

THE MAPLE

Summer 2023

Morrisville United Methodist Church

Pastor's Pen

Dear Morrisville UMC Family,

We are happy to share that we moved on Monday, June 19th to the MUMC parsonage. Thanks, Dave B. for receiving us! There is so much gratitude in our hearts, my husband Alexis and I!

Recently I was preaching about Trusting God Through Times of Change. The Scripture was Genesis 12:1-9. When God called Abram to leave his country, family, friends, and all what he knew (his comfort zone) to go to a place where he didn't even know where it was!

Changes are not easy, but this world is constantly changing. Then, what do we need to do? Trust God through times of change. Sunday, June 25th was my last at Casa del Pueblo (House of the People), the Hispanic Ministry I was serving in the Hatboro-Warrington area. How hard it is to say by-adios to people, places, and the brothers and sisters in Christ we knew and have learned to love. But change has been, is, and will always be part of our lives.

You, as a congregation, said goodbye to Pastor Towanda as she moved forward to continue serving God in Arizona. Let us keep her in our prayers, because changes are not easy. But you know what? They are wrapped with blessings. Even if we do not see it at first.

As we move forward TOGETHER to serve God, which is our main goal, let us trust Him during this time of change. The same way the Lord led Abram, he will be leading us to continue be light and shine on this community and beyond.

Thank you very much to Dave Sample, Jennifer Ayling, the transitional team, and all the congregation for the gorgeous basket filled with so much beautiful, delicious things. By the way, **Fame Good Times** is great!!

I am looking forward to meet each and every one of you.

In the love of Christ,

Pastor Olga

July/August Calendar

7/2

1:30pm – In Recital: American Song (Sanctuary)

7/5

5:00PM – IFA Backpacks (Main entrance)

7/7

9:30am – Blood Drive (Fellowship Hall)

7/8

9:00am – IFA Backpacks (Main entrance)

7/16

1:00pm – Private Party – Fellowship Hall

7/18

4:00pm – Shared Meal (Fellowship Hall)

5:00pm – IFA Backpacks (Main entrance)

7/22

9:00am – IFA Backpacks (Main entrance)

7/29

10:00am – Newtown Quilters' Guild
(Fellowship Hall)

7/30-8/4

Girl Scouts Day Camp (Fellowship Hall)

8/5

12:00pm – Bou Scouts (Fellowship Hall)

8/6

3:30pm – AA picnic meeting (Fellowship Hall)

8/8

5:00pm – IFA Backpacks (Main entrance)

8/9

7:00pm – Trustees Meeting (Library)

8/15

7:00pm – SPRC Meeting (Room 10)

8/12

9:00am – IFA Backpacks (Main entrance)

8/18

9:30am – Blood Drive (Fellowship Hall)

8/22

5:00pm – IFA Backpacks (Main Entrance)
IFA/Giant – Food packing event (Fellowship Hall)

8/26

9:00am – IFA Backpacks (Main Entrance)

WEEKLY EVENTS

Sundays

10:00 AM – Worship Service

11 AM – Hospitality (Lounge)

7PM – Alcoholics Anonymous (Hall)

Mondays

10:30 AM – ESL Beg. Class (Rm 10)

6:30 PM – ESL Inter. Class (Rm 10)

7PM – Boy Scouts (Fellowship Hall)

7PM – Nar Anon (Prayer Room)

8PM – Narcotics Anonymous (Rm 30/31)

Fridays

7:30PM - NA (RM 30/31)

Saturdays

6:00PM – Latino Worship Service

Finance Update

Welcome to mid-Summer from the Finance Committee. So far this Summer we have noticed a drop off in the offerings received in June. This is not unusual as people are away on vacation and not in church every Sunday. Please remember to make up for those Sundays that you are not here so we can pay our bills on time. As always, we thank you your continued giving through the year!

In Christ,

Jim Rea



United
Women
in Faith

THE PURPOSE

United Women in Faith is a **community of women** whose purpose is:

To know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ

To develop a creative supportive fellowship and

To expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church.

We welcome all women who commit themselves to our Purpose, including you. 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.

There are no general or circle meetings in July or August.

MISSION U

Eastern PA Conference Mission Education Event

JULY 21-22 (Friday & Saturday) – In person

Registration deadline – July 10

Registration link - [Mission U 2023 - Choose Registration \(eventscloud.com\)](https://www.eventscloud.com/missions)

August 8, 10 and 15, 17 – On line Zoom

Registration deadline – August 1

Registration link - [Mission U 2023 online class - Choose Registration \(eventscloud.com\)](https://www.eventscloud.com/missions)

United Women in Faith

Summer Mission project- School Supplies and Feminine Hygiene Products

The Mission u Event of the Eastern PA Conference is collecting items needed at United Methodist Neighborhood Services in Philadelphia. If you would like to help by contributing basic school supplies and/or feminine hygiene products for the people served by this agency, please leave them in the box marked "Mission u" in the lounge. The collection will be going on from July 1- Jul 20th. Thank you for sharing with those in need!

