



**Memorial United Methodist Church  
First Sunday of Lent-February 18, 2018**

*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.

*\*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

*Lenten Prelude*

by Rebikoff/Troutman

\* CALL TO WORSHIP

The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

**He does not deal with us according to our sins,  
nor requite us according to our iniquities.**

What shall I render to the Lord for all of his bounty to me?

**I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord.**

\* PRAYER

**Almighty God, your blessed Son was led by the Spirit  
to be tempted by Satan.**

**Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations.**

**And, as you know the weakness of each of us,**

**let each one of us find you mighty to save;  
through Jesus Christ your Son, our Lord. Amen.**

\*OPENING HYMN

*Lift High the Cross*

UMH 159



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**PROCLAMATION**

SCRIPTURE READING

Numbers 15:37-41

Jan Deloriea

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

ANTHEM

*A Lenten Walk*

by Hal Hopson

MESSAGE

What Is It About Pretzels?

Fred Lyon

\*HYMN

*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

UMH 400

**RESPONSE**

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY

*Lamb of God, Pure and Sinless*

by David Cherwien

\*DOXOLOGY

*Sing, My Tongue, the Glorious Battle*

UMH 296, verse 5

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 dai-  
ly 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

*Do, Lord, Remember Me*

UMH 527

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

*A Lenten Song*

by Charles Demorest

## Today's Scripture Reading

*Numbers 15:37-41*

The Lord said to Moses: Speak to the Israelites, and tell them to make fringes on the corners of their garments throughout their generations and to put a blue cord on the fringe at each corner. You have the fringe so that, when you see it, you will remember all the commandments of the Lord and do them, and not follow the lust of your own heart and your own eyes. So you shall remember and do all my commandments, and you shall be holy to your God. I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, to be your God: I am the Lord your God.



## Spiritual Gifts

*This week's spiritual gifts are:*

**Administration:** Allows a person to organize people and resources for greater efficiency, effectiveness, and success. Administrators are good with details and are deeply aware of how all the parts of a group or organization work together to achieve their goals.

**Apostleship:** Compels people to reach out to new and unfamiliar groups and individuals to invite them into relationship with God and community. Apostles extend the hand of friendship to those of other generations, nations, and languages.

*Where are these gifts present within Memorial?*

<http://www.umc.org/what-we-believe/spiritual-gifts-online-assessment>

## Upcoming Liturgist Schedule

DATE	FEBRUARY 25	MARCH 4	MARCH 11
LITURGIST	Scott McGrew	Emma Parker	Bob Bachman

*First Sunday  
of Lent*

FEBRUARY  
18  
2018

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## Daily Scripture Readings

Sun., Feb 18 - **MATTHEW 13:1-8** *Sparklers?*  
Mon., Feb 19 - **PHILIPPIANS 3:1-14** *Something Better*  
Tue., Feb 20 - **MATTHEW 6:25-34** *Do Not Worry*  
Wed., Feb 21 - **PHILIPPIANS 4:4-9** *God's Porch*  
Thu., Feb. 22 - **MARK 12:41-44** *Orange Plastic Easter Eggs*  
Fri., Feb. 23 - **1 CORINTHIANS 12:12-20** *The Family of God*  
Sat., Feb. 24 - **MATTHEW 1:18-25** *Christmas All Year*

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 - 105  
Offering/other income - 2/4/18: \$23,772  
(including \$18,303 insurance for broken pipe)  
Total since 1/1/2018: \$52,619  
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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  
**CHURCH COORDINATOR**  
Shirley Prasada-Rao  
**DIRECTOR OF MUSIC** - Janet Hartz  
**ORGANIST** - Linda Custer  
**BELL CHOIR DIRECTOR** - Becky Smalley  
**HEAD USHER** - Dr. Robert Spiker  
**HEAD ACOLYTE** - Emma Parker  
**FACILITIES** - Richard Scheetz  
**NURSERY CARE PROVIDER** - Lori King

## A Prayer for Lenten Grace



*Loving God,*

*During the sacred season of Lent,  
bring me closer to you.*

*Prepare a place in my home and heart for silence and solitude,  
so that I may re-discover the grace of a prayer-full life.*

*Enlarge my heart so that I give to those in need and, in so doing,  
re-discover the grace of gratitude and generosity.*

*Help me to fast from those things that threaten the well-being  
of body and soul, remind me of the grace of simplicity.*

*May this season be a grace-filled time to rekindle  
my love for and faith in you. Amen.*

*Adapted from [www.sharecatholic.com](http://www.sharecatholic.com)*

## One-Item Church Conference



Memorial will have a  
one-item Church Conference on  
**Sunday, March 4th**  
to fill our Lay Leader vacancy.  
The Conference will be held directly  
following worship service in the Sanctuary.

