



Our Church Matters

Our Mission: Growing Together in Christ
Through Worship, Fellowship, Witness and Service

From the Pastor’s Desk

***We Are One
Aren’t we?***

The more I learn, the more I know how little I know.

For a long time, I was kind of proud and kind of ashamed of my high school experience. For those of you unfamiliar with Baltimore City Schools, there were 4 highly academic high schools that were segregated **by gender**, and Rich and I, along with our brothers and sisters all went to those schools. (In both of our homes, we were divided by the schools we attended. I went to Eastern, my sisters went to Western. Rich’s brothers divided 2 to Poly and 2 to City, and the rivalry was intense on the day of the City-Poly football game, always held on Thanksgiving Day. Rich’s dad, a Baltimore City police officer, always threatened that if the fighting got too crazy, he’d send them all to Southern!)

I was a high school student when Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. was shot and killed and racial violence and distrust were palpable. I will never forget the fear and the unease we all felt on the night we were presenting our spring musical program, all dressed up in costumes to do our particular part (I was part of a trio singing *Three Little Maids from School* from *The Mikado*) when for some reason, maybe just to get a breath of cooler air, we opened the back stage door and saw the Baltimore skyline bright with fire, burning the stores and other buildings on North Avenue.

The “problems” in the City were the “problems” in the whole country. And those problems created a bubbling cauldron of unrest and suspicion in my high school. We held the distinction, in my senior year, if I remember correctly, of being the first school in the City to have riots in the school. Most of us were dumbfounded. Many of us were afraid. Some of us were angry. And some of us just didn’t have a clue as to why this was happening.

I served as a hall monitor outside the cafeteria every day, along with a variety of other girls. One of the girls, whose name I don’t remember and who I knew only from our shared cafeteria duty, sat beside me every day. We chatted about everything and nothing. We thought of each other as friends in the way high school kids can be friends without having a deep relationship. After the big, scary riot, violence continued to break out almost every day in the cafeteria. Day

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after day, food was thrown, girls screamed at each other and at the staff. And then one day, my partner began to cry. She laid her head on my chest, sobbing, and said, "I am just so afraid." She was African-American. All I could do was hold her and comfort her.

There was a scathing report of the issues that led to the unrest at Eastern, identifying behaviors, particularly of the staff, that were discriminatory to the Black girls in our school.

I had always been proud that our school had a very large African-American population – maybe even 50/50 or majority Black. I have never actually sat down with the yearbook to see how accurate my perception was. What I know is that being an Easternite had a profound effect on my life.

Fast-forward to 1995 or so. I was responsible for the camping program of the annual conference, and I met a woman that I was sure I had known from somewhere else but just couldn't place her. Finally, we figured out that she was a teacher at Eastern when I was a student. She taught in the business or Home Ec. department, so our paths didn't cross a whole lot, but since I was the editor of the yearbook, I knew most everyone at least by picture and name. I also learned that this woman was a devout Christian who stood up and advocated for biblical justice as she understood it – so much so that she was called before the House Committee on UnAmerican Activities, accused of being a Communist.

Imagine my shock when, upon learning that we were at Eastern at the same time and lived through all of the unrest more or less together, the teacher said to me one day, "everything was always so nice and pleasant at Eastern." She went on to say she had never been able to figure out why "those girls" caused so much trouble. The teacher whose careless comment sparked the first riot was one of her good friends.

I was never so ashamed as when I heard a person who was a personal icon make such an unconsciously biased statement. Honestly, that was the moment when I began to question my own perceptions of life at Eastern.

You see, I had been in the top academic classes – college prep it was called in those days. Our classes were rich and filled with young women of both races who had great support systems in their families. We were smart and had the kind of grounding that allowed us to be at the "top of our game." And we thought – we assumed – things were pretty much equal.

I had thought I was "color blind."

The problem with that is when we are blind, there are things we just don't see.

There were many more girls in our school whose life situation was very different from mine and who felt the sting of bias and racism every day in school and out of school. And they were sad, angry, and perplexed as to how those promises of getting ahead just didn't apply to them.

That encounter with the teacher from Eastern was maybe the first time I began to see how I make assumptions based on a person's appearance or race and even whether I truly saw others as honest-to-God equal. It took a long time before I began to see how race or neighborhood was a

determining factor in how people are treated by us as a society. I still find myself basing judgments on race and appearance from time to time, much to my discomfort and shame. I mean, if someone is stopped in traffic or arrested, they must have done something – right? If someone doesn't get in to college, they just don't have what it takes – right?

