

A Service of
Remembrance



2021-2022

**BALTIMORE-WASHINGTON CONFERENCE
OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2022
SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE
June 2, 2022**

GATHERING

GATHERING MUSIC

PRELUDE

PROCESSION

REJOICE IN GOD'S SAINTS, UMH #708

CALL TO WORSHIP

L: We come broken and broken-hearted.

P: Yet, we persevere in the hope of rivers flowing from Zion, God's holy city, pouring out healing and sustaining waters of eternal and everlasting life for all of creation.

L: We come anxious and disenchanting.

P: Yet, we persevere in grace through the faith showered upon all of humankind, by the sacrificial gift of love displayed by Jesus Christ on the cross of Calvary.

L: We come angry and frustrated.

P: Yet, we persevere in joy, trusting in the healing assurance of the Holy Spirit that reminds us that, though mourning may last for an evening, come morning, we will be bathed in joyous, never-ceasing, warm, and comforting sunbeams of heaven.

L: The sun will always rise, because the Son has risen, and is always risen.

P: We rise yesterday, today, and tomorrow, persevering in hope, faith, and joy, even into eternity. Amen.

OPENING HYMN:

FOR ALL THE SAINTS, UMH #711

OPENING PRAYER

Everlasting God of new life upon new life, by your grace, we wade into the shared waters of your divinity, as you grant us the boldness to proclaim that we too, were, are, and ever more shall be. Your prophet, Ezekiel, reminds us that the river flowing from your heavenly kin-dom provides all the nourishment this world needs. Your Son, Jesus Christ, promised to offer each and every one of us an opportunity to drink of this life-giving water. Indeed, your servant, John of Patmos, proclaimed that these waters of everlasting and eternal life flowed not only from the heavenly gates, but from the very throne of God. The prophet, Miriam, danced and sang on the shores of the waters of deliverance, while your disciple, Mary, soaked the feet of her savior in the saltwater of tears. Your grace flows like a gentle, cleansing current, streaming through the river of life. Your Spirit anoints us in those waters, giving us the strength to persevere, even amidst doubt, even amidst grief, even amidst hurt, loss, and pain. Amidst the raging storms and seas of life, you are our memorial Rock, and so, in this time of worship, we cling to you, remembering the joys of yesterday, persevering in faith today, and looking forward with hope to our heavenly tomorrow. **AMEN.**

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

God of the Word made flesh, we approach your ancient words today, acknowledging the loss of flesh we will no longer touch in this life, and remembering loved ones we will not see again, on this side. Holy Savior, it is in these moments that our faith is tested, so by your strength, may our faith hold strong. May the reassurance of your Holy Spirit bring these words to life in new and unimaginable ways, so that they may not only fall afresh upon our hearts, but also strengthen our hope in your true promises of new life, that we may receive these divinely inspired words of comfort, today and forever. **AMEN.**

