

# The Challenger

## MARCH 2018

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Love. Pray. Serve.



Brothers and Sisters in Christ, what a beautiful start we have had to our "A Seeking Heart" Lenten journey! A quiet, beautiful, contemplative Ash Wednesday Taizé service. A great community Bible study kick-off at Reisterstown UMC. Some awesome worship on seeking God and what it means to follow Christ. I pray that you are using your devotionals to spend time with God each day.

I want to take a pause and thank you all for your support here at Glyndon UMC as I have journeyed toward my ordination exams and grown into my calling to ministry. I also want to offer a few simple lessons that I have learned along the way - in life, in ministry, in faith - that I hope you will find helpful for your faith journey:

- Prayer, at its best, changes you.
- Everyone makes mistakes. Forgive yourself and others.
- Surround yourself with people who make you better....people who listen, guide, challenge, encourage,...
- Be kind and loving at all times, but especially when you don't want to.
- You can't fix everything. Fix what you can and let go of the rest.
- If someone is being ugly to you, remember they are a child of God; you are a child of God; and they may have other stuff going on in their life. Ask them ...are you ok?
- The strength you need lies in the grace that lives in you.
- Integrity first. Be honest with yourself and with others.
- Service before self (deny yourself, take up your cross, and follow me.)
- Excellence in all you do. (do your very best)

Those last three are the Air Force core values and I find they are just as valuable in ministry as they are other areas of life!

We have a busy month ahead. I hope you will not only participate in things...but that you'll invite a friend or neighbor to join you!!! We have good news to share!

Grace and peace, Pastor Dawn



# HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE

## **PALM SUNDAY (Mar 25)**

**Services at 9:30 & 11 am**

**Community Lunch at 12 pm**

**Community Easter Egg Hunt at 1 pm**

## **MAUNDY THURSDAY (Mar 29)**

**Taizé Service at 7:30 pm**

## **GOOD FRIDAY (Mar 30)**

**Community Services here @ 12&7 pm**

## **EASTER SUNDAY (Apr 1)**

**Outdoor Celebration Service at 8 am**

**Community Breakfast at 9 – 10:30 am**

**Celebration Service at 11 am**



## About Electronic Giving

If you haven't heard, Glyndon UMC offers the ability to donate electronically. A small number of families have been using it and are pleased with it, but we would like to get the word out so more people have an opportunity to sign up.

### Frequently Asked Questions:

How do I sign up?

Visit the church website, [www.glyndonumchurch.org](http://www.glyndonumchurch.org), and click the red "Electronic Giving" button under the picture of the church. You will then be asked to fill in the amount you would like to give for each category. You do not need to fill in every category, only those that you are interested in giving to. You will need to pick the frequency and schedule for every category you are giving to. When picking a date for your offering, keep in mind that the system will not accept weekends or holidays, so plan accordingly.

Why should I sign up?

Electronic giving is a great way to reduce the hassle of giving to the church. After setting it up, you won't need to worry about checkbooks or envelopes. You'll be able to skip the math and confusion when you go on vacation and miss a week's offering because your offering will come even if you don't.

Is there a fee?

You will not be charged a fee, but the church is charged a small fee. But it does not have a significant impact on our budget and it is well worth the convenience and added reliability of the offering. If you wish to help us reduce the fees, sign up to give monthly or bi-weekly and/or add a couple dollars to each transaction.

I tried to sign up and I got a little red exclamation point. Help!

The most common reason why this shows up is because the date you selected is either a weekend, a holiday. Try to change the date. If that doesn't help, you can click on the red icon and it should give you a message as to what is wrong. We realize that this interface can be frustrating and are evaluating solutions.

Do I need to create an account?

No, but if you are setting up a recurring donation it is highly recommended. It will make changing your offering amount much easier when the need arises.

Will it show up on my giving statement? Will I get a receipt?

It will show up on your giving statement just like envelope or check donations. You will be emailed a receipt after every transaction.

But what do I put in the offering plate?

Nothing. Sit back and relax confident that your offering has already been sent and received.