In the next few weeks, we will be offering small groups to discuss the racial unrest that holds our country bound. We do not all see the issues the same way. The goal of our small groups and the 3-week worship series (January 21 and 28 and February 4) is to look at our lives as Christian disciples and search for ways that we can move toward a life together that emulates Jesus' prayer for the disciples just before his death:

The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. (John 17:22-23)

The Body of Christ is a living, growing entity in the world, one that is constantly seeking the harmony for all of God's creation. It's not a static, unidimensional entity, and at least for now, we are not one. I hope you will join me in seeking to grow in the ways of discipleship as we relate to all of God's children – to be one in Christ as the Savior prayed.

Blessings on you!

Vivian

PS – At "press time," we had not finalized the schedule for small groups. Watch your bulletin and the midweek for details on group meetings.

From the Library



Library Log:

1. New Year's resolutions aren't usually much fun but your library suggests one that certainly is fun.

Try this: " I will read one new book a month during the new year." Let us know how you do. Happy New Year!

2. Several books are way over due. Please check under the beds, behind the sofa cushions, and in the toy box for any books needing to be returned. No fines - just smiles. Thank you.

3. We are happy to order a new book, reserve a book, or help you find a book. Just ask.

Book Club will be held in our **library at 7:00 on Wednesday, January 17**. We will discuss *The Child* by Fiona Barton, a novel of crime fiction. A journalist Kate Waters digs deeply into a neighborhood mystery when a baby's skeleton is discovered during a house demolition. Let's rev up our thinking skills to start a new year of reading.



4th Annual Gingerbread House Competition Results Sunday, December 17, 2017

The Sisterhood would like to thank all who participated and contributed to our 4th Annual Gingerbread House competition.

We raised \$234.00 for the Community Luncheon.

This is such a fun and worthwhile event. We hope that you will consider participating in our 5th annual competition next year!

Kelly

Adult/Family Category:
Sara Nash



Kid's Category:
Emma and Paige Osborne



RUMC NURSERY SCHOOL



Nursery School Dine Out Nights
2 more opportunities to join us

Monday – January 8th
At Chipolte in Owings Mills
5:00 – 9:00 pm

We receive 50% of the proceeds!

January 29th – all day
Times Square Kitchen – Owings Mills

Flyers located in the narthex and
on back page of this Newsletter
Thank you all for your support

The Nursery School wants to thank the Turnbaugh Trust for providing the funds for our winter music program. The children enjoyed the interactive performance with singer Ray Owens; especially the Old McDonald song.

RUMC Prayer List

OUR MEMBERS IN SENIOR COMMUNITIES

Best Care, Reisterstown

Myrtle Gary

Brightview, Towson

Peggy Eline

Carroll Lutheran Village

Dot Bond

Frances Koenig

Louise Meyers

Elsie Smith

Nancy Welsh

Golden Crest—Westminster

Betty Flohr

Hampstead Village

Wilma Cook

Lorien Encore—Ellicott City

Vivian Crouse

Lorien Center—Taneytown

Dotty Harry

Mercy Ridge

LaRue Allewalt

Morning Breeze

Betty Leppo

Salony House

Edythe Hastings

Springwell Sr Living Community

Frank Simmonds

Tremont Place

Doris Matthews



OUR MEMBERS AT HOME

Shirley Krause Bill & Colleen Eysaman Mary Jane Reed

LOVED ONES SERVING OUR COUNTRY

Davey Brickman, Ruth Whitlock's granddaughter's husband, serving in the National Guard, has been deployed to Puerto Rico

Joshua Coleman, Rosemary Dragunas' nephew—United States Air Force, deployed to Qatar, Southwest Asia

Ryan Delano, Kim (Wright) Delano's husband, Judy & Brian Wright's son-in-law, serving in the Army, stationed in Germany

Lindley Garcia, Carol Judkins' friend — USMC not currently deployed

Elizabeth Haines Greenway, Marion Yohn's granddaughter, serving in the Army in Texas

Steven Lee, Carol & Danny Lee's son—has been promoted to Command Master Chief, has served in the US Navy for 24 years and is stationed in Virginia Beach VA

