - **JOHN 13:31-35** *Acts of Love*  
 Mon., Nov 9 - **PSALM 23:1-3** *God Carries All*  
 Tue., Nov 10 - **2 PETER 3:8-18** *God's Promises*  
 Wed., Nov 11 - **2 KINGS 2:1-12** *Sharing the Spirit*  
 Thu., Nov 12 - **ISAIAH 41:8-10** *God's Abiding Love*  
 Fri., Nov 13 - **EZEKIEL 2:8-3:3** *Strong Roots*  
 Sat., Nov 14 - **MATTHEW 14:13-21** *Feed the Hungry*

Visit [www.upperroom.com](http://www.upperroom.com) for more information.

## MEMORIAL'S PURPOSE



## CHURCH GIVING

**AVERAGE WEEKLY GIVING** (last 8 weeks)  
\$4,702.25

**WEEKLY BUDGET GOALS**  
\$5,770

### WAYS TO GIVE:

- **MAIL** to Memorial's PO Box 358
- **DROP** in Memorial's secured mailbox next to entrance
- **ELECTRONICALLY** via [PMUMC.org](http://PMUMC.org)

## OFFICE INFORMATION

**COORDINATOR HOURS**  
Monday-Friday, 9am-Noon

**APPOINTMENTS WITH THE PASTOR**  
To schedule, please contact the office at 301-349-2010, [office@pmumc.org](mailto:office@pmumc.org), or visit [www.pmumc.org](http://www.pmumc.org)

**PHONE MESSAGES**  
Messages for Shirley and Pastor Tim are sent to their email accounts.

**EMERGENCIES**  
For immediate pastoral care, please email Pastor Tim at [PastorTim@PMUMC.org](mailto:PastorTim@PMUMC.org)

## CHURCH PERSONNEL

**PASTOR** - Rev. Timothy A. Dowell

**CHURCH COORDINATOR**  
Shirley Prasada-Rao

**DIRECTOR OF MUSIC** - Janet Hartz

**ORGANIST** - Linda Custer

**BELL CHOIR DIRECTOR** - Becky Smalley

**HEAD USHER** - Dr. Robert Spiker

**HEAD ACOLYTES**  
Charlotte Selby and Rachel Smalley

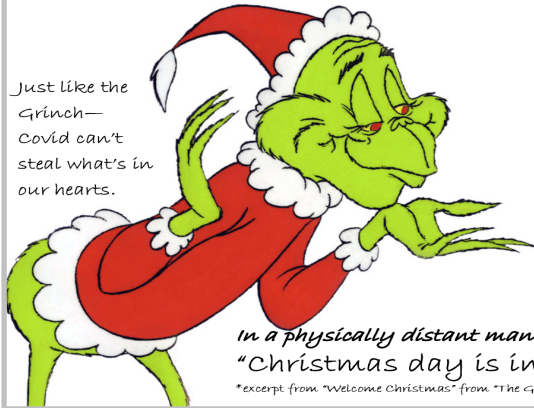
**CUSTODIAN** - Pecoe Fleming

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

You are invited to join us in

# Preparing for Christmas

Crafts • Lessons • Goodies • Singing



Sundays, November 29<sup>th</sup> - December 20<sup>th</sup>  
9:30am for 30-45 minutes via ZOOM

Visit [PMUMC.org](http://PMUMC.org) to register by 11/21.  
Craft/Lesson Boxes will be available for pick-up  
Tuesday, Nov 24<sup>th</sup> or by special arrangements.

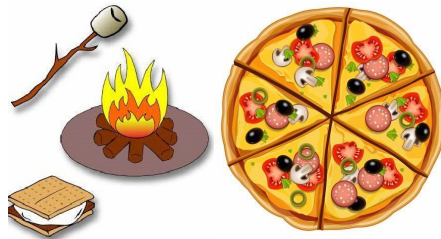
Crafts & Goodies— Fun for all!



**Youth Hang Out**  
with Fire Pit Smores and Pizza  
*Covid-Style*

Nov. 21<sup>st</sup> at 5:30pm  
PMUMC Parking Lot

Bring a chair!



## Poolesville Seniors Virtual Programs

### WEEKLY PROGRAMS

Mondays, 10:45-11:30 am - **Tai-Chi** with Maureen Ivusic  
Wednesdays, 1-2 pm - **Zumba Gold** with Karen McPhatter  
Thursdays, 10-11 am - **Breathing Exercises and Qigong Movements** with Kathy Jankowski  
Saturdays, 9-9:30 am - **Senior Weight Training** with Zack Etheridge *Can use canned goods for weights.*  
**Programs are open to the entire community and are presented on Zoom.** To register for any program go to [www.poolesvilleseniors.org](http://www.poolesvilleseniors.org). Email questions to: [info@poolesvilleseniors.org](mailto:info@poolesvilleseniors.org).



Get a day out or an overnight to relax/recharge at Manidokan & West River

**Manidokan** - <http://www.bwccampsandretreats.com/manidokan/fall-2020-at-manidokan/>

**West River** - <http://www.bwccampsandretreats.com/westriver/fall-2020-at-west-river/>



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

# Thanksgiving Meal Baskets



Help us bless 12 local families!

There are so many ways to sign-up to help:

- sign-up on the sign-up sheet posted on the outside of the front door at church
- visit [PMUMC.org](http://PMUMC.org) to be directed to the electronic sign-up sheet at [signupgenius.com](http://signupgenius.com)
- call Jan Deloriea at 301-972-8013

This year's basket will include:

- Turkey (12-15 lbs)
- Potatoes (5 lb bag or large box of instant)
- Gravy (2 cans/jars)
- Green Beans (4 regular sized cans)
- Stove Top Stuffing (2 boxes)
- Cranberry Sauce (1 can)
- Rolls (1 dozen)
- Pumpkin or Apple Pie (1 frozen)

*Donations must be delivered by Sunday, Nov 22<sup>nd</sup>*

If you prefer to make a monetary donation instead, please email the church office at [office@pmumc.org](mailto:office@pmumc.org) or call Jan Deloriea at 301-972-8013.

