



Our Church Family

Ann Chisenhall—Medical
Judy Wilkie
John Ward
Ginny Hickton
Linda Thouin
Marie Pierce
Ray Clark

In Nursing Homes, Assisted Living and Limited Mobility

Eleanor Schrieber—Crestfield Manor
Shirley Edwards—Brookdale SW
Kay Lyke—Crestfield Manor
Harry Thomas—Woodlake
Janet McKercher—White Oaks
Norine Veal—Woodlake
Phyllis King—Vernon Manor
June Latkofsky
Esther Harris
Irene Surette

Dr. Belinda Forbes

Missionary
Accion Medica Christiana,
Managua, Nicaragua

Pastor Kristin White

Green Street UMC
Augusta, ME

Special Concerns

Julianna—Teenager with cancer
Emily Matthews, Don Corne and all medical professionals on the front lines.
All teachers and students teaching and going to school online.
All professionals facing the challenges of running a business online.
Employees working outside the home in grocery stores, drug stores, day care facilities and all other on-site locations.
All those facing the disappointment of cancelled or postponed events.

To add a name to our prayer list, please contact the church office at
860-875-6562 or RockvilleUMC@outlook.com.



**Rockville United Methodist
Church
Order of Worship
Sunday, April 5, 2020
Palm Sunday**

GATHERING MEDITATION

This is the last Sunday in Lent that heralds the triumphal entry into Jerusalem with Christ our Savior. Yet this Sunday also leads us to enter in Holy Week and join in Jesus' passion for redeeming us out of the power of sin and death. Although we anticipate Easter so much, we have to wait one more week to hail the resurrection of Christ for all of us. No matter how long our struggle takes, let us always hold tightly the Good News we already know and believe; in Christ, we are forgiven and healed; we are promised to a new life; we are given final victory over all the trials of life. Amen!

GREETINGS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Cancellations:

The Good Friday Walk scheduled for April 10th.
All activities at church.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Call to Worship

L: The parade today is just the beginning of our hope.

P: We wave our branches and shout "Hosanna!"

L: But there will come a time of silence and of mourning.

P: Help us to be ready for that time, O Lord.

L: Blessed is Jesus, who came into Jerusalem on that day.

P: Blessed is Jesus who comes into our hearts always.

OPENING PRAYER

Almighty God, you sent your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to suffer death on the cross. Grant that we may share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God,

LORD'S PRAYER

A LITURGY FOR WHEN WE CANNOT MEET

(Alternative to Holy Communion)

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Psalm 46:1-3

EPISTLE LESSON Matthew 27:57-61

This is the word of God for the people of God
Thanks be to God

SERMON *“Strengthen Hope in the Passion”* Pastor SeokCheol Shin

OFFERING
(Please continue to send your pledges and offerings to the church office.)

DOXOLOGY *“Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow”* #34

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Generous God, you have provided us with the way to live and serve you. In both your triumph and your suffering, you deserve our praise. Through the gifts we now offer, we express our longing to serve and to follow wherever you go. In Jesus Christ’s name we pray. Amen.

JOYS, CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS OF OUR PEOPLE

PRAYERS AND CELEBRATIONS

Ann Chisenhall - Cancer Treatment
Emily Matthews, Don Corne and all medical professionals.
All who have been affected by the Corona Virus.

SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

Lord Jesus Christ, you are the way of peace. Come into the brokenness of our lives and our land with your healing love. Help us to be willing to bow before you in true repentance, and to bow to one another in real forgiveness. Fill us, O Lord, with your perfect love, which casts out our fear, and bind us together in that unity which you share with the Father and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

WE LEAVE WITH GOD’S BLESSING

HYMN OF THANKSGIVING *“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”* #298

BENEDICTION

Christ our Lord goes before us as the way, the truth, and the life. Let us feel the light of his love, even as we enter the darkness of this Holy Week. Live in peace. Amen.



Be sure to tune in to our
Virtual Worship Service on You Tube Sunday!
It’s pretty easy—on Saturday afternoon, we will email you a link to watch the service on your PC, laptop, tablet or phone. Just click the link and worship together! The link will also be available on RUMC’s Facebook page.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Mariah Shivers April 2

This Week at RUMC:

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| Sunday | 4/5 | Virtual Worship Service on You Tube |
| Tuesday | 4/7 | Adult Ed—Cancelled until further notice |
| Wednesday | 4/8 | GOM-Cancelled |
| Thursday | 4/9 | Choir—Cancelled |
| | | Narcotics Anonymous—Cancelled |
| Sunday | 4/12 | Easter Sunday |
| | | Virtual Worship Service on You Tube |

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