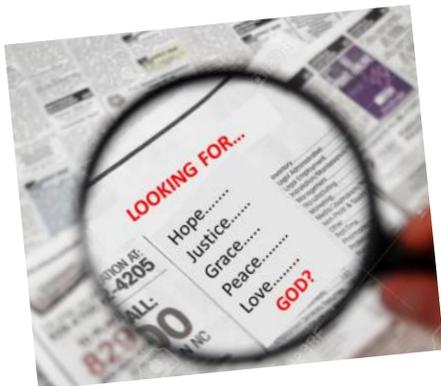
Can I contribute to the Capital Campaign electronically? What about the Mortgage and other specific designations?

Yes, you can enter the amount you want to go to each category. The Capital Campaign is the first category under "Secondary Donations" so you can set it up to make your offering for. If you are looking for Parsonage Repairs it is further down the list under "Secondary Donations". If there is something you think is missing, let us know.

I'm still confused, can I get some help?

If you need additional help, contact Mike Dotterer ([mdotterer@gmail.com](mailto:mdotterer@gmail.com)) and he can give you pointers or set up a time during coffee hour to walk you through the process.

## 2018 COMMUNITY LENTEN STUDIES



Our Community Lenten Study continues through March 21 and is titled “A Seeking Heart: Journeying Through Lent in Prayer.” If you haven’t attended these yet, please sign up on the clipboard in the church lobby and pick up a devotional study book in the church lobby (suggested \$5 goodwill offering to cover cost of materials). Sessions will be on Wednesdays at noon and 6:00pm. The content is the same in both so choose the one that works best for you.

Locations as follows:

- ◆ **March 7: Ward’s Chapel UMC (Menu: Chick-Fil-A)**
- ◆ **March 14: Glyndon UMC (Menu: Pizza)**
- ◆ **March 21: Reisterstown UMC (Menu Sandwich & Salad)**

### Special Notes:

Gluten free option will be provided for all meals.

Childcare is only available at evening sessions.

We encourage you to participate in these Lenten studies to enrich your journey to Easter. Invite others, too, so they will have the opportunity to share in our Lenten journey! This year the main food is being purchased so we will be taking a goodwill offering. We appreciate your donations to help reduce the expenses of the host churches.



**Saturday, April 14th at 6:00pm**

**Additional Date Added  
Saturday, May 5 at 6:00pm**

### Special Invitation from Pastor Dawn & Kevin

Join Pastor Dawn and Kevin for an evening of food and fellowship on **Saturday, April 14th or May 5th**. They will welcome you into the parsonage, and share some good home cooking and fellowship. If you have questions about church, God, or science fiction books, they will try to answer them and have some fun along the way! Children are most welcome!!!

PLEASE NOTE: We do have a cat. We are willing to put him upstairs and do an extra diligent job in vacuuming for those with mild cat allergies. If you have extreme allergies, let us know and we can meet you at a restaurant on another evening.

A sign up form is located on the bulletin board in the church lobby. It is important for you sign up in advance to ensure proper count for our hosts/cooks and reserve your space since they are running out fast. You can also contact the church office ([glyndonumchurch@gmail.com](mailto:glyndonumchurch@gmail.com)) to sign up for you if you can’t get to church on Sunday or during our 8:45am-1:15pm office hours.

## UNITED METHODIST MEN'S MONTHLY PRAYER BREAKFAST

Let us help you start off February in fellowship at Glyndon UMC with your brothers in Christ. Join us on **Saturday, March 4 at 8am** in Dew Hall.

The United Methodist Men are hosting this monthly prayer breakfast on the first Saturday of the month, except during holiday breaks. You will start off with some delicious breakfast foods and hot coffee/tea to get your day started.

This event is open for men of all ages, so we encourage you to invite the men in your family, neighborhood, or business networks to join in. For more information or questions, please contact Dan Marshall—Email: [dfmarshall2@verizon.net](mailto:dfmarshall2@verizon.net).



Join us for our next **Family Fellowship**  
Sunday, March 11 from 5 - 7pm

Family fellowship is for all of our church families - young, old, children, no children, single, married, or somewhere in between!

