

# Suncrest

## United Methodist Church

March 17, 2024

Rev. Larry Buckland, Pastor

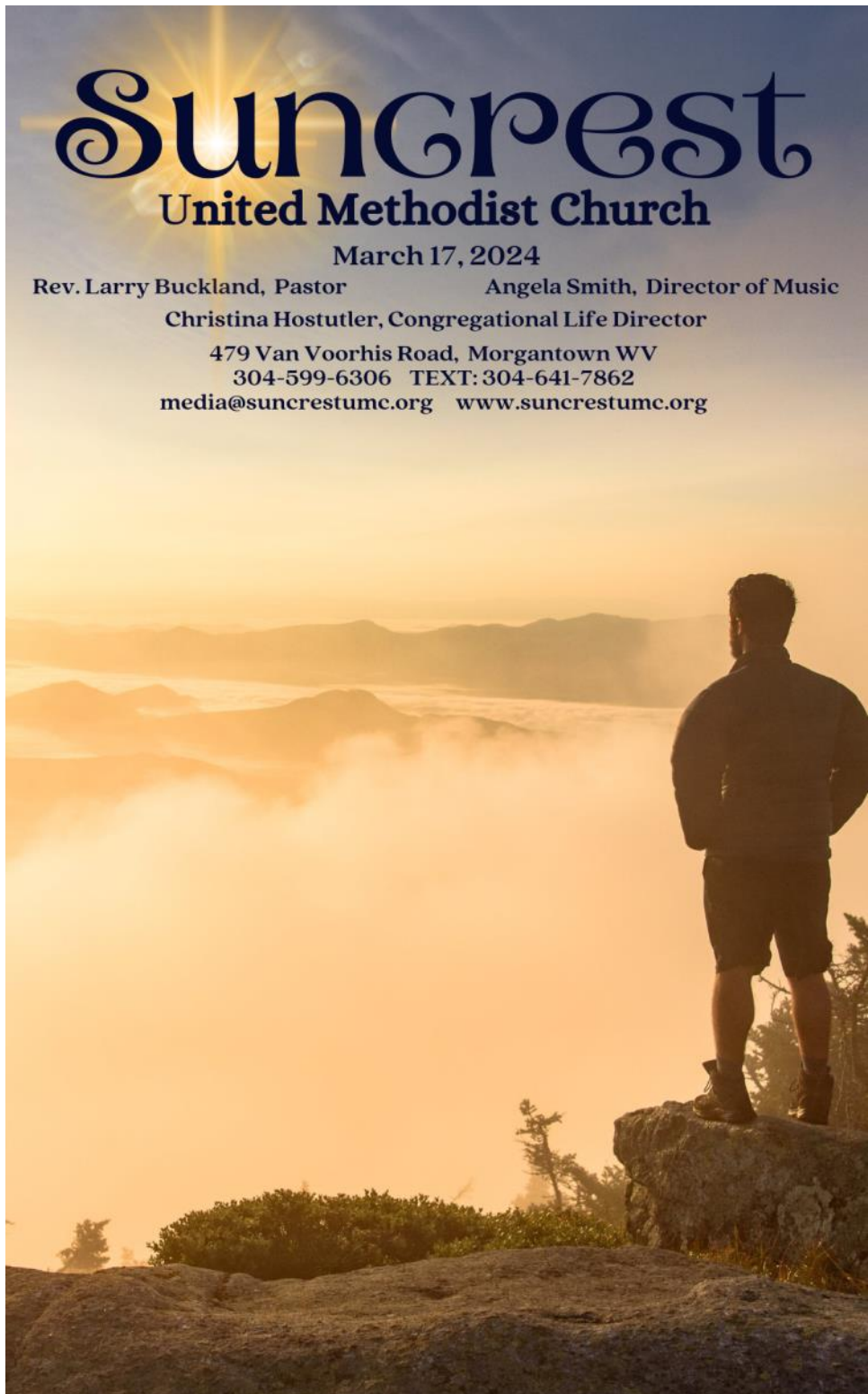
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# Traditional Worship 9:00 am

Mark Markel, Lay Leader

Angela Smith, Director of Music

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Prelude

“Lily of the Valley”

arr. Hayes

Piano: Graham Sterling

Welcome/Morning Prayer

*(Pre-K through 5th Grade dismissed to “The Neighborhood”)*

The Call to Worship

Why are you here?

