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# Wesley Tidings

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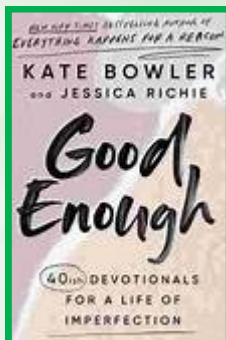
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## Pastor's Ponderings

Entering into a fresh liturgical season of Lent will unfold 40 days of renewal, refreshment, re-energization, recasting a vision to fish for people. Throughout these days there will be opportunities for prayer, fasting, Bible study, holy conversation, fellowship, worship, and service. Plan and prepare for a holy Lent — drawn into relationship with our living Lord. As the earth awakens into spring, let hearts, minds, and spirits awaken anew to the beauty and wonder of resurrection. Through the theme and study *Good Enough*, this year's journey offers God's blessed welcome into wondrous lovingkindness. Wherever you find yourself, spend this 40 days honoring all God has created you to be, as you are. How will you invest time this season on the way with Jesus?

### *Blessings, Pastor Gretchen*

Lent begins March 2nd with the observance of Ash Wednesday at 7 PM. Come for a time of prayer, worship, and setting an intention for this holy journey with God and one another. In person and Facebook Live 7 PM.



Lent Bible Study and spiritual formation group will engage new devotional book by Kate Bowler, *Good Enough*. Time for holy conversation, deep dives, and scriptural exploration will be Sunday afternoons in Lent at 4-5:30 PM. All are welcome. By Zoom and potentially in person option. Contact the church office to reserve your copy of *Good Enough*. Help cover the cost \$15.

Discover more about this devotional and follow the author on social media during Lent at <https://katebowler.com/good-enough/>

Midweek, Midday prayer. Every Wednesday in Lent. Noon in person and on Facebook Live. Beginning March 9th.

Resources our spiritual formation this Lent:  
Upper Room Ministries

<https://www.upperroom.org/resources/lent-101>

## THE UPPER ROOM

Missional Wisdom

<https://www.missionalwisdom.com/formation>



UMC Rethink Church

<https://www.umc.org/en/content/lent-photo-a-day-2022>

Daylight Savings  
Time  
March 13



## Holy Week

**Palm Sunday** - April 10 AM Worship online and in-person

**Maundy Thursday** - April 14

**Good Friday** - April 15

**Holy Saturday** - April 16



## Easter -April 17

Sunrise Service In-Person. Outside. TBA

In-Person and Online Service of praise and Resurrection 10 AM

**Flowering of the cross** - all day - Bring clippings and special flowers to witness to new life in Jesus and



## The Wesley UMC Virtual Pancake Supper

**Tuesday, March 1<sup>st</sup>, on Zoom (TBA)**

Sign up to pick up a pancake supper kit at church on Sunday February 27th: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0f4babab29a57-virtual1> You can also call or text Anne Companion at 757-630-5860 to request a kit; these will include pancake mix, juice, and fruit cups.

A love offering will be accepted and will be donated to the ministries of the church.

## A Night's Welcome

We have one more night for A Night's Welcome, on March 16th.

### Where your help is needed:

If you can help with dinner prep, serving and clean-up, please call or text me at 757-630-5860 if you have any questions or need help with signing up!

Thank you!

Anne  
Companion



## Lent Bible Study Sundays 4-5:30 PM on Zoom

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In Kate Bowler's bestselling memoir *Everything Happens for a Reason*, she unflinchingly and winsomely unpacked the ways that life becomes both hard and beautiful when we abandon certainty and the illusion of control in our lives. Now, in their first-ever devotional book, Kate Bowler and co-author Jessica Richie offer 40ish short spiritual reflections on how we can make sense of life not as a pursuit of endless progress but as a chronic condition. This book is a companion for when you want to stop feeling guilty that you're not living your best life now.

Written gently and with humor, *Good Enough* is permission for all those who need to hear that there are some things you can fix—and some things you can't. And it's okay that life isn't always better. In these gorgeously written reflections, Bowler and Richie offer fresh imagination for how truth, beauty, and meaning can be discovered amid the chaos of life. Their words celebrate kindness, honesty, and interdependence in a culture that rewards ruthless individualism and blind optimism. Ultimately, in these pages we can rest in the encouragement to strive for what is possible today—while recognizing that though we are finite, the life in front of us can be beautiful.



