

Sunday, February 16, 2025 Sixth Sunday After Epiphany

CALLED TO MAKE DISCIPLES OF JESUS CHRIST FOR THE TRANSFORMATION OF THE WORLD

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## This Week At A Glance

February 16 - Today

9:00 PM Worship - Contemporary (CC) 10:15 AM Sunday School Classes 11:35 AM Worship - Traditional (Sanctuary) 11:30 AM Denbigh Christian Church (CC) 6:00 PM Children & Youth Ministries 8:00 PM AA Mtg (Rm 20)

Monday, February 17\*
9:00 AM Meals on Monday Prep (FH)
12:00 PM Meals on Monday Serve (FH)
6:00 PM Upward Practice (CC)
7:30 PM Choir Practice

Tuesday, February 18\*
9:30 AM Shekinah Prayer Time (Sanctuary)
10:00 AM Crafts (FH)
1:00 PM Staff Meeting (library)
5:00 PM Upward Practice (CC) 6:00 PM Scouts (FH)

Wednesday, February 19\* 10:30 AM Bible Study 6:00 PM Dinner Church (FH) 6:00 PM Pickleball (CC)

Thursday, February 20\*
2:30 PM Bible Study @ Vancostas
6:00 PM Cub Scouts (Rm 27/28)
6:00 PM Upward Practice (CC)
7:00 PM Leadership Team Mtg (FH)

Friday, February 21\* 6:00 PM Pickleball (CC)

Saturday, February 22 8:00 AM Upward Game Day (CC)

\* Meals on Wheels Pick Up Location

Facility Use Agreement

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

REGULARLY

# This week's message will be based on Psalm 4 Week 6: Spiritual Discipline of Silence & Solitude

While silence and solitude are not the same, they both require us to cultivate self-control, thoughtfulness, and intentionality. By taking time to not speak to others and be alone with God, we learn to focus more on what God wants to share with us, and less leaning onto our own ideas and understanding, much less the words and understanding of others. In the Psalms, we find the word "selah," the Hebrew word which means "pause, rest, or reflection." In the Bible, God leads us to take time to stop our busyness and look to God. Discover what can happen when we embrace even short times of silence and solitude as a part of our spiritual disciplines.

#### **Dates to Remember:**

**Book of Mark Study** 

Beginning February 20th, Linda McLawhorn will lead a Bible Study group on Thursdays at 2:30PM at Vancostas (food ordering is not required.) We will begin with the study of the Book of Mark. Bring a Bible and study materials will be provided.

**Upward Recognition Sunday** 

Join us for worship at either the 9:00AM or 11:15 AM worship service on Sunday, February 23rd for us to recognize the Upward ministry and celebrate the children who participated this season.

**Covenant Sunday School Class Upcoming Book Study** 

Beginning Sunday, February 23rd, The Covenant Class meets in the Fellowship Hall and will begin a new study on the book "Why?" by Adam Hamilton. Where is God when tragedy and suffering strike? How can God allow tragedy and suffering to infest his creation? In "Why?", Adam Hamilton brings fresh insight to the question of how to understand the will of God.

**Monday Evening Bible Study Beginning March 3rd** 

From 6:00 to 7:00 PM join Pastor Sarah for Monday Evening Bible Study. The study will start at the beginning of Genesis. All you need to bring is your Bible.

Ash Wednesday Drive-Thru Imposition of Ashes & Worship Service

Stop by on your way to work/school on Ash Wednesday for Pastor Sean to bless you with Ashes on Ash Wednesday. Between 6:00 and 8:00 AM, enter through the main parking lot. Ash Wednesday worship service will be at 7:30 PM in the Sanctuary following Dinner Church.

**Lenten Book Study** 

Pastor Sean will lead this year's Lenten book study on Tuesday evenings at 7:00PM in Room 10 from March 11th to April 15th. The book will be "The Final Days" by Matt Rawle. Through this book during our Lenten journey we will ponder the Lenten themes of justice, poverty, freedom, and love.