SCRIPTURE: HEBREWS 12:1–3

SPECIAL MUSIC

HYMN OF PROMISE, UMH #707

INTRODUCTION OF THE GUEST PREACHER

BISHOP LATRELLE EASTERLING

SERMON: GRIEF DELAYED

REV. FRANKIE REVELL, PASTOR OF LAVALE UMC IN LAVALE, MD

SPECIAL MUSIC

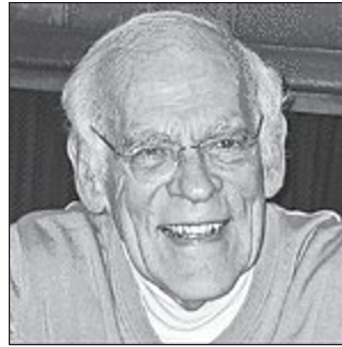
SHALL WE GATHER AT THE RIVER, UMH #723

THE TIME OF REMEMBRANCE

SCRIPTURE: EZEKIEL 47:1–12

THE READING OF THE ROLL

Clergy



EDWARD W. BAUMAN, JR.
Jan. 22, 1927 – Nov. 26, 2021



HARRY T. BAXTER
Sept. 14, 1939 - Apr. 12, 2022



SHARON K. BOURGEOIS
Aug. 3, 1943 – Apr. 3, 2022



JACK H. CASSEL
Mar. 1, 1935 – Nov. 18, 2021



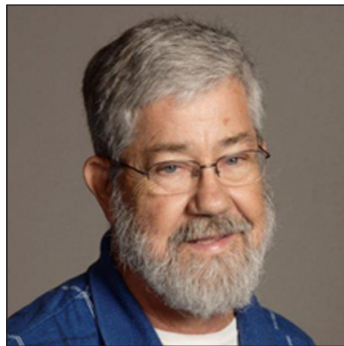
EDWARD W. CONAWAY
Dec. 20, 1927 – Jul. 24, 2021



CLARENCE DAVIS, JR.
Jun. 21, 1936 - Oct. 4, 2021



LOUIS L. EMERICK
Jun. 30, 1926 - Mar. 9, 2022



CHARLES WAYNE FRUM
Mar. 10, 1951 – Nov. 13, 2021



G. SYLVESTER GAINES
Jun. 6, 1946 – May 7, 2022



JACK R. GEORGE
Aug. 19, 1936 – Jul. 20, 2021



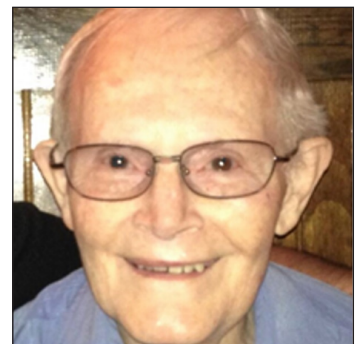
EDGAR WARD HAMMERSLA
May 4, 1927 – Dec. 31, 2021



MARY L. HOLLEY
Mar. 6, 1929 – Sept. 4, 2021



VICTOR OLATUNDE
JOHNSON
Jan. 3, 1940 – Oct. 8, 2021



RICHARD KARPAL
Feb. 20, 1929 - Sept. 18, 2021



WILLIAM C. KERCHEVAL
Dec. 29, 1932 – Dec. 18, 2020



ROBERT G. KIRKLEY
Oct. 19, 1929 - Feb. 8, 2022



NORMAN BRUCE KUEHNLE
Feb. 20, 1940 – Jul. 29, 2021



ELLIS LEIF LARSEN
Apr. 5, 1936 – Dec. 13, 2021



JAMES SHERMAN MASON, JR.
Jun. 23, 1935 – Jul. 18, 2021



BRÍNDICE MUÑOZ-RIVERA
Apr. 14, 1945 – Oct. 27, 2020



LOVELL PARHAM
May 19, 1933 – Nov. 19, 2021



DAVIS W. PECK
Mar. 7, 1924 – Sept. 15, 2021



CLARENCE LENDON "PETE"
ROARK, III
Jul. 29, 1935 – Apr. 3, 2022



ROBERT KENNETH
RODEFFER
Feb. 20, 1930 - Mar. 12, 2022



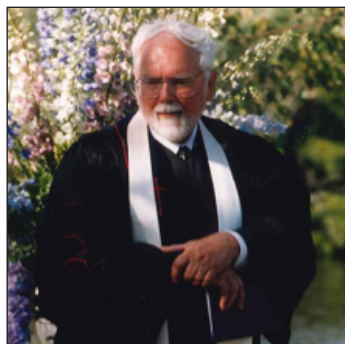
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Aug. 23, 1931 - Mar. 3, 2022



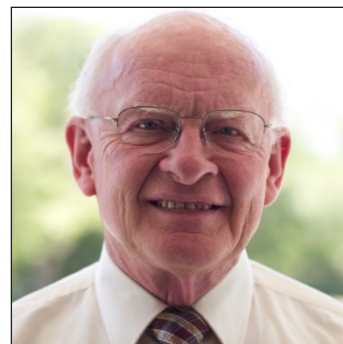
RICHARD K. SHAMER
May 6, 1947 – Aug. 21, 2021