<https://katebowler.com/good-enough/>





### Harmony House Presents:

**Rodney Rittenhouse**  
**Friday, March 11**  
**7 PM Fellowship Hall**

Donations for performers and food appreciated.



### H.E.L.P. Pantry Most Wanted List:

#### Most needed at the food pantry

- Dry cereal in boxes
- Tomato sauce
- Shelf-stable milk (single-serve packages)
- Jell-O
- Canned meat—Spam, corned beef, etc.
- Pork and beans
- Rice-a-Roni/ flavored rice packets
- Paper grocery bags

#### Most needed at the Day Center

- Bus passes                      Jeans
- Sweatshirts                      Sweatpants



### Tidewater Friends of Acoustic Music

**Presents:**  
**Jonah Ross**  
**March 25**  
**7 PM**

Wesley's Fellowship Hall  
 \$5 entrance fee  
 Donations for snacks

Jonah Ross is a composer, known for [The Portrait of Jonah](#) (2016) a short documentary (26 min). This WHRO team member moonlights as a part of the band Court Street Company. He's currently working on a solo release.



### Recycle Medical Equipment through Embrace

Embrace, a Newport News based nonprofit, aims to make a difference in impoverished countries by collecting, packing, and delivering durable medical supplies through Samaritan's Purse, an international disaster relief organization.

Drop off gently used medical equipment at any [1st Advantage branch location](#) near you through February 28, 2022.

#### Below are commonly used items accepted for donation:

- |                            |         |
|----------------------------|---------|
| Ace Bandages               | Canes   |
| Cervical Collars           | Splints |
| Medical Boots              | Slings  |
| Crutches                   | Walkers |
| Wheelchairs                |         |
| Back, Knee and Neck Braces |         |

## MARCH/APRIL COUNTER SCHEDULE

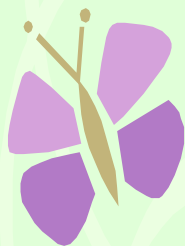
### MARCH

- 6—Mary Saylor/Zach Eitzen
- 13—Amy Stanley/Pat Fitzgerald
- 20—Pat Fitzgerald/Renee Arnold
- 27—Renee Arnold/Stephanie Eitzen

### APRIL

- 6—Stephanie Eitzen/Becky Morris
- 10—Becky Morris/Clyde Gumbert
- 17\*\*\*\*\*EASTER\*\*\*\*\*VOLUNTEERS PLEASE
- 24—Clyde Gumbert/Helen Cope





## United Methodist Women (UMW)

In March the United Methodist Women celebrate their National Day of Giving on March 23rd. Embrace the future for women, children and youth by giving to the Legacy Endowment Fund on Day of Giving, March 23rd.

### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23, AT 10 AM

Join the United Methodist Women on Facebook Live for our annual Day of Giving online event <https://www.facebook.com/UMWomen> where you will hear from United Methodist Women, staff and members as we share the impact of our work together.

Ways to give: <https://www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/150/give>



**March is Women's History Month**—a time to lift up all the women who have made an impact on our collective history. For over 150 years, since the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society was first formed in 1869 in Boston, United Methodist Women has been on the forefront of developing leaders, fostering spiritual growth and advocating for justice.

The United Methodist Women members who helped create historic change are women like Alma Matthews, who assisted immigrant families arriving in New York, and Pauli Murray, who advocated for racial justice in schools. They include Juna Lear Locksmith, who advocated for Native Americans, and Africa's first woman bishop, Joaquina Filipe Nhanala. Today, United Methodist Women continues to work for positive change and equips women around the world to become leaders of tomorrow. This work could not be accomplished without the dedication of all our members, who make United Methodist Women who we are. During Women's History Month, we honor not only the history of United Methodist Women, but of all women.



Celebrate Women's History Month—this month and every month.

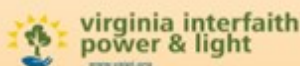
<https://www.unitedmethodistwomen.org/womens-history-month>

Wesley's UMW will be meeting Monday February 28th at 7PM. Join us at Carol Hale's home for a potato bar. The potatoes will be provided. Please bring a topping and/or dessert to share. Sylvia Krisnow will present a program on prayer and self denial. Please bring a special offering donation. Questions? Contact Nancy Gumbert.