Fred Linborn, Friend of the Tambaoan's, serving in the Army

Vance Listwan, Son of Rachel & Mark Utterback, serving in the Air Force, stationed in Germany

Dennis Mack, Thelma Mack's nephew— serving in South Korea in the Army for the next year

Allen Messenger, Ruth Whitlock's grandson, home, serving in Alexandria, VA, at Fort Belvoir

Isaac Shroll, Tracy Tambaoan's cousin, serving in the Army

Sara Thomas, Jessica Thomas' mother, deploying to Middle East for a year



PLEASE PRAY FOR RUMC MEMBERS AND CONSTITUENTS

Joni Cahill, unspoken prayer request ^(12/24)

Kathy Correll, continue prayers for healing ^(12/10)

Myrtle Gary, In hospice care at Best Car ^(12/24)

Kathleen Goebel, prayers for traveling mercies, traveling to Massachusetts 12/20-12/27 ^(12/24)

Edythe Hastings, prayers for healing, breast cancer ^(12/10)

Linda Miller, very ill. Cards and letters would do a great deal to lift her spirits. They may be sent to:

Linda Miller, Genesis – Patapsco Valley, 9109 Liberty Rd Room 110, Randallstown, MD 21133. ^(11/19)

Jordan and Joshua Reed-Estes, continued prayers for strength and guidance ^(12/10)

Kathy Reedy, prayers of strength, comfort and peace during this time, feeling alone and depressed ^(12/3)

Bob Waters, prayers for healing from recent surgery ^(12/10)

Ronnell Went, prayers for comfort on the passing of uncle in Barbados ^(12/24)

Norman Yuille, prayers for healing of shoulder ^(12/3)

Prayer List— PLEASE PRAY FOR RUMC FAMILY, FRIENDS, & NEIGHBORS

John Allen, Cynthia Dill's father, traumatic brain
John Allen, Cynthia Dill's father, getting feisty on
rehab and trying to do things that he isn't ready for
(12/10)

Andy Cashman, My brother Andy is home. We are
so thrilled. Still has a long road to full recovery but
he is so thrilled to be home after 3 1/2 months in
hospital and rehab. Please continue to pray as he
continues to recovery. (12/10)

Kurke Gary, in rehab in Frederick (12/24)

Charlotte Griggs, Candis Lee's daughter, surgery on
12/1 (12/3)

Gary Hadden, Pat Dinsmore's son-in-law, severe
kidney problems, prayers for healing (12/10)

Scott Merryman, Ross Merryman's brother, fighting
setbacks from cancer surgery (12/24)

Dick Mikulski, prayers for comfort at the loss
of his wife, who died suddenly of a heart problem
recently (12/10)

Monica Sheffo, prayers for healing from pain as-
sociated with Juvenile Arthritis (12/10)

Brooke Thompson, Jannell Trcka's brother, adult
onset of Muscular Dystrophy, prayers for diag-
nosis and treatment plan. Still unsure of type of
adult onset MD, turns 65 Christmas Day (11/26)

Sherri Vance, daughter of John & Charlotte Brax-
ton, just diagnosed with cancer (11/26)

Prayers for the homeless—Kevin, Barbra, Melvin,
Tara, Sa-val, Robin, Mark, Jack, Daniel, Muffy, Eric.
James and the rest on the Owings Mills Blvd. Ru-
mors of the police shutting down the park. (12/10)

Muffy, homeless girl that has been beaten by the
world (12/10)

***Ongoing Prayers for Healing
from Cancer***

Jacob Barford
Beth Bolin
Marilyn Brathwaite
Colleen Bratichak
Harvey Braxton
Dona Christian
Diane Darwin

Megan Evans
Sondra Hadden
Mary Hanlon
Jim Harbour
Roger Hembrough
Mike Hockstad
Joan Hoffmann
Eddie Jones
Josh Kirby
Gino Manna
Barbara McArdory
Tina Meeks
Gail Miller
Becky Morrone
Mike Murrar
Bill Neidart
Aaliyah Parker
Ginny Peregoy
Aileen Rund
Donna Soskin
Sean Staley
Melanie Stierhoff
Martha Taylor
Mary Telchi
Jenna Thornton
Patty G. Walsh
Dave Weinstein
Lynn Whitter
Wilbur Williams
Cindy
Deb
Jim
Ken
Nicholas
Tara



Please note that names will be updated after 30 days (date in parenthesis is the first date in bulletin). To be kept on the prayer list longer, please contact the church office. Those battling cancer will be kept on the prayer list—names only. Please inform the office of any changes or updates.



