

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. If you prefer,
a nursery for infants through preschoolers is available in Room 5.

Hearing assistance (headphones, earbud, or T-coil) is available during worship.



** Please stand in your heart or posture. UMH=United Methodist Hymnal; TFWs=The Faith We Sing.*

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Prepare the Way, Zion

Robert Lau

* OPENING HYMN

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

UMH 196

CANDLE LIGHTING CEREMONY: *Christ Be Our Light* by Farrell/Raney

*RESPONSIVE LITANY

Leader: Advent is a time for the human heart to wait, while trusting God's eternal time.

People: How long, O Lord, how long?

Leader: For those waiting for answered prayer:

People: Grant your steadfast patience.

Leader: For those waiting in the face of uncertainty:

People: Grant unshakable confidence in your sovereign provision.

Leader: For those waiting for justice and mercy to reign:

People: Grant a glimpse of your glory in our wounded world.

Leader: For all of us waiting for God's kingdom to come:

People: Grant that we might have the peace of Christ as we wait, the love of Christ as we act, and the grace of Christ as we speak.

LIGHTING OF THE FIRST ADVENT CANDLE Bob and Janet Spiker

CONGREGATIONAL CHORAL RESPONSE (see insert)

PRAYER

God of all creation, we declare that you are the Eternal One. We confess to you, O Lord, that we easily grow impatient, when your word to us is to wait. Ignite within us a new and everlasting-hope. We pray this in the name of Christ, our Lord. Amen.

ANTHEM

Comfort, Comfort Ye My People

Martin/Angerman

PROCLAMATION & RESPONSE

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalms 25:1-10

Kirsten Lewis

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

1 Thessalonians 3:9-13

Rev. Timothy A. Dowell

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MESSAGE

Preparations

Rev. Timothy A. Dowell

* HYMN

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

UMH 206

SEASON OF CELEBRATION

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

Robert Lau

* DOXOLOGY

In the Bleak Midwinter

UMH 221, last verse

THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Word and Table Service II

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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.

CONGREGATIONAL HYMNS DURING COMMUNION

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

UMH 626

Of the Father's Love Begotten

UMH 184

One Bread, One Body

UMH 620

Christian People, Raise Your Song

UMH 636

SENDING FORTH

*CLOSING HYMN

Hail to the Lord's Anointed

UMH 203

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Sleepers, Wake!

Robert Lau

Readings

Psalm 25:1-10 New Revised Standard Version

To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.
O my God, in you I trust;
do not let me be put to shame;
do not let my enemies exult over me.
Do not let those who wait for you be put to shame;
let them be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.

Make me to know your ways, O LORD;
teach me your paths.

Lead me in your truth, and teach me,
for you are the God of my salvation;
for you I wait all day long.

Be mindful of your mercy, O LORD, and of your steadfast love,
for they have been from of old.

Do not remember the sins of my youth or my transgressions;
according to your steadfast love remember me,
for your goodness' sake, O LORD!

Good and upright is the LORD;
therefore he instructs sinners in the way.

He leads the humble in what is right,
and teaches the humble his way.

All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and faithfulness,
for those who keep his covenant and his decrees.



1 Thessalonians 3:9-13 New Revised Standard Version

How can we thank God enough for you in return for all the joy that we feel before our God because of you? Night and day we pray most earnestly that we may see you face to face and restore whatever is lacking in your faith.

Now may our God and Father himself and our Lord Jesus direct our way to you. And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, just as we abound in love for you. And may he so strengthen your hearts in holiness that you may be blameless before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

*First Sunday
in Advent*

DECEMBER
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2018

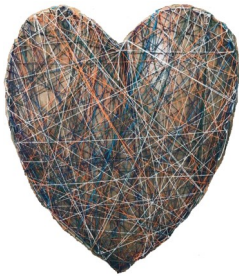
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Daily Scripture Readings

Sun., December 2 - **ISAIAH 9:1-7** *Keep It Simple*
 Mon., December 3 - **EXODUS 15:1-6** *Another Way*
 Tue., December 4 - **PSALM 19:1-6** *Chemistry Class*
 Wed., December 5 - **I CHRONICLES 29:14-18** *Our Gifts*
 Thu., December 6 - **JOHN 16:15-33** *Sweet Peace*
 Fri., December 7 - **HABAKKUK 3:17-19** *Rejoicing in a Barren Field*
 Sat., December 8 - **ROMANS 12:9-13** *We Can Pray*

Visit 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: 100
 Offering/other income 11/25: \$8,475
 Total since 1/1/18: 454,298
 Fellowship Hall Renovation
 Goal: \$75,000 Received: \$17,110
**For online giving options visit
www.PMUMC.org**

Office Information

COORDINATOR HOURS
 Call or E-Mail office

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

PHONE MESSAGES
 Messages for Shirley and Pastor Tim are
 sent to their email accounts.

EMERGENCIES
 People in need of immediate pastoral care,
 please contact Pastor Tim at
PastorTim@PMUMC.org

Church Personnel

PASTOR - Rev. Timothy A. Dowell
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 Shirley Prasada-Rao
DIRECTOR OF MUSIC - Janet Hartz
ORGANIST - Linda Custer
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HEAD USHER - Dr. Robert Spiker
HEAD ACOLYTE - Emma Parker
FACILITIES - Richard Scheetz

Choral Response

Christ, Be Our Light!

