



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; TFWIS=The Faith We Sing.*

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Passacaglia

by Douglas Wagner

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Those who trust in the Lord shall never be shaken.

***People:* Those who place their faith in God stand on firm foundations.**

Leader: Just as mountains surround Jerusalem, God's love and mercy surround God's people.

***People:* Just as rivers flow through mountain ravines, God's mercy and compassion flow through us.**

Leader: Come! Let us worship the One who brings us peace.

*OPENING HYMN

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

UMH 57, v1, 3, 5, 7-all,
v2-women, v4-men,
omit v6

*OPENING PRAYER

Holy One of Peace, truly you show no partiality, for you treat all people with equity. You have chosen the poor to be rich in faith. You have chosen the downtrodden to be heirs of your kingdom. May our time of worship fill us with the desire to love our neighbor as ourselves, through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC BY THE MEN OF THE CHOIR

Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)

by Tomlinson/
Giglio/Raney

PROCLAMATION & RESPONSE

SCRIPTURE READINGS

James 2:1-17

Ray Hoewing

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

Mark 7:24-37

Rev. Timothy Dowell

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MESSAGE

Heavy Lifting

Rev. Timothy Dowell

* HYMN

Where Charity and Love Prevail

UMH 549

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY

Children of the Heavenly Father

by Jeffrey Honoré

* DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH 95

THANKSGIVING

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

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.

SENDING FORTH

* CLOSING HYMN

O Church of God, United

UMH 547

* BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Sent Forth By God's Blessings

by Lloyd Larson

Readings

James 2:1-17 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, "Have a seat here, please," while to the one who is poor you say, "Stand there," or, "Sit at my feet," have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you?

You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. For the one who said, "You shall not commit adultery," also said, "You shall not murder." Now if you do not commit adultery but if you murder, you have become a transgressor of the law. So speak and so act as those who are to be judged by the law of liberty. For judgment will be without mercy to anyone who has shown no mercy; mercy triumphs over judgment.

What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and one of you says to them, "Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill," and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

Mark 7:24-37 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

From there he set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, "Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." But she answered him, "Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs." Then he said to her, "For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter." So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone.

Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, "He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak."

*Sixteenth
Sunday after
Pentecost*

SEPTEMBER
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2018

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Daily Scripture Readings

Sun., September 9 - **NEHEMIAH 12:31-43** *The Thanksgiving Choir*
 Mon., September 10 - **JOB 42:1-5** *Why?*
 Tue., September 11 - **MATTHEW 10:40-42** *Love Poured Out*
 Wed., September 12 - **PSALM 5:1-7** *The Power of Prayer*
 Thu., September 13 - **EXODUS 16:1-8** *A Shared Meal*
 Fri., September 14 - **MATTHEW 6:5-13** *Enough*
 Sat., September 15 - **1 PETER 1:3-9** *Renewed in Spirit*
 Visit www.upperroom.com for more information.

Memorial's Purpose



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

Last Sunday's Vitals

Worship Attendance - 99
 Offering/other income 9/2: \$9,905
 Total from 1/1/18: \$330,989
 For online giving options visit
www.PMUMC.org

Office Information

COORDINATOR HOURS
 Mon.-Fri., 9am 12pm

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
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

Reflections

Searching for deep peace?



Love: to accept everyone fully
 without judgment or opinion.

Upcoming Liturgist Schedule

DATE	SEPTEMBER 16	SEPTEMBER 23	SEPTEMBER 30
LITURGIST	Jan Deloria	Beth Parker	Scott McGrew

