



## Our Church Matters

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

### Are you hungry for a closer walk with God?



In her book, *Writing to God: 40 Days of Praying with My Pen*, Rev. Rachel Hackenberg describes a journey that allowed her to connect body, mind, and spirit with the

Holy. She began using her pen to write prayers in response to daily life and to scripture. For Lent 2018, we invite you into a similar journey – to pray with your pen during the 40 days of Lent and to share in meditation and prayer with other God-seekers each week.

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We have prepared a devotional guide that invites you to read a portion of scripture and then to write a prayer or reflect through art and posture every day beginning on Ash Wednesday and going through March 24. Our Holy Week meditations will be guided by the powerful, dramatic services on Palm/Passion Sunday, Maundy Thursday and Good Friday.

As we did last year during Lent, we are also planning to **gather on Wednesdays for lunch or supper** (each participant chooses the meal best suited to their schedule) beginning Wednesday, February 21. Participants in last year's gatherings have continued to talk about how rich those gatherings were, hearing the faith perspectives of our neighboring disciples as well as just getting to know each other. (Watch the bulletin and midweek for the final schedule of meeting places – still working the bugs out at “press time.”)

***Won't you consider making time for these five special gatherings that have the potential to bring you closer to the Savior – to fill your soul's hunger with the rich food of prayer and holy conversation?***

I am truly looking forward to our annual celebration of the birthday of RUMC. The Committee on History and Records has invited **Rev. Dr. Emora Brannan** to preach that Sunday, February 11. Rev. Brannan is the Baltimore-Washington Conference Historian and a long-time friend who has a rather wry sense of humor and applies that humor to a vast knowledge of the history of the conference as well as the churches of the conference. (When I called him to see if he would consider this invitation, he started telling me all kinds of things about the history of RUMC without my prompting – including a couple of things I didn't know!) I have long admired and

appreciated Rev. Brannan as he took the time out of a very busy schedule to help a young candidate (me!) to satisfy the requirement for United Methodist History when I was a student at St. Mary's Ecumenical Institute, a Catholic school. At that time, Rev. Brannan was the pastor at Lovely Lane – the mother church of Methodism in the U.S.

Blessings on you!

*Vivian*

PS—The Sanctuary will be open on February 6th from 8:30 am—6:30 pm for anyone that would like to come and pray. There will be facilitators available all day.

From the Library

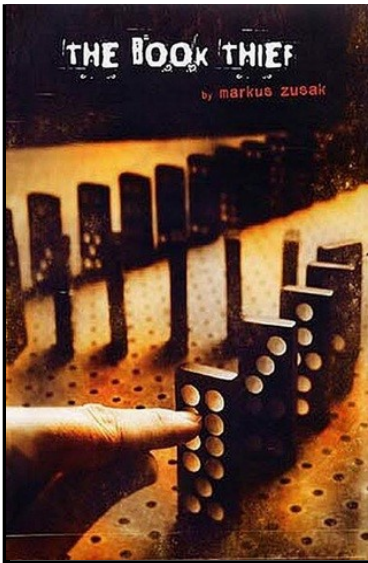
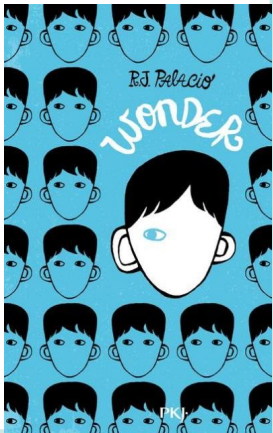
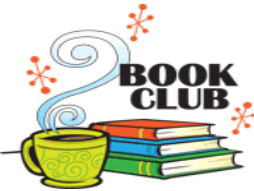
Library Log:

We could use your help.



1. Please return all overdue books. Check under the sofas and beds. Look at the bottom of toy chests.
2. Please feel free to recommend books you know about. How? Just tell us.
3. Please continue to care for our books. You do a fine job of keeping them clean and in one piece. Thank you!

