



Current Prayer Concerns at MUMC for April 2022

Prayer is recognized as an important part of healing whether the need is physical, emotional or spiritual. God will hear prayers lifted on behalf of an individual and will answer them even though we may not know what the need is yet.

We pray for Peace. We pray for Ukraine. We pray for Russia.

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| Barbara Gillis | Charlotte Duthie | Pam Manners |
| Barbara Lombardo | Thomas Manners | Janet Curcio |
| Lisa Curcio | Toby Ellsworth | Diane Davis |
| Betty Mershon | Doris Gafgen | Jim & Flo Dugan |
| Shirley Malmsbury | Andy McCall | Joe Colduvell |
| VK Macwanna | Paul & Marian Chapman | |

- Carrie Neely (friend of Pastor Towanda)
- Pat Pollack (friend of Pam Manners)
- Nicole Foutty (daughter of Barbara and Paul Foutty)
- Carolyn Schreck (friend of Charlotte Swenson)
- Bethany Loeffler's family (friend of Janet Fabian)
- Herbert Hyde's family (departed friend of Lillian Mannon)
- Burphy Kyne (husband of Josphine Karpeh-Kyne)
- Rich Schirner (son of Vicki Katona)
- Ella Miller (granddaughter of Dave and Marianne Miller)
- April Miller (niece of Dave and Marianne Miller)
- Sherry Koch (friend of Linda Mier)
- Pat Miller (sister-in-law of Lillian Mannon)
- Mike Pugh (nephew of Vicki Katona)
- Cassandra (friend of Tom Wisnosky)
- Bill Banks (friend of Harold and Wanda Long)
- Jonathan Holcombe's mother and brother of a close friend
- Kaylee (Becky Kent's granddaughter)



April Maple



A Prayer for Easter

"How wonderful, how marvelous, is Your love, Jesus! To think that You were willing to go through that for me!

What a day of rejoicing that must have been when You rose and realized it was all over-You had won the victory! You had accomplished Your mission. You had made the way for the world to be saved. You had gone through the horrors of Hell and death for us, and it was over.

You arose in victory, joy, liberation, and freedom from the hands of evil men, never to have to go through that again-and You did it all to spare us the same. Now we can say with the apostle Paul, "O death, where is your sting? O Hades [grave], where is your victory?" (1 Corinthians 15:55-57).

As I think of the seemingly terrible defeat that You suffered and how it resulted in such a tremendous victory, it fills me with wonder and gives me such hope and peace. Surely You and Your love will see me through whatever troubles may come my way, from now till eternity! Amen."

<https://thoughts-about-god.com/easter /easter-prayer>

Pastor Towanda



The Praise Band is looking for a drummer and a keyboard player. Anyone interested or that knows of someone, please call the church office.

- * **Maundy Thursday** is April 14th at 7 pm. with choir and communion. (livestreamed)
- * **Palm Sunday** is April 10th (2nd service livestreamed)
- * **Easter Sunday** is April 17th (one service 11:15am livestreamed)

**Choir rehearsal every Thursday at 8:00pm,
Sunday at 10:30 in the Choir room
Singing masks will be provided ~
REQUESTING NEW MEMBERS
TO JOIN IN!**



Please see the **Scripture reading sign-up sheet on the table outside the office** for those who would like to read scripture on Sunday mornings



At the Foot of the Cross Easter Poem

At the foot of the cross, I lay it all down
Everything in my life, that's hidden deep inside
I give it away, for my Savior to heal
These fears that I have, that I've buried for years
At the feet of Jesus, my heart pours out tears
As I kneel and pray, my thoughts become clear
And I finally see what's so very dear

At the foot of the cross, I cry out in pain
Anguishing thoughts pour out like rain
But, amidst these tears, I find a peace so calm
As Jesus scurries in, the darkness fades away
My heart is freed, my mind once again sane
And the past torments I've had are forever washed away
My life burns brighter, like the dawning of a new day

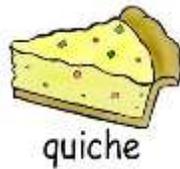
At the foot of the cross, I'm loved and not lost
Where the Holy drops of blood, have paid off sin's costs
And the Savior was taken, now risen once more
Through the grace of God, the veil was torn

And the world was cast a new rope of hope
Dangling freely from Heaven, climbable by faith alone
To an eternal place, where sin and death are dead

At the foot of the cross, life can be found
On your knees draped in blood, on Calvary's sacred ground.

