

Our Mission - To be a Christian community that invites everyone to know, love, and serve God.

February 28, 2021

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE LIVESTREAM - 8:45 AM

- -Watch it on our website at umcwc.org.
- -Click on the YouTube link to join the live chat.
- -All services are archived on YouTube. Go to YouTube and type in West Chester UMC.

GATHERING AREA COFFEE HOUR

Following each Sunday service via Zoom

To join Zoom Meeting cut and paste: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85713678565

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES AND EVENTS

Classes, meetings, and other events are being offered online via Zoom. Look for emails from any group or class you are involved in for updated information.

WEEKLY EMAIL

Contains updates and information to keep you informed about what's going on in the church. Contact the church office, shaughumcwc@gmail.com, if you are not receiving it.

PRAYER LINK

To receive the prayer link email: Isimsumcwc@gmail.com. Please send prayer requests to Rev. Brooks at tbrooksumcwc@gmail.com.

UMCWC ON FACEBOOK

Follow our Facebook page. Our pastors and staff post prayers and words of inspiration daily.

OFFICE HOURS

The office has limited hours. Messages are checked on a regular basis. If you do call the church and no one answers, please leave a message and someone will get back to you. If you have a pastoral emergency, contact Rev. Brooks, tbrooksumcwc@gmail.com or 484-340-0272.

UPPER ROOM DEVOTIONALS

Paper copies of the March/April issue are now available. You can pick up a copy at the ramp door.

Our church is now open for worship on Sunday mornings at 8:45 am for up to 45 people. Reservations are required.
Sign-Up at UMCWC.ORG.



SAVIOR

Next Sunday, March 7, we will celebrate communion during the 8:45 am worship service. Disposable filled communion cups with a wafer will be available for pick-up at the door at the top of the ramp beginning on Tuesday.

WHAT THE CROSS
MEANS TO ME...

Lenten Sermon Series 2021
Don't Miss a Sunday

The lectionary readings for March have been mailed. This month, along with the readings, your family will also receive a palm cross, a symbol of the suffering (passion) and death of Jesus.

WHA

SAVIOR WHAT THE BIBLE SAYS ABOUT THE CROSS

LENT STUDY Sundays from 7:00 - 8:00 PM via Zoom We will look at several ways of understanding Jesus' death on the cross and examine what exactly Jesus did to save us. Check the weekly email from Pastor Molly Dee for the Zoom invitation.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN



The next general meeting will be on March 2, at 7 PM via Zoom. The program will be presented by

Rev. L. Cotto, Global Ministries missionary assigned to the Eastern PA Conference. Contact Debbie Moyer at 484-886-8065 for more information.

2021 Tools for Ministry

March 13, 2021 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM via Zoom

To equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ."

For info/to register, go to epaumc.org. Search for "Tools for Ministry".

Orientation to Ministry - Might God be calling you? This workshop is for anyone wanting to explore a possible call to ordained, licensed or other forms of ministry in the UMC. Taking it fulfills a Book of Discipline requirement. Servanthood -Participants will examine the principles of servanthood and identify ways in which they can apply and incorporate them in their Christian journey Christopher Columbus: It's Time to Know the Truth! Helping your church to learn the true story of Indigenous People.-We will examine the European purported "discovery" of America and the damage the Doctrine of Discovery continues to perpetuate on Native Americans and the entire family of creation now living on Turtle Island.

- •Surrey Senior Services is providing transportation for older adults to local Covid-19 vaccine appointments. If you or someone you know needs this service, call 610-993-9493.
- •We still have a few eggs that need to be filled for Doris Haley Ministries' Easter Egg Hunt. Bags of eggs are on the table in the Gathering Area along with instructions on how to fill them and when to return them.
- •New Member Class forming.

 If you are interested in joining, contact Rev. Brooks at tbrooksumcwc@gmail.com. It will be

held via Zoom.

- •We are looking for volunteers to be part of our AV team. Contact Cory at csmithumcwc@gmail.com for more information.
- •We are still collecting unused hotel toiletries for our church's Clean Sweep Program. Items to to Ronald McDonald House, Safe Harbor, and salvation Army. Place items in the basket by the elevator in the Gathering Area.
- •Pop Tab Recycling Program-

Keep saving them. The tabs convert to \$\$ that provide short-term housing assistance to families of AI DuPont patients and allows them to be close to and support their loved ones during their hospital stays.



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.

Safe Harbor Lunch

Thanks for your continued support of the Safe Harbor Bagged Safe Harbor **Lunches Drive!**

We are doing lunches on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month. The March dates are Mar. 10 and Mar. 24. Contact Steph Campitelli at

campitelli.connections@gmail.com to let her know if you can help.



During this pandemic, you may be experiencing feelings of anxiety, sadness, uncertainty, and grief. Our church's Stephen Ministry is a one-toone 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 (mdrounsleyumcwc@gmail.com or 610-692-5190). Let one of our Stephen Ministers walk with you in this difficult time.

SUNSHINE MEMORY CAFÉ

Mondays from 10-11:30 AM In the Fiesta Center

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).

A blessing box has been donated to our church and erected by our front door. 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.



give.

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 athemanofpeace.com.

THINGS YOU CAN DO

Please donate Giant gift cards in the amount of \$25 to help members of the El Buen Samaritano congregation. Send the cards to The United Methodist **Church of West** Chester, attention to Evodia Villalva.

Keep in touch with other church families. Consider using your church directory. Find your picture and make a phone call to the family or individual in the picture below yours just to see how they are doing. Let's stay connected.

Donate to Act in Faith and the West Chester Food Cupboard. They are also asking for and accepting monetary donations. Checks and gift cards for Giant or ShopRite can be mailed to the West Chester Food Cupboard (431 S. Bolmar St. West Chester, PA 19382). Online donations can be made to westchesterfoodcupboard.org. To make a monetary donation to Act in Faith go to actinfaithgwc.org or call their office at 484-324-8492.

GIVING

Thank you for your continued giving during this time. -If you use offering envelopes they can be dropped off or mailed to the church.

-For 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. -For text giving follow the instructions below. Adjust the dollar amount to match the amount you would like to

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
UMCOR Disaster Relief	Text UMCWC UMCOR \$50 to 73256
Capital Campaign	Text UMCWC CAPITAL CAMPAIGN\$50.00 to 73256

IF YOU DONATE ONLINE OR ELECTRONICALLY AND PREFER **NOT RECEIVE OFFERING ENVELOPES FOR 2021**

Please contact the church office and let us know. (shaughumcwc@gmail.com)