Unfortunately we missed our January book club time but we will have a "double up" at our February session on the 21st at 7:00 in our library. Please read *Wonder* by R. J. Palacio. This touching story is about Auggie Pullman, now 10 years old and attending 5th grade in a private middle school in Manhattan. Until this time, Auggie was home schooled due to his facial abnormalities. His struggles to be included and accepted make up the conflict in the novel.



From the Shelves

My book club recently read *The Book Thief* by Markus Zusak. It's the story of Liesel, a young girl growing up in Nazi Germany. An unexpected event on her journey to her new foster home leads to her stealing a book. From there, books become important to her, and since her foster parents can't afford to buy her many, she's forced to steal more. We're with her each time she takes another one, and we watch events unfold in her country. You don't have to steal *The Book Thief* because it's available in our church library. Check it out for yourself.

-Beth

Waters



## Celebration of Women (aka Mother/Daughter Banquet)

Mark your calendars for May 10th at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall.



We are in search of some props and memorabilia from the 1920's. If you have anything that would fit that bill, please contact Kathy Bogert (410-833-3464) or Linda Morrison (410-833-6544). We do not want the items as yet, but if we can at least find out what is available, that would be perfect.



**MEN! We need your assistance!** If you would please contact Kathy Bogert or Linda Morrison and let them know that you are willing to serve the night of the banquet, we would eternally grateful!



## SUMMER CAMP *Fun, Faith, and Friends*

Camp offers opportunities to live and play together, learn and serve together, and make friends for life! The Baltimore-Washington Conference offers summer camp opportunities at West River and Manidokan.

Youth in grades 2 through 12 get to swim, climb, fly on the giant swing/zip line, canoe, tube, raft, kayak, sail, hike, play, create, and most importantly experience God's presence.

For additional information or to register visit [www.bwccampsandretreats.org](http://www.bwccampsandretreats.org).

To request financial assistance please complete a Camper Assistance Request Form located at the welcome center.

Submit completed request forms to Jill Wright  
**no later than March 15<sup>th</sup>**.



This is an update on the families and children who you helped! We were blessed to be able to go beyond the original 23 families to help 28 families food and gifts for Christmas. I know that the 84 children who were helped enjoyed their gifts of clothes and toys. Thanks so much for all of the effort to help these members of our community.

I also share two additional thanks for help with the Christmas to people who I omitted from the article in January. Thanks to the Goodrich family for their help in supporting a family. Susan Henry and Kate Strom, our quilting group, contributed the money they earned selling their projects at the Holly Fair. I apologize for the omission from the January newsletter! Your contribution to this project is greatly appreciated, especially by the people who were helped!

Liz Livermore



## The Community Lunch

Our next lunch will be  
**February 3rd, 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.



Gift card Sunday, Feb. 18th please come to Fellowship Hall doors between services to place your order. Remember these cards can be used for everyday shopping! We have so many places that all of us use everyday! Please get an order form from bulletin board in Narthex by water fountain. Any questions call Tammy 410-239-8394.

## RUMC Prayer List

### OUR MEMBERS IN SENIOR COMMUNITIES

#### 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

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

**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

**Joan Cahill**, unspoken prayer request <sup>(1/7)</sup>

**Kathy Correll**, continue prayers for healing <sup>(1/7)</sup>

**Edythe Hastings**, prayers for healing, breast cancer <sup>(1/7)</sup>

**Bianca Suzanne Nash and her family**. Tammy and Bill's newest granddaughter, born January 8th; is having a bit of a rough time. Prayers for healing. <sup>1/14</sup>

**Christy Newcomer**, having kidney surgery on 1/18 and will be out for several weeks, prayers for peace, comfort and healing <sup>(1/14)</sup>

**George Ousler**, prayers for healing in his knee <sup>(1/21)</sup>

**Kathy Reedy**, prayers for more hours at work and for wisdom, increased faith and protection <sup>(1/14)</sup>

**Sandy Thawley**, prayers for healing and quick recovery, in Future Care, Cherrywood for rehab after surgery <sup>(1/21)</sup>