**I am seeking God with my whole heart, with my entire mind,  
with a fire burning in my bones.**

I see it! You’re in the right place! This is God’s house.  
The door is open to you.

**Why are you here?**

I am seeking God with my whole heart, with my entire mind,  
with a fire burning in my bones.

**We see that in you! You’re in the right place. This is God’s  
house. The door is open to you.**

Let us worship God.

**Let us learn from the Spirit. Amen.**

“Help Us Accept Each Other” (vs. 1-3)

560 UMH

Prayer of Confession

**Holy God, we long to be lifelong learners. We long to approach  
you with curiosity and an open mind. Instead, we often live as if  
we know best. We forget that the disciples called you “Rabbi,  
Teacher.”**

**Forgive us for the times when we fail to be curious. Forgive us  
for the times when we assume we know best. Forgive us for the  
moments when we imagine that our learning is done and that we  
have all the answers.**

**Like Peter—who was brave enough to ask, “How many times  
should we forgive?”—make us brave. Spark a desire in us to  
learn, and may our curiosity carry our faith into deeper waters.  
With hope and humility we pray. Amen.**

Gloria Patri

Prayer for Understanding

The Scripture

Matthew 18:15-22

Lonnie Fluharty

**Sermon Series:**

**Wandering Heart: Figuring Out Faith with Peter**  
**The Message: “Teach Me” Rev. Larry Buckland**

The Offering

Offertory

“Come, Thou Fount”

arr. Courtney  
Chancel Choir

**March Noisy Offering: Scott’s Run Settlement House**

*Please drop your loose change in the bucket and pass through the pew to the ushers*

Doxology

Prayer and Lord’s Prayer

**“Make Me a Channel of Your Peace”**

**2171 TFWS**

Opportunities

**Benediction Response “Let There Be Peace on Earth” 431 UMH**

Postlude

“Sunshine and Joy Medley (Sunshine in My Soul/I’ve Got the Joy)”

Piano: Graham Sterling

arr. Hayes

**HEALING CARDS**

**Clark McKee** (recent surgery)

275 Florida Avenue  
Westover, WV 26501-4023

**Marycharmain Belcastro**

(health concerns)  
22 Clock Street  
Osage WV 26543

**Terry Cutright**

(sympathy, death of her  
father-in-law, Lloyd Cutright)  
27 Cedarwood Drive  
Morgantown, WV 26505

To the staff and families of a wonderful congregation: Thank you! Betty is still appreciating the cards she received throughout the Christmas season and her recent radiation treatments. Both of us are greatly uplifted by your prayers and care! **Betty Alexander and her sister, Bonnie Stockslager**

To My Suncrest Church Family:  
Thanks for the Valentine’s package  
and the nice visits. I love you all.

**Marge Craig**

# Contemporary Worship 11:00 am

Sheree Wetzel, Lay Leader

Rich Chaffins, Contemporary Music Director

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**“You Are My Vision”**

**“Come Thou Fount”**

Morning Prayer

**“All Creatures of Our God and King”**

Greeting

A Time Mostly for Children

Christi Buckland

*(Pre-K through 5th Grade dismissed to “The Neighborhood”)*

**March Noisy Offering: Scott’s Run Settlement House**

Prayer for Understanding

The Scripture

Matthew 18:15-22

April Messerly

**Wandering Heart: Figuring Out Faith with Peter  
The Message “Teach Me” Rev. Larry Buckland**

Invitation to meet with God

Offertory

**“True Colors”**

- Prayers for others – light a candle and pray for someone on your heart today. Come to the prayer rail and spend time with God.
- Prayers for you – meet Pastor Larry at the prayer rail for anointing and prayer.