Upcoming Happenings

SUN - SEP 9	8:30 am - 9:15am 9:15 am - 10:15 am 10:30 am - 11:30 am 11:30 am - 12:30 pm 11:45 am - 2 pm 7:30 pm - 12 am	Sunday School Family Breakfast Sunday School - 1 st Day New School Year Worship Service-Sun. School Recognition Coffee Hour Trustees Meeting Apple Butter Making
MON - SEP 10	12 am - 4 pm 9 am 7:30 pm - 9 pm	Apple Butter Making Bulletin Deadline Bell Choir Rehearsal
TUE - SEP 11	7 pm - 11 pm	Church Council Meeting
WED - SEP 12	7:30 pm - 9 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
THU - SEP 13	7 pm - 8 pm 7:30 pm - 9 pm	Small Grp: Review-Preview w/Pastor Tim Small Group: Judy's Covenant Group
SAT - SEP 15	9 am - 4 pm	Poolesville Day-TACO & Sharing Booths
SUN - SEP 16	9:15 am - 10:15 am 10:30 am - 11:30 am 11:30 am - 12 pm 11:30 am - 12:30 pm	Sunday School Worship Service Coffee Corner Acolyte Luncheon
MON - SEP 17	9 am 7:30 pm - 9 pm	Bulletin Deadline Bell Choir Rehearsal
TUE - SEP 18	7 pm - 11 pm 7:30 pm - 9 pm	Small Group: Men's Group Small Group: Good Grief-Coping w/Loss
WED - SEP 19	5 pm - 6pm 7:30 pm - 9 pm	Children's Choir Rehearsal Chancel Choir Rehearsal
THU - SEP 20	7 pm - 8 pm 7:30 pm - 9 pm	Small Grp: Review-Preview w/Pastor Tim Small Group: Judy's Covenant Group
SAT - SEP 22	8 am - 12 pm 3:30 pm - 6:30 pm	Fall Workday Frederick Rescue Mission
SUN - SEP 23	9:15 am - 10:15 am 10:30 am - 11:30 am 11:30 am - 12 pm 11:45 am - 1:45 pm	Sunday School Worship Service Coffee Corner Youth Group Meeting

Talk
About
Christ
Often



Memorial's Walking Taco and Sharing Booths

will be part of Poolesville Day Sept. 15, 2018, 10am-4pm
Be a part of Memorial's connection to our community!
Needed: Volunteers to work the booths/Donations of hamburger Contact Dianna McGrew at 301-349-2261 with questions. Sign-up sheets with all the options of how you can help will be available this Sunday in the back of Spurrier Hall.

Don't miss... "Review/Preview"

Join Pastor Tim to reflect on the past Sunday's scriptures and sermon and touch-base on the coming Sunday's scriptures.
Thursdays from 7-8pm in Room 8

Church Council Meeting

Tuesday, September 11
from 7-9 pm in Room 6

Upcoming
Council
Meeting

It's Apple Butter Making Time!

One of our long-time fundraiser has been selling Memorial's delicious Apple Butter. If you would like to donate sugar, please leave it on the cart in the lobby. To help with jarring on Mon., Sept 10, please call Betty Jean Selby at 301-742-8253.



Music Ministry

Bell Choir Rehearsals start Mondays, 7:30-9pm on Sep 10.
Chancel Choir Rehearsals start Wednesdays, 7:30-9pm on Sep 12.
Children's Choir Rehearsals start Wednesdays, 5-6pm on Sep 19.



Happy 1st Day of Sunday School!!



Memorial's Work Day

Saturday, Sept. 22, 8am-12pm
Special projects will be tackled. Come join in this rewarding fun time!
Contact Maureen Elder with questions at mlcuster74@yahoo.com.

Photo Directories are HERE!

To get your copy contact Memorial's office at 301-349-2010 or office@pmumc.org

To login to the digital mobile directory visit
<https://mobiledirectory.lifetouch.com/238525/memorial-united-methodist-church>.
The access code is **17821**

Memorial's Nursery opens today in Room 5 for infants-preschoolers during worship.

Poolesville High School is no longer on the reconstruction list for Montgomery County. A proposal to construct a new facility that would include other county services along with the high school is gaining officials' support but needs community involvement to have it move forward. If you would like to show your support, take the 8-question survey that can be found at www.poolesvillemd.gov - scroll to the bottom left under "Poolesville News."