We'll have a potluck dinner (please bring a dish to share) and then make some easy mosaic crosses and have a time of informal worship.

Hope to see you there!

## GIRLFRIEND'S LUNCH

Calling all ladies! The next Girlfriend's Lunch is coming up soon. As usual it is the first Sunday of the month, so our ladies will be gathering at J&P's (Glyndon) on **Sunday, 4 at 12:30pm**. All ladies are welcome to join in and it is a perfect time to invite someone to worship with you and then join you for lunch. It's Dutch treat and Kathy Rittler is the coordinator and can assist you with any questions you may have. This is an informal time to share fellowship and food offsite while catching up on what's going on in the church, in the community or discuss questions and take-away thoughts from the day's sermon. You might even get some new tips or new menus to try out. Each month is a new experience!



## FRIENDS ON WILKENS

Please consider providing a casserole, salads or snacks for the homeless, addicted, and sex trafficking victims in Southwest Baltimore. For this month, drop off your cooked (not frozen) casseroles in the Dew Hall refrigerator on **Thursday, March 15 by 7:30pm** for distribution in Baltimore City from 9-11pm that night.

Sign up on the missions bulletin board in Cloister Hallway where you will see a list of items needed. Kathy & Bob Rittler coordinate this effort and Kathy is always happy to answer any questions. She provides easy, nutritious recipes for casseroles, too. You can contact Kathy by email ([Rittler@aol.com](mailto:Rittler@aol.com)) or by phone (410-239-8147). You can volunteer by donating the food items or join the Rittlers as they serve the food that night.

## YOUTH HIGHLIGHT

### DONOVAN AUS IS FEATURED AS OUR MARCH HIGHLIGHT

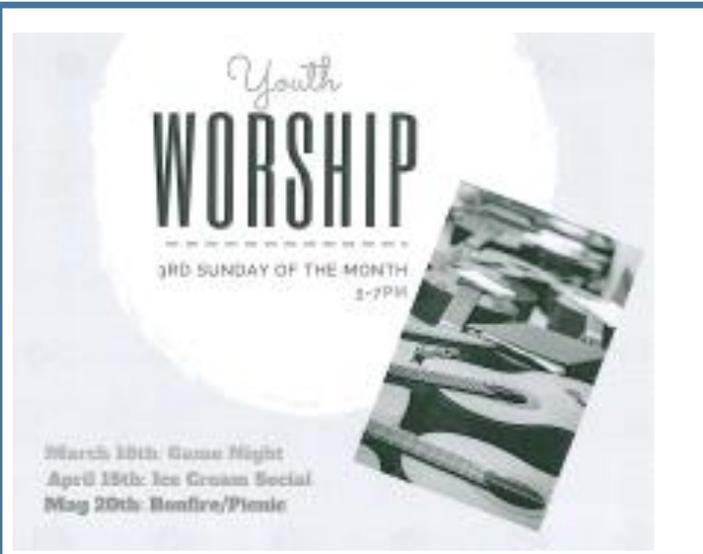
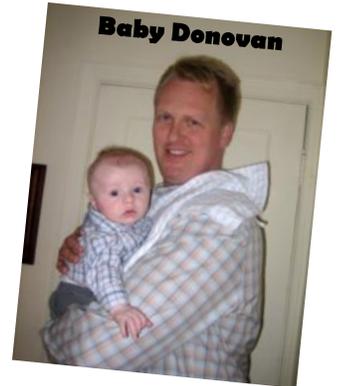


Donovan Aus is a fifth grader at Reisterstown Elementary School. He began attending GUMC last year with his sister and mom. Donovan enjoyed Sunday School and has become a regular member in class.

This year Donovan participated in Youth Sunday and has attended a Youth Worship meeting. Donovan is also a cub scout who enjoys hiking and camping. He plays the alto sax and is a talented art student. Donovan also enjoys video games and spending time with his friends.

“Donovan has a great sense of humor and is extremely polite. He is fun to be around and provided great ideas for our Youth Sunday service,” quoted Laura Oneto.

We all look forward to seeing Donovan get even more involved with future GUMC projects & fellowship opportunities.



