

**Memorial United Methodist Church**  
**21<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Pentecost-October 29, 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 - Rachel S..*

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**GATHERING**

PRELUDE

*Glasgow Love Theme* by Craig Armstrong

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

May those who love your salvation say continually, "Great is the Lord!"  
**Yea, our heart is glad in God, because we trust in God's holy name.**

Let us make a joyful noise to God with songs of praise!  
**We praise you O God; we acknowledge you to be the Lord.**

\*PRAYER

**Strong covenant God, save us from being self-centered in our prayers,  
and teach us to remember to pray for others.  
May we be so bound up in love with those for whom we pray  
that we may feel their needs as acutely as our own,  
and intercede for them with sensitiveness,  
with understanding and with imagination.  
This we ask in Christ's name. Amen.**

\*OPENING HYMN

*O God, Our Help in Ages Past* UMH 117

**PROCLAMATION**

SCRIPTURE READING

*Matthew 22:34-46* Ralph Hitchens  
This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**



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ANTHEM

*Grace Alone* by Brown/Nelson/Ijames

MESSAGE

*Why is the Great Commandment Really Great?* Rev. William C. Maisch

\*HYMN

*Lord, I Want to Be a Christian* UMH 402

**RESPONSE**

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY

*How Beautiful* by Carol Tornquist

\*DOXOLOGY

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* UMH 95

OFFERTORY PRAYER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

*Christ Loves the Church* UMH 590

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*Through it All* by Andrae Crouch



## Today's Scripture Reading

*Matthew 22:34-46 (NRSV)*

### THE GREATEST COMMANDMENT

When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

### THE QUESTION ABOUT DAVID'S SON

Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: "What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David." He said to them, "How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying,

'The Lord said to my Lord,  
'Sit at my right hand,  
until I put your enemies under your feet'?"

If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?" No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

## Upcoming Liturgist Schedule

DATE	NOVEMBER 5	NOVEMBER 12	NOVEMBER 19
LITURGIST	Jan Deloria	Beth Parker	Scott McGrew

## Daily Scripture Readings

Sunday, October 29– **MATTHEW 13:31-35** *A Forest of Faith*  
 Monday, October 30 - **JOHN 5:1-15** *Do You Want to Get Well?*  
 Tuesday, October 31 - **ISAIAH 41:9-10** *My Secret Fear*  
 Wednesday, November 1 - **PSALM 78:1-7** *A Steward of Faith*  
 Thursday, November 2 - **MATTHEW 19:16-19** *How Do We Love Ourselves?*  
 Friday, November 3 - **JOHN 15:9-17** *Finding a Friend*  
 Saturday, November 4 - **JOHN 14:1-7** *Right Direction*

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

### Memorial's Purpose



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

### Last Sunday's Vitals

Worship Attendance: 98  
 Offerings/other income 10/22/17 - \$4,721  
 Total from 1/1/17-last Sunday - \$258,418

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**For online giving options visit  
[www.PMUMC.org](http://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](mailto:office@pmumc.org), or  
visit [www.pmumc.org](http://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  
**CERTIFIED CANDIDATE FOR  
ORDAINED MINISTRY** - Helen Ballew  
**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



Dear Memorial Family,

Thank you all for the many prayers, visits, calls, meals and expressions of love during Patti's illness and her home-going last week. There's not enough room to thank everyone individually; please know that your love toward me and my family during this difficult time has been priceless. I want to thank Pastor Bill and the many people who participated in the funeral service and who made the luncheon such a wonderful out-pouring of God's love.

It comforts me having my church family rejoicing and weeping with me. I am blessed to be part of this Memorial family.

Larry Watkins



## Upcoming Happenings

<b>SUN - OCT 29</b>	9:15am - 10:15am 10:30am - 11:30am After Worship After Worship	Sunday School Worship Service Conversation with the Lay Leader Coffee Corner (Host-McCraith)
<b>MON - OCT 30</b>	9am 7:30pm - 9pm	Bulletin Deadline Bell Choir Rehearsal
<b>WED - NOV 1</b> <i>All Saints Day</i>	5pm - 6pm 7:30pm - 9m	Children's Choir Rehearsal Chancel Choir Rehearsal
<b>SUN - NOV 5</b> <i>Day Light Savings Time Ends</i>	8:30am - 9am 9:15am - 10:15am 10:30am - 11:30am After Worship After Worship 12pm - 1pm	Communion Service Sunday School Worship Service Conversation with the Lay Leader Coffee Corner (Host- <b>Available</b> ) Worship Committee Meeting
<b>MON - NOV 6</b>	9am 7:30pm - 9pm	Bulletin Deadline Bell Choir Rehearsal
<b>WED - NOV 8</b>	5pm - 6pm 7:30pm - 9m	Children's Choir Rehearsal Chancel Choir Rehearsal
<b>SUN - NOV 12</b>	9:15am - 10:15am 10:30am - 11:30am After Worship After Worship 11:45am - 2pm	Sunday School Worship Service Conversation with the Lay Leader Coffee Hour (Host- <b>Available</b> ) Trustees Meeting



Classes available for Ages 3 - 103 years



### Sunday School

9:15-10:15

See You There!!



### Thank you Amanda Lyon

for sharing your gift of music  
with us today!



**Church Directory** photo sessions will be  
Thursday, November 16 from 2-8:30 pm  
Friday, November 17 from 2-8:30pm  
Saturday, November 18 from 9am-3:30pm  
**Sign-Up NOW for best spots!**

We want everyone in the directory! No purchase necessary.

**Sign-up after church in person or online by visiting:**

<https://booknow-lifetouch.appointment-plus.com/y7z3jq58/>

For help or to help, please call the office at 301-349-2010.

### Conversation with Lay Leader



Something on your heart or mind?  
All topics welcome for conversation each  
Sunday following the 10:30 worship in the  
Noah's Ark room.



### Youth Group

Our next meeting will be  
Sunday, November 26  
from 12-1:30pm.

Contact Beth Parker with questions at  
[parkerdbseg@comcast.net](mailto:parkerdbseg@comcast.net) with questions.

**Let Your Giving Be Automatic!** If you are interested in sharing your gift of  
treasure with Memorial electronically you can schedule electronic payments at  
[www.pmumc.org](http://www.pmumc.org), or through your bank's billpay feature.

Please contact Andrew Lewis at [aclewismd@hotmail.com](mailto:aclewismd@hotmail.com) with questions.



### Hosts Needed for Fellowship

**Coffee Corner** offers light refreshments  
and time to mingle in the entryway  
Sundays after the 10:30am service.

**Coffee Hour** with seating held on the 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Sunday of each month in Fellowship Hall.

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



### Music Ministry Rehearsals

**BELL CHOIR** Mondays 7:30-9pm

**CHILDREN'S CHOIR** Wednesdays 5-6pm

**CHANCEL CHOIR** Wednesdays 7:30-9pm

### Memorial's Prayer Connection

Send prayer requests to  
[prayers@pmumc.org](mailto:prayers@pmumc.org)



Please join

*West Montgomery  
United Methodist Church*

*Prayer Breakfast*

*"We Are One"*



*Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts  
form one body, so it is with Christ. - 1 Corinthians 12:12-13*

*Saturday, November 11, 2017*

*9am-Noon*

*Memorial United Methodist Church  
Fellowship Hall*

*17821 Elgin Road, Poolesville, MD 20837*



*Guest Speaker*

*Rev. Jason Jordan-Griffin  
Union Memorial  
United Methodist Church*

*Donation - \$10 for ages 10 and under, \$15 for all other attendees*

*For tickets or more information contact:*

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