

This Week At A Glance

March 24 - Today

9am Worship - Lampstand (CC) 10:15am Sunday School 11:15am Worship Sanctuary 11:30pm Denbigh Christian (CC) 6pm Children and Youth 6pm Lent Bible Study (Library) 8pm AA Mtg (Rm 20)

Monday, March 25* 9am Meals on Monday 10am Egg Stuffing Party (Rm 16) 6:30pm Boy Scouts (FH) 7:30pm Choir Practice

Tuesday, March 26* 9:30am Shekinah Prayer Time 11am Staff Meeting (library) 6pm Cub Scouts (FH)

Wednesday, March 27* 10am Egg Stuffing Party (Rm 16) 10:30am Bible Study (Rm 20) 6pm Family Dinner Church (FH)

Thursday, March 28* 6pm Cub Scouts (FH) 6:30pm Yoga (Rm 22) 7:30pm Maundy Thursday Service

Friday, March 29* 7:30pm Good Friday Service

Saturday, March 30 10am Easter Egg Hunt

* Meals on Wheels Pick Up Location

For event and room reservations please email Rodney Wise at facility.manager@wmumc.org to receive a Facility Use Agreement

This week's Sermon is based on Luke 19:28-40 Sermon Title - Good Enough: We Are A Group Project

We enter into this "Holy Week" with you with our hearts lifted up, held up by the promise of the miracles that You bestow upon us every day. Like the disciples singing loud Hosannas for the coming of Jesus into the Holy City, our hearts sing with praise and thanksgiving for His entrance into our lives, our hearts, and our community of faith. For on this day we celebrate with waving palms and joyful songs, dancing at this witness of Your abiding presence in these troubled times.

We see the signs of sorrow and brokenness all around us in this world we live in. We see hunger in our own community, homelessness of those in our cities, the terror in the eyes of refugees fleeing oppression, the loneliness of those facing a life challenge without the comfort of friends. We see these things and wonder, what can we do, how can we turn the tide of sin and death that surrounds us each and every day? How can we sing the Lord's Song in time that overwhelms us?

And we see the answer in the miracle of transformation of our Savior riding into our hearts, uplifting our souls and bringing renewed energy for our beaten down spirits. We see the miracle of the everyday voice of kindness, the small contribution to a homeless shelter, the visit to the friend in the nursing home or hospital. And we join in the singing with those disciples so many years ago, celebrating with praise and loud voices the miracles that we see in the everyday. And with our shouts of praise the very stones of the earth sing out to a universe proclaiming His presence in our midst.

We are so grateful for this moment of joy in a world that calls out to us for healing. Be with us, empower us, and sustain us as we strive to do Your will. As we look towards the Cross on this day of joyful singing, transform us with Your love. For we seek to proclaim Your message of hope and love to all persons.

Wednesday Morning Bible Study

Wednesday mornings at 10:30am. We wrapped up the Lenten study on March 20 and will begin a new study on March 27th. You are invited to join us every Wednesday morning at 10:30am. On March 27th we will begin Journey Through the Bible, Volume 15 and will run that through June 19th. Please reach out to Pastor Angie for a book. You are welcome to join us any Wednesday morning at 10:30am in Room 20. For additional information, please contact Pastor Angie.



Sunday School Classes

All classes now begin by 10:15am. Children are invited to gather in the toddler nursery room following worship.

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.

Classes are meeting in the following rooms: Covenant Class - FH Family Faith Class - FH Trinity Class - Room 10 Wesleyan Class - Room 21 Wired Word/Blessed Mess - Room 20 Children - Meet in the toddler nursery room Youth - Room 22 Carpenters Class - Room 30



MEN'S FRATERNITY SPRING BREAKFAST

Saturday, April 6th Guest Speaker: Dave Amaker 8am to 9:30am

Men's Fraternity Breakfast

You are invited to our Men's Fraternity Spring Breakfast on **Saturday, April 6th 8am to 9:30am** in the Celebration Center. Breakfast provided at no charge and all men are invited. You are welcome to bring a friend. This is free, however a love offering will be collected to support Meals on Monday. Guest speaker will be Dave Amaker. This is a celebration of the risen Christ meeting with the fishing disciples, providing a miracle catch and telling them "Come and have breakfast." If you would like to know more about Men's Fraternity, please contact Gerry Mingee at ggmingee@verizon.net.



