

## RUMC PRAYER LIST:

Larry Underwood  
Zulla Russell  
Avis Kessler  
Judy Scheuble  
James Matthews  
the Brown family  
All those with COVID-19  
All those caring for COVID-19 patients



Roy Sisk  
Rick Willis  
Mac Kirkpatrick  
Roger Daniels  
Bethany Rosenberg

### Continuing Prayers:

For the sick. For those who grieve.  
For all who serve and their families.  
For God's People, The Church, and the World.  
Prayers for our Nation.

If you know someone you would like to add to our prayer list, please forward your request to Judy Scheuble by email at: [jscheuble@aol.com](mailto:jscheuble@aol.com), or by calling her at home.

## RUMC CELEBRATIONS

### Birthdays

Tommy Ann Kirkpatrick, Friday, December 25<sup>th</sup>

### Anniversaries

None

## UPCOMING MEETINGS and EVENTS

Christmas Eve Worship – Thu, Dec 24<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm  
Administrative Council – Thu, Jan 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm  
Worship Committee – TBD  
Board of Trustees – Tue, Jan 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm

## Lighting of the Advent Candle

(adapted from the GBOM Advent Liturgy, 2011)

*Leader:* Rejoice always! Pray without ceasing!

**All: We give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Jesus Christ.**

*(light two purple and the pink Advent candles)*

*Leader:* A young woman, confronted by the call of God in her life. What shall she do? Where will she go? Mary accepted the call that God placed within her heart and proclaimed that the very core of who she is belongs to God. A God who is merciful, strong; one who cares for those who are the “least of these.” God’s call comes to each of us as well - a call to serve, to be Christ’s love in the world. For young adults, the call often pulls them into a time of discernment, a time to explore how they can share their faith with others through missionary service. It is clear however, that God calls each of us, at all times in our lives, to serve others in God’s name. How will God use you to bring hope to those who have lost hope? How will God use you to lift up others, to be with the stranger, and to share God’s love? How will you answer the call to servant ministry in the name of the Child of Love this Advent?

*Leader:* Listen! God is calling you to be in ministry with others in Christ’s name.

**All: We offer our lives to the Child of Love.**

*Leader:* Listen! Prayerfully discern how you will use your gifts and talents to be with others in Christ’s name.

**All: We offer our lives to the Child of Love.**

*Leader:* Listen! Accept Christ’s call to be in servant ministry with and among all of God’s people throughout your life.

**All: We offer our lives to the Child of Love.**

*(light the last purple Advent candle)*

*Leader:* Rejoice always!

**All: The Child of Love is coming!**