

## OUR PURPOSE



*Loving God  
Welcoming All  
Serving Neighbors  
Together through  
Jesus Christ*

## DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

Sun., Feb 26 - **MATTHEW 11:25-30** *First Sunday in Lent*  
Mon., Feb 27 - **JOHN 10:1-5, 22-28** *Jesus, Our Coach*  
Tue., Feb 28 - **LUKE 17:12-19** *Gratitude*  
Wed., Mar 1 - **PHILIPPIANS 4:4-7** *Incredible Faithfulness*  
Thu., Mar 2 - **2 CORINTHIANS 4:7-18** *Renewed in Christ*  
Fri., Mar 3 - **JOHN 14:15-21** *Our Comforter*  
Sat., Mar 4 - **1 CORINTHIANS 13:4-7** *God Waits Patiently*  
Visit [www.upperroom.com](http://www.upperroom.com) for more information.

## OFFICE INFORMATION

### COORDINATOR HOURS

Monday-Friday, 9am-Noon

### PASTORAL APPOINTMENTS

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 sent to designated email accounts.

### EMERGENCIES

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

## CHURCH GIVING

**AVERAGE WEEKLY GIVING** (*last 8 weeks*)  
\$9,119.88

### WAYS TO GIVE:

- **PLACE** in Offering Plate when entering/exiting Worship Service
- **MAIL** to Memorial's PO Box 358
- **DROP** in Memorial's secured mailbox next to entrance
- **ELECTRONICALLY** via [PMUMC.org](http://PMUMC.org)

## CHURCH PERSONNEL & CONTRIBUTORS TO WORSHIP

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

**MUSIC DIRECTOR** - Janet Hartz

**ORGANIST** - Linda Custer

**BELL CHOIR DIRECTOR** - Becky Smalley

**HEAD USHER** - Dr. Robert Spiker

**ALTAR GUILD/SACRAMENT STEWARD** - Janet Spiker

**WORSHIP ASSISTANT** - Sandy Parnell-Dowell

**WORSHIP CMTE CHAIR** - Priscilla Lyon

**VISUAL ARTS** - Dianna McGrew, Janet Spiker

**ACOLYTE COORDINATOR** - Roy Melton

**HEAD ACOLYTES** - Grace P., Sam L.

**AUDIO/VIDEO** - Tim Melton, Kevin Schramm

**NURSERY** - Stephanie Parker, Sierra Waterman-Wells

**CHURCH COORDINATOR** - Shirley Prasada-Rao

**CUSTODIAN** - Ximena "Patricia" Murdock

**ACOLYTES** - Chloe D., Nicole L., Addie S., Aubrey S. Evie S., Izzy S.,

**BELL CHOIR** - Brenda Boulter, Kay Breed, Jennifer Fielder, Janet Hartz, Cindy Heivilin, Kirsten Lewis, Nicole Lewis, Priscilla Lyon, Beth Parker, Kaitlyn Schramm, Kevin Schramm, Corrine Selby, Evie Smalley, Isabel Smalley

**CHANCEL CHOIR** - Sandi Baggett, Eleanor Bateman, Tim Dowell, Chris Giarratano, Steve Krasner, Priscilla Lyon, David Melton, Tim Melton, Walter Moskwa, Marty Pauley, Rachel Poirier, Roger Powers, Betty Jean Selby, Becky Smalley, Erin Smeller



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*First Sunday in Lent - February 26, 2023*  
**Sunday Worship Service at 10:30 am**



"He fasted for forty days  
and forty nights..."

*40 Days and 40 Nights*



A special welcome to our guests today! Your visit is a blessing and we are glad you are here! 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.

\* = Please stand in your heart or posture. **UMH** = United Methodist Hymnal. **TFWS** = The Faith We Sing. *Italicized, BOLD Text* = recite out loud

**PRE-SERVICE MUSIC**—Izzy Smalley, piano Amanda Lyon  
*Rainbow Prelude* by Frédéric Chopin

**Worship Service**  
Aubrey S., Acolyte

**WELCOME** Introductions and Prayer

**PRELUDE SELECTION** Amanda Lyon  
*Great Is Thy Faithfulness* by Chisholm, Runyan, Tomquist

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** led by David Melton

LEADER: Happy are those whose sins are forgiven.  
**PEOPLE:** *Happy are those whose sins are cast away.*  
LEADER: Rejoice in the Lord! Be glad!  
**PEOPLE:** *Sing out! Shout for joy!*  
LEADER: Rejoice in the Lord!  
PEOPLE: *Rejoice! AMEN!*