### Youth Support Funds

**Like Our Fearfully & Wonderfully T-Shirts?  
You Can Have Your Very Own!  
Price is \$16.00 / Wide Variety of Colors Available**



**Thanks for Supporting Our**



Thanks to everyone for all of the support the youth received for Youth Sunday. The service was a great experience for everyone and we have received a lot of positive feedback. Please take a moment to fill out our survey using link below. Thank you to Carrie for all of her work on our stage. The personal touches she adds really make it special. Thank you to Elizabeth for helping the youth learn worship music and for putting together the great video. Thank you to Diane for helping to have all of the kids find a part in the service and making time to help the kids learn their parts. Thank you to Amber for giving all of herself to our youth. She is always willing to help and is there when they need anything. The service was such a success due to her helping wherever she was needed and for creating our wonderful T-shirts. Thank you to Pastor Dawn for supporting the youth in all they do. Thank you to Bobby for getting the hall ready for us and cleaning up after chaos.

Survey Link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/J69383R>



You're Invited!

# EASTER EGG HUNT

Hop on over to the Glyndon United Methodist Church  
EASTER EGG HUNT!

Sunday, April 9<sup>th</sup>

Lunch and Children's Activities provided by GUMC- 12-15 in Dew Hall  
Egg hunt will start at 100pm by playground

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Don't forget your basket!

Vacation Bible School  
at  
Glyndon United Methodist Church

SHIPWRECKED  
RESCUED BY JESUS

July 23-27 from 9am - 12pm  
4 years old through 5th grade  
(must be potty trained)

To register visit: [www.glyndonumchurch.org/vacation-bible-school.html](http://www.glyndonumchurch.org/vacation-bible-school.html)  
To help us have a fun and exciting VBS, we will have a collection jar at the registration table each morning. We will collect school supplies throughout the week for children in our local community!  
For more info call the church office: 410-833-2033 or email Terri @ [waterri@gmail.com](mailto:waterri@gmail.com)



Save the Date!

Glyndon United Methodist School's

## Art Show & Silent Auction

April 11, 2018 6:00-7:30pm

Students' artwork inspired by children's books  
Light refreshments, Silent Auction,  
Raffles, Crafts, Children's performances

Glyndon United Methodist Church, Dew Hall  
Minimum \$5 donation per person  
Our little artists are free!



Glyndon United Methodist School

A Community-Centered Preschool, est. 1970

### We're Growing- Expanding this Fall!

Now enrolling for the 2018-2019 school year  
with multiple opportunities for each age level  
Call or sign up online for a tour today!

#### Two Year Old Class Options:

- 1 day- Tuesdays 9:00am-11:30am \$105 per month, co-op price \$80
- 2 days- Tuesdays & Fridays 9:30am-12:00pm \$180 per month, co-op price \$155

#### Three Year Old Class Options:

- 2 days - Tuesdays & Thursdays 9:15am-12:15pm \$170 per month, co-op price \$145
- 3 days - Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays 9:30am-12:30pm \$225 per month, co-op \$200

#### Four Year Old Class Options:

- 3 days- Mondays, Wednesdays, & Fridays 9:00am-1pm \$255 per month, co-op price \$230
- 4 days- Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 9:15am-1:15pm \$320 per month, co-op \$295



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## MONTHLY POEM SUBMISSION

*"REAGAN ANN FOUSE" by Ron Fouse*

*I'm sitting here just wondering, what can I write,  
About a new granddaughter, she's just a lil mite.  
The first time we held her, she was so small and cute,  
She just looked up at me wondering, "Who is this man"  
Who looks up at me and thinks, yes I can.*

*I can make him love me, in my own way,  
"I just need to smile at him, once every few days.  
We'll watch her grow, by leaps and bounds,  
First crawling, then walking, and getting around.*

*My Dad and Mom are so proud of me,  
Cause they take me every place, so folks can see.  
My Nana, she stays with me so mommy can work,  
For her company.*

*I'm crawling now, so they say,  
and my Dad put up a gate, so I can play.  
My topys are scattered all around,  
But it's okay, they'll all be found.*

*Lil Reagan, your our new lil joy,  
And so you will be Dad and Moms lil Toy.  
Our Love will be part of your entire life,  
As you continue to grow, through life's strife's.*

*But just believe, we'll always LOVE YOU,  
Because you're our little, "I LOVE YOU"*



Ron used to bring in one poem to the church office each and every month and always shared a story about the person/child being highlighted that month. But interestingly enough, in December he brought in pictures and poems for his 3 grandchildren all at once, so I was able to continue his poems through this month. How appropriate to have all 3 included.

