

#### November Worship Schedule

11/ 3 10:00am Communion Service 11/3, 11/10, 11/17, 11/24 8:00am Outdoor Service 11/10, 10/17, 11/24, 8:45am Contemporary Service 11/10, 11/17, 11/24 11:00am Traditional Service 11/26 7:00pm Thanksgiving Service



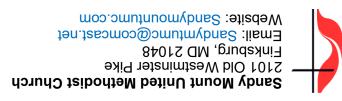
#### **Church COVID Policy**

Masks are optional. Social distancing is still recommended. Masks, COVID test kits, and hand sanitizer are available for free in the narthex.

Mission Statement
The mission of Sandy Mount
UMC is to make disciples of
Jesus Christ for the
transformation of the World.
(Matthew 22:39:28:19-20)

November 2024

Church Staff
Pastor: Rev. Dr. Robert E. Walker, Jr.
Organist: Connie Clarke
Praise Team Leader: Tapiwa Chakanaka
Offlice Administrator: Rebecca Earle
Custodian: Kathy Branson





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#### The Vine November 2024

#### Message from the Pastor

Blessings and peace from our Lord and Savior Jesus, the Christ.

I am the Reverend Doctor Robert E. Walker, Jr., Pastor of Sandy Mount United Methodist Church. We, the Officers, and members, cordially invite you and your family to worship with us as we begin the Holiday season with gratitude, fellowship, and thanksgiving. We will be joined by Deer Park UMC and the House of Blessing, a Hispanic Congregation that worships in our original sanctuary.

We intend to have moments of personal testimonies of thankfulness, great music, and a Word from the Lord.

We know you are preparing a delicious Thanksgiving dinner for family and friends. Come by on Tuesday for a break and be energized to finish strong with your tasty, love-filled meal. We have so much to give God thanks for.

See you Tuesday, November 26, 2024, at 7:00 P.M.

Yours in His service,

Rev. Dr. Robert E. Walker, Jr., Pastor



## November

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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					All Saints Day	(Turn clocks back before bed)
3	4	5	6	7	•	9
8:00am—Outdoor Service (Dough Brooks) 10:00—Combined Communion Service (All	4	1:00pm-Crafts (Country Acres Outreach)	0	7:00pm- Praise Team Rehears- al	4:00pm- 8:00pm- Holiday Ba- zaar	8:00am- 3:00pm- Hol- iday Bazaar
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# Thanking SMUMC



From Girl Scout Troop 04234

As a thank you for the church meeting space, our GS Troop restocked the parking lot food pantry Thursday following our meeting. We also collected cash to buy a \$35 Food Lion grocery gift card to pass to a family who needs extra help right now.

#### **November Birthdays**

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Cory Taylor	10	17	
3	Benjamin Gill	Scarlett Fisher	
Debbie Gill	15	24	
4	Kenny Horton	Lyell Friedrich	^
Mary Elufisan	Rachael Brooks	Michele Scobie	
Jameson Earle	Heather Wray	25	
5	16	Rebecca Earle	The state of the s
Sandy Cohn	Sandy Horton	30	
8	Jacquelyn Geordt	William "Bill" Bailey	1
Nicole Goge	Jennifer Martin	,	i

# Adopt-a-Road Clean Up



## Fellowship Breakfast with Caroline Babylon





#### **Country Acres**













## **Service Opportunities**



### **Food Pantry**

Please know that we are in NEED of donation's for our food pantry. It is important that we keep the food pantry stocked to help those in need in our community. We accept non perishable foods. The drop off area is in the closet across from the church office, or donations can be put directly in the food pantry. You can also make a monetary donation that can be placed in our offering. If you have any questions, please contact the Office Administrator.

### **Country Acres Outreach**

We serve the residents by leading craft activities, organizing bingo games, and offering a monthly worship service with singing and a message. Our ministry dates are noted on the calendar in this newsletter.

If you have any questions, contact Audrey Boyle at 240-593-6462.

Please mark your calendar and invite your friends and neighbors!

## **Clothing & Shoes Donations**

If you have any shoes or clothing items to donate, please drop them in the large bin located in our church parking lot. The bin is emptied monthly by the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Because of our effort to help their program, they donate \$50 each month to SMUMC.





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## OPERATION S.O.S.

### Let's "MESS" around together!

and have a GREAT MEAL at the same time!



