



# Our Church Matters

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

Dear Church family,

Some things are just easier to do alone. A few months back I took my kids with me to the grocery store to pick up a few necessities for the week. This is not our usual practice; my husband typically does the shopping on Fridays when they're at school. But for whatever reason, he couldn't, so the three of us made our way into Safeway for what was supposed to be a brief trip. Predictably, it took a lot longer than I had planned, I bought much more than I had planned, and I was constantly redirecting my kids away from the giant tubs of cheese balls.

Some things are easier to do alone, but faith isn't one of them. We might think that following Jesus would be easier without the Church, which, like any community of people, isn't perfect. But left to our own devices, we may soon find that we aren't as faithful as we presumed ourselves to be. Or, we might drift toward extremes, struggling to balance God's grace with God's call to a holy life. The other potential pitfall of practicing faith on our own is the very human tendency to stick with what makes us comfortable. We like what we like, and we prefer to stay away from what we don't - even when it comes to the teachings of Jesus. We need other people to hold us accountable, to keep us balanced, and to challenge us when we get too comfortable. And by God's design, community is also crucial to our thriving.

On Sunday, May 19, we'll celebrate Pentecost and the day when God gave us the gift of Christian community, pouring out the Holy Spirit, who unites us all in faith and mission. We'll also have the privilege of confirming Sammi Brown and Mae Norris, who will be remembering the promises made at their baptisms and making them their own, as well as taking the vows of church membership. The notes and letters many of you sent along on their retreat were a tangible reminder of the support and encouragement we receive in the church, and they were a highlight of our time away. Thank you for being the Church for them, and for reminding them that faith is lived out best when we do it in community.

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I hope you'll join us for our Pentecost celebration, as well as for our service on May 5th, marking 50 years of worship in our current sanctuary.

In gratitude for you,

Pastor Jen



The Women's Banquet will be held on Thursday, May 9th at 6:30. Come see how RUMC Celebrates the Olympics! RUMC Woman of the Year will be announced at the banquet. Who will it be?



### **Nursery School Registration:**



Do you have a child or grandchild that will be ages 2, 3, or 4 next fall?

Registration for the 2024-2025 school year has begun!

Classes fill up quickly so don't delay. We offer preschool (Preschool is ages 2, 3, and four both full and half day) from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm five days a week.

We also offer an early bird drop off starting at 7:30 a.m. and after care until 5:30 pm.

To receive your registration packet and arrange a tour of the classes, contact Lani Hoffmann at [rumns234@gmail.com](mailto:rumns234@gmail.com) or leave a message on the school phone:443-546-0585.

**Nursery School Summer Program Registration:** We are registering ages three to pre-k five for the summer program. Please check out the preschool's website at: <https://www.rumns.com/> or call the preschool phone number 443-546-0585.

### **Donations wanted:**

The nursery school is looking for gently used children's clothes, toys, books, and DVDs. Donated items will be placed on our Tot Spot consignment account. Proceeds from the sales benefit our Sandy Thawley Scholarship Fund. Items can be dropped off in the old kitchen (room 2) on Sunday mornings.

Please leave a note letting us know who made the donation. All items should be clean and ready for sale. Thank you.

**FOOD PANTRY HOURS:** The Food Pantry is only open on Saturday mornings from 8:30-11 am. No one is allowed in the Food Pantry. Volunteers will bring all the food out to the parking lot for clients. There will be no WaWa food available, however, Panera IS available, WaWa is NOT.

**At this time we are NOT accepting donations of clothing or household items.**

**Food pantry immediate needs:** 18 oz jars of Peanut Butter and boxes of Mac and Cheese.



**Drop off:** Saturday mornings between 8:30am-11 am.

Also, Sundays in the fellowship hall bin.

**PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE DONATIONS OUTSIDE ANY CHURCH DOORS OR THE FOOD PANTRY**



May 19 is gift card Sunday. Gift cards are great gifts for graduates and students of all ages and even for Dads of all ages for Father's Day. Can't cook a good homemade meal for Dad, then get him a gift card to his favorite restaurant. Mom would like this gift too! Order forms are on the wall in the Narthex at the Welcome Center. RUMW makes a profit off each card we sell and we appreciate having your business.