A Candle Lighting Ceremony for Advent

Words and Music by
 BERNADETTE FARRELL

Congregation:

Christ, be our light! Shine in our
 hearts. Shine through the dark - ness.
 Christ, be our light! Shine in your
 Church gath - ered to - day.

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Upcoming Liturgist Schedule

DATE	DECEMBER 9	DECEMBER 16	DECEMBER 23
LITURGIST	Ralph Hitchens	Eleanor Bateman	Ray Hoewing

Upcoming Happenings

SUN - DEC 2 <i>First Sunday in Advent</i>	9:15 am - 10:15 am 10:30 am - 11:30 am 11:30 am - 12 pm	Sunday School Worship Service Coffee Corner - <i>Lewis' Hosts</i>
MON - DEC 3	9 am 5:15 pm - 6:15 pm 7:30 pm - 9 pm	Bulletin Deadline Brownie Troop #32009 Bell Choir Rehearsal
TUE - DEC 4	7 pm - 8 pm 7 pm - 8:30 pm 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm 7:30 pm - 9 pm 7:30 pm - 9 pm	Zumba Class Small Grp: Men's Group Small Grp: English for Spanish Speakers Small Grp: Grief Recovery Small Grp: Good Grief: Coping with Loss
WED - DEC 5	5:30 pm - 7 pm 7:30 pm - 9 pm	Community Dinner Chancel Choir Rehearsal
THU - DEC 6	7 pm - 8 pm 7 pm - 8 pm 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm	Small Grp: Review/Preview with Pastor Tim Zumba Class Small Grp: Judy's Covenant Group
SAT - DEC 8	6 pm - 7:30 pm	Youth Group-Caroling @ Asbury (meet 4:50pm)
SUN - DEC 9 <i>Second Sunday in Advent</i>	9:15 am - 10:15 am 10:30 am - 11:30 am 11:30 am - 1 pm 11:45 am - 2 pm	Sunday School Worship Service Christmas Play/Party/Potluck Luncheon Trustees Meeting - CANCELLED
MON - DEC 10	9 am 7 pm - 9 pm 7:30 pm - 9 pm	Bulletin Deadline Wesmond Townhouse Association Bell Choir Rehearsal
TUE - DEC 11	9 am - 1 pm 7 pm - 8 pm 7 pm - 9 pm 7:30 pm - 9 pm	Organ Tuning Zumba Class Church Council Meeting - CANCELLED Small Grp: Good Grief - Coping with Loss
WED - DEC 12	7:30 pm - 9 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
THU - DEC 13	7 pm - 8 pm 7 pm - 8 pm 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm 7:30 pm - 9 pm	Small Grp: Review/Preview with Pastor Tim Zumba Class Small Grp: Judy's Covenant Group IOOF #97 Meeting
FRI - DEC 14	5 pm - 9 pm	Live Nativity Set-Up
SAT - DEC 15	12pm - 6pm 6pm - 8 pm 8pm - 10 pm	Live Nativity Set-Up LIVE NATIVITY - OPEN TO ALL! Live Nativity Clean-Up
SUN - DEC 16 <i>Third Sunday in Advent</i>	9:15 am - 10:15 am 10:30 am - 11:30 am 11:30 am - 12 pm 12 pm - 8 pm	Sunday School Worship Service Coffee Corner - <i>McCraiths & Cooks Hosts</i> Reserved

Memorial's Community Dinner - Wed., December 5, 5:30-7pm

We will be serving baked ham, scalloped potatoes, green beans, applesauce, and lots of homemade desserts. See Lori Kocur to volunteer.



Youth Group - Caroling @ Asbury on Sat., Dec. 8, 6pm.

Contact Beth Parker at parkerdbseg@comcast.net to participate.



Play, Party and Potluck! Sun., Dec. 9 after Worship

Sunday School Christmas Program

Please join us for a Potluck and presentation of "Not Just Once . . . But All the Time!"



Keep Your Eyes Open for Tags

We will be sponsoring two families this year for Christmas. WUMCO will provide us with the information on ages and wishes of the family members that will be placed on tags and the tags will be put on our Christmas Tree. More details coming soon!



Live Nativity - Saturday, Dec. 15th, 6-8 pm

Live Animals! Hot Chocolate! Cookies!

Keep our live nativity crew warm and energized!

Sign up to bring a crock-pot chili or soup, bread or side dish or desert. Sign up sheets available in Spurrier Hall



Stick Around After Worship!

Enjoy some fellowship and refreshments at Coffee Corner.

Trustees & Church Council Meetings

have been cancelled for December. See you in January!



Music Ministry Rehearsals

Bell Choir - Mondays, 7:30-9pm
Chancel Choir - Wednesdays, 7:30-9pm



Sunday School!! 9:15-10:15 am

Memorial's Prayer Connection

Send prayer requests to prayers@pmumc.org.

Breakfast with Santa plus Arts & Crafts, and FUN!

December 8, 2018 from 10am-12pm

Pancakes, Eggs, Bacon, Hash Browns, Juice
Children \$10 / Adults \$5 - A fundraiser in Support of Women, Children and Youth in our surrounding communities

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