

## Special Prayers This Week

### Worshipping at Home

Beverly Wangberg Wilma Blackman Betty Eckersley Don Felisky

### Sympathy

The congregation and staff extends its condolences to Harry & Linda Guenther, family & friends on the passing of their son, Derek Guenther, on December 27, 2016.

### Prayers

*Anne - friend of David Kelley/broken shoulder*  
Betsy Martin - daughter-in-law of Jane Martin/  
high risk pregnancy  
*Matt Noble & family - heart & lung transplant*

*Scott - son-in-law of Bill & Arlene Dunham/  
working with men released from prison*  
*Family & friends of Evan Willman - friend of  
Koch's*

Note: Names listed in *italics* are new on the prayer list.

### Extended Illness and Treatment

12 year old boy - friend of Sue Rummel/leukemia  
Alisha - friend of Linda Traum/spinal surgery  
recovery  
Hannah Boley - double lung transplant continued  
progress at home  
Mary Bushey - sister-in-law of Denise Anderson/  
stage 4 liver cancer  
Brother of Linda Traum - health issues  
Mary Campbell - friend of Jan Kline/stage 4  
renal cancer  
Jeff Crawford - hip replacement surgery recovery  
Sue Dickinson - friend of Roger & Patricia Partlo/  
healing  
Marge Deibel - friend of Don & Paula Johnson/  
continued progress  
Joan Doherty - sister of Shirley Rosan/cancer  
Debra Fountain - friend of Randy Hetherington/  
cancer treatment  
Tami Gregg - sister-in-law of Carolyn Davidson/  
cancer  
Dan Headding - brother of Nancy Lewis/recovery  
from open heart surgery  
Jackie & Jeff Heintz - friends of the Partlo's/both  
have health issues  
Caesar Hernandez - friend of Janice Tomasik/  
continuing terminal cancer treatment  
Richard Holland - from Herb & Janet Rice/foot  
amputation surgery recovery  
Gay Jacobs - friend of Roger & Patricia Partlo/  
severe breathing problems  
Jennifer - sister-in-law of Randy & Sue/cancer  
surgery recovery  
Janice Johnson - niece of Sharon McDonald/  
cancer treatment results  
John Keller - stroke rehab at MCF  
Kim - friend of Jane Martin/heart problems

Maureen Kopec - friend of Amy Heminger/  
continued lung cancer treatment  
Judy Kreiner - 3rd series of chemo nearly  
completed  
Larry - Eleanor Dawson's brother/cancer surgery  
recovery  
Wayne Lawrence - health issues  
Maxine - aunt of Deb Skinner/peace & comfort in  
Hospice care  
Molly - friend of Jason Bennett/throat surgery &  
cancer recovery  
Jerry & Sheila Parsons - both battling cancer  
Gary Priest - Wendy Elliott's father/cancer  
treatment  
Bill Ouellette - friend of the Trombly's/  
terminal cancer  
Kathleen Richardson - Curt Jensen's niece/  
continued neck & spine surgery recovery  
Mike Smith - son-in-law of Linda & Lynn Smith/  
cancer treatment  
R.K. Steele - son of Beverly Steele  
Jim Terrill - cousin of Sharon McDonald/responding  
well to ongoing cancer treatment  
Tom & Grace - from Ralph Pitts/marital problems  
Denise Terwilliger - friend of Les & Julia Keeper/  
ongoing cancer treatment  
Mark Traum- health concerns  
Athena Trombly - niece of Barry Trombly/  
upcoming surgery for brain tumor  
Mary Ulmer - friend of Sandy Schrock/pneumonia  
complications  
Cindy W. - friend of Ralph Pitts/facing 2nd leg  
amputation  
Sarah Walton - friend of Jeff & Lisa Crawford/  
surgery recovery at home

### Family Members Serving in the Military

J. D. DeLaOssa - grandson of Fred & Barbara Stabley/currently in Fort Bliss. He is awaiting deployment to Iraq.

**Please help us keep the prayer concerns updated by calling the church office with up to date information about your prayer requests. Thank you.**

# Welcome

January 8

**Busy Bags for children** with crayons, books, etc. are available. Look for them by the entrance, and please return them to the rack so they can be re-stocked for next week.

**Child Care:** Child care is available for infants through 5 year-olds on Sunday mornings from 8:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. in the Nursery. We invite older children to enjoy the Busy Bags.

**Coffee Hour:** We are glad to be able to worship together today! We invite everyone to stay for refreshments and fellowship in the Gathering Space after the worship service.

## NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

**Loose coin offerings** for the month of January will be donated to UMCOR/Refugee Relief.

It's not too late to pick up your **2017 Giving Envelopes**. They are available in the Foyer by the front door.