**RUMCOffice1777@gmail.com**

### Book Club

**We will be reading *Send Down the Rain* by Charles Martin**

Can two people brought together by desperate circumstances help one another heal, and maybe even begin a new life? New York Times bestselling author Charles Martin's *Send Down the Rain* answers the questions of what it means—and what level of sacrifice it takes—to truly love someone.

Allie is still recovering from the loss of her family's beloved waterfront restaurant on Florida's Gulf Coast when she loses her second husband to a terrifying highway accident. Devastated and losing hope, she shudders to contemplate the future—until a cherished person from her past returns.

Joseph has been adrift for many years, wounded in both body and spirit and unable to come to terms with the trauma of his Vietnam War experiences. Just as he resolves to abandon his search for peace and live alone in a remote cabin in the Carolina mountains, he discovers a mother and her two small children lost in the forest. A man of character and strength, he instinctively steps in to help them get back to their home in Florida. There he will return to his own hometown—and witness the accident that launches a bittersweet reunion with his childhood sweetheart, Allie.

**We will meet in the Library on Wednesday April 17th at 11 am or  
on Thursday April 18th at 7 pm**

*What once sprung from the earth sinks back into the earth.*

*~Shakespeare Julius Caesar*



# JUNE 2, 2024 1-4 PM



REISTERSTOWN AMERICAN LEGION POST 116  
1090 WESTMINSTER RD, REISTERSTOWN, MD

HOSTED BY THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION  
PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT RUMC FOOD PANTRY

CONTACT POST AT 410-833-9605 OR BILL STEM AT 410-598-9355

## CHICKEN & BLUEGRASS

MUSIC BY  
CARROLL COUNTY  
RAMBLERS

FRIED CHICKEN, SIDES,  
DESSERT, BEER, AND SODA



**\$25**  
**PER PERSON**



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

*Ongoing Prayers for Healing from Cancer*  
 Taylor Angus; Frank Banz; Jacob Barford;  
 Pat Barton; Beth Bolin; Bruce Bond;  
 Marilyn Brathwaite; Renee Brooksbank;  
 Jean Chambers; Benjamin Dapper;  
 Steve Diehl; Sandy Engle; Megan Evans;  
 Jacque Eyler; Ryan Gardner;  
 Sondra Hadden; Mary Hanlon; Jason Harris;  
 Ken Harry; Jerry Hilton; Mike Hockstad;  
 Debbie Johnson; Lisa Johnson;  
 Denny Johnson; Eddie Jones; Rita Jones;  
 Mary Lewis; Roger Lipp; Tyler Llewellyn;  
 Alfred Luginger; Pat MacLeer;  
 Vikki McAdory; Tina Meeks; Ronald Metz;

Don Mills; Aaliyah Parker; Darlene Parlette;  
 Dottie Payne; Molly Ruppert;  
 Les Schafferman; Marge Shaw;  
 Rebecca Sloan; Sean Staley;  
 Melanie Stierhoff; Mary Telchi;  
 Jenna Thornton; Patty G. Walsh;  
 Dave Weinstein; Lynn Whitter; Mike Wright;  
 Cindy; Ann; Deb; Jim; Ken; Makenna;  
 Nicholas; Rachel; Shannon

*Those battling cancer will be kept on the prayer list—names only.  
 Please inform the office of any changes or updates.*

### LOVED ONES SERVING OUR COUNTRY

**Davey Brickman**, Ruth Withlock's granddaughter's husband—National Guard back home from overseas  
**Eldridge Brown, Jr.**, Serving in the Army  
**Joshua Coleman**, Rosemary Dragunas' nephew—United States Air Force, deployed to Qatar, SW Asia  
**Michael Edmondson**, Friend of the Tambaoan's, US Marines  
**Christian Evans**, Thelma Mack's nephew, serving in the US Army stationed in Texas  
**Lindley Garcia**, Carol Judkin's friend — USMC not currently deployed  
**Elizabeth Haines Greenway**, Army SGT 1st Class, Marion Yohn's granddaughter, back home in Georgia  
**Jeremy Hadden**, Pat Dinsmore's grandson, Air Force, stationed at Edwards AFB in California  
**Steven Lee**, Carol & Danny Lee's son—has been promoted to Command Master Chief, has served in the US Navy for 25+ years and is stationed in Virginia Beach VA  
**Fred Linborn**, Friend of the Tambaoan family—serving in the Army  
**Vance Listwan**, Son of Rachel & Mark Utterback—serving in the Air Force, stateside in Texas  
**Dennis Mack**, Thelma Mack's nephew—serving in the Army is stationed in North Carolina  
**Allen Messinger**, Ruth Whitlock's grandson — Serving in the Army at Fort Bragg, NC  
**Isaac Shroll**, Tracy Tambaoan's cousin—serving in the Army