### YRD UMW Social Action Event

Saturday, March 19, 2022  
9:30 a.m. via Zoom



TOPICS—RACIAL and  
CLIMATE JUSTICE

1. Flood Preparedness Fund for communities of low income and those with disabilities.
2. Clean water for everyone.

**Speaker: Leah Jones,**  
*Faith Community outreach  
Coordinator for vaipf*



We will not be meeting in March. I encourage you to attend the Social Actions event on March 19th at 9:30 AM via Zoom presented by the York River District UMW. Leah Jones will be talking about climate change has effected our local area.



Leah Jones





## #STILLINMISSION

In this monthly virtual event, hear firsthand experience from missionaries about their call to mission and the communities they serve.

Join us on March 3, 7 p.m. (ET)  
for conversations with missionaries:



**Patricia Moreira Marques**  
Missionary Minister,  
Igreja Evangelica Metodista Portuguesa,  
Portugal  
Advance #3022529



**Rhett Thompson**  
Pastor and Volunteers in Mission  
Coordinator, Evangelical Methodist  
Church, Panama  
Advance #095432



**Precious Kufarimal**  
Homeless Ministry Coordinator,  
First United Methodist Church of Miami,  
United States  
Advance #3022655



**D. Yang**  
Congregational Development Specialist,  
United Methodist Mission,  
Southeast Asia  
Advance #3022186



Global Ministries  
The United Methodist Church

REGISTER



### Registration is required.

[https://gbgm.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJAvfupqrz4tGtbEM5o\\_L-xWc4gf2pwUbJZ3](https://gbgm.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJAvfupqrz4tGtbEM5o_L-xWc4gf2pwUbJZ3)

United Methodist Missionaries are #stillinmission and we hope that you will join us to learn more!

As always, if you have any questions at all or if you want promotional materials for your church or small group, please let us know!

Sincerely, Erica Oliveira on behalf of the Itineration Team

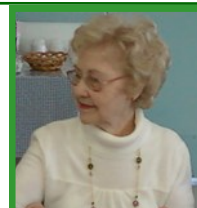
## Save Your Soda Can Pull Tabs



John and Vicky Moyer are our new contacts for collecting can pull tabs. They will be donated to charity and for every pound collected by Dec 1, 2022, \$5.00 will come to Wesley to be used wherever it is needed most. Tabs can be left in the church office or kitchen.

## Update your Directory:

Etta Marcolini M 29A  
The Gardens at Warwick Forest  
1000 Old Denbigh Blvd  
Newport News VA 23602



## February Audio Advocate released

The Audio Advocate is back for the Feb. 1. episode. In this episode, learn more about the conference archives with Stephanie Davis.

“The VAUMC Connection” is a series of standalone projects that will include news from the conference center, “The Audio Advocate” and a collection of resources and conversations shared by the Connectional Ministries office. Available on [Spotify](#) and [Apple](#) and the [conference website](#).

## Mary Levin Bible Study

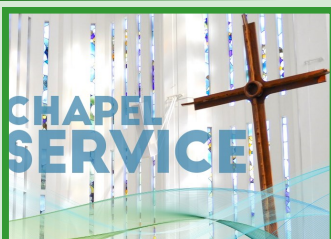
For the month of March, MLBS will meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays:

Wednesday, March 9<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 PM, location TBD

Wednesday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 6:30 PM, location TBD

(We will return to the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays for April and May)

Contact person, Sylvia Krisnow.



## Join the weekly Chapel Service at the Virginia Conference Center

The Virginia United Methodist Center hosts a weekly public Zoom chapel service. Guests from around the conference lead worship each week. Tune in to sing, pray, and study.

The same Zoom link is used each week. Join Zoom Meeting <https://zoom.us/j/95089094606> Meeting ID: 950 8909 4606 One tap mobile +13017158592,,95089094606# US (Washington DC)