From Ministry Matters written by Steven.

ATTENTION QUICHE LOVERS!!



Thank you for ordering quiche from the United Women of Faith. (UWF)

We have reached our quota and are no longer taking orders.

**Be sure to pick up your order
PICK-UP ORDERS (Cash and Carry):**

**Saturday April 9th. 2-6pm and
Sunday April 10th from 10am- 1pm
after church in fellowship hall.**



The Nursery open 8:45am

**Children's Sunday School at 10am
in the youth office**

**Sunday Morning Small Group at 10:05am
in the youth room**



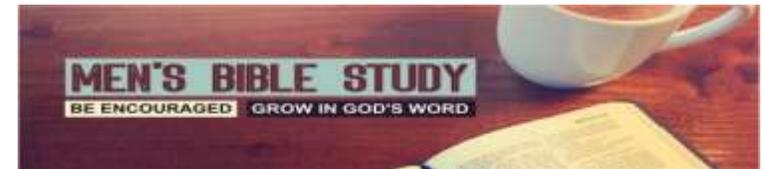
We need: Video operators (training will be provided), and a drummer. Lastly, and most importantly, we need as many of you as possible here with us in worship. Please contact the church office to let us know you're willing to volunteer.

Tuesday 7:00 am ~ Prayer group

Every Tuesday morning, you are invited to call in to share in prayer with a small group from our church community. Please call **718-362-6120 (pin 5901854)**.



If you would like to present **flowers on the altar** for **Sunday morning worship**, please call/email the church office or sign-up in the flower book on the table & share with Eileen who the flowers are given in honor/memory of, or what the occasion is you are commemorating. (Cost is \$35)



The **Saturday Morning Men's Group** has resumed and meets at **8:00am** in the church lounge the **second Saturday** of each month.

Next meeting is April 9th

All Men are welcome for good fellowship and encouragement from God's word. **Contact Dave Miller if you have any questions (267-614-3836)**.



MUMC Latino Ministry

The Latino Ministry is happy to resume in-person services on March 12, 2022. We were all eager to return to bi-weekly services. We took time to pray and talk about the work of God in our lives. We gave praise thanking God for all our Blessings.

We have decided to change our Zoom bible study from Thursday to Sundays. This month's Zoom bible study will be April 3rd, and 17th at 7pm. We will continue our bi-weekly Saturday service.

- * This Month's service's will be Saturday 9th and 23rd at 2pm as always.
- * We continue to assist with food bank, gift cards and utility bills.
- * Looking forward to the Easter Egg Hunt.

The Cadillo and Quaterman family want to say thank you. Rosa's wedding service and reception was amazing, and we are grateful to the congregation for always welcoming us with open arms.

ESL EVERY TUESDAY AT 6:30 IN THE NURSERY



YOUTH IN ACTION

Youth Group will be meeting twice a month on the 1st and 2nd Wednesdays. The next meetings will be **April 6th and 13th at 7:00pm in the youth room.** We would love also for your youth to come and volunteer at the Shared Meal on the 3rd Tuesday.

Ivin's Meal this month is Monday April 11th

Shared Meal is Tuesday April 19th

If you would like to help, please reach out to Jenn at 267-393-5381

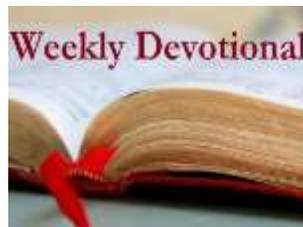
Cooks meet at about 1:00pm

Servers meet at about 3:30-4:00pm

Cleaners start around 5:00pm

ATTENTION: CDC has removed the mask requirement!

In compliance with the CDC, masks are now optional. We are glad to announce that the church is completely open for all ministries and meetings. We do ask that you remain vigilant concerning your well-being. Please stay home if you are sick. We look forward to seeing you as we continue ministry in the community.



Morrisville Family Devotions

Growing together as the body of Christ as we share devotions on Wednesday morning. **Every Wednesday**

morning all will receive a devotion email from Pastor Towanda.

