



February 23, 2025

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

Join us for worship at 8:45 and 11 am. Both worship services will be livestreamed. Watch them on our website at umcwc.org. All services are archived on YouTube. Go to YouTube and type in West Chester UMC.

COFFEE IN THE GATHERING AREA

Please join us in the Gathering Area following the 8:45 worship service for a time of fellowship and coffee. Proceeds go to support our youth ministry.

PRAYER LINK

To receive the prayer link email Luanne Sims at lsimsumcwc@gmail.com. Please send prayer requests to Rev. Case at Mercedes@umcwc.org.

GIVING

Online Giving: go to our website umcwc.org/giving. Click the link for online giving. Enter the amount and select the fund to which you would like to donate.

Text Giving: follow the instructions below. Adjust the dollar amount to match the amount you would like to give.

General Fund	Text UMCWC \$50 to 73256
Mission of the Month	Text UMCWC MISSION \$50 to 73256
Building Fund	Text UMCWC BUILDING \$50 to 73256
Rise Against Hunger	Text UMCWC HUNGER \$50 to 73256
Amber Allan	Text UMCWC AMBER \$50 to 73256

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES -10:00 AM

Children ages 2-grade 5 - Meeting in rooms 4&5. For information contact Kelly Lynn (Kelly@umcwc.org)

Youth Bible Study and Confirmation Class - Meeting in the Youth Room. For information contact Cory Smith (cory@umcwc.org).

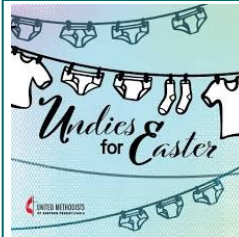
Adults

Mustard Seed Class - Meeting in room 12
Seekers-Meeting in the lounge area by the Youth Room

Upper Room-Meeting in the Chapel
For information contact Rev. Mercedes Case (Mercedes@umcwc.org)

SACRED SPACES

Finding Our Place in God



The EPA Conference Prison Ministry Team is again collecting men's socks and underwear that will be distributed to the Philadelphia prison system. Donations **must** be purchased through their Amazon gift registry [www.amazon.com/registries/gl/guest-view/JFS85IUQBMMR?](http://www.amazon.com/registries/gl/guest-view/JFS85IUQBMMR?ref=gr_search_page_result) Deadline to order is April 13.

CURRENT SERMON SERIES

- Feb. 16 - By the Waters of Life
- Feb. 23 - Under the Shelter of God's Wings
- Mar. 2 - Transfiguration Sunday: Up on the Mountain Top



Willistown United Methodist Church

has invited us to join them for a Pi Day Luncheon on March 14 at noon. Bring your favorite savory or sweet pie to share, but NO pizza pies. Flyers with more information are in the Gathering Area. RSVP to 610-644-2227. Willistown UMC is located at 6051 West Chester Pike, Newtown Square, PA.



Join us for dinner in the Fiesta Center at 5:45 pm every Wednesday.

The cost is only \$10.00/adults, \$5.00/Children. You'll enjoy a delicious meal prepared by Chef Tony and lots of good fellowship! Contact Beth Buglio(BBuglioumcwc@gmail.com) for more info.



Are you feeling lost or overwhelmed? Let one of our Stephen Ministers walk with you in this difficult time. Stephen Ministry is a one-to-one confidential lay caring ministry that helps people who are going through a tough time. If you would like someone to talk with you as you deal with these feelings a Stephen Minister can help. Our Stephen Ministers will meet you in-person, by phone, and/or via Zoom. Please contact Kelly Lynn (Kelly@umcwc.org).

- If you ordered Italian Wedding or Chicken Noodle Soup please pick it up in the Gathering Area today.
- We are cleaning out the Lost and Found Closet in the Gathering Area. Please check to see if you left anything behind. Items not claimed over the next few weeks will be disposed of.
- The new parking hangers for our leased spots in the High St. lot are now in affect. Please be sure you are using the one for 2025 or you will be ticketed. Contact the church office if you haven't gotten a new one. You do not need a tag to park on Sunday. Parking is free on Sundays.
- Did you know that our church has a lay leader? The lay leader is responsible for communications with the laity of the church and to serve as a liaison between the clergy and the members of the congregation. We are blessed to have Valerie Burnett as our lay leader.
- Save the Date! We will be having a church clean-up day on Saturday, April 5. We're hoping that lots of people will come and help us spruce up the church and get it ready for the Easter season. More details coming.
- A service of remembrance for June Bigler will be held Sunday March 16th at 1 pm in the Fiesta Center. June was a faithful member of our church. All are invited to come celebrate her life and to share memories together.

SERVICE AND SHARING OPPORTUNITIES

- **Men's Bible Study** - meets in the chapel on Wednesday mornings at 7:30 am. All men are welcome. For information contact Brian Krug (bskrug@hotmail.com).
 - **Women's Bible Study** - meets in the chapel on Wednesdays at 9:30 am. Contact Sue Oliver (eaglesbrad@aol.com) for more info.
 - **Act in Faith has created an Amazon Wish List** of items that are needed for their food pantry. Items purchased on this site will automatically be shipped to ACT in Faith. To see and purchase the needed items go to https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/3AR0DYSYPSP4R?ref=wl_share . This will be recurring and new items will be added as needed.
 - **Sunshine Memory Café** - Tuesdays from 1-2:30 PM in the Fiesta Center or East Goshen Park Veterans Pavillion. A welcoming place where persons with memory loss and their care partner can enjoy activities, share stories, and socialize. Know someone who might benefit? Contact Adean Bridges (adean0413@gmail.com).
 - **Safe Harbor Homeless Shelter** has created an Amazon Wishlist, which includes items that would be particularly beneficial. Visit Safe Harbor's website to see the list.
 - **Act in Faith** - Act in Faith is in need of food, toiletries, and cleaning supplies. Items can be placed in on the table in the lounge area of the Gathering Area. Thank you! The ministry is growing. They need more volunteers to meet the needs of our community. Contact Hallie Romanowski at actinfaithgwc.org.
 - **The Pastor Jo Higgins Children's Library** is open. It's located on the lower level by the elevator. There are books for 1 year olds through teenagers. New books are being added regularly. COME AND ENJOY!!
 - **Ushers and greeters are needed** for both worship services. For info write "usher" in the Friendship Folder or contact Tony Piccone (apic13@outlook.com).
 - **Communion Servers Needed** - No special skills required. We celebrate communion on the 1st Sunday of each month. If interested in being part of this ministry, contact Nancy Holland at hollandnancy31@gmail.com. We also need people to clean up communion after the 11 am worship service. Let Nancy know if you can help with this.
 - **We are still collecting** unused hotel toiletries for our church's *Clean Sweep Program*. Items go to Ronald McDonald House, Safe Harbor, and Salvation Army. Place items in the basket by the elevator in the Gathering Area.
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