Special Offering

Lenten Offering 2024

This year, our Lenten offering will go to benefit 3 of our in-house ministry programs. - Meals on Monday "MoM", Dinner Church "DC" and our Family Ministries program. MoM is currently preparing and serving approximately 120 lunch meals every Monday to families in our community. DC, which is our Community Family Dinner, serves a hot, home cooked meal for dinner every Wednesday, along with an encouraging message and musical entertainment as we fellowship with the friends of our community. Many of our guests have become regular church visitors to Sunday worship as well as Wednesday night worship. Our Family Ministries has now encompassed our children's fellowship, youth and family ministries into one - Family Ministries. Every month in 2024, the children and youth will host an intergenerational event for all of our church members to participate in. This began last year with the Turkey Escape Room & Pie as well as the Christmas Gingerbread House & Donuts event. Recently they hosted a Mardi Gras Pancake Dinner event and has become the tradition, will host the breakfast following the sunrise service on Easter Sunday. All are invited to early worship and this breakfast treat all hosted by our WMUMC youth. All funds raised for Family Ministry will help them to host an amazing Easter Egg Hunt, Vacation Bible School week in June, youth mission trips, and much more.

All Lenten special offerings will be divided equally between the 3 ministry programs or you are welcome to choose just one to support (please mark your offering envelope with the chosen ministry if you wish to do that.)

We thank you in advance for your generosity to all of the mission and ministry programs within Warwick Memorial UMC.

Yoga Classes

Yoga classes are held on Thursday evenings at 6:30pm. All are welcome, no pre-registration required. The cost is \$12 per class. Classes are beginner friendly and work with any level. This class is a good place to start for those new to yoga. The instructor is Bethany Caddell and you can contact her by email at bethanycaddell@christianyogastudio.org or through www.christianyogastudio.org.

Red Bird Mission Team 2024

It's time to start thinking about and planning for our 2024 trip! This year we will be attending Red Bird <u>Sunday July 28</u> to Friday August 2. If you are ready to join our team this year, please contact Kerry Blazek via email {kerryblazek@gmail.com}. **\$50/person deposit is due by**

Sunday April 28. This will guarantee your spot on this year's team. There are no age limits for team members. We will be fundraising during the year to help offset individual costs. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to email Kerry.



Egg Stuffing Party Monday March 25th & Wednesday March 27th 10am to 1pm, Room 16



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EGG HUNT

FREE, OPEN TO THE PUBLIC ALL CHILDREN ARE INVITED UP TO 5TH GRADE YOUTH ARE WELCOME TO VOLUNTEER

Crafts, Games, Candy & Gifts for the kids! Fellowship Time for Parents

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Beginning next Sunday, Palm Sunday, please join us for Easter Week and invite friends to celebrate the Hope that comes with Easter.

We will celebrate Holy Week beginning on the 24th with Palm Sunday and then moving through the week on Thursday with our special Maundy Thursday service followed by a special Good Friday service. Saturday will be a fun Easter Egg hunt for the children before the blessings of Easter morning on Sunday, March 31st with our sun rise service hosted by our youth.

Palm Sunday, March 24th: Worship at 9am and 11:15am.

Thursday, March 28th: Maundy Thursday Worship in the Sanctuary at 7:30pm.

Friday, March 29th: Good Friday Worship in the Sanctuary at 7:30pm.

Saturday, March 30th: Easter Egg Hunt for children of all ages. Promotional fliers are available. 10am to 12pm.

Sunday, March 31st: Easter Sunday - Sun Rise service on the lawn by the cross at 6:30am, followed by breakfast in the Celebration Center, hosted by our youth.

9am Modern Contemporary Lampstand Worship in the Celebration Center - high energy, modern Christian music led by our Lampstand Band and worship leader. This service is streamed to Facebook and YouTube.

11:15am Traditional worship in the Sanctuary with ageold hymns and anthems led by our choir and music director.

Many things are being planned by our Worship, Connect and Evangelism teams to make all of these events meaningful, fun and blessed. Please plan to join us and invite friends and family to one or all of these events.

Easter Egg Hunt: We need your help in many areas, if you would like to help on the day of, please reach out to Sharon Ellis or Kerry Blazek to see how you can help. We have 2 egg stuffing events scheduled this week on Monday and Wednesday. We appreciate any donations of candy to fit inside the eggs—Easter is a little early this year so some chocolate will be ok for the earlier hunts, but non-chocolate is safer. Donations can be dropped in the assigned basket in the church office.

Please help promote our events from our Facebook page.

Come and Be Social With Us ...



Church Library

Are you looking for a particular book, or would just like to see what our library has to offer? Feel free to scan this QR code which will now lead you to the church library on -line. Look up a book to see if we have it and then get

directions to locate it in the library. You are welcome to check out books and return at your convenience. If you would like to donate books for the library to use or to give away to our Dinner Church guests, feel free to leave any donations on the table in the library.