Opportunities

**“Hold To God’s Unchanging Hand”**

**MUSICIANS:**

Gray Buchanan, Alise Chaffins, Rich Chaffins,  
Makenzie Falor, David Nottingham, Isaac Ridgely

**SUMC PLAYLIST**

Scan the QR code if you enjoy the music the worship team brings us each week. We’ve made a Spotify playlist that is updated every Tuesday and features the music for the coming week’s service!



# Let's Connect



Please take a moment and fill out the form below so that we can know you are in our midst and offer a prayer for you this week by name.

If you are new, we want to get to know you, please share the information you are comfortable with.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you want added to our weekly Happenings email?  
\_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_ Let me think about it

Phone: Home \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

**Are you visiting today?**  
**How many times have you worshipped at Suncrest?**  
\_\_\_\_ 1st \_\_\_\_ 2nd \_\_\_\_ a few times

Would you like more information about:

Jesus \_\_\_\_ Baptism \_\_\_\_ Membership \_\_\_\_

Serving \_\_\_\_ Mission Opportunities \_\_\_\_

**How can we pray for you or someone you know?**

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Would you like**

A call from Pastor Larry \_\_\_\_\_

A meeting with Pastor Larry \_\_\_\_\_

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

You may also stop by our website or mobile app and fill out the digital Connect Card.



[Suncrestumc.org/contact](http://Suncrestumc.org/contact)





**Decorate the sanctuary  
by purchasing a lily.**

Please place your order by e-mail (media@comcast.net), TEXT (304-641-7862), or contact the church office (304-599-6306) by March 25. The lilies will be on display in the sanctuary for Easter Sunday. Memorials and honorariums will be listed in the bulletin that day as well.

\_\_\_\_\_ **\$12.00**

**We respectfully request that  
only one memorial/honorarium  
be attached to each lily.**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**In Honor of:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**In Memory of:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**LENTE LUNCHEON SERIES**

**Wandering Heart**

Figuring our faith with Peter

**Wednesdays 12:-1:00pm in Old Drummond**

The series will feature guest speakers, special music, and delicious food.

**Thank You  
Lenten Luncheon**

**Volunteers & Attendees!**

Wednesday's Lenten Luncheon guest speaker, Rev. Lawrence Rebe-lo, welcomed a full house to hear his message, "Eat Your Vegetables," based on John 12:20-33. Please join us again this coming Wednesday at noon to welcome guest speaker Rev. Stacy Chrise-Tritt, pastor at Westover and Mt. Pleasant UMC.





# MAUNDY THURSDAY LOVE FEAST

with Holy Communion

March 28, 2024 at 6:30 pm  
Cowan Hall

## Love Feast Menu

Your choice of:

Mediterranean Yogurt Chicken,  
Lamb, or Falafel (vegetarian)  
Served with rice and vegetables

RSVP main course choice by 3/25 to  
[media@suncrestumc.org](mailto:media@suncrestumc.org), TEXT 304/641-7862  
or stop in the church office.

**See you there!**

A wooden cross is the central focus, illuminated from the side against a black background. A crown of thorns is wrapped around the intersection of the cross. In the bottom left corner, there is a small, dark, leafy plant.

# GOOD FRIDAY

**TENEBRAE SERVICE**

March 29, 2024  
at 7:00 pm  
Sanctuary





# Easter Worship

at Suncrest UMC

## Sunrise Service



7:00 am

Breakfast following  
in Old Drummond

## Traditional Service

9:00 am



Featuring musical selections  
with strings, Drummond  
Ringers, and Chancel Choir



## Contemporary Service

11:00 am

Featuring the SUMC Praise Band

**HAPPENING @ SUMC**  
**THIS WEEK**

**Today, Sun., March 17**

- Traditional Service 9:00 am  
 Children's Church 9:00 am  
*"The Neighborhood," 3rd Floor*
- Girl Scout Cookie Sale 9:00 am  
*Lobby*
- Bible Studies 10:00 am  
*see page for studies offered*
- Usher Training 10:00 am  
*Cowan Hall*
- Contemporary Service 11:00 am  
 Children's Church 11:00 am  
*"The Neighborhood," 3rd Floor*
- Rooted Youth Group 11:00 am  
*3rd Floor*

