

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

## MARCH 29, 2020

#### WORSHIP

- Our building is closed for worship for the near future. However, we will continue to livestream our 8:45 am Sunday worship service. You can watch it on our website at umcwc.org, but we recommend clicking on the YouTube link so that you can join in the live chat option. In the event that you miss the service at the regular time, these services are also archived on YouTube. Go to YouTube and type in West Chester UMC.
- ◆ Communion Next Week- Sunday, April 5th, we'll share communion and Palm Sunday through the livestream. The church has purchased small, plastic, disposable filled communion cups with a wafer supplied. We will put them in a basket on a table outside, behind our church signboard for you to pick up for you and your family. They will be available Mon.12 pm -4:30 pm., Tues./Wed. 9am-4:30 pm, and Thurs. 9 am-12 pm. Palms will also be available. Contact the church office if you need to arrange a different time for pick up.
- Flowers The placing of flowers on the altar has been suspended for the foreseeable future. If you have ordered flowers for those affected Sundays, you will not be charged. Instead of altar flowers, to honor a loved one consider sending in an offering for Rise Against Hunger. Instead of purchasing flowers for Easter, consider giving a donation to the Youth Mission Trip.

**GIVING** - We 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 <u>online giving</u> 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.

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

Adjust the dollar amount to match the amount you would like to give. Standard text message rates apply.

**ALL CHURCH MEETINGS, SUNDAY SCHOO CLASSES, AND EVENTS ARE ON HOLD -** Look for emails from any group or class you are involved in for updated information. Pastor Rounsley will be offering a Lenten Study through Zoom and some of our Disciple classes will meet electronically, as well Youth Group.

**OFFICE HOURS -** The office may be having limited hours; however, messages will be 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.

## **CONGREGATIONAL CARE**

- We ask <u>all members</u> to please become part of the prayerlink, where we will be offering not only prayer requests, but requests for help of any kind as needed. Email: lsimsumcwc@gmail.com.
- Please send prayer requests to Rev. Brooks at tbrooksumcwc@gmail.com.
- Although visitation is limited, we are available to help with many of the needs of our congregation members that may arise. Volunteers are available to make deliveries of food or prescriptions to shut-ins, if necessary. If you have a need, an emergency, or a suggestion, contact Pastor Brooks (see above).
- Our pastors and staff will be offering live prayer daily (Mon.-Fri) at 12 noon on our church Facebook page.

### WHAT YOU CAN DO

- Act in Faith and the West Chester Food Cupboard will see an increase in neighbors needing help. Consider donating to them weekly. 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.
- There will be modifications to the way food should be delivered to Salvation Army and Safe Harbor.
- Please continue to pray for our homebound, our church, our nation, and our world. Look on the church website for a "7 Day Coronavirus Prayer Guide" for ideas for daily prayer.