

Memorial United Methodist Church
17th Sunday of Pentecost-October 1, 2017

A special welcome to our guests. Your visit is a blessing to us, and we are glad you are here! Please let us know if there is anything we can do for you. Children of all ages are welcome in worship. However, if you prefer, a nursery for infants through preschoolers is available. Hearing assistance (headphones, earbud, or T-coil) is available during worship.

Today's Acolyte - Grace P.

The Lord is with you. **And also with you.**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Let Us Break Bread Together by Albert Zabel

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Almighty God: from the ends of the earth you have gathered us around Christ's holy table. **We come to feast together.**

Have mercy on your church, troubled and divided.
Renew us and make us one. Amen.

*PRAYER

O God, we join with our sisters and brothers around the world in remembering Christ's sacrifice for us. For the opportunity to eat and drink together and for the life we have received, we give you thanks and praise. In the abundance of your many gifts, grant us grace to fill one another's lives with love. Redeem, restore and remold us until we are made new. Transform our daily bread into the bread of life, and the cup that we drink into the cup of salvation. We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

*OPENING HYMN

O God, Our Help in Ages Past UMH 117

PROCLAMATION

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 21:23-32 Ralph Hitchens
This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**



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ANTHEM

One World, One Communion by Pepper Choplin

MESSAGE

Change Your Minds and Believe! Rev. William C. Maisch

*HYMN

One Bread, One Body UMH 620

RESPONSE

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY

There Is A Fountain by Don Hustad

*DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow UMH 95

THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Word and Table Service II UMH page 12

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

*CLOSING HYMN

In Unity We Lift Our Song TFWS 2221

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Deck Thyself, My Soul, With Gladness by Handel/Hopson



Today's Scripture Reading

Matthew 21:23-32 (NRSV)

THE AUTHORITY OF JESUS QUESTIONED

When he entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, "By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?" Jesus said to them, "I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?" And they argued with one another, "If we say, 'From heaven,' he will say to us, 'Why then did you not believe him?' But if we say, 'Of human origin,' we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet." So they answered Jesus, "We do not know." And he said to them, "Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things.

THE PARABLE OF THE TWO SONS

"What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, 'Son, go and work in the vineyard today.' He answered, 'I will not'; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, 'I go, sir'; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The first." Jesus said to them, "Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.

Upcoming Liturgist Schedule

| DATE | OCTOBER 8 | OCTOBER 15 | OCTOBER 22 |
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| LITURGIST | Kirsten Lewis | Ricky Ballew | Peg Arnold |

Daily Scripture Readings

Sunday, October 1 - **MATTHEW 22:1-14** "Christ's Table"
 Monday, October 2 - **HEBREWS 11:1-6** "Living By Faith"
 Tuesday, October 3 - **ROMANS 4:13-25** "Keeping Faith"
 Wednesday, October 4 - **ROMANS 16:1-16** "Leading by Example"
 Thursday, October 5 - **PSALM 19:1-6** "The Stars"
 Friday, October 6 - **2 CORINTHIANS 5:17-21** "The Ultimate Do-Over"
 Saturday, October 7 - **MARK 6:35-44** "Investing Ourselves"

Visit www.upperroom.com for more information.

Memorial's Statements

MISSION

Empower all to be disciples through Christ-centered worship, education and service.

VISION

Serving God and neighbor through the love and grace of Jesus Christ.

Last Sunday's Vitals

Worship Attendance: 85

Offerings/other income 9/17/17 \$7,190

Offerings/other income 9/24/17 \$3,258

Total Offering 1/1/2017- 8/6/17 - \$235,881

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**For online giving options visit
www.PMUMC.org**

Office Information

COORDINATOR HOURS

Mon.-Fri., 8:30am 12:30pm

PASTOR APPOINTMENTS

To schedule, please contact the office at 301-349-2010, office@pmumc.org, or visit www.pmumc.org

EMERGENCIES

People in need of immediate pastoral care, please contact Pastor Bill at 301-461-0301

PHONE MESSAGES

Messages for Shirley and Pastor Bill are sent to their email accounts.