**Mon., March 18**

- Red Cross Blood Drive 1:00 pm  
*3rd Floor*
- Arthritis Fitness Class 5:00 pm  
 Balance Fitness Class 5:30 pm  
*Old Drummond*
- Feeding the Soul Dinner 5:30 pm  
*Rosenbaum Family House*
- Usher Training 6:00 pm  
*Sanctuary*

**Tues., March 19**

- Upper Room Discipline 10:00 am  
*Hartley Chapel and Zoom*
- Suncrest Singers 3:45 pm  
 Middle School Youth 6:00 pm  
*(5th - 6th Grades, 3rd Floor)*
- Cub Scout Pack 60 6:15 pm  
 Drummond Ringers 6:30 pm  
 Troop 65 7:00 pm

**Wed., March 20**

- Upper Room Zoom Study 10:00 am  
 Library Committee 10:00 am  
*Kelsey L. Wilkins Library*
- Lenten Luncheon Series 12:00 pm  
*Old Drummond*  
*Guest Speaker: Rev. Stacy Chrise-Tritt*
- Arthritis Fitness Class 5:00 pm  
 Balance Fitness Class 5:30 pm  
*Old Drummond*
- United Methodist Men 6:00 pm  
*(Hartley Chapel)*
- Middle School Youth 6:00 pm  
*(7th-8th Grade, 3rd Floor)*
- Confirmation Meeting 6:00 pm  
*(3rd Floor)*

**Thurs., March 21**

- Men's Breakfast (Zoom) 7:15 am  
 Suncrest Ringers 4:00 pm  
 Singles Social Night 5:00 pm  
*Old Drummond*
- Chancel Choir 6:30 pm

**Fri., March 22**

- Chinese Fellowship 7:00 pm



**YUP.  
IT'S GIRL  
SCOUT  
COOKIE  
TIME.**



## Girl Scout

### Cookies Sale Today!

Our own Bella Dodd and her Girl Scout Troop #55860 of the Black Diamond Girl Scouts are here in the lobby today, **Sunday, March 17**, with all your favorite Girl Scout cookies.

Please make sure to stop and grab a box or three to support Bella and her troop as they raise funds for this year's activities.

UNITED METHODIST MEN

**WED.  
3/20  
@ 6pm**

ALL men are invited  
to Hartley Chapel  
for an evening of  
pizza and fellowship!

Jack Davis, President  
(304/685-1852)



3/24 (Palm Sunday)

**“Songs of Loudest Praise”**

John 12:12-16

As we imagine ourselves in the crowd on this day, may we remember that they are supposed to be praising Caesar, but instead they are shouting for the one entering the city on a donkey. Their singing is subversive, courageous, and contagious. Their praise shows the ripple effect of public displays of faith.

3/31 (Easter) **“And I Hope”**

Luke 24:1-12



WITH

the **rev.**  
rambles on

LARRY BUCKLAND

## Tune-In Tuesdays to “The Rev. Rambles On”

Please join Rev. Larry Buckland and guests on Tuesdays for a video and audio podcast called “The Rev. Rambles On.”

You can listen on Spotify or Apple Podcasts, or on the Suncrest YouTube channel. Search for “The Rev. Rambles On,” or see links to the podcast on the Suncrest Facebook page Tuesday mornings.



SUNCREST EARLY  
LEARNING CENTER

Suncrest Childcare and  
Early Learning  
Center

# KIDZ ROCK SUMMER CAMP

2024



JOIN US FOR A SUMMER FULL OF FUN!

- 10-week or 6-week option
- Weekly themes, field trips, & visitors
- Options for before/after care
- Breakfast & snack included in tuition (lunch available for an additional fee)
- Please see our website below for more info!



Registration is now  
open to the public!

[www.suncrestelc.com](http://www.suncrestelc.com)





## KID CHECK-IN

You must be checked in to attend Children's Church.

### Nursery Care

is available for infants through age 2 during all worship services and the Christian Education Hour. Please check in.

### Children's Church

Age 3 to 5th Grade

9:00 am:

Pastor Larry will dismiss children.

11 am:

Children are dismissed to the 3rd floor following the children's message.