**Adult Bible Study** at 10:05 a.m. in the Library - Join us as we read and discuss God's Word. All are Welcome!

**STEPHEN MINISTRY** - Stephen Ministry training will begin tomorrow, Monday, January 9 at 6:30p.m. Sign up at the welcome station or let Loren Anderson or Carol Lanfear know of your interest. Been thinking about training? You are welcome to attend the first session on January 9 without pre-registering and make your decision then.

**First UMC with our partner, Faith Community Church**

**are hosting the ICRH Rotating Homeless Shelter**

**beginning tonight - January 8-15, 2017**

**Volunteers needed!!! Opportunities still available.**

You may sign up online at:

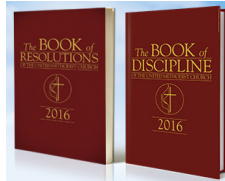
[www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0f44a5ae29a57-rotating4](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0f44a5ae29a57-rotating4) or call the Church Office at 773-6934.



**Adult Sunday School** - No class today. We will resume class on January 15, 2017.

**Snacks for Pullen Outreach**-I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of those who have faithfully and generously donated snacks and money to this ministry. Due to heartfelt monetary donations made, we will be able to continue to drop off snacks for the next several weeks. Rest assured, I will let you know when the need arises for donations. We will continue to support this necessary outreach for the remainder of this school year. Please let me know if I can answer any questions. Amy Heminger

**2016 Book of Discipline and Book of Resolutions are now available** - The *Book of Discipline* includes a complete listing of the rules, organization and beliefs of the United Methodists. The *Book of Resolutions* contains all current social policies adopted by the 2016 General Conference of The United Methodist Church. Let the Church Office know if you would like us to order a copy for you. The cost for the Book of Discipline is \$24.00, The Book of Resolutions is \$22.00. Special savings are available if you purchase a 2pk with one of each book for \$40.00. The church is able to get free shipping on orders of \$35.00 or more. Please submit your order by Monday, January 16, 2017.



**Breakfast and Shower ministry for ICRH guests** - Volunteers are needed to provide breakfast and help with the guests! You may sign up on SignUpGenius or call the church office. *We are still accepting donations of men's and women's shampoo and conditioner. Monetary donations are also appreciated.* Please make checks payable to First UMC and note "Shower Ministry" on the memo line.

**Please join former First UMC pianist Emily Grabinski for a concert this** Tuesday, January 10 at 7:30 p.m. in Chamichian Recital Hall (CMU Music Building). The Appian Duo-clarinetist David Cook and pianist Emily Grabinski-will perform a recital of works for clarinet and piano by Poulenc, Gershwin, Prokofiev, and Brahms. It is free and open to the public. All are welcome!

<b>IT'S ALL ABOUT JESUS</b> A STUDY ON THE BOOK OF JOHN	<b>EPIPHANY SERMON SERIES BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2017</b>  <b>CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL BEGINNING JANUARY 8, 2017 @ 11:15 AM</b>
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**College students** are invited to dinner each Sunday at 6 p.m. at Wesley@CMU, 1400 S. Washington (corner of Preston). We enjoy a free, homemade meal together, with lots of conversation and laughter. There may be games, a program, or an activity afterward.

### UMW NEWS

**District Valentine Tea** is Saturday, February 11 at Leaton UMC from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. No reservations needed. Cost is \$2.00 at the door. A wonderful program of music will be enjoyed by all (specifics TBA). Let's have a great turn out from our church - take advantage of the close location.

**Our Annual Valentine Tea** - Sunday, February 12, at 2:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. EVERYONE (women AND men) is invited to join this celebration. Come enjoy the beautifully decorated tables and a delicious dessert buffet. The main event will be announcing and honoring our Special Mission Recognition recipients.

**Annual Spiritual Growth Retreat** - "Encounters with Jesus" is the theme for our annual retreat on Saturday, March 11, 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Special guest will be retired pastor Carolyn Spragg who will be portraying 3 different women from the bible who had special "Encounters with Jesus." Cost: \$12.00 (includes continental breakfast and lunch). RSVP by March 6 to the Church Office, 989-773-6934 or Linda Darrow, 989-763-8750.

### UMW CIRCLES

**Wesley** meets the first Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the Prayer & Meditation Room.

**Mackenzie** meets on the third Tuesday of each month at 12:30 p.m. in the Multipurpose Room.

**Mary Martha** meets on the fourth Monday of the month at 1:00 p.m. in the Multipurpose Room.

<b>FYI</b> *FOR YOUR INFORMATION*			
Periscope Viewers			
1/1/17	11:00 am	102	35
Loose coin offering for Goodrow Fund for December \$134.50.			