**CELEBRATING ALL OF OUR
Under 25 AND Over 70 MEMBERS
JANUARY Birthdays**

1/4

Owen Harris
500 Granleigh Road
Owings Mills, MD 21117

1/6

Frances Hatcher
326 Mary Avenue
Westminster, MD 21157

1/6

Dorothy Bond
C/O Bob Bond
1020 Green Hill Farm Road
Reisterstown, MD 21136

1/8

Tensie Wenderoth
302 Cantata Ct. #208
Reisterstown, MD 21136

1/8

Margaret O'Farrell
160 Glyndon Trace Dr.
Reisterstown, MD 21136

1/12

Hannah Folau
14003 Woodens Lane
Reisterstown, MD 21136

1/14

Mary Morrison
224 Walgrove Road
Reisterstown, MD 21136

1/15

Victoria Prentice
15615 Hanover Pike
Upperco, MD 21155

1/16

Carol Anne Lee
2250 Golf View Lane
Hampstead, MD 21074

1/16

Lucille Henson
20 Fox Run Court
Reisterstown, MD 21136

1/17

Lorna Dix
514 Berrymans Lane
Reisterstown, MD 21136

1/20

Barbara Reynolds
306 Lauren Hill Court
Reisterstown 21136

1/22

Edward Cashman III
12308 Greenspring Avenue
Owings Mills, MD 21117

1/22

Betty Flohr
1779 Nelson Road
Westminster, MD 21157

1/22

Kate Mc Alonan
2501 Nubian Court
Finksburg, MD 21048

1/23

William Hoffman
1648 Deer Park Road
Finksburg, MD 21048

1/26

Devon Flickinger
33 Waugh Avenue
Reisterstown, MD 21136

1/27

Susan T. Wright
5 Clarks Lane
Reisterstown, MD 21136

1/28

Lindsay Mc Manus
34 Glen Oak Court
Westminster, MD 21158

1/31

Louis Fritz Sr.
117 Choptank Terrace
Cambridge, MD 21613

1/31

Ann Perry
1030 Green Hill Farm Road
Reisterstown, MD 21136



Good news!! Together we reached out to many families at our adopted schools and in our community with clothing, toys, food, and household goods. The guidance counselors at the schools tell me that parents are often in tears when they see the gifts for the children and the parents often say that they couldn't do things for their children this year. These are families who have hit a 'bump' in their lives and we can think of ourselves as a congregation that provides hope these families through those 'bumps'. I am so thankful to all who were part of this outreach and I feel so blessed to be part of a congregation that reaches out to help.



Thank you to all who helped with the project. Thank you Youth Groups organized by Susan, J.O.Y. organized by Becky McClure, and Circle of Friends and RUMNS both organized by Lani Hoffman. Thank you to these families who adopted some of the families we helped: the Norris Family, the Merryman Family, the Hare Family, the McNeiland family, the Kenlaw Family, the Armacost Family, the Riesenfeld Family, the Fagan Family, McClure Family, the Pugh Family, the Harris Family, and Cathy Ritter and her company. Also, a big thank you to all of the angels who helped with the families on the angel tree by getting gifts for children, and gift cards for groceries and Target/Walmart. Thanks to the Kris Brown, food coordinator extraordinaire, and to the people who donated *Thirty-one Bags* which were filled with food by Kris Brown. Thanks to Becky McClure for help with organizing the gifts! Thank you too, for the people who were extra hands, feet and drivers in helping to deliver to the schools. Thank you to Robine Rahley and Pastor Vivian for communicating needs and sharing messages as they came through the office! Each piece helps this project work and together we have made a difference in people's lives so that they feel the gifts of Christ in their lives: love, hope, joy and hopefully peace.

Blessings,
Liz Livermore

Winter gift

"God ... does great things beyond our knowing. He says to the snow, 'Fall to the earth'; likewise to His heavy, drenching rain. He shuts up all humankind indoors, so that all people may know His work" (Job 37:5-7, NABRE).