### Preschool Sunday School

Ages 3 and 5

11 am on the 3rd floor  
Children are dismissed with those attending Children's Church.



## ADVENTURES in the Neighborhood

Visit to the Neighborhood each week, @ 9 am & 11 am and fill up your passport with fancy stamps!

**This Week:**

"Jesus teaches us how to take care of each other."



**Next week: Palm Sunday, March 24 @ 11 am**

Children have the opportunity to be a part of the procession of the palms. You won't want to miss this chance to wave the palms and lead Jesus & his 4-legged friend into worship.



EGGS!

**Easter Egg Hunt & Barnyard Animals**  
Sunday, March 31 at 10:00 am



**WE NEED YOUR HELP**  
**with Donations**



**We are asking for your help with the following items:**

**Easter Egg Hunt**  
 Plastic Easter Eggs  
 Candy & Trinkets to fill Easter Eggs



**Snacks for youth group**



If you can help, please bring your items to the church office. Thank you for your support.



**We are looking for acolytes!!!**

What is an Acolyte? An acolyte is a child or youth who assists in the worship service. The acolyte will light candles on the communion or altar table, help with distributing and collecting the offering plates, and serving communion.

The acolytes will extinguish the candles at the end of the service and carry the light out into the world as a sign that Jesus Christ is for all people everywhere, and that Christ goes with his people into the world where they serve as his living body.

If you have a child age 8 and up who would like to be an acolyte, please contact Christina Thomas at [christina.thomas@suncrestumc.org](mailto:christina.thomas@suncrestumc.org) or 304/599-6306. A training will be held in the near future.

**Easter Egg Hunt**

Easter Sunday, 3/31 @ 10am

**Live Animals Egg Hunt**  
 in the pavilion





Christina Thomas,  
 Director of Children & Youth  
 681-285-5786 304-775-2682  
[christina.thomas@suncrestumc.org](mailto:christina.thomas@suncrestumc.org)

# Sunday @ 11am Bible Study



**This Sunday:  
 Wandering Hearts**



**Teach Me**

**5TH-6TH GRADE**

Tues. 3/19 @ 6

**Palm  
 Sunday  
 Rehearsal**



**Children & Youth**

will be a part of the  
**Procession of the Palms on Palm  
 Sunday, March 24, at 11 am. Bring  
 your cameras! It's gonna be epic!**



**Rise**  
 AGAINST HUNGER

Open-Door Mission Project:

**Rise Against Hunger**

**Sat., April 6, 2024**

**9 - 11 am**

See Christina for info!

**7TH-8TH GRADE**

Wed. 3/20 @ 6

**Palm  
 Sunday  
 Rehearsals**





## March Health Awareness: Colorectal Cancer

Colorectal Cancer is the second leading cause of cancer-related deaths worldwide.

### What is Colorectal Cancer?

Colorectal cancer is also called colon cancer. Colon cancer occurs when there is abnormal growth of cells in the colon. These abnormal growths are called polyps. Over a period of time, polyps can turn into cancer.

### Symptoms of Colorectal Cancer:

- Change in bowel habits
- Blood in or on your stool
- Diarrhea or constipation
- A diet high in processed meats
- Feeling of the bowel not fully emptying
- Abdominal aches, pain, or cramps that are constant and consistent
- Unexplained weight loss

### Reducing the Risk of Colorectal Cancer:

- Getting screened routinely, beginning at age 45
- A diet high in whole grains, fruits, and vegetables and low in animal fats
- Increasing exercise and maintaining a healthy weight
- Restricting alcohol consumption and tobacco use

Source: [http://www.cdc.gov/cancer/colorectal/basic\\_info/what-is-colorectal-cancer.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/cancer/colorectal/basic_info/what-is-colorectal-cancer.htm)


A photograph of a smiling woman with curly hair, wearing a striped tank top and a pink wristband, flexing her right bicep.

**TOMORROW!**

**Blood Drive**  
**Suncrest United Methodist Church**

**3rd Floor**

**Monday, March 18**  
**12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.**

The American Red Cross logo, featuring a white cross on a red background with the text "American Red Cross" below it.The WVU Exercise Physiology logo, featuring a stylized orange and blue figure with a cross.

