

# Tappahannock Memorial Messenger

January 2023



## MONTHLY HIGHLIGHTS!

All Meetings & Events  
Are Offered In-Person  
and Virtually When Possible

# January

## 1: Happy New Year!

- Epiphany Sunday
- 6: Epiphany of the Lord
- 7: Fishin' Fun Winter Edition Planning Meeting
- 8: Baptism of the Lord
- 9: OIAM Soup Supper @ Beale
- 15: 2nd Sunday after Epiphany Special Offering: Human Relations Day
- 16: MLK Jr. Day Finance Meeting
- 18—25: Week of Prayer / Christian Unity
- 22: 3rd Sunday after Epiphany
- 29: 4th Sunday after Epiphany

# FEBRUARY

- 5: 5th Sunday after Epiphany
- 6: OIAM Meeting
- 11: Congregational Care Meeting Fishin' Fun Winter Edition Final Readiness Meeting
- 12: 6th Sunday after Epiphany
- 14: Valentine's Day
- 18: Fishin' Fun Club Winter Event



- 19: Transfiguration Sunday Fishin' Fun Worship with the RockFish Band
- 20: Admin Council Meeting
- 21: Shrove Tuesday
- 22: Ash Wednesday
- 26: 1st Sunday in Lent

## COVID-19 UPDATE:

TMUMC continues to offer both in-person & virtual worship services and meetings. Zoom access is provided for all meetings and live streams of our worship services are available on our Facebook and YouTube pages each Sunday at 10 am.

Please note the following:

- ⇒ Everyone may make their own choice about wearing a mask.
- ⇒ We strongly encourage everyone to continue social distancing. Please remember that not everyone is able to be vaccinated.
- ⇒ We ask that everyone please be mindful of those who are immunocompromised, receiving treatments, awaiting surgery, or recovering from surgery.
- ⇒ If you are feeling under the weather, we ask that you stay at home and join us virtually.



## Pastor's Pen

"When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. " Matthew 2:10-11

January 1<sup>st</sup> of 2023 falls on a Sunday this year. The first day of the year happens to be the first day of the week. It's a real start at the beginning, because it also means we start the New Year with worship. And there is no better way to start it than in worship. We will celebrate Epiphany Sunday on January 1<sup>st</sup> as well as celebrating the New Year. We are reminded of the three Wise Men, sometimes referred to as the three Kings, who traveled so very far to meet the baby boy Jesus. They traveled to pay homage, to publically show their respect for one greater than themselves. They each presented the very young boy Jesus with a gift. And not just any

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## January Lay Leaders

### LECTORS

01/01: George Turner  
 01/08: Laurie Turner  
 01/15: Kelly Wright  
 01/22: John Harvey  
 01/29: Carol Smith

### NURSERY

01/01:  
 Lindsay Knight & Laurie Turner  
 01/08:  
 Dolly Loomis & Tami Ward-Dahl  
 01/15:  
 Barbara Watkins & Karen Ramirez  
 01/22:  
 John & Jen Magruder  
 01/29:  
 Jeanie Loser &  
 Mary Alice Passagaluppi

### USHERS

01/01: Carol Smith & Diane Carter  
 01/08: Carol Smith & Diane Carter  
 01/15: Carol Smith & TBD  
 01/22: Carol Smith & TBD  
 01/29: Carol Smith & TBD

### TELLERS

### ALTAR GUILD

Kathy Parker

### CONGREGATIONAL CARE - TEAM 1

Mary Barrack  
 Holly Wachsmuth  
 Bonnie Harding  
 Diana Robertson  
 Jack Robertson

5th Sunday Wooden Plate 01/30:



2 Bill Passagaluppi  
 4 Rick Stott  
 5 Ann Wilkins  
 6 Dickie Tomlin  
 8 Tom Booth  
 9 Kate Passagaluppi  
 10 Joel Knight  
 10 Tara Climaldi  
 11 Jim Glass  
 12 Kathy Parker  
 13 David Wachsmuth  
 14 Millie Piper  
 17 Eleanor Rehm  
 18 Tommy Turner, Jr.  
 19 Bill Woody  
 21 John Dille  
 21 Bill Loser  
 22 Chuck Harding  
 23 Lee Black  
 24 Liz Russell  
 26 Sandy Hill  
 29 Rev. Steve Hundley  
 30 Dolly Loomis

## Faith & Fellowship

(Currently)

**Adult Sunday School**  
 Sundays @ 11:15 am  
 In-Person Only

**TMUMC Choir**  
 Mondays @ 6:30p.m.  
 In-Person Only

**TMUMC Glory Ringers**  
 Sundays @ 8:45 a.m.  
 In-Person Only

**Wednesday Morning Group:**  
 Wednesdays @ 10:30 am  
 In-Person & Via Zoom

## VOLUNTEER

Whatever your gift, or talent, TMUMC has a place for you! Do you enjoy flower arranging, knitting, crocheting, preparing gift baskets, cooking, writing, singing, playing a musical instrument, meeting and greeting our neighbors, baking, crafting, cutting grass, landscaping, organizing, visioning, babysitting, visiting, etc.? We have a ministry for you! Discover your gifts and the joy in sharing those gifts. You will be glad you did!!