Snow, ice and cold can make winter a hassle. "Snow days" due to a blizzard may thrill students but usually inconvenience parents. But now and then, winter blankets the earth so heavily that it seems to quiet everything. We're granted permission to hunker down at home, snuggle close with family or pets, enjoy a book or movie, make cocoa or cookies, and rest. It's like a surprise Sabbath — the gift of grace-time — when no one's expected to get out the door or the driveway.

Perhaps indeed, as Job declared, God sees fit on such days to put our busyness on hold and shut us all indoors so we pause and remember His work — His place — in our lives. Praise God for snow days!

—Heidi Mann

Happy New Year RUMC!



How would you like to start the new year discovering a new talent? As the new handbell director, I'd like to formally invite you to join us in the Joyful Noise handbell choir! You probably haven't noticed because the ringers do such a great job, but we have a few open spots in our lineup and could add even more bells to the table if we had a few more ringers! The bell choir rehearses after the 10:30 service each Sunday and we participate in the services around once per month. It isn't a huge time commitment, we have a ton of fun playing and you get to contribute in a special way to our worship. Also in case you are concerned, we'll be happy to teach novices, as long as you come with a willing heart we'll be happy to have you.

You can contact me or just come say hello after the service sometime if you'd like to learn more. Christine Martin c_m_eigel@yahoo.com, 301-748-4810

Thanks, Christine



WOW! WOW! WOW!!!!

If you missed music Sunday, December 17th, shame on you! A resounding statement was made by the singers and instrumentalists:

Music is ALIVE and WELL in these walls!

In the church, people love to sing, and on music Sunday, you did!

Perhaps the language of music was given to us precisely to balance our minds and hearts, to remind us that there are enduring values which are healing in themselves. Also, we lay aside our differences when we sing together, and celebrate our common humanity. Continue to support the arts. Supporting them is a step towards sanity. If you are not in a vocal ensemble, or an instrumental ensemble at RUMC, begin the new year with a new experience. We do spread peace, encourage fellowship and provide sanctuary for each other.

KEEP SINGING!

Bill Myers

Music Ministries—RUMC

The Community Lunch

Our next lunch will be **January 6, 2018**

We serve from 11:30 to 1:00.

All are welcome. If you would like to help with preparation or serving, please contact Lani Hoffmann at 410-526-6967.



Thank you to all who purchased gift cards (Shopper cards) from us this past year. Our profit for the year is over \$4500! Thanks for supporting RUMW for missions! Next gift card order for 2018 will be Sunday, Feb. 18th!

Year-end statements for 2017 will be printed the week of January 8 and be ready for pickup on Sunday, January 14. Any statement not picked up by January 28 will be mailed.

Thank you in advance for your attention to this.

Pat Botelle

Chair, Finance Committee

pat.botelle2@gmail.com



RUMC Youth Ministry EVENTS

For more information,
Susan Harry,
Dir. of Youth and
Young Adult Ministries
410-245-7190 / 410-833-5440/
gwtwsue2@comcast.net

Sat. Jan. 6- Young Peoples Ministry Meeting @ West River Ctr. 10AM

Sun. Jan. 7- RUMC ROCK Parent & Participant Mandatory Meeting
11:45AM Location TBA
All paperwork, copy of medical cards, and payment due.

Youth Group Epiphany Party- 6:00-8:00PM
Bring a side dish, snack, or drinks to share. Main dish provided. Please RSVP text what you will be contributing, 410-245-7190.

Tues. Jan. 9- After School Campus Life @Franklin Middle starts 2:20-3:30PM
Adult Volunteers Needed. Contact Susan if interested in participating.

Wed. Jan. 10- Dudes & Dinner @308 6:30-8:00PM. Dinner Provided. Theme: Let's Talk Money
Please RSVP to **Carl Oakman 410-517-9809/ brocan304@gmail.com**

Sat. Jan. 13- CCYM (Conference Council on Youth Ministry) @
B&W Conference Ctr. Laurel, MD 9:00-12Noon. If interested or for more information contact,
Katie Harry, 443-201-4414.

Sun. Jan. 14- ROCK Chaperone Meeting after worship. Location TBA
Youth Group 6:00-8:00PM (Youth Council brief meeting)

Fri. Jan. 19- Balto. Co. early dismissal. Meet up at Dunkin Donuts 11:15- 12:30PM. FREE DONUTS

Sat. Jan. 20- Church Retreat Planning Day 9:00-2:00PM
Need input from Youth, Young Adults & Youth Ministry Leadership Team for discussion on Missional Entrepreneur idea for our community.