During Holy Week, Pastor Towanda will share daily devotionals from the series "Love Remains."



Prayer Shawl Group!!

Now meeting 1st and 3rd Thursdays at 7pm in the lounge. This month meetings: April 7th and 21st



United
Women
in Faith

**Beginning this year
United Methodist
Women will call
themselves United
Women in Faith (UWF)!**

The new name is part of the refreshment of the organization that includes new and improved programs designed to better nurture current members and welcome new women into their sisterhood. For more information, go to this link <https://uwfaith.org>.

A NEW MISSION STATEMENT HAS BEEN CREATED FOR THE ORGANIZATION

"United Women in Faith seeks to connect and nurture women through Christian spiritual formation, leadership development, creative fellowship, and education so that they can inspire, influence and impact local and global communities."

You don't have to be a member of The United Methodist Church to join. Our membership is diverse: women of many races, cultures, languages, young and old. There is no minimum age requirement. We hope you will prayerfully consider joining this **multicultural**, **multilingual**, and **multiracial** organization of women.

All women are welcome to attend!

April Schedule

April 5 UWF GENERAL MEETING – 7:00 p.m. Fellowship Hall

Guest Speaker: Jenn Ayling-Arruda

Topic: Planting to Attract Butterflies

* Take home a plant!

April 18

MARCIA-RUTH CIRCLE

7:00 P.M. – Youth Room

Study/Devotion: Lois Avery

Hostess: Carol Young

April 20

ELIZABETH CIRCLE

1:30 P.M. – Church lounge

Study/Devotion: TBA

Hostesses: Barbara Althouse and

Charlotte Swenson



Welcome
SPRING

Indoor Yard Sale- Spring has Sprung!

On Sat., May 14th the **United Women in Faith of Morrisville, (formerly Morrisville UMW)** announces the return of the Giant Indoor Yard Sale! To prepare for this event, please SAVE your useful-but-no-longer-needed items such as housewares, toys, books and used, clean clothing AT HOME. Due to our limited storage space we have to limit our collection to the week prior to the sale. (Out of respect for God's creation and local hazardous waste requirements we will not accept computers or televisions.)

From **May 8th- Friday May 13th** you may drop off items in the Fellowship Hall during regular church office hours (10:30-2:30, M, Tu, Th, F). Evening drop off will be Wed., May 11 and Thurs., May 12 from 7:00pm-8:15pm. Please mark your items "Yard Sale" because we have many ministries going on at the church and we don't want to sell any items by mistake!

Prayerfully consider your donations as this is a mission event on several levels. We decrease the amount of "stuff" in our landfills, folks in need find reasonably priced items for their families, and United Women in Faith is able to donate the proceeds to mission projects both local and global!

If you would like to help at the Yard Sale, or if you have any questions about your donations, please call:

**Rhonda Rea @ 215-493-9505 or email at
jrpiz@aol.com**

WE ARE EXCITED TO
ANNOUNCE THE **2022
EASTER EGG HUNT WILL BE
APRIL 16, 2022 AT 2PM.**

PLEASE RETURN THE PLASTIC
EGGS FULL OF CANDY ON
PALM SUNDAY APRIL 10.

INVITE YOUR FAMILY,
NEIGHBORS AND FRIENDS. WE
NEED VOLUNTEERS
TO ASSIST. PLEASE
CONTACT PASTOR TOWANDA IF YOU ARE
INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING.



**DEB AND MEGAN PRICE ARE
COLLECTING SPRING AND/OR EASTER
STICKERS TO DECORATE THE BAGS.**
PLEASE CONTACT DEB DIRECTLY TO
DONATE OR LEAVE THEM IN THE OFFICE.



Food Bank: The Mission Committee
wants to thank all of you who have been so
generous and faithful to this ongoing effort of
serving our friends and neighbors in need.

THE FOOD PANTRY NEEDS YOUR DONATIONS!!
WHAT WE STILL NEED Toilet paper and paper towels,
laundry soap and dryer sheets, feminine hygiene products,
canned meats (chicken, fish, etc.), beans, pasta sauce,



canned veggies of all
kinds, small jars of peanut
butter and jelly, cereal
and instant oatmeal,
soups, canned fruit, apple
juice and/or juice packs,
snack foods, instant coffee,
coffee creamer, **THANK
YOU!!**



**It's SPRING!! And the
allergy season is upon
us - It is time to create
some new gifts to the
shared meal program!**

All you need to do is use a brown paper bag or gallon size Ziplock and place some nice item that will help someone in need! You can give it to the ushers or drop it off at the church office.

