

# AMLIN UMC

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## RECONCILING MINISTRY



*Here at Amlin, all are invited to come as you are to praise the Lord and receive the Good News of Jesus Christ. We believe that we are all called to love our neighbor and that all people are worthy of love. It is our differences that make us whole. If you are new to Amlin, we hope you'll find a place where you are warmly welcomed and feel at home.*

## OUR MISSION

*Go and make disciples for the transformation of the world!*



*Equipping church and community to connect grow and serve through missions.*



DEAR AMLINITES,  
HAPPY ADVENT! IT IS SUCH A BLESSING TO GET TO SERVE AMLIN AND EACH OF YOU. I AM SO EXCITED FOR THIS SEASON OF PREPARING AND WAITING FOR THE COMING CHRIST. FIRST, LET ME RECAP SOME OF THE JOYS OF NOVEMBER AND THEN I WILL SHARE WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT IN THIS SEASON OF ADVENT.

WE HAD THE INCREDIBLE JOY OF WELCOMING JONAH OLIVER INTO CHRIST'S HOLY FAMILY THROUGH THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM. WE ALSO HAD THE PRIVILEGE OF SERVING OUR COMMUNITY BY COLLECTING HATS FOR THE NEW LIFE COMMUNITY CENTER IN THE SHORT NORTH. WE HAD A GOAL OF COLLECTING 50 HATS AND YOU ALL DOUBLED THAT DONATION.

CHRISTMAS IS A FUN TIME FILLED WITH LIGHTS AND CAROLS AND COOKIES. BUT FOR MANY, IT IS A TIME FILLED WITH FEELINGS OF LONELINESS AND GRIEF. WE ARE OFFERING A SERVICE OF HOPE FOR THE COMMUNITY ON WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18 AT 7 PM IN THE NEW LIFE CENTER. THIS WILL BE A TIME TO HOLD SPACE FOR THE PAIN AND ALSO TO LOOK AHEAD WITH JOY. AWARD-WINNING VOCALIST, JUSTIN CRANK, OF GLORY WAY, WILL BE PERFORMING THAT EVENING. INVITE YOUR FAMILY, FRIENDS, AND NEIGHBORS TO JOIN US FOR THIS SERVICE OF HOPE.

OUR SERIES FOR THIS YEAR IS ENTITLED "AN ADVENT OF FLOURISHING." I HAVE SPENT THE PAST SEMESTER LEARNING ABOUT FLOURISHING IN MY SEMINARY CLASSES. THE MESSAGES, DISCUSSION QUESTIONS, PRACTICES, AND SMALL GROUP GATHERINGS ARE DESIGNED FOR YOU TO HAVE "AN ADVENT OF FLOURISHING." JOIN US EACH SUNDAY AT 10 FOR THE TRADITIONAL PRACTICES OF LIGHTING THE CANDLES AND SINGING FAMILIAR FAVORITES. THEN COME BACK ON MONDAY EVENINGS AT 6 PM FOR A DISCUSSION ABOUT THE MESSAGE AND HOW YOU PERSONALLY CAN EXPERIENCE "AN ADVENT OF FLOURISHING."

BRING YOUR FAMILY AND CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS AT AMLIN ON CHRISTMAS EVE AT 7 PM FOR A WORSHIP SERVICE IN THE NEW LIFE CENTER. THE FOLLOWING SUNDAY WE WILL HAVE A HYMN SING WITH SOME OF OUR FAVORITE CHRISTMAS CAROLS.

YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS OUT ON ANY OF THIS ADVENT OF FLOURISHING.

MY PRAYER IS THAT YOU WILL  
NOT ONLY FLOURISH THIS  
ADVENT, BUT THAT YOU WILL  
BE FILLED WITH HOPE, PEACE,  
JOY, AND LOVE.

BLESSINGS,  
PASTOR LIZ





### Family Advent Resources Available

The Emerging Generations Ministry Team is excited to release the 2024 Family Advent Resources. If your congregation is looking for a fun way to engage families throughout advent, simply click on this link: [Family Advent Resources](#) and download the advent

calendar. This year's calendar follows the lectionary texts and utilizes the UM Discipleship graphics. It is also available in English, Spanish, Haitian-creole, French, Korean, and Nepali. If you'd like access to the daily advent calendar social media posts, email Ann Marie Carley ([amcarley@wocumc.org](mailto:amcarley@wocumc.org))

**[CLICK HERE FOR ADVENT CALENDAR](#)**





# AMLIN

*Advent 2024*

**12/1:** WORSHIP @ 10 AM  
IN THE CHAPEL

**12/8:** WORSHIP @ 10 AM  
IN THE NEW LIFE CENTER

**12/15:** WORSHIP @ 10 AM  
IN THE CHAPEL  
CHRISTMAS CAROLING @ 5PM

**12/18:** SERVICE OF HOPE @ 7PM  
IN THE CHAPEL

**12/22:** WORSHIP @ 10 AM  
IN THE NEW LIFE CENTER

**12/24:** WORSHIP @ 7PM  
IN THE NEW LIFE CENTER

**12/29:** CHRISTMAS HYMN SING @  
10AM IN THE CHAPEL



# AMLIN HAS A NEW WEBSITE AND APP

[amlinumc.org](http://amlinumc.org)



Same Address ~ New Look  
Search Amlin in your App Store or Online

[AMLINUMC.ORG](http://AMLINUMC.ORG)

*We Pray at 8*

**Lord, we see You are making  
a way forward.**

**Help us to be a church for  
your people.**

**Fill us with the hope of  
seeing transformation and  
Your kingdom come.**

*Isaiah 43:1  
Romans 12:2*



# CHRISTMAS CAROLING

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15  
MEET AT THE CHURCH  
@5PM FOR SOUP

