

Our Church Family

Phyllis King—Covid
Ann Chisenhall
Carol Macri
Marie Pierce
Ray Clark



In Our Prayers

In Nursing Homes, Assisted Living and Limited Mobility

Shirley Edwards—Brookdale SW
Janet McKercher—White Oaks
Norine Veal—Woodlake
Phyllis King—Vernon Manor
June Latkofsky
Esther Harris
Irene Surette

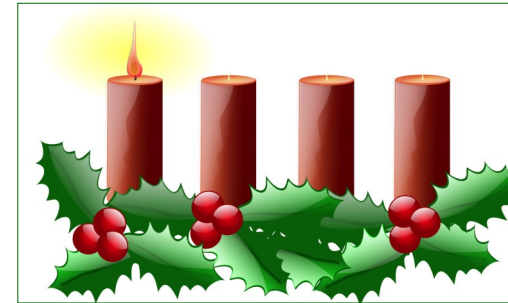
Other Concerns:

Diane Lajoie on the death of her Dad
Family of Rosalie Rixham, sister of Dana Robertson , who passed away this week
Cassity Kerstetter (niece of Dave Saunders—beginning Boot Camp)
Peter McCarthy (Wayne Badstuebner’s nephew)
Julie Nagy—Covid-19
Dr. Belinda Forbes—Hurricane in Nicaragua
Ray Benner—Upcoming Surgery (Janice Klingman’s brother)
Bob Hornbecker—Medical Issues (spouse of Debby Walters’ boss)
Family of Pete Carlin who passed away last Saturday (co-worker of Debbie Walters)
Robertson Family on the death of Dana’s aunts, Ione Robertson and Jean Kelly
Wayne and Pauline Cheveriea's son-in-law, Bob Harris - hip surgery
Ruth Roberts—healing from knee surgery
Paula Herlihy, caregiver, and her parents, Ed and Rosemary Ostafi
Steve Chisenhall’s father, Rev. Herbert Chisenhall—Recovery from stroke
Emily Rushton, Don Corne, Chelsea Whitney, Glen Stambo, Alyssa Walters, Craig Stearns,
Scott Gay, Al Laflamme Nancy Beimler, Margaret Wilkie and all medical professionals and healthcare workers affected by the virus.
Lorna (Emily’s aunt) cancer
Students and teachers at school

Dr. Belinda Forbes
Missionary
Accion Medica Christiana Managua, Nicaragua

Pastor Kristin White
Green Street UMC
Augusta, ME

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
First Sunday in Advent
November 29, 2020

GATHERING MEDITATION

Dear sisters and brothers, we are here to celebrate the first Sunday of the Advent Season. We anticipate that Christ, who came as a human being 2000 years ago, may come to us this Christmas in terms of rebirth, either for the first time, or a spiritual renewal in deeper dimensions of reality. The Spirit of living God, be present with us now and give us hope within.

ANNOUNCEMENTS (please see inside of bulletin)

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Today is the beginning of Advent.
P: **We gather today to celebrate God’s coming to us in Christ Jesus.**
L: We light the first candle.
P: **To symbolize the promises found in prophecy given to us from God.**
L: God, you have promised to come quickly and abide with us.
P: **We awaken to greet the Lord in hope and love for a brighter future!**

OPENING PRAYER

Merciful God, you sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation. Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may celebrate aright the commemoration of the nativity, and may await with joy the coming in glory of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, for ever and ever. Amen.

LORD’S PRAYER

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Isaiah 64:1-9

GOSPEL LESSON

Mark 13:24-37

SERMON

"Come Home—Come Down Home"

Pastor Cheol

OFFERING

(Please send tithes and Offerings to the church office or use the online giving option.)

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Gracious God, we enter this season of preparation for your Son's coming, looking not for just a memory of past events, but anticipating a return. We pray that giving of ourselves to these preparations might reflect the earth-shaking importance of his coming. Help us to give ourselves generously, for we do not know the day or the hour. In Jesus' name. Amen.

JOYS, CONCERNS, AND CELEBRATIONS OF OUR PEOPLE (please see back page)

SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

Gracious God, we thank you today for opening our hearts to accept your living word and making us prepare for your coming into our lives. You sent your servants to prepare us for the birth of Christ our Savior, and you call us to be the awakening prophets for a world that doesn't know the Christ yet. Help us to prepare your way in our lives and to announce your coming in love and peace to others. In this time of challenge and confusion, Lord, be with us, with our families, with our wounded world. Bring healing and peace to us, that we can restore hope of life, help each other in love, and work for your kingdom here in our lives. We offer this prayer in Jesus' name. Amen.

WE LEAVE WITH GOD'S BLESSING

BENEDICTION

The time of the Promised One is coming! Let us bow down in repentance and lift up our hands in the hope of Christ' coming into our hearts, our homes, and our world. Go now into God's world with His peace in our hearts and lives. Go in hope and peace. Amen.



In response to our annual Thanksgiving Food In-gathering, we delivered many food items to the Cornerstone Food Cupboard. Thanks to all who supported this important ministry.

This Week at RUMC:

Sunday	11/29		1st Sunday in Advent Online Worship (available all week)
Wednesday	12/2	9am	GOM
Thursday	12/3	7pm	Zoom Worship Committee
Sunday	12/6		2nd Sunday in Advent
Sunday	12/6		Online Worship (available all week)

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BIRTHDAYS

Amy Conyers
Serena Travers
George Klingman

December 2
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December 4