Rhonda Rea

United Women in Faith-EPA Dean of Mission u

Interfaith Food Alliance

Thank you to all who continue to donate food items in our blue-striped bins outside of the church office.

Please remember that while many of us have a summer vacation...hunger does NOT go on vacation.

Especially targeted items for July and August are cereal, juices, and condiments (mustard, mayo, ketchup).

Rhonda Rea



This summer we need canned meats, beans (all kinds), toilet paper, feminine hygiene products, laundry detergent, and cleaning supplies.

Love, Deb Price (Missions Committee)



LATINO WORSHIP

Saturdays at 6:00 pm in the Latino Ministry Office,
Room 26.



Happy Anniversary

- Jim & Rhonda Rea (46 years)July 2
- Beditza & Jose Cadillo (16 years)July 14
- Lillian & Allan Mannon (35 years)July 16
- Paul & Carol Somers (64 years)July 25
- Emmanuel & Aneza Abalo (28 years)August 1
- Margy & Dean Dickson (36 years)August 8
- Jaime & Scott Urban (18 years)August 13
- Morgan & Matthew Ahne (3 years)August 28



Happy Birthday

- Patrick Burke..... July 1
- Ruth Harvick July 2
- Mandela Bull..... July 3
- Rhys Koba July 3
- Kadiatu Hannah Kamara July 4
- Samuel Trejo July 4
- Florence Massaquoi..... July 7
- Walt Nagbe July 9
- Christian Tiacomulo July 9
- Mark Arruda July 11
- Barbara Gillis..... July 11
- Juliette Jawara July 12
- Brad Noble July 14
- Richard Manners July 15
- Nancy Sample July 15
- Aaron Hammer July 17
- Samantha Weed July 17
- Janet Fabian July 17
- Jane Burger July 19
- John Pietrocarlo..... July 19
- Mason Russell..... July 22
- Matt Tiacomulco..... July 22
- Lois Avery..... Jul 24
- Josephine Karpeh-Kyne July 24
- Miriam Burkhardt July 30
- Amy Mealey July 30
- Kadija Yilla July 30
- Lori Decker August 2
- Richard Dulay..... August 3
- Robert Jones August 6
- Ayana Melendez August 12
- Janet Nagbe August 14
- Kathy Berry August 17
- Matthew Russell August 17
- Brandon Weed August 17
- Joseph Massaquoi August 20
- Jose Cadillo August 23
- TY Decker August 25
- Jose Cadillo August 26
- Scott Weed August 29
- Debbie Eickhoff..... August 31

Current Prayer Concerns



We pray for Peace. We pray for Ukraine. We pray for Russia. We pray for the families of victims of mass shootings. We pray for Justice and Equality for all.

We ask for your prayers for a smooth transition from Pastor Towanda to Pastor Olga.

Pastor Olga Gonzalez (our new Pastor), Henry Jartu, Tom Miller, Barbara Gillis, Pam Manners, Isaac Whitter, Jim & Flo Dugan, Toby Ellsworth, Jimmy Ellsworth, Shirley Malmsbury, Thomas Manners, B.J. Lebegern, Evelyn Sipler, Paul & Marian Chapman, Sue Urbano, Alice South, Josephine Karpeh-Kyne, Manny Abalo, Pastor Towanda N.T. Connelly

Andrea (friend of Angel Stintsman)
Bill (friend of Charlotte Swenson)
Ruth (friend of Charlotte Swenson)
Cheryl (friend of Charlotte Swenson)
Nephew of Linda Mier's colleague
Cameron (friend of Linda Mier)
Damien Valen (friend of Frances Rivera)
Bill (brother-in-law of Phyllis Patterson)
Family of Jerry Urbano (deceased brother of Joe Urbano)
Family of George Mount (friend of Carol Young)
Family of Patricia Sullivan (friend of Jane Burger)
Karen (community member)
Family of Wanda Long (deceased wife of Harold Long)
Joan (friend of Vera Straley)
Maria (friend of Beditza)
Marcus (friend of Jenn Ayling-Arruda)
Ellen (niece of Bev Hoyer)
Elaine (friend of Estella Smires)
Nahdee (mother of Veronica Marks)
Hans (brother of Marianne Miller)
Marilou & Wally (friends of Mickey McDevitt)
Janet (friend of Jenn Ayling-Arruda)
Maureen (friend of Charlotte Swenson)
Kate (daughter of Pam Manners)

Sue (friend of Sue Friend)
Brenda (cousin of Phyllis Patterson)
Petra (friend of Linda Mier)
Paulette (cousin of Stella Smires)
Ella (granddaughter of Dave and Marianne Miller)