*December 15*



*Donate Cookies*  
**FOR FIRE DEPT.**





The holidays can be lonely  
and filled with grief.  
So we invite you to join us for

A SERVICE  
OF

# Hope

*Wednesday, December 18  
@ 7:00pm*

Featuring Award-  
Winning Vocalist:  
Justin Crank



Love offering accepted

AMLIN UMC: 5441 COSGRAY RD. DUBLIN  
IN THE NEW LIFE CENTER (LARGER BUILDING IN THE BACK)



# Christmas Eve Worship

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24  
@ 7:00PM IN THE NLC



BRING YOUR COINS AND  
MORE ON THE SECOND  
SUNDAY OF THE MONTH FOR

# NOISY OFFERING SUNDAYS

**THIS MONTHS NOISY  
OFFERING WILL GO TO  
BUYING GIFTCARDS FOR  
WASHINGTON ELEMENTARY  
SCHOOL STUDENTS AND  
THEIR FAMILIES.**





LET'S BE

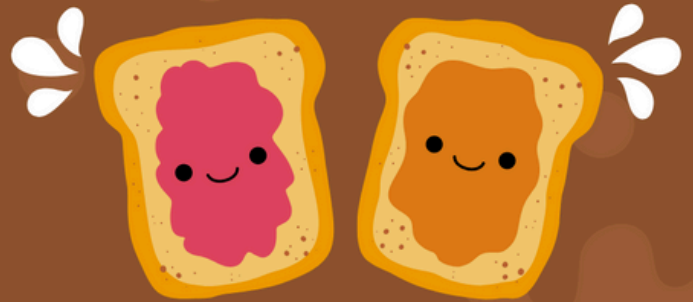
## FRIENDLY FARE

### DONATIONS NEEDED:

- BREAD, PEANUT BUTTER, & JELLY
- INDIVIDUAL BAGS OF SNACKS & GRANOLA BARS
- BROWN LUNCH SACKS, & ZIPLOCK SANDWICHES BAGGIES
- CASH DONATIONS



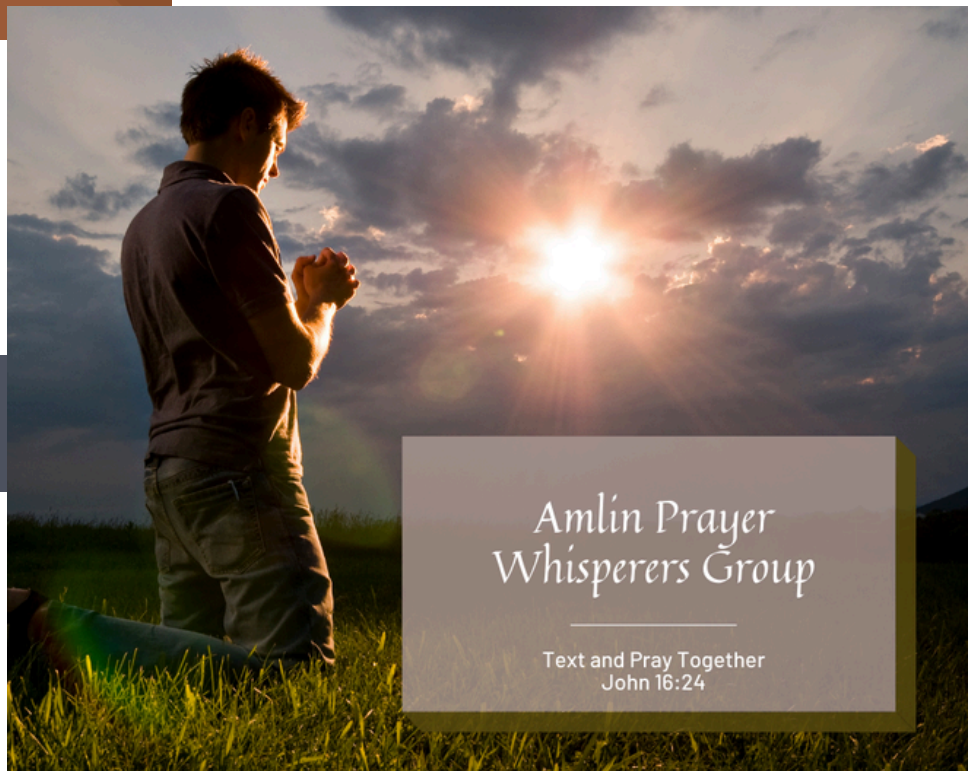
JOIN US IN THE CHAPEL ON  
SUNDAYS AFTER CHURCH TO  
PREPARE MEALS FOR  
JORDAN'S CROSSING



## FRIENDLY FARE

IN MISSION

TOGETHER



*Amlín Prayer  
Whisperers Group*

Text and Pray Together  
John 16:24



## DECEMBER CALENDAR:

12/2: ADVENT BIBLE STUDY IN NLC @ 6P

12/4: WORSHIP TEAM @ 7:30PM ON ZOOM

12/9: ADVENT BIBLE STUDY IN NLC @ 6P

12/15: CHRISTMAS CAROLING @ 5:30P

SOUP @ 5P (BEFORE CAROLING)

12/16: ADVENT BIBLE STUDY IN NLC @ 6P

12/18: SERVICE OF HOPE @ 7P IN NLC

12/23: ADVENT BIBLE STUDY IN NLC @ 6P

12/24: CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE AT 7P IN NLC

12/29: HYMN SING