**\*OPENING PRAYER** led by David Melton  
*Holy One, we are constantly bombarded with temptations and enticements. When we yield, when we fail, who will help us? You, Lord, have come to our aid. You teach us, counsel us, and guide us in the ways we should go. We rejoice in your unfailing love. AMEN.*

**\*OPENING HYMN**—*A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* UMH 110

**LENTEN MEDITATION**

**HYMN** *Just As I Am, Without One Plea* UMH 357, vs. 1

**LENTEN PRAYER**  
*Loving God, as we journey through this holy season of Lent, give us strength and courage to make the changes that are needed in our lives. Open our hearts and minds to your steadfast presence and help us to put our trust in you. Amen.*

**FIRST READING**—*Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7* Brenda Boulter  
This is the word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

**ANTHEM** Bell Choir Becky Smalley  
*Jesus Is Calling* by Mitchell Eithun

**SECOND READING**—*Romans 5:12-19* Rev. Timothy Dowell  
This is the word of the Lord. *Thanks be to God.*

**SERMON** *40 Days and 40 Nights* Rev. Timothy Dowell

**OFFERING** (Offering Plates in Spurrier Hall) Rev. Timothy Dowell

**JOYS AND CONCERNS** Rev. Timothy Dowell

**\*DOXOLOGY**—*Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* UMH 95

**\*THE LORD'S PRAYER** UMH 895

**\*CLOSING HYMN**—*And Can It Be that I Should Gain* UMH 363

**\*BENEDICTION** Rev. Timothy Dowell

**POSTLUDE SELECTION** Amanda Lyon  
*O For a Thousand Tongues* by Wesley & Glazer



Please send all prayer requests to [Prayers@PMUMC.org](mailto:Prayers@PMUMC.org)

**Memorial's Small Groups - some online only, some in-person, some hybrid.**

To connect with a group, please email...

- **Adult Sunday School** - email Fred at [cfredlyon@gmail.com](mailto:cfredlyon@gmail.com)
- **Youth Sunday School** - email Betty at [bking21710@gmail.com](mailto:bking21710@gmail.com)
- **Review/Preview with Pastor Tim** - email Pastor Tim at [pmumc.org](mailto:pmumc.org)
- **Men's Group** - email Ray at [RLHoewing@gmail.com](mailto:RLHoewing@gmail.com)
- **Youth Group** - email Pastor Tim at [pmumc.org](mailto:pmumc.org) or Betty King at [bking21710@gmail.com](mailto:bking21710@gmail.com)
- **Have a calling to start a new small group?** Contact Pastor Tim or call the church office.



SCHEDULE	MARCH 5	MARCH 12	MARCH 19	MARCH 26
LITURGIST	Beth Parker Erin Smeller	Betty Jean Selby David Melton	Erin Smeller Betty Jean Selby	Bob Bachman Scott McGrew
ACOLYTE	Evie S.	Sam L.	Grace P.	Chloe D.

## UPCOMING HAPPENINGS

<b>SUN - FEB 26</b> <i>First Sunday of Lent</i>	9:15 - 10:15 am 9:15 - 10:15 am 9:30 - 10:15 am 10:15 - 11:45 am 10:30 - 11:30 am	<b>Bell Choir Rehearsal - Sanctuary</b> <b>Adult Sunday School - Room 6 &amp; Zoom</b> <b>Child and Youth Sunday School - Rooms 1, 2, 3, 4</b> <b>Nursery - Room 5</b> <b>Worship Service - Sanctuary &amp; YouTube</b>
<b>MON - FEB 27</b>	7 - 8:30 pm	Bell Choir Rehearsal - <i>Sanctuary/Spurrier Hall</i>
<b>TUE - FEB 28</b>	5:15 - 6:15 pm 7 - 8 pm 7 - 8 pm	Girl Scout Troop #32066 Meeting - <i>Room 1</i> Christian Education Meeting - <i>Room 4</i> Men's Group Meeting - <i>In-Person &amp; via Zoom</i>
<b>WED - MAR 1</b>	7:30 pm - 9 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal - <i>Room 8</i>
<b>THU - MAR 2</b>	7 - 8 pm 7 - 8 pm 7 - 9 pm	Review/Preview w/Pastor Tim - <i>Zoom</i> Zumba Class - <i>Fellowship Hall</i> Poolesville Day Committee Meeting - <i>Room 6</i>
<b>SAT - MAR 4</b>	1 - 4 pm	Friendly Thrift Shop Ministry - <i>On Location</i>
<b>SUN - MAR 5</b> <i>Second Sunday of Lent</i>	9:15 - 10:15 am 9:30 - 10:15 am 10:15 - 11:45 am 10:30 - 11:30 am	<b>Adult Sunday School - Room 6 &amp; Zoom</b> <b>Child and Youth Sunday School - Rooms 1, 2, 3, 4</b> <b>Nursery - Room 5</b> <b>Worship Service - Sanctuary &amp; YouTube</b>
<b>MON - MAR 6</b>	7 - 8:30 pm	Bell Choir Rehearsal - <i>Sanctuary/Spurrier Hall</i>
<b>TUE - MAR 7</b>	5:15 - 6:15 pm 7 - 8 pm	Girl Scout Troop #32066 Meeting - <i>Room 1</i> Men's Group Meeting - <i>In-Person &amp; via Zoom</i>
<b>WED - MAR 8</b>	7:30 pm - 9 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal - <i>Room 8</i>
<b>THU - MAR 9</b>	7 - 8 pm 7 - 8 pm	Review/Preview w/Pastor Tim - <i>Zoom</i> Zumba Class - <i>Fellowship Hall</i>
<b>SAT - MAR 11</b>	1 - 4 pm	Friendly Thrift Shop Ministry - <i>On Location</i>
<b>SUN - MAR 12</b> <i>Second Sunday of Lent</i>	9:15 - 10:15 am 9:30 - 10:15 am 10:15 - 11:45 am 10:30 - 11:30 am	<b>Adult Sunday School - Room 6 &amp; Zoom</b> <b>Child and Youth Sunday School - Rooms 1, 2, 3, 4</b> <b>Nursery - Room 5</b> <b>Worship Service - Sanctuary &amp; YouTube</b>