Attic Treasures & Spring Artisan Fair

This is open to all church members and friends to participate by renting a table for \$15 to sell your "treasures" or your art, craft or vendor items. We have the use of 4 classrooms also for an additional fee. Each table after the first is \$10 (at this time you can have 3 tables.) Applications are available in Sunday School classrooms, in the Narthex and Gathering Area or the church office. If you have any questions, feel free to contact the church office at 757-877-2270 or Denise Workinger. Please share the event on our Facebook page.



Blood Drive Warwick Memorial UMC Fellowship Hall 38 Hoopes Rd. April 27, 2024 9am to 2pm

"Meals on Monday" and "Family Dinner Church"

* Free Lunch available on Mondays between 12 noon and 1pm. Pick up from Fellowship Hall side of building.

* Free Family Dinner every Wednesday night at 6pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Everyone Is Welcome - you can use the invite cards that are around the church or our Facebook event page to encourage friends, family, or anyone you know to join you for a little worship, a little praise and an awesome dinner.

Both of these ministries need our support. If you are able to give a donation to help keep them up and running, you can mark your offering "MoM" or "Dinner Church." Please remember that you are welcome to extend an invitation to community members to either or both events. If you would like to volunteer, please reach out to Linda Brooks at 757-880-4622 or Linda McLawhorn at 757-713-1519 for Meals on Monday or Judy Claus at 757-570-4532 for Dinner Church.

Join us for a great meal, musical

entertainment, devotional message brought to us by a pastor or a lay member and plenty of fellowship. If you are not currently able to join us for church on Sunday or you miss a Sunday, this is a great way to join us during the week, in the evening, for worship.



Something good happens every week - come and see for yourself and remember to bring a friend!

Volunteers Needed: We need help with set-up and break down, please reach out to Tim Claus to learn more about how you can help!



APRIL 27TH 2024 9AM TO 3PM

* Bring Your Treasures - Old, New, Handmade & Repurposed Shop for Treasures, Gifts & Special Treats

Shop a wonderful assortment of gently used housewares, décor, furnishings, clothing, accessories and more! Our Sale will also include a selection of local artisans selling hand-made, high quality art, craft and repurposed items along with some popular business vendors.

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Our Youth Director, Kerry Blazek, works with our Children's Fellowship and Family Ministries Coordinator, Sharon, to host a fun and exciting time every Sunday for our children and youth during the school year. Our Family Ministries programs for the children and youth meet most weeks from September to May.

Students in $1^{st} - 5^{th}$ grades (Children's) and $6^{th} - 12^{th}$ grades (Youth) are invited on Sunday evenings, 6 - 7:30 pm for a time of fellowship, learning through lessons, and fun with games.

Check the calendar below for monthly events and reach out to leaders for more information.

Sharon Ellis (Children's Ministry) 757-478-5020 or email cutygrgal@cox.net

Kerry Blazek (Youth Ministry) 757-310-9891 or email kerryblazek@gmail.com

* March 24 - Regular Meeting

* March 31 - Easter Sunday Sunrise Service

If you would like to come and help on Sunday evenings, we are always thankful for new Volunteers - come and have some fun and help with the faith journey of our Children and help to develop our family ministry program.

RESPITE CARE



WMUMC'S Respite Care Ministry

We are here to help! If you need help with buying groceries, picking up prescriptions and bringing them to you, or just need someone to talk to and check up on you, please contact **Sina Hofler at 757-877-6109 (home) or 757-869-2960 (cell).** We have volunteers who have offered to help other church members who have difficulty going out. If you are in need of any help, please contact Sina. If you are interested in helping with this ministry, you are also invited to contact Sina. May God continue to bless this ministry.

A few members of the Men's Fraternity Group would like to assist the men and women in our church with their home needs. If you need some help with home repairs or safety improvements in your home for medical issues or other reasons, please call the church at 757-877-2270, Frank Blake at 757-876-9799 or Sina Hofler at 757-877-6109.

Do You Need Financial Guidance?

Do Well is Crown Financial's classic Biblical Financial Study. To complete this 10-week course, each participant (couples can share) will need the <u>Do Well</u> manual, the book <u>The Worst Financial</u> <u>Mistakes in the Bible and How You Can Avoid Them</u> and a <u>Money</u> <u>Map</u>, all included in this set. Weekly introductory videos are available that correspond with each week's lesson.

Each week's lesson has two components – an in-depth Bible study on that week's topic and hands-on financial exercises. The participants will be guided to apply newly-gained wisdom to their personal lives and finances. The teaching strategy used in this study treats more than the symptoms of financial bondage – it creates a long-term transformation of the heart. This is the most effective way to find biblically based answers to one's financial questions and difficulties.