**John Trail**, abdominal surgery on Jan 11—prayers for healing and quick recovery <sup>(1/14)</sup>

**Jannell Trcka**, prayers for wisdom for the doctors as they reschedule her surgery <sup>(1/28)</sup>



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

**John Cynthia Dill's father**, doing better—off the trach tube and out of the collar <sup>(1/7)</sup>

**Andy Cashman**, My brother Andy is home. Please continue to pray as he continues to recovery. <sup>(1/7)</sup>

**Gino Manna**, is not doing well. Has decided to stop all treatment. Prayer for healing and God's peace <sup>(1/21)</sup>

**Brooke Thompson**, prayers for wisdom for the doctors in devising a treatment plan for his adult onset MD <sup>(1/21)</sup>

**Beverly Wright**, prayers for cont. healing <sup>(1/14)</sup>

**Mike Wright**, prayers for continued healing as he does PT following back surgery <sup>(1/14)</sup>

**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. Rumors of the police shutting down the park. <sup>(1/7)</sup>

**Muffy**, homeless girl that has been beaten by the world <sup>(1/7)</sup>



### *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

Aileen Rund

Donna Soskin

Sean Staley

Melanie Stierhoff

Martha Taylor

Mary Telchi

Jenna Thornton

Patty G. Walsh

Dave Weinstein

Lynn Whitter

Cindy Deb Jim

Ken Nicholas Tara

From Mary Lewis: Would like to give you an up date on my brother Andy Cashman. Praise God he is doing really well. Is working 1/2 days and drove himself to work the last 3 days. He is still doing Physical therapy 3 times a week, he is looking so good now. Our family has been truly blessed. All wounds have healed really well. The one on his neck is still not healed but is not from infection but surgeries. Thank you for all the prayers and please continue the prayers as he has a ways to go.

*Our deepest and sincerest sympathy goes out to Al and Brenda Soskin on the passing of her mom, Lorene Settlemire Wright on Tuesday, January 23rd.*

*We also extend our deepest sympathy to Laura & John DeCarlo on the passing of his mother Maria Decarlo on Wednesday, January 24th Please keep Brenda and Al, John & Laura and their families in your prayers during this time.*