Thank you  
for your  
help!



## Youth Group Christmas Dog Parade

Youth are invited to come dressed up along with their dressed up pup for a mini parade. Dec. 12<sup>th</sup> at 2 pm at Whalen Commons!



The November-December Upper Room Daily Devotional is available for pick-up inside/outside the church's main entrance.

## Friendly Thrift Shop

If you are able and interested in helping with this ministry, please go to the store

Weds, 7-9 or Sats 10-1 to volunteer. Email Elizabeth Gard at [gardeliza@aol.com](mailto:gardeliza@aol.com) with any questions.

## In-Person and Virtual Worship

Don't be shy! Each of us has gifts to share.

Welcome all to worship • Read scripture  
Sing a hymn worship • Share an announcement  
Request a prayer • Acolyte

To volunteer call 301-349-2010 or email [office@pmumc.org](mailto:office@pmumc.org).  
To submit a recorded prayer request or announcement, email [PastorTim@pmumc.org](mailto:PastorTim@pmumc.org).



## ANNOUNCEMENTS



Connect Challenge was born after our Church Council asked, "How do we go from here?" Every two weeks a new challenge will be shared and to have fun with.

**Our new Connect Challenge is to reach out to three different people in the next two weeks**

Have fun with this new challenge or return to a former challenge engaging with someone new.

As a reminder, our previous challenges were to reach out to someone...

- you haven't seen since March
- that typically sits near you in church
- whose last name starts with the same letter as yours
- who lives close to you
- you talked to at a community dinner

These connections can be done by phone call or text, a porch visit, dropping off goodies (garden vegetables, flowers, sweets), or sending the time-less note. If you need a phone number or address, contact the church office at [office@pmumc.org](mailto:office@pmumc.org) or 301-349-2010.

**Have fun bringing joy to others and yourself!**

Send requests to  
[prayers@pmumc.org](mailto:prayers@pmumc.org)  
**PRAYER REQUESTS**  
We are here to pray for you!



### Most of Memorial's Small Groups will remain online.

If you are part of a group of 5 or less you may opt to hold your meeting in the church building while maintaining all proper social distancing protocol. To connect with a group email...

- **Worship Service** - visit [www.PMUMC.org](http://www.PMUMC.org) for instructions
- **Adult Sunday School** - contact Fred Lyon at [cfredlyon@gmail.com](mailto:cfredlyon@gmail.com)
- **Youth Sunday School/VBS** - contact Betty King at [bking21710@gmail.com](mailto:bking21710@gmail.com)
- **Church Council Meeting** - contact Scott McGrew at [scott.mcgrew@aol.com](mailto:scott.mcgrew@aol.com)
- **Youth Group** - contact Pastor Tim at [pastortim@pmumc.org](mailto:pastortim@pmumc.org) or Betty King at [bking21710@gmail.com](mailto:bking21710@gmail.com)
- **Trustees Meeting** - contact Gary Hartz at [gjalaska@verizon.net](mailto:gjalaska@verizon.net)
- **Review/Preview with Pastor Tim** - contact Pastor Tim at [pastortim@pmumc.org](mailto:pastortim@pmumc.org)
- **Men's Group** - contact Ray Hoewing at [RLHoewing@gmail.com](mailto:RLHoewing@gmail.com)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Registration Opens for Laity Session A Time of Equipping and Celebrating for the People of the Baltimore-Washington Conference

The Laity Session of Annual Conference will be held online Saturday, Nov. 14, from 9 a.m. to noon. This year's session is open to everyone -- all clergy and lay people. However, attendance will be limited to the first 1,000 people that [register](#). We will livestream everything except the interactive dialogue which is why registration is required and limited.

**FEARLESS  
DIALOGUES**  
**see. hear. change.**

A special feature of the event will be an immersive experience by Fear+less Dialogues, a grassroots organization committed to creating unique spaces for unlikely partners to engage in hard heartfelt conversations that see gifts in others, hear value in stories, and work for change and positive transformation in self and others. Participants will leave the session with renewed energy to value the strength and solidarity of an inclusive society that embraces all individuals.

In addition to the time of equipping, our gathering will include:

- A time of worship and welcome from **BWC Lay Leader Delores Martin**;
- An address to leaders of the Baltimore-Washington Conference by **Bishop LaTrelle Easterling**;
- Honoring the BWC's 11 new Certified Lay Ministers; Presentations of five awards to churches and individuals that honor outstanding discipleship. Learn more at [www.bwcumc.org/resources/grants-and-awards](http://www.bwcumc.org/resources/grants-and-awards).

**Young People's Voices Needed for the Laity Session:** It is critical for the future of



our churches to have young people engaged. Encourage your youth and young adults to lift their voices as participants in this year's virtual Laity Session. *Young people have three opportunities to participate by recording themselves either reading scripture, singing "This Little Light of Mine,"* <https://www.bwcumc.org/article/virtual-choir-instructions-this-little-light-of-mine/> *or finishing the prompt, "The*

*church can keep the dream alive by...*" Contact Cheryl Cook at [ccook@bwcumc.org](mailto:ccook@bwcumc.org) for more details.

Register at <https://arenaweb.bwcumc.org/default.aspx?page=3439&eventID=5870>