

High Spire

Newsletter for Members and Friends of Towson United Methodist Church

January 2022



We ended the year with so much JOY

Thank you to the Towson United Methodist Church family and friends who joined us for the Hallmarks of Christmas. We worshipped, invited missions and local artists to our fair, took plenty of photos at our photo booth, enjoyed beautiful music from guest artists and our Music Ministry!

We even had visits from both Santa and St. Nicolas! Let's continue to grow our church family and join in fellowship, this year.

Welcoming peace and love in the New Year

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In 2022, The Fellowship Players at Hampton Lane opened the stage to church members! From cowboys to Hallmark-themed romance, these productions showed just how much talent and fun we have at TUMC!







January Mission of the Month:

Manna House

Manna House offers assistance and support to the homeless, poor and needy of Baltimore. Their efforts are contributing towards their independence and stability.

You can support by visiting towsonchurch.org/give. Click "give securely here" then open the "Fund" drop down menu. Select "mission of the month."



Valentine's & Socks

through January 22



The Hospitality Ministries Committee will be collecting socks and valentines for the House of Ruth. They are especially in need of *valentines* for boys and *ladies' casual socks*. Dress socks would also be great for when they go on job interviews!



Please place your contributions of socks and valentines in the container on top of the Sharing Bins in the foyer. Your generous and thoughtful contributions are greatly appreciated!

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Women's Retreat 2023

April 21 - April 23

Join Towson United Methodist Church for a wonderful weekend getaway for women of all ages at Skycroft Conference Center (www.skycroft.org). The weekend retreat will include workshops, prayer, fellowship, meals, room and board.

Registration is now open.

Visit towsonchurch.org/news to grab your spot!



Winter Food Pantry

Towson United Methodist Food Pantry supports some of our community's most vulnerable members, including low-income households, homeless families and disaster victims. Our Pet Ministry is also looking for food donations to distribute to the pet community. *Please place food donations in the Sharing Bins located in the main lobby of the church.*

Thank you for your generosity!

Sugar	Chili	Wet Dog Food
Cereal	Ravioli	Dry Dog Food
Granola Bars	Chunky Soups	Wet Cat Food
Ground Coffee	10oz. Soups	Dry Cat Food
Cookies	Crackers	

Coffee Hour



Sundays from 9 AM - 10 AM

Please be sure to stop by the parlor and enjoy the refreshments and fellowship on Sunday mornings, before worship. The Hospitality team finds joy in baking all the delicious goodies for you, family and friends to enjoy! You can volunteer to bring a morning treat for our guests by signing up on the board in the parlor!



Sermon Series: Spiritual Affective Disorder

January 8 - February 19

Sundays at 10:15 AM

Seasonal Affective Disorder happens when a lack of sunlight affects our moods and ability to cope effectively. "Spiritual Affective Disorder" can also be a condition when we've had prolonged stress and life is disturbingly uncertain. We'll spend time this winter exploring the questions:

"What is our faithful response to our strained mental health?"

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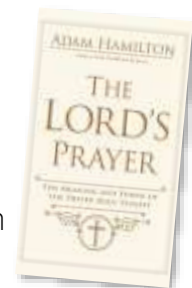
"What if everyday life activities could become spiritual practices — deepening our experience of a meaningful life and helping us shine a light on the 'blahs'?"

Journal with us, as we explore this sermon series, by visiting towsonchurch.org to
DOWNLOAD your own journal!

Prayer Service
with Pastor Christine
February 5 - May 8

Join Pastor Christine in the chapel for prayer. We will have reflective music, Scripture reading, reflections, and prayer time for one another, communities, and the world. Every third Sunday of the month, we will share in holy communion. All are invited!

Bible Study
The Lord's Prayer



Join us for the new Adam Hamilton "The Lord's Prayer" study with Rev. Fred Crider, beginning on January 23! This 6-week study will be held **via Zoom on Monday evenings from 7 PM to 8 PM**. Books can be purchased at Cokesbury, Amazon or other major booksellers.

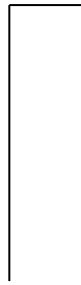


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