Our memories of Ron & his love of family and friends continues. May he rest in peace. Please keep his family in your prayers.

## VISITATION LIST

*Reach out and share God's love through a card, call or visit, but always call first to set up a time to visit.*

### **Dora Sabo**

205 St. Mark Way, Apt 314  
Westminster, MD 21158  
410-876-1749

### **Dorothy Hammond**

Symphony Manor, Apt. 309  
4301 Roland Ave  
Baltimore MD 21210

### **June Pearce**

53 Timber Ridge Drive  
Westminster, MD 21157  
410-804-6646

### **Bill Howard**

1611 Heather Heights  
Sykesville, MD 21784

### **Peggy Sindall**

Broadmead, 13801 York Road,  
Cockeysville, MD 21030  
443-578-8399

### **Alice Wolfgang**

c/o Connie Wolfgang  
12930 la Rochelle Circle  
Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33410

### **Doris Shaneybrook**

144 Westminster Pike,  
Reisterstown, MD 21136

### **Don Moore**

205 St. Mark Way, Apt 223  
Westminster, MD 21158

### **Phyllis Good**

Sunrise Senior Living,  
3800 Old Court Road  
Pikesville, MD 21208

### **Bee Patten**

119 Northway  
Reisterstown, MD 21136

### **Ethel Mays**

2115 Kimrick Place, Lutherville, MD 21093

### **Dr. & Mrs. Henry Ernst**

505 High Acre Drive, Apt. 123  
Westminster, MD 21157  
667-367-2923

*Challengers are mailed to these members each month.*

## **GUMC'S "RENEW, RESTORE, AND REACH OUT" CAPITAL CAMPAIGN: *WE'RE MAKING PROGRESS!***

Our "Renew, Restore, and Reach Out" Capital Campaign continues to be a major success for GUMC. In fact, we are *very* close to reaching our goals. As of Sunday, February 18, we had received \$458,158 in pledge commitments against our target of \$461,000! Additionally, we had collected \$167,798.70 in cash! Praise the Lord!!

This gives us a significant head start to begin tackling our repair, improvement and enhancement priorities, the most important of which is addressing the aged roofing on the original church structure and on Dew Hall. This past Friday, February 16, the Trustees received three bids for the replacement of the circa 1931 slate roofing over the sanctuary, offices, parlor, tower room, and parsonage, and the rolled roofing over Dew Hall. The Trustees will evaluate the proposals and award a contract, with the expectation that work will begin this spring.

Next in line will be the replacement of the carpeting in the sanctuary and in the hallways and other common areas. As funds continue to flow in, the concrete landing, ramp, and walkways leading to the rear lobby area will be repaired or replaced as needed. Prayerfully, we will be able to complete these second and third level projects later in 2018.

We are blessed in many ways at GUMC, not the least of which is Pastor Dawn and the leadership and committee representatives who did such a spectacular job this past fall mobilizing and marshalling members and friends of the church to make very generous commitments to this three year campaign. If you have not yet had an opportunity to pledge or if you would like to increase your contribution, please let Pastor Dawn know so she can provide a pledge card.

*Every* pledge, no matter the size or when it is received, will be most welcome and appreciated!

Thank you again for your prayers and enthusiastic support for GUMC as we seek to improve our buildings and grounds, and use them as a tool for ministry and as a beacon for Christ!



