

# Clarendon Happenings

## Join us for Christmas Eve Services Tonight

5PM - Family Christmas Eve with the Children's and Youth Choirs

9PM - Candlelight and Communion Christmas Eve with the Chancel Choir and Handbells

## A Big Thank You

To all who participated in our Advent Missions. We made 21 gift baskets for New Hope Housing and over 90 snack bags for the youth at Bridges to Independence. Please be sure to bring in your Giving Tree donations no later than January 7th.

## Holiday Closure

The church office will be closed Dec. 25, 2023 through Jan. 1, 2024 in order to give our staff richly deserved time off. The phone and office email will be monitored for urgent needs.

## 2024 Giving

Did you change your pledge for 2024? If you give via the Church Center app, please be sure to update the amount on or before January 1. There will be instructions on how to in next Friday's email or you can see Fran Underwood after worship on December 31 and January 7.

## Reconciling Ministries Book Group

Join us for a new book group which studies about LGBTQ+ issues and how they relate to faith. Our inaugural book will be [Unclobber](#) by Colby Martin. Meetings will be online only, Tuesdays, 7:30-8:45 PM, January 9-February 13. You don't need to be a member of the LGBTQ+ community or a member of CUMC to participate, you just need to commit to being in a safe space. Please sign up using the Church Center app on your phone and pressing "Groups" at the bottom or by visiting the Clarendon UMC web page at

<https://clarendon.churchcenter.com/groups/small-groups/reconciling-ministry-book-group>

## Coming in January - Dinner Groups!

Meet up at a restaurant or sup in someone's home. This is a great way to meet new people, study the Bible and hold each other accountable. Watch for details and a sign-up in early January.



Church office hours: Mon - Thurs, 9AM - 2PM 703-527-8574 or [office@ClarendonUMC.org](mailto:office@ClarendonUMC.org)

Items for the Friday email/Clarendon Happenings are due by Noon on Wednesday.

Please submit all calendar and room requests to Fran Underwood at the office email.



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Church Center app



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