Sun. Jan. 21- ROCK Retreat FUN NIGHT! Please join in as we prepare our hearts and minds for this spiritual retreat. Please Bring a donation towards pizza & refreshments. (\$5.00)
Adult Leaders and ROCK retreat Chaperones are needed to help with games and food. Dinner, crazy games, & worship...Invite a friend!

Fri. Jan. 26 -Sun. Jan. 28 YOUTH ROCK RETREAT

Tues. Jan. 30- SAVE A LIFE- Naloxone Training offered by Baltimore Co @ RUMC
MUST PREREGISTER- www.baltimorecountymd.gov/odresponse Or call 410-887-2828

Wed. Feb. 7- Dudes & Dinner @tbd Dinner Provided. Please RSVP to
Carl Oakman 410-517-9809/ brocan304@gmail.com

Wed. Feb. 7- Yellow Roses @Holsonbake's 6:30-8:30PM. Dinner Provided.
Please RSVP to **Janice Holsonbake, 443-398-5951,**
jholsonb@comcast.net



Free Training



Learn how to prevent an overdose death with this!

Target Audience

Anyone concerned about themselves or a loved one overdosing on fentanyl, heroin or prescription pain medication

Learning Objectives

Training participants will learn:

- What is an opioid?
- How to recognize, respond to and prevent an opioid overdose
- How to administer intra-nasal naloxone* to reverse an overdose

**A prescription medicine that reverses an opioid overdose. It cannot be used to get high and it is not addictive.*

Training Benefits

Receive a completion certificate and a kit containing the medication.

Good Samaritan Law Reminder

If someone calls 911 in an effort to help during an overdose crisis, or they are experiencing an overdose, their parole and probation status will not be affected, and they will not be arrested, charged, or prosecuted for possession of a controlled dangerous substance, possession or use of drug paraphernalia or providing alcohol to minors.



Healthy people, living, working, and playing in Baltimore County

Gregory Wm. Branch, M.D., MBA, CPE, FACP - Director, Health and Human Services
Baltimore County Executive Kevin Kamenetz and the Baltimore County Council

REV. 9/28/17

Training Dates

Tuesday, January 23 | 6 to 8 PM
Episcopal Church of Christ the King
1930 Brookdale Road
Woodlawn, Maryland 21244

Tuesday, January 30 | 6 to 8 PM
Reisterstown United
Methodist Church
246 Main Street
Reisterstown, Maryland 21136

Register Online

www.baltimorecountymd.gov/odresponse
Pre-registration is required and seating is limited!

No Internet access?

Call 410-887-3828

Should you require special accommodations (language interpreter, large print, etc.), please give us as much notice as possible by calling the Public Information Office at 410-887-6092 or emailing hhs@baltimorecountymd.gov.

Dear RUMC Family,
Thank you for your thoughts and prayers during my recent convalescence. I really appreciate all your cards and well-wishes, and Pastor Vivian for your visits. You arrived at just the right times! At this point, I have finished my doctor visits and rehabs, and have even recently been cleared for driving, a huge Christmas present for me!
Thank you!
Flo Forbes



Thanks So Much!
A simple act of kindness
has a beauty all its own
Thank you for your kindness.

Dear Folks
To all those who prepared, donated and delivered, I offer a heartfelt thank you for the lovely Christmas gift basket. I am late in thanking you all as my hands are quite bad with arthritis and it is difficult to write.
Your kindness and generosity are overwhelming and I thank you many times over for the love you share with me.
Best Wishes
Wini Lynde

Dear RUMC
The Care Team, courtesy of Al Soskin, brought a pretty container for me, filled with goodies and needed items. You don't know what a blessing it is until you receive a *Basket of Love* yourself. Then comes the warm feeling of being a part of a church family, the RUMC Family.
With my thanks,
Frank Simmonds

Turnbaugh Trust grants The Turnbaugh Trust Team will accept new requests for funding until Jan. 22nd, 2018. Request forms should be completed and submitted electronically at <http://rumcweb.org/rumc-turnbaugh-request-form/>. The Team reviewed 7 proposals in October and approved each. Additional information regarding the Turnbaugh Trust and the Team is available online or by request. Any questions can be directed to any member of the Team including the chair, Mark Norris: mnorris@stevenson.edu , [410-622-4461](tel:410-622-4461).



