

# Tappahannock Memorial Messenger

January 2024



**MONTHLY HIGHLIGHTS!**

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



- 1: **Happy New Year!**
- 6: Congregational Care Committee Meeting
- 7: Baptism of the Lord
- 8: OIAM Soup Supper @ Beale Finance Meeting
- 14: 2nd Sunday after Epiphany  
Special Offering:  
Human Relations Day
- 15: MLK Jr. Day
- 18—25:  
Week of Prayer / Christian Unity
- 21: 3rd Sunday after Epiphany  
Special Offering:  
Human Relations Day
- 28: 4th Sunday after Epiphany



- 4: 5th Sunday after Epiphany
- 5: OIAM Meeting  
Admin Council Meeting
- 11: Transfiguration Sunday
- 13: Shrove Tuesday



- 14: Ash Wednesday
- 18: 1st Sunday in Lent  
Special Offering:  
Heart Havens
- 25: 2nd Sunday in Lent

## 2024 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, you have an opportunity to increase your participation in the life of the church.

You are invited to our 2024 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!**

### 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

Happy New Year blessings to each of you. As we begin the new year, the first church observance of the year is Epiphany which always falls on January 6th, the 12th day of Christmas, hence the Christmas song, "The 12 days of Christmas". On the 12th day, Epiphany, 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 publicly 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

- 01/07: George Turner
- 01/14: Carol Smith
- 01/21: Frauke Darnell
- 01/28: TBD

#### NURSERY

- 01/07: TBD
- 01/14: TBD
- 01/21: TBD
- 01/28: TBD

#### USHERS

- 01/07: TBD
- 01/14: George Turner & Carol Smith
- 01/21: Jim Wawner & TBD
- 01/28: Bobbie Lee Lambert & Pete Riles

#### TELLERS

Liz Russell & Frances Boykin

#### ALTAR GUILD

Kathy Parker

#### CONGREGATIONAL CARE - TEAM 1

- Mary Barrack
- Holly Wachsmuth
- Bonnie Harding
- Diana Robertson
- Jack Robertson



- 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 @ 7:00 p.m.  
In-Person Only

**TMUMC Glory Ringers**  
Sundays @ 8:30 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!!

## Special Offering



Sunday, January 21st

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 neighborhood 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

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# Highlights from our Children's Christmas Program



**TAPPAHANNOCK MEMORIAL  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

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Sunday Worship: 10:00 am  
Sunday School: 11:15 am  
Phone: 804.443.2278  
Email: tappmethodist@gmail.com  
Website: <http://www.tappahannockmethodist.org>  
Temp. Office hours: Tue, Wed, Thu 9 am-2 pm

**Join us on Facebook and YouTube!**

**Pastor:**

The Reverend Rebecca Minor

**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 2024, 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