WVU EXERCISE PHYSIOLOGY


**Arthritis Foundation & Balance Classes**

**Mondays & Wednesdays**  
**in Old Drummond Chapel**

<b>Arthritis Foundation</b> 5:00 - 5:30 pm	<b>Balance Class</b> 5:30 - 6:00 pm
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All ages, skills, and fitness levels welcome!

This program is offered by the WVU Exercise Physiology in conjunction with the SUMC Faith Community Nursing Team.

An illustration of two people, a woman and a man, performing exercises. The woman is on the left, wearing a blue top and red pants, with her arms raised. The man is on the right, wearing a blue tank top and blue pants, with his arms extended.





## Feeding the Soul

Tomorrow, **March 18**, the Mission Team will be providing dinner to the guests of the Rosenbaum Family House. Please consider lending a hand. It's an excellent opportunity to meet new people!

Please contact Clarke Ridgway (304/282-2791) or Allyson McKee (304/276-0327) if you would like to help provide food or assistance.

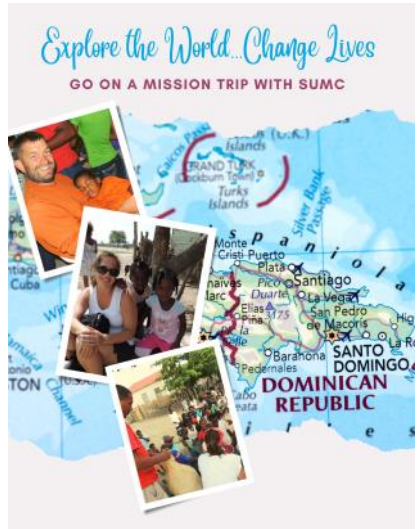
### MARCH PANTRY NEEDS

- Toilet paper, baby wipes, diapers and pull-ups (sizes 5, 6, or 7)
- Jelly, pasta, and snacks (such as fruit snacks and granola bars)



### VIDALIA ONIONS

Order your Vidalia onions today! They will arrive in May. Contact Jack Davis to place your order at 304/685-1852.



### Are you interested in learning about the fall mission trip to the Dominican Republic?

On **Palm Sunday, March 24, at noon in Old Drummond Chapel**, lunch will be served, and Ron Lytle, who will be coordinating the trip, will be sharing information about the work that will be done and the impact it has on the Haitian refugees living in the Batey. Ron has taken many trips, is passionate, and has a wealth of knowledge about the experience.

The trip is open to SUMC members and friends, college students, and others who feel the call.



For more information about the Rise Against Hunger Organization, visit <https://www.riseagainsthunger.org/>

**Rise Against Hunger's Impact:**

In 2022 - 44.5 million meals packed, 4.4+million lives impacted. 67.6+ million meals distributed worldwide.

Volunteers are needed to help pack meals on Saturday, April 6, from 9:00 - 11:00 a.m. at Wesley UMC. Nearly half a million meals have been packed in Morgantown over the last 15 years. Meals of rice and beans will be weighed and packaged for distribution around the globe with 70% being distributed through schools.



*Photo above: Volunteers weighing food packages at Rise Against Hunger's event in Morgantown at Wesley UMC last spring.*

If you are interested in participating, please contact Cathie Falvey in the church office (304) 599-6306 or Carol Rotruck (304) 685-4833 or [carol.rotruck@icloud.com](mailto:carol.rotruck@icloud.com).

March 3, 2024

# Breaking News

## CHOIR DIRECTOR SEEKS ALTO

for **FUN** Thursday evenings.

**Interests include:**

- sightreading
- mocking basses

See Angela for more info, or simply come at **6:30 pm** on a **Thursday**.