Sunday, January 15<sup>th</sup>

### Special Offering: Human Relations Day

"Human Relations Day calls United Methodists to recognize the right of all God's children in realizing their potential as human beings in relationship with one another. The special offering benefits neighbor-

hood ministries through Community Developers, community advocacy through United Methodist Voluntary Services and work with at-risk teens through the Youth Offender Rehabilitation Program."

<https://www.umc.org/en/content/human-relations-day-faq>

Use This Link to Access  
**E-Giving**





## Thankful for Each of You

A debt of gratitude is due all who faithfully served the missions and ministries of Tappahannock Memorial United Methodist Church during the year 2022. You contributed your time and talents and for your service, the TMUMC family is grateful.

Thanks is also due to all who have answered the call for service in 2023. Together we can make a difference in the lives of our neighbors here in Tappahannock and surrounding areas. There is much we can accomplish in the coming year so let us look ahead with joy and excitement as God calls us forth!

## 2023 Challenge!

I Vow to ...  
Prayers Service  
Gifts Presence Witness

As we were reminded of our membership vows and the call to be good stewards of the church, we have created an opportunity to increase your participation in the life of the church.

You are invited to our 2023 challenge to increase your tithes and offerings as well as your presence in worship, study, and church ministries! Let's see what great things we can do together! **TAKE THE CHALLENGE!**



We would like to say thank you for the members of our church that purchased gifts for the children of our local community that had a parent or parental figure absent from them this Christmas due to being incarcerated. The Angel Tree Ministry allows children to receive gifts from their loved ones. It also provides a chance for those incarcerated to show love and support to their children or special children in their lives. Thank you for your continued support for this ministry at Christmas time.





### IT IS WITH MUCH APPRECIATION AND LOVE

that we wish Rev. Barb and Alan many blessings on this new phase in their lives. We are grateful for the 6 years Rev. Barb has served as our Minister of Congregational Life. While this chapter concludes, we know we will be seeing you around! We love you both and will be praying for you and your beautiful family! Here are a couple of pictures from the farewell luncheon on November 18th!





## Outreach on the Move ...

### Fishin' Fun Club Winter Edition

I am pleased to report that the Fishin' Fun Club – Winter Edition is scheduled for February 18-19, 2023. Our theme will be Shrove Tuesday and Ash Wednesday. Our plans are taking shape, and we anticipate a good attendance from the community children. Previous attendees will be contacted and invited to participate. Please share this information with any children, grandchildren, or neighborhood children you know who are between the ages of 4-12 years old. We are limited to a total enrollment of 30 students.

We always can use volunteers to provide leadership for the Fishin' Fun Club. Opportunities exist in the kitchen preparing lunch and snacks, in the classroom, and helping with recreation and music. We will have an in town focus, as we always do to help the kids learn more about the town and what it offers.

Please consider how you can be involved with this important outreach ministry of Tappahannock Memorial United Methodist Church. We are on the move sharing Jesus Christ with our community!

## CONGREGATIONAL CARE COMMITTEE UPDATE

Greetings, church family, from the Congregational Care Committee (CCC). We have been blessed to extend our love and care to our church family during 2022 and look forward to when the Virus and variants will be held to a minimum in the coming year.



We continue to keep touch with our homebound members—remembering them each month. We also continue our efforts to reach out to our church family with care baskets when there is sickness, hospitalizations, bereavement, or other difficulties. Those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries as well as those who are absent in worship receive cards. Prayer shawls are distributed to those who need special comfort. As ambassadors of the Miracle, Candy church, we make candy available each Sunday for the children who attend and even on special occasions for our grownups.

For the coming year, the Congregational Care Committee is pleased to announce that we plan to host another Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper on February 21st at 6pm, in the Fellowship Hall. CCC members will cook and prepare the meal. We hope you will plan to join the fun when we gather for a festive occasion before we enter the penitential season of Lent.

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UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

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**Pastor:**

The Reverend Rebecca Minor

**Minister of Congregational Life:**

The Reverend Barbara Jacobs

**Administrative Assistant:** Cindy Huber

**Co-Music Directors:** Kelly & Rob Wright

**Pianist:** Beth Harvey

**Custodian:** Amanda Hart

*We seek to be disciples of Christ, welcoming  
all as we nurture and support one another  
through service and outreach.*

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gift, but the best gift they could offer. They gave Him gold, frankincense, and myrrh. They gave their best.

As we begin the new year of 2023, we are challenged to

give our very best. Some of us will make New Year's resolutions in hopes to make positive changes in our lives.

Whether it is a resolution, a commitment, a promise, or whatever you may want to call it, we are asked by God to give our very best just like the wise men. What is the best we can offer in our attitude? What is the very best we can offer in compassion for others? What is the very best we can offer in forgiveness and grace? What is the very best we can offer in study and worship? What is the very best we can offer in financial giving? What is the best we can offer in serving in ministry? This new year offers nothing but wide open possibilities and opportunities to do better and to be better as people of Christ to a community and world in need of a Savior. May this New Year bring you all many blessings, and may we all give the best of ourselves in the Name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ who is the greatest gift of all.

Happy New Year

You Are Loved!

Pastor Becca