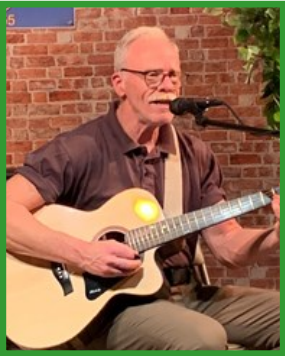




Harmony  
House  
Feb 11



TFAM  
Feb 25



Sages met at Angelo's on Feb 23





Sages met at Angelo's Feb 23



## Prayer Concerns

Abby  
Baby Grayson  
Barbie Holland  
Ben Stanley  
Betsy Pinder  
Bill Lauder  
Bill Mee  
Bridget Norris  
Buddy Carlisle  
Caleb Coates  
Charlie  
Craig Savage  
Crystal Radford,  
David Hale  
DeJohn  
Don and Pat Brookman  
Donnie Wallace  
Ed Robertson  
Eli Sweeney  
Erica Hall  
Freta Lamb  
Gary Bayless  
Grace Burnell  
Ian and Erik Waters  
Jeff and Laura Moore  
Jeff Birdsall  
Joe Ames  
Joe Brookman  
Joella  
John M  
Jonnie Sowers  
Joseph Gilday  
Karen Bowers  
Kath  
Kenny, Julie and Laura  
Kenny Crocker  
Kevin Lykins  
Lindsay Warf  
Lucy Stowe  
Margaret Cooper  
Marion Stone  
Mason Allen  
Michael McPhail  
Mike Mee  
Nancy Companion  
Nina Winfree  
Patty Bumgarner  
Pete Stone  
Ralph

Rosemary Bensted  
Shanon Blackburn  
Sheree Yoder  
Susan Nichols  
Todd Stern  
Vicki Robbins  
Zach Perkins  
Zeb Cope

### Other Concerns:

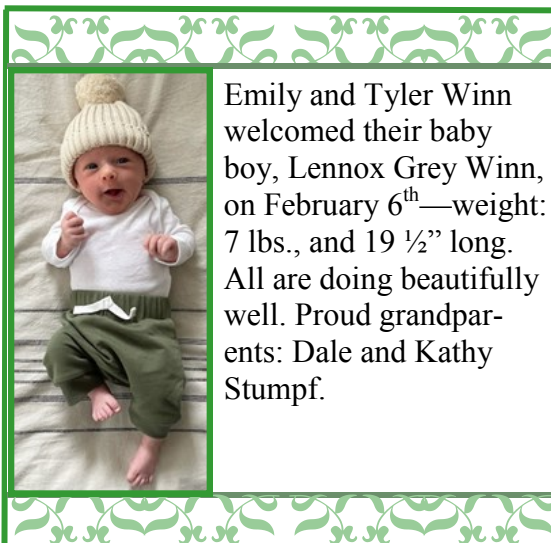
The Coronavirus; the tragedies occurring in our country and around the world; police officers and first responders; all who are grieving; our seniors; our church and the United Methodist Church; recovery from addiction; young adults needing a closer walk with Christ; those awaiting test results; healing for those in pain.

### Joys:

Amy Stanley- Spending time with her mom after her hip surgery and recovery. The joy of being with her parents to celebrate their 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. Becky Morris- Hearing Jerry singing and playing guitar on Friday night in Gloucester. Jerry Sowers- Celebrating Phillip's birthday and his mother being able to be there with them. Lynnette Scalzi- Sharing God's word with a stranger in the grocery store. Joyce D'Bene- They were able to celebrate great grandson Eli's first birthday and see him take his first steps. Nancy Gumbert- Her mom's ultrasound of her leg had good results. Dale Stumpf- Joy our grandson, Lennox Gray Winn, arrived Sunday Feb 6. Judi Hines- Mikes continued healing from his hip surgery. Thanks to Wesley's church family for all its love and kindness. Lynnette Scalzi- Ezra Eitzen has recovered from COVID and Zach, Stephanie and Cecilia all tested negative. Jeanne Lineberry- Sharing lunch with her mom to celebrate her 91<sup>st</sup> birthday. Donna Turley- Visiting with a friend who turned 99 years old. Becky Morris- Seeing Diane here at church. Sylvia's birthday. Jeanne Lineberry- Sharing the Upper Room message with a co-worker who is making life changing decisions. Lynnette Scalzi- Watching Kecoughtan's swim team compete in the Regional Swim Meet. Skylar and several other swimmers qualifying for the State Swim Meet. The Celebration of Life for our family friend Brandon. Chris Companion- His mother's successful hip surgery.

### Our Christian Sympathy goes to the following families:

Joey Scalzi and the Johnson families on the death of Brandon Johnson. Clyde Gumbert and his aunt Vivian on the death of their cousin Doris. Susan Brookman and family on the death her great-uncle, Buford Williams.



