

Our Church Family

Ann Chisenhall  
Marie Pierce  
Ray Clark

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

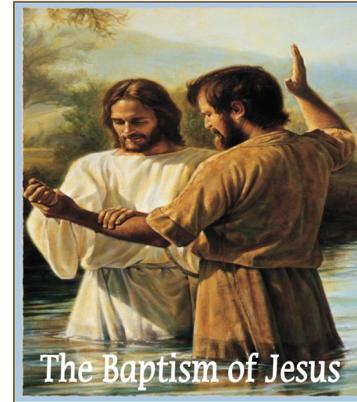


Other Concerns:

Jane Lange—11yr-old daughter of Nat Woodruff's niece—leukemia  
Medical Workers preparing and distributing the Covid Vaccine  
Teachers working to provide students with a quality education, either online or in-person  
Students adapting both socially and educationally to a challenging learning environment  
All who struggle coping with long-term separation from family and friends  
Cassity Kerstetter (niece of Dave Saunders—Boot Camp)  
Peter McCarthy (Wayne Badstuebner's nephew)  
Bob Hornbecker—Medical Issues (spouse of Debby Walters' boss)  
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 on the front lines.  
Lorna (Emily's aunt) cancer

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

Dr. Belinda Forbes  
Missionary  
Accion Medica Christiana Managua, Nicaragua  
Pastor Kristin White  
Green Street UMC  
Augusta, ME



Rockville United Methodist Church  
Order of Worship  
First Sunday After Epiphany  
January 10, 2021

GATHERING MEDITATION

As people beloved by God, we long to hear God's words addressed to us. But too often we are so overwhelmed by uncertainty about the future that we fail to recognize God speaking to us. Let us hear God's words again: "You are my beloved sons and daughters." And Let us ponder what it means to us.

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: In the very beginning, God proclaimed, "Let there be light."

**P: Then God's Spirit hovered over the waters.**

L: In the river Jordan, John the Baptizer proclaimed the baptism of Christ

**P: Then the Spirit descended like a dove on Jesus, the Beloved of God.**

L: The disciple Paul proclaimed the Good News in the name of Jesus

**P: Then the Holy Spirit came upon disciples and they prophesied.**

OPENING PRAYER

God, we are often caught in memories, regrets, and resentments of the past that we forget what to focus on today. We forget how to renew our covenant with you and one another as each day breaks. Forgive us, God, for forgetting that you are our Father and we are your children. We pray for your grace and guidance that we can start out this brand new year as we strive hard to grow close to Christ our Lord. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

**GOSPEL LESSON**

Mark 1:4-11

**SERMON** *Growing in Daily Life—"Starting Humbly in Water"* Pastor Cheol

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

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION**  
God of all good things, we offer back a portion of your bounty in these, our offerings. Through these gifts, may your church embody your creative goodness in the world. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

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

**SILENT PRAYER**

**PASTORAL PRAYER**  
We thank you, O God, for the blessings of life. We thank you for the celebration of worship and the hope for salvation that we have in you. We pray for those who do not know you, that they may receive the good news of Christ Jesus. We pray for those who are making important commitments, that they will receive power to see them through. We pray for those who are in need, that they receive the blessing of fulfillment. We pray for those who need renewal, that they may receive the newness of spirit available in Christ. We pray for those who face embarrassment or shame, that the power of God may change shame to praise and embarrassment to a celebration. In Jesus our Savior's name, we pray. Amen.

WE LEAVE WITH GOD'S BLESSING

**BENEDICTION**  
We are all precious in God's sight. We go from this place, claiming our identity as children of God. Go now in peace to the world to bring Christ's wonderful ministry to salvation. May God answer our prayer and bless our way in this New Year!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

**This Week at RUMC:**

|          |         |                                     |
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| Sunday   | 1/10/21 | Online Worship (available all week) |
| Thursday | 1/14/21 | 7pm Worship Zoom Meeting            |
| Sunday   | 1/17/21 | Online Worship (available all week) |

**Later this month:**

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| Sunday | 1/24/21 | 11am All Church Council (Zoom) |
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Hours: Tuesday—Friday 8am-3pm

Would you like to participate in our online worship service? We can (safely) record you reading the scriptures and insert it into the service. (You would not be on camera.)

Let us know if you would like to participate by emailing our Worship Chairman, Nat Woodruff at [woodruff983@gmail.com](mailto:woodruff983@gmail.com) or Pastor Cheol at [starcheol@gmail.com](mailto:starcheol@gmail.com).



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| Amanda Klingman | January 14 |
| Sienna Spicer   | January 14 |