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  
FEBRUARY Birthdays**

2/2

**Robert Brooking**

8002 Valley Manor Rd., Apt 1A  
Owings Mills, MD 21117-5354

2/5

**Christie Hoffmann**

22 Clarks Lane  
Reisterstown, MD 21136

2/19

**Zachary Caltrider**

1791 Brookshire Court  
Finksburg, MD 21048

2/2

**Brynn Choplin**

955 Tara Oaks Court  
Westminster, MD 21157

2/6

**Amelia Price**

2208 Cedar Hill Drive  
Finksburg, MD 21048

2/19

**Sydney Harris**

500 Granleigh Road  
Owings Mills, MD 21117

2/3

**Beverly Lipp**

508 Gwynnwest Road  
Reisterstown, MD 21136

2/10

**Louise Meyers**

201 St. Marks Way #402  
Westminster, MD 21158

2/21

**Betty Bogert**

13 Franklin Valley Circle  
Reisterstown, MD 21136

2/3

**Frank Simmonds Jr.**

The Overlook, Apt. 201;  
2211 W. Rogers Avenue  
Baltimore, MD 21209

2/13

**Pam Horner**

345 High Knob Lane  
Reisterstown, MD 21136

2/21

**Luke Decampo**

50 Patrick Ave  
Littlestown, PA 17340

2/4

**Luke Harmon**

13 Austin Road  
Reisterstown, MD 21136

2/14

**Jim Brondyke**

1220 Marcee Road  
Finksburg, MD 21048

2/24

**Deloris Stark**

11725 Terrytown Drive  
Reisterstown, MD 21136

2/4

**Kinsey Pue**

2627 Bag Pipe Drive,  
P.O. Box 583  
Finksburg, MD 21048

2/16

**Natalie Agee**

2534 Cornstalk Drive  
Finksburg, MD 21048

2/25

**Edythe P. Hastings**

300 Salony Drive Apt. 305  
Reisterstown, MD 21136

2/4

**Mary Jane Reed**

3400 Halcyon Road  
Stevenson, MD 21153

2/17

**Kain Cresswell**

1301 Nicodemus Road  
Reisterstown, MD 21136

2/28

**Margaret M. Eline**

12261 Roundwood Road Unit 409  
Timonium, MD 21093



# Swing Dance Date Night

FREE  
SWING DANCE  
LESSON INCLUDED  
TAUGHT BY DANCE INSTRUCTOR  
AMY LATTA

FEATURING  
THE MILES &  
MONTE SHOW  
Swing Band  
w/Zion Leister & Jay Fenner



GRAB YOUR PARTNER & GET READY TO DANCE THE NIGHT AWAY

Date: FEBRUARY 24TH

Time: 6:30-9:00PM

DOORS & REGISTRATION OPEN AT 6:00PM

Cost: \$15 PER PERSON  
\$5 PER STUDENT 18 & UNDER

Venue: REISTERSTOWN UMC  
246 MAIN STREET, REISTERSTOWN, MD

Details: PROCEEDS BENEFIT  
REISTERSTOWN UMC YOUTH PROGRAM  
AND SUMMER MISSION TRIP TO GEORGIA

REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE  
DONATIONS WELCOME

[www.themilesandmonteshow.com](http://www.themilesandmonteshow.com)



# REISTERSTOWN UMC YOUTH GROUP

## LASER TAG

**Sunday February 25<sup>th</sup>**

**5:00-8:30PM**

**@ RUMC Fellowship Hall**

**Join in on the fun as we get together with Towson UMC for food, games,  
and a time to recap our experiences from  
the Rock Youth Retreat.**

**Please bring your photos or phones to download photos.**

**Friends are also WELCOME!**

**Adult chaperones are encouraged to join in!**

**The cost is \$5.00 per person for Laser Tag.**

**(Must pre-register!)**

- Dinner food donations are needed. Please plan for 50 people.
- Donations needed for Tacos in a bag: Ground beef, Individuals Doritos bags, Lettuce, Sour cream, shredded cheese, & Salsa.
- Other Donations needs: Drinks, paper goods, & Desserts.
- Sign up for food Donations; <https://ttsu.me/rumclasertagfood>

Please RSVP by Sunday February 18th by completing registration form online or contacting  
<https://www.timetosignup.com/rumcyouth/>

Mrs. Susan Harry, 410-245-7190/ [gwtwsue2@comcast.net](mailto:gwtwsue2@comcast.net)

First come first served.

Reisterstown UMC 246 Main Street, Reisterstown, MD 21136  
(Fellowship Hall in rear of building)



## Three Month Calendar

### FEBRUARY

3	11:30 am	Community Kitchen	Fellowship Hall
6	<b>ALL DAY RUMC ANNIVERSARY— Sanctuary open for prayer from 8:30 am—6:30 pm</b>		
11	10:00 am	<b>ONE COMBINED SERVICE</b>	
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
24	6:30 -9 pm	Swing Dance Date Night	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	12:00 pm	Community Good Friday Service	Sanctuary
	7:00 pm	RUMC Good Friday Service	Sanctuary
31	TTBD	Eggstravaganza	Fellowship Hall

### APRIL

1	7:30 am	Easter Breakfast/Early Service	Fellowship Hall
	8:30 am	Easter Praise Service	Sanctuary
	10:30 am	Easter Spirited Traditional Service	Sanctuary
2	ALL DAY	Offices and PreSchool Closed	
7	11:30 am	Community Kitchen	Fellowship Hall
10	8-4	Mission of Mercy	Fellowship Hall
14	6:00 pm	Coffee House	Fellowship Hall
18	7:00 pm	Book Club	Library
23-27	6-10pm	Broadway on Main Street Rehearsals	Lower level
28	1-10pm	Broadway on Main Street Performance	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)

PLEASE  
PLACE  
STAMP  
HERE

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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.



## FREE COFFEE HOUSE Saturday, February 10, 2018



Reisterstown  
United Methodist Church  
246 Main Street



6-8pm

Come join us for a light supper and music by:

**“Washed Anew”**  
**AND**  
**OPEN MIC**

*Invite your friends and family!*  
*Children are always welcome!!*