Resurrection Play

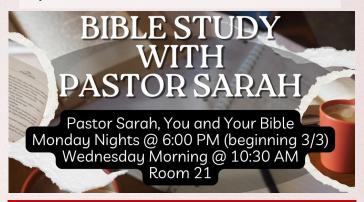
On April 12th we will have an Easter event which will include a dramatic performance of the Resurrection scripture, crafts, and fun for children of all ages. Volunteers needed for many parts of this event. Please reach out to Pastor Sarah to learn more on how you can help with this event.



## **Sunday School Classes**

All classes begin by 10:15am.

To find out more about a class you would like to attend, feel free to ask one of our greeters or pastors as you exit the service.





Please pray for those at home, in the hospital or care facility: Ruth Ritenour (Mennowood) \*Betty Palmer (Hidenwood) \* Frances Topping (Mennowood) \* Margie Pillow (Walter Reed Rehab) Nancy Setty \* Norma Coleman \* Anne Corliss \* Marvin & Pat Hill (Barbara Amaker's brother and sister-in-law) \* Katie Tanner-Barker \* Jeff Cox \* Vince & Marion Bonacci \* Wilma Miller (Sheri Vann's mother) \* Chuck and Cynthya Nothstine \* Barbara Freund \* Bea Hoal \* Lorie & Cheryl Pruitt \* Cindy & Doug (Beth Stabnow's friends) \* Megan (Christine Dimock's granddaughter) \* Ken Marcuson \* Lori McCormick \* Lonnie Frye, Sr. (Mary Ann's brother) \* Carol DeGreen (Mary Ann Hoye's relative) \* Mark Crockett (Cheryl Pruitt's cousin) \* Kevin Moorehead \* Will Davis (Josie Cole's Brother) \* Ann Pulsifer (Amanda Blake's Mother-in-Law) \* Kelly Flick \* Sam Fenner (Joy Robinon's brother) \* Trish Ployd \* Charles Ragan \* and all those who are grieving or sick - God knows!

**Deployed Armed Forces:** Laura Lomas, Lance Sczesny (South Carolina, Coast Guard).



Our Children and Youth Fellowship, now known as "Next Generation Ministry" is a fun and exciting ministry time that is planned for Sunday evenings. You are invited to come and help with the faith journey of our children and youth.

- \* Children's Fellowship for students K to 5<sup>th</sup> grade.
- \* Youth Fellowship for students  $6^{th} 12^{th}$  grade.

Both groups meet on Sunday evenings, 6 - 7:30PM.

Feel free to reach out to leaders for more information:

Pastor Sean 757-234-8962 or email pastorsean@wmumc.org Kerry Blazek 757-310-9891 or email kerryblazek@gmail.com Sharon Ellis 757-478-5020 or email cutygrgal@cox.net

Meals on Monday Ministry: If you shop at grocery stores that use paper bags with handles, please collect them and bring them to the church to use for Meals on Monday. When multiple meals are requested, they are packaged in paper bags. Those with handles are easier to deliver to the cars. They can be dropped off in the Fellowship Hall kitchen or church office.

Church Library: The library would love to have additional books to share with our friends at Dinner Church! The "Free Book Table" has proven to be exceedingly popular with those who attend our Wednesday night worship service. We welcome all kinds of Christian reading: fiction or nonfiction for adults, teens, and children as well as devotional books. Donations can be dropped off in the Church library.

PORT (People Offering Resources Together) Shelter Is Coming Soon: Our annual week to host the PORT shelter is scheduled for Wednesday, March 12th to Wednesday, March 19th. Our night to host is Sunday night and the youth will be a huge part of that evening. If you are interested in helping to volunteer during the week, please reach out to our Facility Manager, Rodney Wise, by calling the church office at 757-877-2270 or email facility@wmumc.org. Donations of warm winter clothes can be dropped off at the church office.

#### Come and Be Social With Us . . .



Instagram



our GR code so others can follow you



Facebook



YouTube

# Attendance Numbers (2/9)

9:00 AM in-person: 75 Online Weekly Views: 51 11:15 AM in-person: 60 Online Weekly Views: 126 Sunday School: 66

Dinner Church 2/13/25: 55



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