

Updated Prayers for 04-23-17 Italicized lines are new this week  
Are you on Facebook? We are. **Montrose United Methodist Church**  
**“Joyfully, to love all, to serve all, and to share Jesus Christ with the world”.**

**A vigil is a period of purposeful observance.** The word "vigil" comes from the Latin word "vigilia," meaning "wakefulness."

**A prayer vigil is a watchful and awake time set apart for the purpose of prayer.**

The Mountain Sky Area is invited to join a **Prayer Vigil for the Judicial Council and Bishop Karen Oliveto.** We are invited to set apart a time to be watchful and awake and pray for all those involved in the Judicial Council's April meeting (Today) and Bishop Karen Oliveto.

We also ask you to pray **for those who will be immediately affected by the decision of the Judicial Council and for the people and churches of the Mountain Sky Area and the Western Jurisdiction** as we work to discern how we will move forward, no matter what the decision may be.

We encourage you to lift up **prayers of thanksgiving for the work God has done and continues to do in The United Methodist Church as we seek a place of unity.** Calvary United Methodist Church, in their open letter to the Judicial Council, prays that “an affirmation of all life might be made, a common way forward might be found, and God might be praised through Jesus Christ our Lord”

I am grateful that many of you as individuals and churches have responded quickly and signed up to be part of the vigil. This prayer vigil is going to be observed across the Western Jurisdiction and beyond.

**CELEBRATIONS:** *A nice celebration for Becky Clark and her many many youth families who have appreciated her dedication over the past 16 years.*

**HEALTH AND HEALING:** Donna Brown has developed Parkinson's in addition to her dementia, continued prayers for her husband, LaMoine, and daughter, Rita; Carol Jones, recovering from burns on her right foot, going to the Wound Center; Kelsey, as she has surgery 5/1 to determine if ovarian cancer is present; for the safety and sanity of those in law enforcement, fire departments and EMTS. Kimberly Ens, Van and Janie Smith's daughter, was in a head-on collision in Kansas City; prayers for her recovery and for all family members who cannot be there when a tragedy strikes their loved ones.

**SPECIAL THANKS:** *Dear MUMC family and friends; Jerry and I are so touched. We received many cards expressing caring thoughts and prayers for us after the death of my mother, Georgia Ecord. So many of you mentioned keeping those happy memories close. Thank you, we are and we will. We believe Georgia is very happy in heaven and that gives us peace. We are blessed to have such caring friends. Thank you. Jerry and Penny Madsen*

**CONTINUED PRAYERS:** for Brad, and others who need this prayer, to open his heart and allow love and forgiveness in; Williamson's grandson and wife, who is on bedrest in St Mary's until their twins are born; Don & Kathy Koeltzow's grandson, Jonathan, rehab for his drug addiction; Meredith and Amber Frates, stomach issues; Gina Pavlich drug addiction recovery; Jana Powell, continuous pain; Jennye Smidt, Tom and Dona's daughter-in-law with a life-threatening autoimmune disease; Rachael Coddington's sister-in-law, Diana with many health issues; Mariah Hutto's sister, Melisa Madden, continued pain; Jennie Anderson's son, Gene Miller, whose fibromyalgia is destroying his joints, he is young and still needs to work; Melba Teague is under treatment for bells palsy on top of her other challenges;

**LOCATION: Cards of caring would be appreciated by any of these people**

Maurine Bowen, Kathie Adamson (213) Lela Ala are at Homestead; 1819 Pavilion Drive

Sharon Becker has been moved to Valley Manor;

Betty Winters is at Spring Creek chalet; 2720 Sunnyside 81401;

Alice Fisher at 2710 Sunnyside Road, Apt A-4;

Gwen Carlile 1949A Sunrise Drive; and Erma Hale #202 are at 1968 Sunrise Drive.

Alene Davis, Dora Willis, Bob Rainey and Kate Luscher, Jenny Hurshman's mother, memory care Brookdale (Sunrise Creek).

Jesse Purcell and Verna Brassfield at San Juan Living Center; 1043 Ridge Street;

Bob and Elsie Dawirs are at 1380 Aspen Way #125, Delta, CO 81416

**Please update the office on your loved ones, near and far. When we have them in the prayer chain for a long time without that, we don't know if they are better or not. We would also like to have full names. If we drop them off the list, it is because we have not received an update and a request to keep them on.**

**CANCER:** Ben Golden, colon; Franceska, a single mom of 32 with terminal breast cancer; David, last stages of esophageal; Nancy Zaenger's sister, Laraine, breast; Nancy Zaenger, breast, starts radiation treatments; Nancy Zaenger's brother Bob Firth was diagnosed with a mass on his lung, three siblings in six months, to the day. Janie Smith, lung; Ginny West's daughter-in-law, Debbie, brain; Sharon Grable's sister-in-law; Ginny Veck, friend of Tracy Reinhard's, ovarian cancer and chemo; A friend of Judy Reinhard's, Waynella Gonzalez, lung cancer; John Tyler, aggressive return of his cancer; Dick and Sandy Eastman's son in law, Paul Raffa, prostate; Colette Holm's son, Ken, malignant tumors in lymph nodes in the his chest; Beckie Pendergrass's sister-in-law, Frankie Luningham, in Arkansas, brain tumor, Ryan Fox, bone cancer; Darlene Scott-Monroe, a teacher at Headstart, colon cancer; Jim Kerschner kidney; Tom Blacklock, leukemia, renewed request for prayers; Steve Cooper, bladder; Tammy Braun, liver; lymphoma and anemia; Arleen Friedman; Jean Bramer, colon; Tim Harris, legs and ribcage, Jennifer Lynn's sister, Judy Rosencrantz, brain; Kelly Ray, brain; Ray Schroeder, lung;

**IN TRANSITION:** Dennis Devor at Valley Manor; Jean Bramer at the Hopewest Hospice center in Grand Junction, John Tyler.

**DEATHS:** Zella Gibson died on 4/19; a memorial service will be at Crippin's Chapel on Saturday, April 29<sup>th</sup> at 10am; James Burke 4/20/17 after trauma from a broken hip, no memorial at the church; Bill Turner, who was active in Savior Seekers, our special needs Sunday school, died this past weekend. He had been in a decline this past year. He will have a family internment in Kansas City, MO with his parents. Lynn Weaver 4/21/17 at home in Louisiana Your prayers and support for Griff, his children, Clint, Angela and Stephen, spouses, grandchildren and great-grandchildren are requested and needed at this time. Griff plans to spend a little time with other family members in the coming weeks while he adjusts to life without Lynn.

*a note from Griff*

Sheila, I'm sure you have heard by now that Lynn passed away on Friday April 21st around 12:30pm. She went peacefully in her bed at home, her weak heart just gave out. I am working on the Obituary and will send you a copy soon.

We had just prayed Friday morning for those on the walk  
and talked about our Great memories of our walk.  
What a Blessing you and the Church were to her.

Everything is still in a planning mode, but we will have  
a service (May 27th) Covington United Methodist Church,  
and in late Sept or Oct something in Montrose.

Much Love.....Griff

**ADDRESSES:**

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**Virgil Turner** 419 South 4<sup>th</sup> Street 81401

**John and Sonja Tyler** 61868 W. Oak Grove Rd 81403

**Kathryn Burke** 1149 Ridge Street 81401

**Jean and Dwayne Bramer** 901 65.30 Rd #1311 81401

**Kathy and Dennis Devor** 3857 Grand Mesa Drive 81403