

Our Church Family

Tom and Anne Steed—healing from Covid 19
Jane Thomas—physical and emotional health
Ann Chisenhall



Other Concerns:

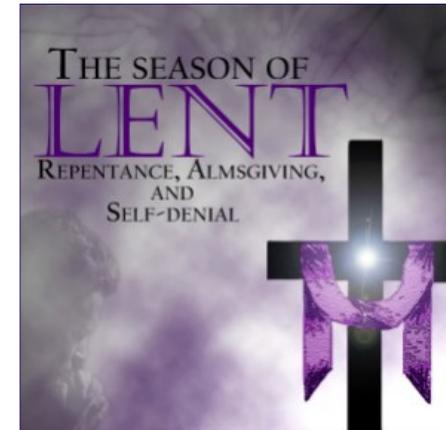
David Saunders—Healing from emotional struggles
Corinne Peterson, medical issues
Family of Steven Goodwin
Earl Robertson—recovery from stroke
Lois Wood—healing for complications from foot surgery
Karen Thoms—stroke—co-worker of Dave Joy
Jane Lange—11yr-old daughter of Nat Woodruff's niece—leukemia
Medical Workers preparing and distributing the Covid Vaccine
Teachers and students struggling with a complex learning environment
All of us who are coping with long-term separation from family and friends
Cassity Kerstetter (niece of Dave Saunders)
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.

In Nursing Homes, Assisted Living and Limited Mobility

Barbara Hoskins—Vanderman Place
Amy Baron—Char-Laine Manor
Shirley Edwards—Brookdale SW
Ruth Garrott—Concord, NH
Janet McKercher—White Oaks
Norine Veal—Woodlake
Phyllis King—Vernon Manor
Ray Clark
June Latkofsky
Esther Harris
Irene Surette

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



Rockville United Methodist
Church
Order of Worship
2nd Sunday in Lent
February 28, 2021

GATHERING MEDITATION

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, just as God called Abraham to leave his home and go into the unknown world, Christ calls us to leave behind our old lives and follow him to the way of the cross. We are often too afraid to venture out. In order to take the holy adventure in our Lenten journey, help us trust you who have promised us final victory, abundant rewards, and eternal life.

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Let all the ends of the earth return to God.
P: **We give glory to God, who is worthy of praise!**
L: Let all the families of the world worship God.
P: **We praise the Lord, who promises life to all!**
L: Let all the people of God rejoice together.
P: **We worship and adore our God.**

OPENING PRAYER

Gracious God, we want to hold on to what we know; we are afraid to take risks for the sake of the gospel; we want to keep our lives safe. Forgive us, O God, when we cling to comfort when we chose the easy way. Transform our fears, that we may deny ourselves, take up our cross, and follow Jesus to serve the world. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16

GOSPEL LESSON: Mark 8:31-38

SERMON *Challenge—"Live by the New Name"* Pastor Cheol

OFFERING

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

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Gracious Lord, you have blessed us with life and abundant love. Use the gifts we bring to restore hope to the hopeless and faith to those who despair. We would give what we have, that we may follow you with all our heart. Amen.

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

SILENT PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

O God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, you called our forefathers to a journey of faith; and you opened for us the path to eternal life through your Son Jesus Christ our Savior. Grant that, being born again, from above, of water and the Spirit, we may serve you in newness of life and faithfully walk in your holy ways. Lord, we offer to you everything and ask that you hear and see and accept all that we offer so the world indeed blesses itself, by us and through us. Lord, we offer to you also the concerns of our hearts for others - that they may be made whole, that they may see the kingdom of God, that they may have enough to eat and drink, that they may have the freedom to respond to your call. Hear our prayers that we offer to you now with the words of our lips and the thoughts of our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

WE LEAVE WITH GOD'S BLESSING

SONG OF HOPE *"Great is Thy Faithfulness"*

BENEDICTION

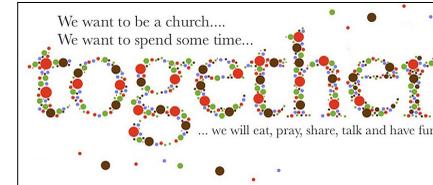
The step of discipleship requires commitment and faith. Go now in peace, bringing the good news of Jesus' love to all people. Do not be afraid. God is with you. Amen.

Lenten Bible Study—

Pastor Cheol will be leading a Bible Study during this Lenten Season. We will be studying the book of Jonah, via Zoom, Tuesdays at 7pm. For more information, call or email Pastor Cheol. We hope you will join us.



In-Person Fellowship Time !



For those of you who are comfortable with an in-person fellowship hour at the church, we will be meeting Wednesdays at 1pm. We will follow Covid Guidelines with social distancing, including taking temperatures on entering the building and using hand sanitizer. We would love to have you join us if you feel comfortable in this setting.

Navigating the **COVID** vaccine process is pretty complicated; let me help! Call me at 860-916-5832 and we can go through it together over the phone.

We can also help you find a ride to the vaccination center.
Karen (Stearns)



Carol Ross	March 2
Candy Sunderland	March 5
Pauline Cheveriea	March 7

This Week at RUMC:

Sunday	2/28/21	Online Worship (always available)
Thursday	3/4/21	7pm Worship Committee (Zoom Mtg)
Sunday	3/7/21	Online Worship (always available)