### OUR MEMBERS AT HOME

Barb Bonicker	Gerry Lewis
Ann Clayton	Thelma Mack
Lorna & Gordon Dix	Jean Moss
Ginger Gelwicks	Christie Newcomer
Velvia & Howard Goodrich	Betty Pulse
Mary Jane Huffman	Gill Seal
Barbara Kehne	Judith Wetzel
Shirley Krause	

### OUR MEMBERS IN SENIOR COMMUNITIES

Carroll Lutheran Village	Lorien—Harmony Hall
Nancy Welsh	in Columbia
Cherrywood-	Jeanne Knight
Reisterstown	Lorien Center—
Kerrie Flanagan	Taneytown
Long View, Manchester	Monte Hatcher
Bill Kehne	Janet Porter



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

**Sammi Brown**

**5/2**

5 Rider Mill Ct  
Owings Mills, MD 21117

**Judy Wright**

**5/11**

416 Deacon Brook Cir  
Reisterstown, MD 21136-2229

**Dick Redding**

**5/22**

108 Sunnyking Dr  
Reisterstown, MD 21136

**Betsy Sloan**

**5/6**

223 Northway Rd  
Reisterstown, MD 21136

**John Riesenfeld**

**5/13**

607 Bond Ave  
Reisterstown, MD 21136

**Ella Schmidt**

**5/25**

1825 Vincenza Dr Apt C  
Eldersburg, MD 21784-5976

**Marion Yohn**

**5/7**

316 Lauren Hill Ct  
Reisterstown, MD 21136

**Cindy Smith**

**5/14**

202 Northway Rd  
Reisterstown, MD 21136

**Flo Forbes**

**5/27**

207 Parkholme Cir  
Reisterstown, MD 21136

**Eric May**

**5/9**

107 Danbury Rd  
Reisterstown, MD 21136-3208

**Sofia Norris**

**5/15**

228 Homevale Rd  
Reisterstown, MD 21136

**Becky McClure**

**5/28**

126 Chargeur Rd  
Reisterstown, MD 21136

**Sharon A H May**

**5/11**

107 Danbury Rd  
Reisterstown, MD 21136-3208

**Carol Hoffman**

**5/21**

1648 Deer Park Rd  
Finksburg, MD 21048



## Three Month Calendar

### MAY

9	6:30 pm	Celebration of Women Banquet	Fellowship Hall
10	4-7pm	Circle of Friends Plant Sale-pick up	Fellowship Hall
12	All day	Mother's Day	
14	8-4pm	Mission of Mercy	Fellowship Hall
19	All day	Pentecost Sunday	
	9:30 am	Blood Pressure Screening	246 Conference Room
	All day	Gift Card & Shopping Cards Orders due	
	All day	Newsletter Articles due	
27	All day	Offices Closed for Memorial Day	
		NA Spiritual Breakfast	Fellowship Hall
28	8-4 pm	Mission of Mercy	Fellowship Hall
29-31		BWC Annual Conference—Hilton Hotel, Baltimore	

### JUNE

9	All Day	PreSchool Sunday	
11	8-4	Mission of Mercy	Fellowship Hall
13	11 am	RUMNS 4's Graduation	Sanctuary
	12:00 pm	RUMNS School Picnic	
14	All Day	Flag Day	
16	9:30 am	Blood Pressure Readings	246 Conference Room
	All Day	Gift Card Orders due	
		Newsletter Articles Due	
		Father's Day	
19	All day	Juneteenth	
25	8-4	Mission of Mercy	Fellowship Hall

### JULY

4, 5	All Day	Office Closed for Independence Day	
9	8-4pm	Mission of Mercy	Fellowship Hall
15-19		Vacation Bible School	Emory Grove
21	All Day	Gift Card Orders due	
		Newsletter Articles Due	
23	8-4pm	Mission of Mercy	Fellowship Hall

Entire RUMC Calendar is available on the church website and is updated frequently—check it out: [www.rumcweb.org](http://www.rumcweb.org)

Food Pantry—Open Saturday mornings from 8:30 to 11 am—In person inside still to be determined. For donations—Let the volunteer know you are dropping off, not picking up. If you can pop your trunk from inside your car, place the donation in your trunk. If you cannot open from inside your car, put in your back seat—Volunteers will take it out of your car for you.