Emily and Tyler Winn welcomed their baby boy, Lennox Grey Winn, on February 6<sup>th</sup>—weight: 7 lbs., and 19 ½” long. All are doing beautifully well. Proud grandparents: Dale and Kathy Stumpf.





# Lectionary Readings

**MARCH 02 | Ash Wednesday (Purple or Grey)**  
Joel 2:1-2, 12-17; Psalm 51:1-17 (UMH 785); 2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10; Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

**MARCH 06 | 1st Sunday in Lent (Purple)**  
Deuteronomy 26:1-11; Romans 10:8b-13; Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16 (UMH 810); Luke 4:1-13

**MARCH 13 | 2nd Sunday in Lent (Purple)**  
Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18; Psalm 27 (UMH 758); Philippians 3:17-4:1; Luke 13:31-35

**MARCH 20 | 3rd Sunday in Lent (Purple)**  
Isaiah 55:1-9; Psalm 63:1-8 (UMH 788); 1 Corinthians 10:1-13; Lk 13:1-9

**MARCH 27 | 4th Sunday in Lent, UMCOR Sunday (Purple)**  
Joshua 5:9-12; Psalm 32 (UMH 766); Corinthians 5:16-21; Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

## This Week's Lectionary



Rise Against Hunger is driven by the vision of a world without hunger. Their mission is to end hunger in our lifetime by providing food and life-changing aid to the world's most vulnerable and creating a global commitment to mobilize the necessary resources.

**Rise** **Meal Packaging Event**  
**AGAINST HUNGER** **March 19 from 9:00 am - noon**  
**at Tabernacle UMC**  
**831 Poquoson Ave., Poquoson VA 23662 | 757-868-6842**

Join us for a great time of service, fellowship, and fun on **Saturday, March 19, at 9:00 am**, as we prepare and pack 20,000 meals to feed those in need. Whether you're a child, a senior citizen, or somewhere in between—**WE NEED YOU!**

If you have any questions, please contact Melanie Martin:  
[melaniemmartin625@gmail.com](mailto:melaniemmartin625@gmail.com).

You and your community group can sign up! Fill out this form and bring it by the church, 831 Poquoson Ave., Poquoson, VA or signup online at: <https://tinyurl.com/TUMCRiseEvent>

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

## Latest news for Annual Conference 2022

The Annual Conference (AC) Planning Team and conference leadership are planning for the 240th session of the Virginia Annual Conference to be in-person in Hampton, Virginia, June 16-18, 2022.

Amidst the ongoing pandemic, the AC Planning Team, in consultation with Bishop Lewis and the conference planner, will be monitoring the COVID surge around the state to host this annual meeting as safely as possible. Annual Conference members will be notified should the AC Planning Team deem a necessary change to this format because of the pandemic. Questions may be directed to the Rev. Dr. Steve Summers, Assistant to the Bishop and Conference Director of Connectional Ministries, at [SteveSummers@vaumc.org](mailto:SteveSummers@vaumc.org). Find all AC 2022 news at [www.vaumc.org/ac2022](http://www.vaumc.org/ac2022).





## Birthdays and Anniversaries

3 Barbie Holland  
 5 Walter Taylor  
 6 Joshua Stamey  
 7 Mary Bayless  
 Chuck/Irene Lutes (1990)  
 11 Emily Taylor  
 22 Pat Fitzgerald  
 Clayton Houston  
 Dave/Lori (Page) Roberson (2003)

24 Sam/Nancy McPhail (2007)  
 25 Donna Page  
 26 Fiona Companion  
 Jacques Akasa Umembudi,  
 Missionary (Congo)  
 Don/Donna Ward (1960)  
 29 Stephanie Eitzen




**Rethinking Church Communication**  
 Saturday, March 5, 2022  
 A virtual day focused on Digital Ministry with Phil Bowdle  
<https://vaumc.org/rethink-communication>



### Session topics shared for free March 5 Zoom webinar on digital ministry

Join Phil Bowdle, a leading national voice in the area of church communications and author of *Rethink Communication: A Playbook to Clarify and Communicate Everything in Your Church*, on **Saturday, March 5 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.** for this practical conversation on one of the most important issues facing the church today. You'll walk away with a playbook of practical ideas, strategies, and resources that will spark engagement and more effective communication in your church.