### **WHAT'S UP AT GLYNDON UMC? OUR MISSION IS TO: "LOVE. PRAY. SERVE."**



We offer several ways to keep you connected to learn about upcoming worship, fellowship and service ministries as well as special events for all ages. Our activities really pick up in Spring, so we don't want you to miss out on anything. We also encourage you to invite a friend or neighbor to join you. Here's some options for you to consider:

- **Option #1:** Worship with us on Sundays and read the **bulletin insert** with calendar of activities for the week.
- **Option #2:** Check out our **church website:** [glyndonumchurch.org](http://glyndonumchurch.org)
- **Option #3:** Sign up for our churchwide email and receive **Friday News & Highlights** for the coming week.
- **Option #4:** If you sign up for emails, you will also receive our newsletter, **The Challenger**, the first of each month. It's chock full of information on the month ahead plus "save-the-date" information on future events, new worship series, fellowship activities and service opportunities.
- **Option #5:** Follow us on **FaceBook** and hear about what's coming up and check out the pictures of our church family in action!
- **Option #6:** Check the **bulletin boards** in the church lobby and along the hallways to Dew Hall for flyers on church and community events, youth activities and sign up sheets for you to participate.

There is something for everyone—all ages, singles, couples, families! Contact the church office to sign up for emails if you aren't receiving them now.

Also consider deepening your participation by joining one of our volunteer planning committees or leadership teams. Pastor Dawn or our committee chairs can provide details to help you find a slot that matches with your interests and to select something that will utilize your personal gifts for a more enjoyable experience.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				<p>1 8:30am Al-Anon 6pm Daisy Troop</p> <p><i>Welcome Jacki Stranathan, our new Admin Asst</i></p>	2	<p>3 8am Men's Prayer Breakfast 6pm Dinner &amp; Dialogue with Pastor Dawn &amp; Kevin</p>
<p>4 <b>COMMUNION SUNDAY</b> 8:30am Morning Glory 8:30am PeaceBringer's 9:00am Children's Choir 9:30am Traditional Worship 9:30am Sunday School 11:00am Traditional Worship 12:30pm Girlfriends Lunch</p>	5 7:30pm Candle-Lighters 7:00pm Missions	6 7pm Girl Scouts (Dew Hall & Lower Level Classrooms)	7 12 Noon Community Lenten Study at Wards Chapel UMC 6pm Community Lenten Study at Wards Chapel UMC 7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal	8 8:30am Al-Anon	9	10
<p>11 <b>FOOD SUNDAY</b> 8am Morning Glory Brkfst 8:30am Morning Glory 8:30am PeaceBringer's 9:00am Children's Choir 9:30am Traditional Worship 9:30am Sunday School 11:00am Traditional Worship 5pm Family Fellowship</p>	12 7pm Trustees 7pm Candle-lighters	13	14 12 Noon Community Lenten Study at Glyndon UMC 6pm Community Lenten Study at Glyndon UMC 7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal	15 Challenger Article Deadline 8:30am Al-Anon 6pm Daisy Troop 7:30pm Friends on Wilkens	16 10am LaLeche League	17  <p><i>Happy St. Patrick's Day</i></p>
18 8:30am Morning Glory 8:30am PeaceBringer's 9:00am Children's Choir 9:30 Traditional Worship 9:30am Sunday School 11:00am Traditional Worship 5:00pm Youth Worship	19 7:30pm Candle-lighters 7pm Finance Com	20 7pm Girl Scouts	21 12:00pm Lenten Study at RUMC 6:00pm Lenten Study at RUMC 7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal	22 8:30am Al-Anon	23	24 Invite some friends and/or neighbors to join you for church tomorrow!
<p>25 <b>PALM SUNDAY</b> <b>Casserole Sunday</b> 8:30am Morning Glory 8:30am PeaceBringer's 9:00am Children's Choir 9:30 Traditional Worship 9:30am Sunday School 11am Traditional Worship 12pm Community Lunch 1:00pm Easter Egg Hunt 5:00pm Confirmation Class</p>	26 7:00pm Church Council (Dew Hall) 7:30pm Candle-lighters	27	28 7:30pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal	29  <p>8:30am Al-Anon 7:30pm Maundy Thursday Service</p>	30  <p>Office Closed 12pm and 7pm Good Friday Community Services at Glyndon UMC</p>	31  <p>HOLY SATURDAY In silence we await</p>