## Upcoming Happenings

<b>SUN - FEB 18</b> <i>First Sunday of Lent</i>	9:15am - 10:15am 9:15am - 10:15am 10:30am - 11:30am After Worship	Sunday School Sm Group-"The Holy Bible: Faith & History" Worship Service Coffee Corner ( <i>Host - Custer</i> )
<b>MON - FEB 19</b>	9am 7:30pm - 9pm	Bulletin Deadline Bell Choir Rehearsal
<b>TUE - FEB 20</b>	7:30pm - 9pm 7:30pm - 9pm	Small Group-Men's Group Sm Group-"Good Grief: Coping w/Loss"
<b>WED - FEB 21</b>	5pm - 6pm 7:30pm - 9pm	Children's Choir Rehearsal Chancel Choir Rehearsal
<b>THU - FEB 22</b>	7:30pm - 8:30pm	Small Group-Judy's Covenant Grp.
<b>SUN - FEB 25</b> <i>Second Sunday of Lent</i>	9:15am - 10:15am 9:15am - 10:15am 10:30am - 11:30am After Worship 12pm - 1:30pm 3pm - 4pm	Sunday School Sm Group-"The Holy Bible: Faith & History" Worship Service Coffee Corner ( <i>Host - Available</i> ) Youth Group Meeting Small Group-Parenting Book Study
<b>MON - FEB 26</b>	9am 7:30pm - 9pm	Bulletin Deadline Bell Choir Rehearsal
<b>TUE - FEB 27</b>	7pm - 9pm 7:30pm - 8:30pm	Evangelism Committee Meeting Sm Group-"Good Grief: Coping w/Loss"
<b>WED - FEB 28</b>	5pm - 6pm 7:30pm - 9pm	Children's Choir Rehearsal Chancel Choir Rehearsal
<b>THU - MAR 1</b>	7:30pm - 8:30pm	Small Group-Judy's Covenant Grp.
<b>SUN - MAR 4</b> <i>Third Sunday of Lent</i>	9:15am - 10:15am 9:15am - 10:15am 10:30am - 11:30am 11:30am - 11:45am 11:45am - 12:15pm	Sunday School Sm Group-"The Holy Bible: Faith & History" Worship Service Church Conference Coffee Corner ( <i>Host - Thomas</i> )

### Evangelism Committee Meeting Tuesday, Feb. 27 @7pm

For more information about this committee contact Kirsten Lewis at 301-349-2750.



### Additional Help Needed!

#### Memorial's Outreach Committee

is still in need of 3 more  
9x13 size pans of food to serve at the  
**Frederick Mission**  
**Changed Life Recovery Program on**  
**Saturday, February 24.**

If you can help by providing one pan of nourishment, please sign up on the bulletin board next to the lobby to provide a dish. If you have any questions, please call the



### Music Ministry Rehearsals

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

**CHILDRENS CHOIR** Wednesdays 5-6pm

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

### Invest in Your Spiritual Growth

Please join one of our small groups.  
The format will be that of a book club.  
Come every week or come when you can.

#### Men's Group: "Living our Beliefs"

Led by Ray Hoewing & Scott McGrew  
1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays at 7:30pm - Rm 6

#### "The Holy Bible: Faith & History"

Led by Ralph Hitchens  
Sundays at 9:15am - 2/11 to 3/18 - Rm 9

#### "Raising Kids Who Turn Out Right"

Led by Kirsten Lewis  
Bi-weekly on Sundays at 3pm  
2/11 to 3/25 - Rm 6

#### "Good Grief: Coping with Loss"

Led by Joan Carroll  
Tuesdays at 7:30pm - 2/13 to 3/20 - Rm 4

### Fellowship after Worship

If you are interested in providing refreshments for our "connection time." please sign up on the bulletin board at the bottom of the steps.

**February 25 is still available!**

**Helping Hands Poolesville, Inc** is looking for a homeowner in need of extensive home repairs but is unable to afford them. If you know of someone, contact Craig Cummins: 301-648-5508, cummins@avonel.com.



**College Scholarships** - The Baltimore-Washington Conference is offering college scholarships for the Fall 2018 semester. **Students can apply online up to March 7th.** Scholarships are available to students attending accredited colleges and universities in the United States full-time. Students must be an active member of a church for at least one year and will need to provide official transcript and two church references (pastor and another church member). The student must have a minimum GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale.

For additional information and to apply, visit [www.bwcumc.org/administration/finance/local-church-resources/scholarships/](http://www.bwcumc.org/administration/finance/local-church-resources/scholarships/).