**Session 1:** Moving From Reactive to Proactive Communications

**Session 2:** Building A Social Media Plan

Sponsored by the conference Board of Communications, this is a free event. Event will not be recorded for later viewing due to presentation copyright.

Registration is available at this link: [www.vaumc.org/rethink-communication](http://www.vaumc.org/rethink-communication).

### Bi-District Listening Post

There will be one final Bi-District Listening Post on Sunday, March 20, 2022 at 5:00 PM. Everyone is invited to participate.

Rappahannock River & York River DS is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: Bi-District Listening Post

Time: Mar 20, 2022 05:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/97338888696>

**Meeting ID: 973 3888 8696**

**Passcode: 744469**

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Find your local number:

<https://zoom.us/u/abPTas8RS1>





March 2022						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>27</b> Pastor Gretchen Vacation 9:00 AM Sunday School 10:00 AM Worship Service In-person, also on Zoom and Facebook live	<b>28</b> Pastor Gretchen Vacation 6:30 PM UMW	<b>1</b> Pancake Supper via Zoom - Time TBD 9:30 AM Chair Yoga	<b>2</b> 6:00 PM Big Book Topic Group (AA) 6:30 PM Mary Levin Bible Study 7:00 PM Ash Wednesday Service In-Person	<b>3</b> 9:30 AM Chair Yoga 6:00 PM Men's Bible Study 7:00 PM Choir Practice	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>6</b> Lenten Bible Study - 'Good Enough' by Kate Bowler 9:00 AM Sunday School 10:00 AM Worship Service In-person, also on Zoom and Facebook live	<b>7</b> 7:00 PM Metal Detector Club - Fellowship Hall	<b>8</b> 9:30 AM Chair Yoga 6:30 PM Leadership Board Meeting	<b>9</b> Noon Prayer Time - Sanctuary 6:00 PM Big Book Topic Group (AA)	<b>10</b> 9:30 AM Chair Yoga 6:00 PM Men's Bible Study 7:00 PM Choir Practice	<b>11</b> 7:00 PM Harmony House Featuring Rodney Rittenhouse - Fellowship Hall	<b>12</b>
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Our Calendar is updated daily! Please go to our website for a current calendar.

<http://www.hamptonwesley.org>

### Assistance continues with Afghan Allies' resettlement

A great way to be involved and walk alongside our new neighbors is to form a sponsor circle with at least 4 other people. Once certified, sponsor circles will welcome the newcomers directly into the community and provide tailored support through the initial integration process. As a sponsor circle, you and the other members of the circle will take on tasks like finding initial housing, stocking the pantry, connecting children to school, providing initial income support, and helping adults to find employment. If your church would like to become a sponsor, through the connection, or would like to be part of an email chain that shares various information regarding resettlement, please contact [serving@vaumc.org](mailto:serving@vaumc.org)



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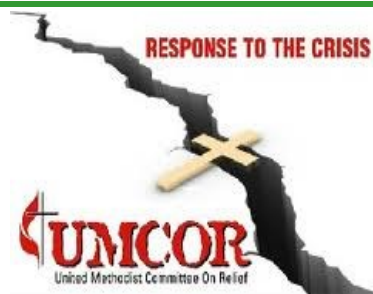
E-mail: [secretary@wesleyhpt.hrcoxmail.com](mailto:secretary@wesleyhpt.hrcoxmail.com)

Pastor: [gretchennelson@vacumc.org](mailto:gretchennelson@vacumc.org)

WEBSITE: <http://www.hamptonwesley.org>

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

Prepared with love especially for:



## UMCOR SUNDAY March 27th

**On UMCOR Sunday, our special offering directly affects the ability of the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) to respond immediately to disasters and other calamities.**

Did you know that the United Methodist Committee on Relief doesn't receive apportionment funds? Because of gifts received through offerings like

UMCOR Sunday (formerly One Great Hour of Sharing), UMCOR is able to cover its administrative costs.

When your church joins with other United Methodists to support UMCOR, you equip UMCOR staff to work **globally to alleviate suffering and advance hope and healing**. Through relationships with local organizations and trained community leaders, UMCOR can **activate its network** and provide emergency funds as soon as they know of an urgent need.

UMCOR works with vulnerable communities to strengthen self-sufficiency and encourage partnerships. UMCOR responds to U.S. and international disasters, addresses diseases of poverty, ministers to refugees and immigrants, provides clean water and actively works to reduce hunger.

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