#### Tickets (\$40 ea) online now: **CCVIP.VET**

Participating Restaurants include:











#### What's the point?



Ever wondered what it's like inside a military mess hall? Here's your chance to step into the shoes of our service members, enjoy fantastic food, and have a blast—all while supporting a great cause! **CCVIP** has been a lifeline for hundreds of veterans, helping them navigate the complexities of federal benefits they rightfully deserve. This event isn't just about good times; it's a vital fundraiser to ensure that these heroes continue to receive the support they need to thrive in our community. Join us, make a difference, and get a taste of the unique mess hall experience!

WHO: Carroll County Veterans Independence Project

WHAT: OPERATION SOS GOURMET MILITARY MEAL

WHERE: MASONIC LODGE, 46 MONROE ST. WESTMINSTER, MD

WHEN: SUNDAY NOV. 3, 2024 - 11am - 12:30pm - 2:00pm

Call Patti Jennings for more info at: 667-314-3700

## FOOD GIVEAWAY



## Finksburg

#### What:

We will be providing meat, dry and canned goods, and more!

#### When:

3rd Thursday each month from 5-6pm.

#### Where:

Sandy Mount United Methodist Church:

2101 Old Westminster Pike, Finksburg.

#### Note:

Distribution is run in a client choice format. Please park in the parking lot, line up for check in. You will then walk through to select foods.

Volunteers will be present to assist loading items into your vehicles. Please bring reusable shopping bags if you have them. Bags will also be provided on site.

In case of inclement weather, we will resume a drive-thru format.





#### Altar Flowers \$50 for 2 vases

<u>Payment Policy</u>: Please put your check along with a note stating the date you are dedicating flowers for the altar. This will clarify where the money is to be credited for the counters.

Flower Dedication: Please let Rebecca know the Monday before the flowers are given. Please leave the dedication form in the Secretary mailbox, email or call.

#### November 25th is the last day to sign up for December Dedication.

#### <u>November</u> <u>December</u>

3<sup>rd</sup> - Michele Sick 1<sup>st</sup> - Kathy Branson

10<sup>th</sup> - Kathy Klinger 8<sup>th</sup> - Steven Boyle

17<sup>th</sup> - (Thanksgiving Display) 15<sup>th</sup> - Susan Miller

24<sup>th</sup> - Lyell & Stuart Friedrick 22<sup>nd</sup> - (Poinsettia's Tree)

29<sup>th</sup>- (Cutting Gardens Closed)

When taking your flowers please leave the sleeves for the next week and use a plastic bag to transfer your flowers home. Care should be taken so that the altar cloths do not get drip marks on them. Please remove the sleeves and carry them to the back of the sanctuary before placing the flowers in your bag. Empty the water in the vases on the parking lot then return the sleeves to the vases on the altar. TIP: Large zip-lock bags work really well. Thank you.



## Book Club

Please Join us here at SMUMC for Book Club! We are always looking for new members. We meet the 4th Wednesday of each month at noon. Feel free to bring your lunch and chat about the book.

#### **Upcoming Meetings**

November 27

"The Mostly True Story of Tanner & Louise"

&

**December 18** 

"Bright Lights, Big Christmas"





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## FREEDOM ISN'T FREE

VETERANS DAY II.II

Thanks For Your Service!

Veterans get a Free Sandwich on Veterans Day!





It's time to place your order for Poinsettias for Christmas. They will be \$14.50 each. This price includes the plant, plastic saucer, and cost of delivery. Poinsettias will be available in Red, White, or Marbled in a 6" pot. The orders must be in no later than November 26th. Please place your completed order form with your dedication(s) and payment in the offering plate or bring to the church office. Envelopes for your order form and check are on the back table. Payment is due at time of ordering. Please make checks payable to: SMUMC.

For more information, call Repecca at the church office at 410-861-5788.
I would like to order (# poinsettias): RedWhite Marbled
Total: \$
Name:
Phone number #:
In Honor of:
In Memory of:



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#### Music and Worship News-November 2024



Special Music for Sunday, November 10<sup>th</sup> at 11 am service will be provided by Gregory Snyder, nephew of Paula and Tom DiNatale. Gregory witnessed in song on Good Friday last Spring. We are grateful to have him share his witness again.

Three more special worship services in our fall season:

Sunday, November 24<sup>th</sup> is <u>Christ the King Sunday</u> and end of the church year calendar. We acknowledge that Christ is the master of our lives on this festival Sunday. Praise to our Lord will be the focus of the 8:45 and 11 am services. The Chancel Choir will be singing at 11am.

Tuesday, November 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm we will give thanks for what God has done and continues to do in our lives. We partner with Deer Park UMC, Casa de Bendicion, and Sandy Mount UMC. The Pastors from each church, along with the Choir and Praise Teams, will offer prayers, praise and word. Sandy Mount is hosting this year. Please plan to make this part of your Thanksgiving observance.