Thoughtful items to use when filling your blessing bags:

- **Toiletries:** Deodorant, toothbrushes, razors, soap, shampoo, shaving cream
- **Food/drinks:** Bottled water, Gatorade, granola bars, trail mix, tuna, cracker packs, beef jerky, other non-perishables
- **Other personal care items:** Sunscreen, lotion, feminine hygiene products, washcloths, Kleenex, Band-Aids
- **Small-denomination gift cards** for coffee & food





Interfaith Food Alliance

Thank you for supporting the IFA Backpack Center with your food donations.

This month our targeted donations requests are for: white rice, cooking oil, granola bars and tissues.

Donations can be placed in the blue striped bins in the hallway outside of the office.

Info coming soon- IFA will be selling tickets (vouchers) for a Trenton Thunder game in August. A portion of the ticket price will benefit the IFA and it will be great to take yourself and some friends out to the ball game again!



Tuesday April 5th , 5-7pm
Saturday April 9th , 9-11am
Tuesday April 19th , 5-7pm
Saturday April 23rd , 9-11am



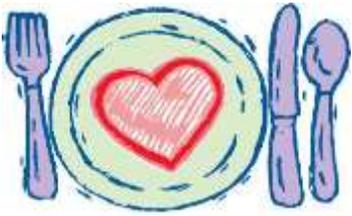
April Birthdays

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| 1 - Joshua Arruda | 22 - Jamie Lynn Cron |
| 4 - Jill Wittenborn | 22 - Tim Heasley |
| 7 - Carolina Bustamante | 22 - Arlene Wittenborn |
| 8 - Linda Brewer | 23 - Laura Mealey |
| 10 - Anna Trimble | 25 - John Marrazzo |
| 12 - Amy Busche | 28 - Kaitlin Decker |
| 14 - Maggie Hughes | 29 - John Koba |
| 20 - Terri Swenson | |

April Anniversaries

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| 17 - Steven & Rebecca Kent | = 28 years |
| 18 - Joseph & Bozena Trejo | = 7 years |
| 29 - Jami Lynn & Steve Cron | = 5 years |
| 30 - Joseph & Sue Urbano | = 45 years |





HOT MEALS FOR OUR COMMUNITY

Share A Meal

A big thank you to all of you who continue to support this wonderful ministry. We are continuing the dedicated work with providing take-out meals to those in need. We provide **two hot shared meals monthly, the second Monday and the third Tuesday**, and can use all the help we can get!

The following volunteer opportunities are available:

Ivin's Meal - April 11th - 2nd Monday of each month

This meal is a smaller and a more contained meal. We offer this meal to support Ivan's house. Fran is our main organizer.

Volunteer opportunities for this meal are:

Cooking Serve/Packaging

- these positions are full - God is Good!

Drop-off meals

3:00-3:30pm (varies depending on needs)

Clean-Up - 2 people - Time: 3:30-4:30pm *** open

Shared Meal - April 19th - 3rd Tuesday of each month

This meal is a public meal. People come to our door and gather meals as well as the Advocates for the Homeless and Needy. We also deliver to people's homes.

Cooks - 2 people. Carol Somers is the main cook! Those spots are filled.

Serve/Packaging - Joyce Bigley the main server!
5 people ~ Time: 3:30-4:30pm

Drop-off meals (1-2 people) 4:30pm

Clean-Up 2 people Time: 4:00-4:30pm

We also need rolls and cookies every month. These can be donated at any time because we can freeze them!

Moving forward, it will be necessary for volunteers to sign up. Sign-ups can happen through Jenn. So that there is no confusion, she will have all the volunteer opportunities that are available. She will also send an email or make an announcement during service if we have an immediate need!

If you would like to help in a grander scale - you can donate proteins!

We can use the following -

40lbs of ground beef

Cases of boneless chicken (40lbs)

If you would like a meal because you have a need we can deliver it to you- please call the church so that we can provide that! We will need your phone number and address!

Thank you once again for always supporting our shared meal program!