Church Personnel

PASTOR - Rev. William Maisch

CHURCH COORDINATOR
Shirley Prasada-Rao

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC - Janet Hartz

ORGANIST - Linda Custer

BELL CHOIR DIRECTOR - Becky Smalley

HEAD ACOLYTE - Emma Parker

FACILITIES - Richard Scheetz

NURSERY CARE PROVIDERS -
Robin Walker and Lori King



Thoughts and/or Prayers

CHRIST HAS
NO BODY NOW,
BUT YOURS.
NO HANDS, NO FEET
ON EARTH, BUT YOURS.
YOURS ARE THE EYES
THROUGH WHICH CHRIST
LOOKS COMPASSION
INTO THE WORLD.
YOURS ARE THE FEET
WITH WHICH CHRIST
WALKS TO DO GOOD.
YOURS ARE THE HANDS
WITH WHICH CHRIST
BLESSES THE WORLD.

SAINT
TERESA
OF AVILA

<https://fathergodlovesyou.files.wordpress.com/2016/04/11494b676d8dbdd0769a9b70c8a12711.jpg?w=493&h=493>



Upcoming Happenings

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| SUN - OCT 1 | 8:30am - 9am 9:15am - 10:15am 10:30am - 11:30am After Worship After Worship | Communion Service Sunday School Worship Service Conversation with the Lay Leader Coffee Corner (Host- <i>Available</i>) |
| MON - OCT 2 | 9am 5pm 7:30pm - 9pm | Bulletin Deadline RSVP deadline-Church Conference Bell Choir Rehearsal |
| WED - OCT 4 | 5pm - 6pm 7:30pm - 9m | Children's Choir Rehearsal Chancel Choir Rehearsal |
| SUN - OCT 8 | 9:15am - 10:15am 10:30am - 11:30am After Worship 11:30am - 12:30pm | Sunday School Worship Service Conversation with the Lay Leader Coffee Hour (Host-Onderko) |
| MON - OCT 9 | 9am 7:30pm - 9pm | Bulletin Deadline Bell Choir Rehearsal |
| TUE - OCT 10 | 7:30pm - 8:30pm | Men's Group |
| WED - OCT 11 | 5pm - 6pm 7:30pm - 9m | Children's Choir Rehearsal Chancel Choir Rehearsal |
| SUN - OCT 15 | 9:15am - 10:15am 10:30am - 11:30am After Worship 11:30am - 12:30pm 11:45am - 2pm | Sunday School Worship Service Conversation with the Lay Leader Coffee Corner (Host- <i>Available</i>) Trustees Meeting |



Classes available for Ages 3 - 103 years



Sunday School

9:15-10:15

See You There!!

Church Conference - Oct. 21, 1-3pm

All members invited to attend and vote.
Held at Grace UMC, Gaithersburg. RSVP
by 10/2 to Joan Carroll at 301-349-2813.

Thank You to all those that helped with Keeping Memorial Beautiful yesterday!

Time for Fellowship

Coffee Corner offers light refreshments and time to mingle in the entryway Sundays after the 10:30am service. *Coffee Hour* held in the Fellowship Hall with seating available will be the 2nd Sunday of each month (next one will be next week).

If you are interested in hosting either, please sign up on the bulletin board at the bottom of the Sanctuary stairs.



Music Ministry

BELL CHOIR REHEARSAL

Mondays 7:30-9pm

CHILDREN'S CHOIR REHEARSAL

Wednesdays 5-6pm

CHANCEL CHOIR REHEARSAL

Wednesdays 7:30-9pm



Memorial's Prayer Connection

Send prayer requests to prayers@pmumc.org.

Volunteers in Mission & Emergency Response Team Trainings

- **Oct. 21st** - Volunteers in Mission Leader Training Class 8:30am-12:30pm, \$10pp
- Emergency Response Training Recertification Class 1:30-5:30pm, \$25pp
- Balt-Wash Conference, 11711 E. Market Pl, Fulton, MD 20759
- **Nov. 18th** - Emergency Response Team (ERT) 8 hour class to become an ERT
- West River Center (Saturday only or Friday night and Saturday)
- Includes cost of background check, materials, meals (lodging extra)

Volunteers in Mission Leader Training (VIM) - United Methodist VIM provides you with the opportunity to be a short-term missionary. UMVIM go out in teams to do construction and spiritual formation projects for people and places in need. They are people of all different skill levels, serving as the hands and eyes of Christ. UMVIM gives hope to the hopeless and provides opportunities for spiritual growth.

Early Response Team (ERT) RECERTIFICATION Training is for people who have previously attended ERT Training, received a badge which has now expired. This training is for ERT recertification. Early Response Teams fill a specific need in the early days after a disaster: to clean flood-damaged homes, remove debris, place tarps, and help prevent further property damage while at the same time providing a caring, Christian presence.

To register for any training discussed above visit: <http://www.bwcumc.org/event/1014191-2017-10-21-early-response-team-ert-refresher-training/>