### MONDAYS

10 am to 12 pm — AA, 308  
3 to 7 pm—Artist Music, 308  
7 to 8:30 pm— AA, 308

### TUESDAYS

7am—4pm: Mission of Mercy (2nd and 4th Tues.)  
10:30 am – Staff Meeting  
2-6pm “Thrive” After school Program for Franklin Middle  
3-9pm— Artist Music, 308  
7:00 pm—Sisterhood, 246 Conference Room (Aug.-June)  
7:00 pm—Cristos Iglesias Service, NSC  
7:30 pm—Refuge Dharma, 308

### WEDNESDAYS

10 am to noon – Library Committee  
8:30 am – 3:00 pm—Infants & Toddlers, 308  
2:30 pm—Junction After School Program  
7 to 9 pm—Adult Choir, choir room (End of Aug. ~ May)  
7:00 pm—Men's Fellowship, 308

### THURSDAYS

8:30 am—1:30 pm – Infants & Toddlers, 308  
3-7 pm—Artist Music, 308  
7 to 9 pm—Boy Scouts, Fellowship Hall

### FRIDAYS

8:30 am—1:30 pm – Infants & Toddlers, 308  
2-6pm “Thrive” After school Program for Franklin Middle  
3-7 pm—Artist Music, 308  
7:00 pm—Cristos Iglesias Band Rehearsal, NSC

### SATURDAYS

6 am—Cristos Iglesias—Prayer and Cleaning NSC  
8:30 to 11:00 am—Food Pantry Open  
9:30 to 11:30 am—AA , 308  
11-5—Artist Music, 308  
4 pm—Cristos Iglesia Band Rehearsal, NSC

7:00 pm—Cristos Iglesias Service, NSC

### LAST SATURDAY OF MONTH

10 pm—Cristos Iglesias Prayer Service, NSC

### MOST SUNDAYS

11:30 to 12:30 – Joyful Noise Handbell Rehearsal (End of Aug. thru May)

### EVERY SUNDAY

Noon—Cristos Iglesias Service, NSC  
6 to 8 pm—Youth Group (End of Aug. thru May)

EVERY WEDNESDAY (End of Aug. thru May) Choir Rehearsals

### CHURCH COMMITTEE MEETING DATES

1st Thurs.— UMW (7 pm) Library  
2nd Mon.— Circle of Friends, Library (No meeting Dec.)  
2nd Tues.— Even months— Finance (6:30 pm) Library  
2nd Tues.— Odd months — Trustees (6:30 pm) Library  
3rd Sun.— Newsletter Deadline and Gift Card orders Due  
3rd Mon.— Missions (7 pm), 246 Conference Room  
3rd Tues.— SPRC (7 pm) Library  
4th Mon.—JOY Circle (11:00 am) Parlor (no meetings in the Summer)  
4th Tues.—Church Council (6:30 pm) Library

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PLACE  
STAMP  
HERE

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**This QR Code will take you directly to our  
on line giving screen for the church.**

**We are gathering for Sunday morning worship at 10 am in the sanctuary and online.**

We now have several ways to join us virtually, including Zoom, Facebook Live, and a livestream that appears at the bottom of our worship page: <http://rumcweb.org/event/2021-05-23-1000-am-service/> This is the easiest way to view the service and also provides the highest quality viewing experience - especially for those with low internet speeds.

We also have YouTube account - [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzltzPeTDuFxeJv\\_EJpgjgQ](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzltzPeTDuFxeJv_EJpgjgQ) for our services if you miss one, you can pull it up at this link.

### **ZOOM Link for Sunday Morning Worship**

#### **Topic: Sunday Worship**

Time: 10:00 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86822778412?pwd=THZCN0pkZXIsWG1DVWN5Sis0T1VNQT09>

Meeting ID: 868 2277 8412 | Passcode: 271199

Dial by your location: +1 301 715 8592 US (Washington DC) | Meeting ID: 868 2277 8412