**Review/Preview** (Deeper study of Sundays' scriptures with Pastor Tim) Thursdays via Zoom.  
No preparation required! Email [pastortim@pmumc.org](mailto:pastortim@pmumc.org) or [office@pmumc.org](mailto:office@pmumc.org) to get the link.



### DONATE/SHOP/VOLUNTEER

W & F, 2-8pm • Th & Sat, 10am-4pm



**Thank You** to all that signed up to help with the dinner at The Frederick Rescue Mission on February 25! We are all set!

### Inurnment in Our Columbarium



Information Packets are in foyer and at [www.PMUMC.org/columbarium](http://www.PMUMC.org/columbarium).



**March-April Upper Room** Daily Devotionals are available outside on the bench & inside on the table in entrance.



### Calling ALL KIDS

Join in learning about and sharing God's love.  
**Sunday School, 9:30-10:15am**



Local churches along with WUMCO are serving 22 families with this program. Food items needed are listed below, if you are able to pick any, please drop them off in the box under the Church Office's window. If you are able to help pack bags on Saturday, Mar 4, contact Catherine at [crbeliveau@gmail.com](mailto:crbeliveau@gmail.com).

**Canned Vegetables • Single serving fruit/applesauce cups • 1 lb bags of rice • 1 lb boxes of pasta • 16 oz jars of peanut butter • Canned tuna • Instant oatmeal packets (plain) • Treats (granola bars/cheese crackers) • 8 oz shelf stable milk • 1 lb bags of dry beans • Canned chicken • Mac & Cheese (multi serving box)**

To sign up to deliver the packed bags to Poolesville and Monocacy ES, go to:  
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/805094aa8a82ca75-backpack#/>

### GREETERS NEEDED!



Signup on board at the base of the steps Questions, email [bjspike@verizon.net](mailto:bjspike@verizon.net).



### Nursery is Open!

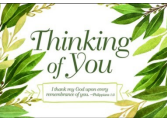
6mo-4yr olds  
Sundays during Worship

### The Children/Youth Sunday School classes INVITE YOU to participate

- Take a puzzle piece off of the tree by the back door and share it with someone to let them know they are a "Piece of God's Plan".



- On an index card place the name and address of someone that could use a cheer card and drop it in the box by the back door of the education wing or place it in the folder on bulletin board in the back of Spurrier Hall.



**Thanks for helping our classes to share God's love with everyone!**



### Does Singing Bring you Joy?

Reach out to Janet Hartz, Choir Director at [gjalaska@verizon.net](mailto:gjalaska@verizon.net) or 301-349-5935

**The Men's Group** - Tue, Feb. 28th. All men invited to join! We will be discussing Adam Hamilton's book, *Words of Life, Jesus and the Promise of the Ten Commandments Today*—copies are available.



**Thanks to generous donations,** Memorial's MEL Program is making a difference! The only item we are currently in need of is a knee scooter. To donate or request equipment, contact Eleanor Bateman, 301.461.7898.