The One-Call (or Robo-call) system has been very popular with our church family. Because of this and because of the changes that are constantly happening, it has been decided to update things for 2018.

In January, the list we have been working from will be replaced with the new list. As of today, that list only has the primary number for your family on it.

If you want additional numbers such as your children's numbers or your cell phone numbers, we would be glad to add those numbers. Also if you want your number removed, we need that information as well.

This is the best way for the congregation to be aware of current events going on within the church. For the next few weeks, a clip board will be available on the welcome center counter and in the library. You may add as many numbers as you need. Also leave a remark if you wish your number to be removed from this service. In addition, you may email Robine at RUMCOffice1777@gmail.com or Brenda Soskin at bwsoskin@msn.com. If you have any questions, you may call Brenda at 410-908-5905.

Thank you for making this project possible and for your cooperation in making it as effective as possible.

January 2018 Food Pantry Update:

ALERT: Peanut Butter, Jelly, Cereal, Tuna, Cooking Oil, Shampoo, Body Wash, Paper Towels, & Plastic Bags

Volunteers: Always in need! Please contact Ann Fagan or Kris Brown for details. Community Service hours available.

Clothing: Children & Men need WINTER clothing only.

Thank you for the many "Holiday Meals in a Bag" donations for the local elementary school children. The food pantry was able to provide 22 Thanksgiving bags & 21 Christmas bags. This is true blessing to our children in need during the holiday season because of your generous, outpouring love for our Community!

With the need to feed our children, the food pantry will collect the following individual packages of food items to make a "winter breakfast or lunch" bag, which will go into the household grocery bag. These additional bags will begin distribution in January 2018 and continue until we run out. While this doesn't solve the problem, this bag lets parents know that we are in the community to help in any possible way! Thank you in advance for all that you do for the food pantry and feeding our community children.

Cereal, mac-cheese cups, pasta (pop cans), oatmeal, shelf stable milk, Juice boxes, fruit snacks, granola bars, etc.

NOTE:

Individual packaged items/pop tabs for easy opening.

Thank you!
Kris Brown
443-518-0482



Three Month Calendar

JANUARY

1	ALL DAY	Happy New Year! Office closed	
6	8:00 am	Men's Fellowship breakfast	Room 8
	11:00 am	Community Kitchen	Fellowship Hall
9	8-4	Mission of Mercy	Fellowship Hall
15	All Day	MLK Day	Office Closed
17	7:00 pm	Book Club	Library
22	All Day	Turnbaugh Trust Grant Proposal Deadline	
23	8-4	Mission of Mercy	Fellowship Hall
26-28	ROCK		
28	11:45 am	Chili Cook-off/Baked Potato Bar	Fellowship Hall
29	6:30 pm	Turnbaugh Trust Team	Library
30	8-4	Mission of Mercy	Fellowship Hall

FEBRUARY

3	11:30 am	Community Kitchen	Fellowship Hall
7	ALL DAY	RUMC ANNIVERSARY	
13	8-4	Mission of Mercy	Fellowship Hall
14	12:00 noon	Ash Wednesday Service	Northside Chapel
	7:00 pm	Ash Wednesday Service	Sanctuary
18	ALL DAY	Gift/Shopping Card deadline Newsletter Article Deadline	
19	Presidents Day		RUMNS Closed
21	7:00 pm	Book Club	Library
24	7am-1:30pm	BLOOD DRIVE	Fellowship Hall
27	8-4	Mission of Mercy	Fellowship Hall

MARCH

3	11:30 am	Community Kitchen	Fellowship Hall
10	Coffee House		Fellowship Hall
13	8-4	Mission of Mercy	Fellowship Hall
18	ALL DAY	Gift/Shopping Card deadline Newsletter Article Deadline	
	11:45 am	Chili Cook Off Potluck	Fellowship Hall
21	7:00 pm	Book Club	Library
25	All Day	Palm Sunday	
29	7:00 pm	Holy Thursday Service	Sanctuary
30	11:00 am	Community Good Friday Service	Sanctuary
	7:00 pm	RUMC Good Friday Service	Sanctuary
31	TTBD	Eggstavananza	Fellowship Hall

Mondays

10 am to 12 pm — AA, 308
1:30-3 pm—Infants & Toddlers , 308
7 to 8:30 pm— AA, 308

Tuesdays

7:00 am—4:00 pm—Mission of Mercy (2nd and 4th Tues.)