2-hour classes

Meeting Nights: Sunday afternoons at 3pm When: Beginning April 7th Church Hosting the Training: Warwick Memorial UMC Teacher: Rev. Angie Hoen Cost: aprox. \$30/participant for the three resources OR couples may

share. It is recommended for each person of a couple to have a Do Well manual and those are an additional \$25 each, so **total cost per couple is aprox. a \$55 investment**. (Angie will order all at one time to save on shipping costs.)

Introduction class will be on April 7th at 3pm. Classes will run through aprox. June 9th (if we have to adjust schedule due to unforeseen issues we can.)

Please let Pastor Angie know if you have any questions or are ready to sign-up. She will tell you how it has impacted her own life. So, let's get you signed up by 4/2—email Pastor Angie at

pastorangie@wmumc.org. We will order the books on your behalf (will be aprox. \$30 for single or \$55 for couple—will let you know after 4/2 the total due.)

Church Work Day

The Trustees have scheduled Saturday, April 13th for our WMUMC church family to help fix-up, clean up, and beautify our church building and grounds. Work that needs to be done will be on check-

lists and we will have supplies, so everyone is encouraged to lend a hand. We have plenty of projects for inside and outside work, including spreading mulch (so please bring any tools we can use for this project!) All ages can help! RSVP not necessary, just show up ready to work.



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Church Prayer Requests

Your church family cares about you and your loved ones. We want to stay connected and support each other, so if you have a prayer request and would like one of our pastors to call and pray with you, please email prayerchain@wmumc.org. Someone will be in touch as soon as possible. If you would like the prayer put out to our membership prayer team, please let us know.

Shekinah* Glory Prayer Group

The prayers of the righteous man are powerful and effective. James 5:16

You can participate in the following ways:

- 1. Come to the Sanctuary @ 9:30am on Tuesday mornings for community time of prayer.
- 2. Join Zoom for Prayer time at 1pm—Saturday and Sunday only, led by Linda McLawhorn
- 3. Pray on your own daily with materials.
- 4. Ask someone to be your prayer partner.

Prayer points include our leaders—national, state and local; our school system; our church—pastors, leadership team, Sunday School teachers, ministers, missions - Upward Basketball and Cheerleading, Meals on Monday, Community Dinner, PORT, youth and children's' ministry programs, shut-ins - and any personal prayer requests.

*The Glory of the Divine presence

Senior Fellowship Breakfast Group

The Senior Fellowship Breakfast Group gathers together the first Monday of each month. Next gathering will be **Monday, April 1, at**

9am at Vancostas on Warwick Blvd. Stop by the bulletin board across from the Fellowship Hall to see a group picture of our fellowship group.





Sick? Going to Hospital?

If you are hospitalized, planning surgery, or have become ill, please contact the church office at 877-2270 or by emailing warwick.memorial@wmumc.org. If you have an urgent situation, please call **the church office at 877-2270 (9am to 5pm or go to the pastors' phone extensions)**. If you are going to the hospital, please let us know the date, time, and hospital where you will be receiving care. Due to HIPAA regulations, the hospital will not automatically inform the church of your hospitalization. *If you would like some pastoral time with either pastor, feel free to reach out to them by emailing them at pastoresther@wmumc.org or pastorangie@wmumc.org.*

Prayer List

Please pray for those at home, in the hospital or care facility: Gordan Chan (The Chesapeake) * Ruth Ritenour (Mennowood) *Betty Palmer (Hidenwood) * Frances Topping (Mennowood) * Nancy Setty * Norma Coleman * Anne Corliss * Marvin & Pat Hill (Barbara Amaker's brother and sister-in-law) * Clara Reid * Katie Tanner-Barker * Jim Russell * Tiffany Brandt * Jeff Cox * Marion Bonacci * Sara Manner * Wilma Miller (Sheri Vann's mother) * Chuck and Cynthia Nothstine * Jim Taylor * Barbara Freund * Bea Hoal * Frank Felice (Dan Felice's Dad) * Joy Robinson (her mother and brother are both having medical issues) * Ginny Chappell * Lorie & Cheryl Pruitt * Erin Finley-Orick * Donna Curran * Gene Osborne * Jeanne Shaffer * Jane Shaffer * Cindy & Doug (Beth Stabnow's friends) * Megan (Christine Dimock's granddaughter) * Ken Marcuson * Judy Hackett * Frank Crispens * Janette Crowder * Lori McCormick * Lonnie Frye, Sr. (Mary Ann's brother) * the family of Raye Gwyn (Mary Jackson's mom), and all those who are grieving or sick.

Deployed Armed Forces: Laura Lomas, Lance Sczesny (Michigan, Coast Guard).

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Attendance Numbers (3/17)

9:00am: in-person: 65 Online: 142 11:15am: 64 Sunday School: 71

Dinner Church 3/20: 63