[Angela.b.smith@gmail.com](mailto:Angela.b.smith@gmail.com)



ALTO TAKE CHURCH BY STORM

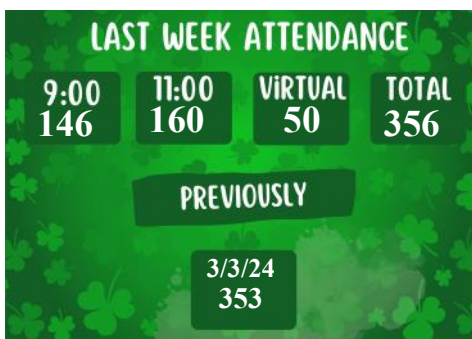
**MUSIC PROGRAM # 1**

## Invitation from the WV Conference Delegation

As The United Methodist Church approaches our General Conference meeting, scheduled for April 23 to May 3, the West Virginia delegates extend a warm invitation for you to join us in prayer and worship.

**The closest regional gathering takes place today, at 3 pm at Bridgeport United Methodist Church.**

The gathering will offer a space for learning, worship, prayer, and communion, followed by informal conversations and refreshments.



## LET'S GO KROGERING & HELP SUNCREST UMC

Help SUMC earn money easily; all you have to do is shop at Kroger and swipe your Plus Card!

If you have not registered your Kroger Plus Rewards card, please do so **TODAY!** You can enroll by our number (HA695) or name (Suncrest UMC) at [www.kroger.com/account/communityrewards](http://www.kroger.com/account/communityrewards).

### JOIN US

For our FREE Personal Finance & Budgeting Seminar



TOPICS TO BE COVERED INCLUDE:

- BUDGETING
- CHECKING ACCOUNTS
- SAVINGS ACCOUNTS
- LOANS
- CREDIT
- RETIREMENT
- AND MORE




The class will meet at Christian Help on Friday, April 12, 2024 from 9:30a-2p.

Lunch & water will be provided

SCAN THE QR CODE TO JOIN US!!






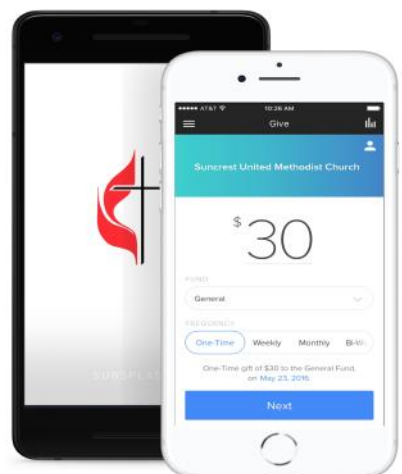
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Suncrest United Methodist Church





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# INTENTIONAL FAITH DEVELOPMENT

Short-Term Bible Studies  
offering Spiritual Growth and Enriching Fellowship

## SUNDAYS AT 10 AM

### **Second Coming of Christ**

*Meets in Hartley Chapel*

Paul and Maria Reidpath are offering a Bible study based on the study by Dr. Timothy Paul Jones.

### **The Great Courses**

*Meets in the Kelsey Wilkins Library*

The Catacombs class is utilizing the Great Courses video series, *The Story of the Bible*, presented by Professor Luke Timothy Johnson.

### **The Gospel of Mark**

*Meets in Old Drummond*

A study based on the book *The Gospel of Mark*, by A. J. Levine, will be offered through March. The book features an in-depth study of select passages and illuminates the Gospel in its historical context and as a source for the other gospels. Please call the church office to obtain a copy of the book.

## TUESDAYS

### **Hybrid Study with Pastor Larry** *Meets in Hartley Chapel and ZOOM*

This weekly study meets Tuesdays at 10 am and will begin using the *2024 Upper Room Disciplines* book and will adapt materials to different seasons and relevant topics.

## WEDNESDAYS

### **Upper Room Bible Study** *Meets on ZOOM*

All are invited each Wednesday at 10 am for *Upper Room Zoom*. We will read the scripture and devotion and then discuss the message for the day. Be sure to grab a copy of the *Upper Room* available at the back of the sanctuary and join us.

**Meeting ID: 824 3971 4940**

**Passcode: 803713**

## THURSDAYS

### **Men's Breakfast Bible Study** *Meets on ZOOM*

Open to men of all ages. This study group meets on ZOOM Thursdays from 7:15 am to 8:00 am. Please call the church office for the Zoom link.