10:30 am – Staff Meeting
6:30 to 8 pm—Washed Anew Rehearsal
7:00 pm—Sisterhood, 308

Wednesdays

10 am to noon – Library Committee
8:30 am –3:00 pm—Infants & Toddlers, 308
6 to 8 pm – Food Pantry Open
6:30 pm — NA, Fellowship Hall
7:00 pm— Praise Band
7:00 pm—Men's Fellowship, 308

Thursdays

8:30 am—1:30 pm – Infants & Toddlers, 308
10 am—noon: His Hands & Feet Shower Ministry
7 to 9 pm—Adult Choir, choir room
7 to 8 pm—NA, 308
7:30 to 9 pm – Nueva Jerusalem, NSC

Fridays

8:30 am—1:30 pm – Infants & Toddlers, 308
7 to 9 pm—NA, 308
8 to 9:30—Nueva Jerusalem, NSC, Band practice

Saturday s

9 to Noon—Food Pantry Open
9 am to 3 pm—Maryland Sings Rehearsals
9:30 to 11:30 am—AA , 308

Sundays

2 to 6 pm—Nueva Jerusalem, NSC (except 1st Sun)

Most Sundays

11:30 to 12:30 – Joyful Noise Handbell Rehearsal

Every Sunday

6 to 8 pm—Youth Group (End of Aug. thru May)

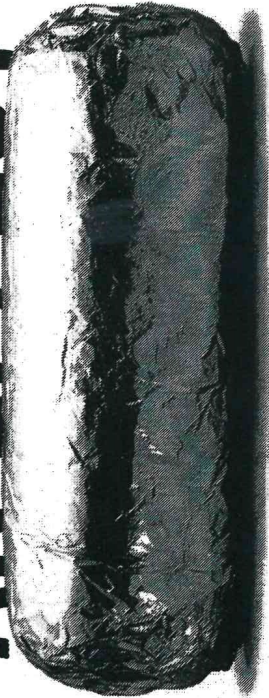
First Sunday of the Month— Nueva Jerusalem, Fasting and Prayer service, NSC (6 am—1 pm)

Last Friday of the Month—Nueva Jerusalem, Prayer Service, NSC (8-11:00pm)

Church Committee Meeting Dates

1st Mon.—Worship Design Team (7 pm)
1st Tues.—Worship (6:30 pm)
1st Sat.—Community Kitchen (11:30 am-1:00 pm)
1st Thurs.—UMW (7 pm)
2nd & 4th Mon.—History & Records (9:30 am)
2nd Tues.—even months— Finance (6:30)
2nd Tues.—odd months— Trustees (6:30)
2nd Wed.—Outreach thru Hospitality (5 pm)
3rd Sun.—Newsletter Deadline and Gift Card orders
3rd Sunday— Blood Pressure Screening (9am—1pm)
3rd Tues.—SPRC (7 pm)
3rd Wed. – Missions (7 pm), Church Office
4th Mon.—JOY Circle (7:00 pm)
4th Tues. – Church Council (6:30 pm)
4th Wed.—RUMC Crafting Guild (7 pm)
(Sept. through May) NOTE DAY CHANGE
4th Thurs.—His Hands & Feet (7 pm)
2nd & 4th Fri.—Prayer Shawl (10 am)

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Make dinner a selfless act by joining us for a fundraiser to support Reisterstown United Methodist Nursery

School (RUMNS). Come in to the Chipotle at

10150 Reisterstown Road in Owings Mills on **Monday, January 8th** between **5:00pm** and **9:00pm**. Bring in this flyer, show it on your smartphone or tell the cashier you're supporting the cause to make sure that 50% of the proceeds will be donated to Reisterstown United

Methodist Nursery  **CHIPOTLE** (RUMNS).

Online orders will not be included in the fundraiser total. To ensure your purchase is counted in the fundraiser, be sure to order and pay in-restaurant. Gift card purchases during fundraisers do not count towards total donated sales, but purchases made with an existing gift card will count.

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WORSHIP TIMES

8:30 am Praise Service

9:30 am Grow Hour (Sunday School)

10:30 am Spirited Traditional Service

Certified Childcare available during all times
for infants through toddlers.



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