DONALD L. SHEARER
Dec. 25, 1928 – Jul. 13, 2021



WALTER ALLEN
SHROPSHIRE, JR.
Sept. 4, 1932 – Jan. 31, 2021



JAMES MAYLON WARNER
Jun. 23, 1936 – Mar. 23, 2022



CLIFFORD CARLSON
WEBNER
Dec. 12, 1955 - Oct. 13, 2021

Clergy Spouses



FREEDA VIOLA DUNN
BOWERS
May 22, 1939 – Nov. 12, 2021



DORIS STETLER COONEY
Jan. 30, 1929 – Feb. 1, 2022



ANN SWOMLEY HARDEN
Jul. 25, 1941 – Jan. 14, 2022



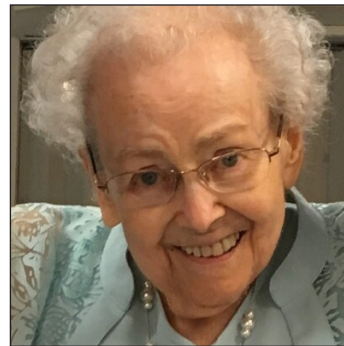
HARRIETTE ELLA
HENDERSON
Mar. 31, 1935 – Mar. 4, 2022



JOAN S. MOORE
May 29, 1940 – Apr. 6, 2022



ESTHER M. PECK
Jun. 15, 1929 – Mar. 20, 2022



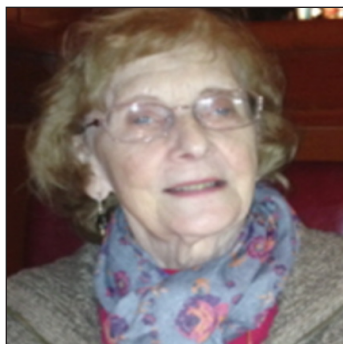
CAROL J. POLK
Jul. 27, 1927 – Jul. 14, 2021



JOSE ANTONIO
RODRIGUEZ, JR.
Oct. 8, 1960 – Mar. 27, 2021



WAVELINE T. STARNES
Oct. 5, 1932 – Oct. 9, 2021



JUANITA SULMONETTI
Jan. 19, 1931 – Nov. 2, 2021



DONNIE WAYNE
WOODROW
Sept. 17, 1950 – Jan. 6, 2022



PHYLLIS STUCKEY
YINGLING
May 22, 1931 – Aug. 30, 2021

Lay Members



PAUL BEHRENS
Dec. 21, 1955 - Oct. 16, 2021



CAROL SUE WILSON
BERGMANN
Dec. 17, 1941 - Dec. 1, 2021



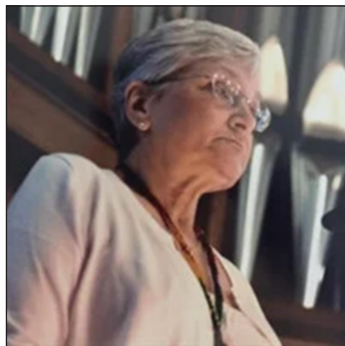
BETSY BUCKS
Aug. 6, 1942 - Feb. 22, 2022



HORTENSE T. CRIDDELL
Dec. 16, 1925 - Jul. 26, 2021



NANCY KELSO ERSKINE
Nov. 29, 1943 - Apr. 3, 2022



CYNTHIA GORDON
Aug. 15, 1950 - Sept. 12, 2021



NANCY MANUEL
Jun. 7, 1947 - Jan. 29, 2022



TOM PRICE
Jul. 30, 1954 - Apr. 23, 2020



LEVI WILLEY JR.
Aug. 9, 1957 - Apr. 19, 2021



ROMAIN E. YOUNG
Nov. 10, 1956 - Aug. 9, 2021

CLOSING

CLOSING HYMN

COME, THOU FOUNT OF EVERY BLESSING, UMH #400

BENEDICTION

The morning Son is rising. The light has shown. Stones have been cast in the water as everlasting memorials. The path to Zion has been outlined in hope and surrounded by the echoes of joy, carved out by our faith in the promises of God, and the faith of Jesus Christ in all of creation. By the reassuring power of the Holy Spirit, may we step into life, persevering in faith, confident in the new life available to all through grace. Go now in peace. **AMEN.**

POSTLUDE

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