



Our Church Matters

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

Dear friends,

The word “Gospel” comes from the Old English words, “gōd spell,” which translate “good news.” Yet long before Christianity ever made it to the Anglo-Saxons, the earliest Christians—including the Apostle Paul and the Gospel writers themselves—referred to the message about Jesus as the “good news” or “good message” (the word euangelion in Greek). And certainly the story of God becoming flesh and coming to live among us—to save us from our sins, reconcile us to God, and show us how to live—is good news. Yet when we read the Gospels themselves, we may notice that Jesus says some things that don’t sound particularly good at all. He instructs His disciples to hate members of their own families (Luke 14:26), to act as if they were slaves (Matthew 20:27), and to sell all their belongings and give to the poor (Luke 18:22). He restricts His mission (Matthew 10:6); He speaks of damnation (Matthew 8:12); and He even calls Jews the devil’s children (John 8:44). It can be hard to know what to do with passages like this, and our natural tendency is to skip over them in favor of teachings that actually sound to us like good news.

I hope you’ll join us for worship starting on June 16, as we embark on the first of two summer series, *Jesus Said What?* Drawing on the work of Jewish New Testament scholar Amy-Jill Levine, we’ll explore how these difficult teachings would have sounded to the people who first heard them, how they’ve been understood over time, and how we might find good news in them after all.

I also encourage you to join us for worship on June 9, as we celebrate the 40th anniversary of Reisterstown United Methodist Nursery School. We’ll take the opportunity to give thanks for all that God has done through RUMNS over the past four decades, welcome back some alumni, and welcome a number of current RUMNS students to help lead us in worship. At the same time, we will also recognize our graduates—from our 4-year-old class to RUMC members earning advanced degrees. It will be a joy-filled service that you won’t want to miss!

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Finally, I hope you'll join me in celebrating that Cara Norris has accepted a position as our Minister for Families with Children. Cara has served as our Sunday School superintendent for the past 8 years and has blessed us over and over with her creativity, faith, and commitment to growing young disciples. She has even more ideas to help kids deepen their faith and to help families deepen their connections with one another. She officially steps into this role on June 4, and we are thrilled to welcome her to the RUMC staff.

Blessings to you, and peace,

Jen



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 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

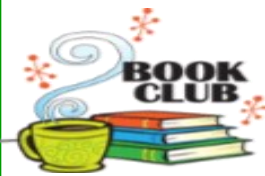


June 16 is the order date for Gift Cards. Buy and use gift cards all summer long. Eating out or pick up from your favorite restaurant. You can use them to purchase gas for your vacation and travels. Give the grandkids cards that they can use to purchase things they may need. Great gifts for everyone! Buy them and use them from RUMW to help support our missions and church. Order forms are in the Narthex.

Thank you. RUMCOffice1777@gmail.com

Hello RUMC Readers!

We will be taking a summer break but we recommend you keep reading!

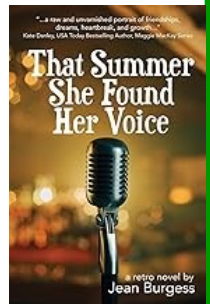


Try: *That Summer She Found Her Voice* which Sandy Kramer suggested.

Set against a backdrop of the 1970's Baltimore music scene, this is the story of 23-year-old Margie Stevens as she pulls herself out of a spiraling, heartbreak-induced depression and begins a personal journey of

discovery.

Clarifying her own views on emerging feminism, social injustice, and personal spirituality-all while touring across the country as a singer in King Vido's Swing Band-Margie encounters sexist and moral challenges that cause her to question her future path. Will she redefine her personal values in order to break away from uncomfortable ways of thinking? Will she find the courage to conquer fears of intimidation from the band leader and others on the tour? Finally, will Margie learn to speak up for herself using her authentic voice?



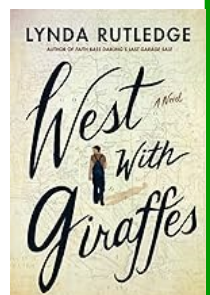
The September book is: *West With Giraffes* by Lynda Rutledge.

Woodrow Wilson Nickel, age 105, feels his life ebbing away. But when he learns giraffes are going extinct, he finds himself recalling the unforgettable experience he cannot take to his grave.

It's 1938. The Great Depression lingers. Hitler is threatening Europe, and world-weary Americans long for wonder. They find it in two giraffes who miraculously survive a hurricane while crossing the Atlantic. What follows is a twelve-day road trip in a custom truck to deliver Southern California's first giraffes to the San Diego Zoo. Behind the wheel is the young Dust Bowl rowdy Woodrow. Inspired by true events, the tale weaves real-life figures with fictional ones, including the world's first female zoo director, a crusty old man with a past, a young female photographer with a secret, and assorted reprobates as spotty as the giraffes.

Part adventure, part historical saga, and part coming-of-age love story, *West with Giraffes* explores what it means to be changed by the grace of animals, the kindness of strangers, the passing of time, and a story told before it's too late.

Have a pleasant Summer.



JUNE 2, 2024 1-4 PM



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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	Betty Pulse
Goodrich	Gill Seal
Mary Jane Huffman	Judith Wetzel
Barbara Kehne	
Shirley Krause	

OUR MEMBERS IN SENIOR COMMUNITIES

Carroll Lutheran Village Nancy Welsh Cherrywood- Reisterstown Kerrie Flanagan Long View, Manchester Bill Kehne	Lorien—Harmony Hall in Columbia Jeanne Knight Lorien Center— Taneytown Monte Hatcher Janet Porter
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**CELEBRATING ALL OF OUR
Under 25 AND Over 70 MEMBERS
June Birthdays**

Barb Bonicker

6/1

8810 Walther Blvd Apt 2410
Parkville, MD 21234-5764

Ann Clayton

6/15

1211 N Main St Unit 226
Hampstead, MD 21074-2262

Sanford Kramer

6/26

3720 Brenbrook Dr
Randallstown, MD 21133-4116

Patricia Dinsmore

6/5

203 Sunnyking Dr
Reisterstown, MD 21136

Jenae Baker

6/16

3710 Live Oak Rd
Randallstown, MD 21133

Cheryl Lyn Brondyke

6/29

1220 Marclee Rd
Finksburg, MD 21048

Barb Kehne

6/10

4637 Water Tank Rd
Manchester, MD 21102-1507

Katie Holsonbake

6/22

311 S. Hicks St, Apt 4E
Philadelphia, PA 19102

Judy Volley

6/30

113 Embleton Rd
Owings Mills, MD 21117



Three Month Calendar

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

AUGUST

13	8-4	Mission of Mercy	Fellowship Hall
18	9:30 am	Blood Pressure Readings	246 Conference Room
	All Day	Gift Card Orders due	
		Newsletter Articles Due	
27	8-4	Mission of Mercy	Fellowship Hall

Entire RUMC Calendar is available on the church website and is updated frequently—check it out: 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
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

3-7 pm—Artist Music, 308
7 to 9 pm—Boy Scouts, Fellowship Hall

FRIDAYS

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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**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 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

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