Advent points us to the return of our Savior and this season begins

December 1<sup>st</sup> at 10 am combined worship with Communion. It is a season of waiting, watching, and turning back to God. The message of Hope, Peace, Love, and Joy will be part of each service prior to Christmas.

Plans for Christmas Eve Services are being made and details will be in the next VINE so you can plan ahead.

REMINDER: Worship Times for Fall 2024 \*8:45 am and 11am\* First Sundays combined at 10 am. The 8am service is offered until frigid weather begins. Get details from Doug Brooks



## 1st Annual Veterans Day Parade Westminster,MD Saturday, 9 November 2024



\*\*Entry forms are due by 1 November 2024\*\*

Name of Organization/Group:			
Approx # of marchers:			
Cars: Floats:			
Name of leader in parade:			
Other person(s) to mention:			
Name of contact person:			
Email address for contact:			
Phone # for contact:			
Organization Bio:			

#### Please email or return completed forms

Email: pjennings@ccvip.vet

**Phone:** 667-314-3700

**Drop-off:** 95 Carroll Street Suite 104

Westminster MD

- Staging at 900AM on Monroe street
- Parade Starts at 1000AM
- Ends at Longwell Ave by Skate Park

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#### First Annual

## VETERANS



Door to Virtue #46





Hosted by CCVIP and Door to Virtue Lodge #46

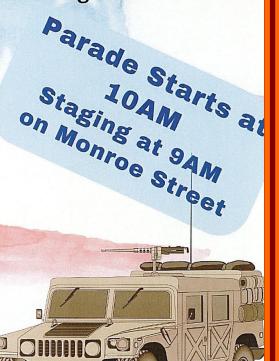
### SATURDAY NOVEMBER 9TH 2024

Route

Monroe St.-> Penn. Ave->
Main Street->Ends
at Longwell Ave

For more Information or to register to be in the parade:

Call: 667-314-3700 Email: pjennings@ccvip.vet



Registration Forms
Available at CCVIP.VET



November 13, 2024 7:00pm November 20, 2024 7:00pm

### Join your Church Family for Wednesday Nights at the Church

Wednesday Nights at the Church always includes snacks, but one Wednesday of each month there will be a potluck supper prior to the evening's entertainment. It is the plan to continue the monthly supper if it is well received.

The suppers will be coordinated by Sally Wilson. The supper will be on



#### November 20 at 6:00 pm.



The menu will be as follows:

Veggie Tray & dip Fruit Tray
Sandwiches BBQ & Rolls
Tossed Salad & dressing Brownies

A sign-up sheet will be on the bulletin board. Please sign up for attendance and indicate if you will bring one of the above items.

Steve Boyle will continue to provide the entertainment.

Questions: Sally Wilson /supper and Steve Boyle/everything else

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### SHOPPES at SANDY MOUNT 2024 HOLIDAY BAZAAR

Friday November 8th



Saturday

**November 9th** 

4:00 - 8:00 p.m.

8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

serving dinner Friday night; breakfast & lunch on Saturday 🕔

BAZAAR FEATURES:

## DELICIOUS TREASURES **FOOD**

# THE ATTIC

(including bargain books)

**OUTSIDE SILENT AUCTION** 

**VENDORS** 

**FREE BIBLES** 

10% of the 2024 Bazaar Profits

will be donated to

**BAKED GOODS**  **NATIVITY** 

**SANTA** MRS. CLAUS

HANDMADE CRAFT ITEMS

Featured in:

Christmas & Shoppe

WhoVille Happenings

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(featuring jewelry, accessories, & home décor items)

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### December 14, 2024 at noon **Sandymount Cemetery**



Sandymount Cemetery has joined 40 other cemeteries in Carroll County participating in the 'Wreaths Across America' program. Everyone is welcome to join us on Saturday, December 14th at noon for a ceremony honoring our deceased veterans and the placement of a wreath on each veteran's gravesite. Sandymount has 89 veterans, serving from the War of 1812 through the Vietnam War.

Everyone is welcome to sponsor a wreath that will be placed at Sandymount. There are several Sponsorship Levels starting at \$17. Honor your vet and help with the wreath laying ceremony.

Please place the code 'MD0316/MDSMMC' in the remarks section of your check and mail to Tom Poe at the church. Please return the order form by November 15, 2024. If you wish to volunteer or have questions, contact **Tom at 443-881-4599.** 

There will be some order forms in the back of the Sanctuary.

To access the order form here please click the link below. You may need to right click and open the form in a new tab.

Sponsor A Wreath Form