

Church Office Volunteer: Kathy R.

9:30 Ushers: Wayne S., Myra C., Nancy E., Randy G., Dorba & Ron M., John R., Tanna S., Kirk W.

11:30 Ushers: Pete W., Randy G., Ashley M.

9:30 Greeters: Becky & Larry B., John & Louise C., Nancy E., Ron & Suzanne K., Steve P., Bob & Lynn S., Susan & Walter W.

11:30 Greeters: Liz & Jerry K., Debbie C., Laura D., Marje O., Ron R.

Sound System: 9:30 Craig K., 11:30 Craig K.

Van Driver: Brad A.

Koenig CD Delivery Ministry: Mary K. W.

Tuesday Hospital Visitor: Gail W.

Church Calendar

Please send calendar items to jessica@worthingtonumc.com, or call 614-885-5365. Church Office Hours are Monday-Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Friday 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., unless otherwise noted.

Contact the church office at 614-885-5365
or office@worthingtonumc.com.

Sunday, March 6

9:30 a.m.	Worship	Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	Child care for Infants and Toddlers	Room 101 and Room 102
10:30-11:30 a.m.	Fellowship Time	Dixon Lounge
10:40-11:20 a.m.	Lenten Study	Chapel
10:40-11:20 a.m.	Sunday School	See info board
10:40-11:20 a.m.	“Becoming Well-Versed” Class	Fellowship Hall
10:40-11:20 a.m.	Open Door Class	Browning Lounge
11:30 a.m.	Emerge Service	Sanctuary
11:30 a.m.	Child care for Infants and Toddlers	Room 101 and Room 102
3:00 p.m.	Ohio Health Memorial Service	Sanctuary
6:00 p.m.	Youth Impact	3 rd floor

Monday, March 7

9:00 a.m.	Emmaus Prayer Group	Chapel Lounge
10:30 a.m.	Prayer/Study Group	Chapel Lounge
6:00 p.m.	Emerge Planning	Library
7:00 p.m.	Staff Parish Relations Committee	Browning Lounge
7:00 p.m.	Boy Scouts	Offsite

Tuesday, March 8

7:00 a.m.	Lenten Communion	Potter Chapel
9:00 a.m.	New Life Clothing	Offsite
9:30 a.m.	Ruth Circle	Dixon Lounge
5:30 p.m.	Lenten Communion	Potter Chapel
7:00 p.m.	Open Hearts	Browning Lounge
8:00 p.m.	Senior High Devos	Allen Lounge

Wednesday, March 9

9:00 a.m.	New Life Clothing	Offsite
11:30 a.m.	Sarah Circle	Offsite
7:00 p.m.	Jubilee Ringers	Bell Room
7:00 p.m.	Lenten Study	Dixon Lounge
7:30 p.m.	Taize Service	Potter Chapel

Thursday, March 10

1:00 p.m.	Deborah Circle	Dixon Lounge
4:30 p.m.	Children’s Bells	Bell Room
5:00 p.m.	Children’s Choir	Sanctuary
5:00 p.m.	Rainbow Singers	Room 307
7:00 p.m.	Martha Crafting	Dixon Lounge
7:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir	Sanctuary

Friday, March 11

7:00 a.m.	Breakfast & Conversation	Offsite
9:00 a.m.	Bulletin Assembly	Dixon Lounge
6:30 p.m.	WUMC Singles	Offsite

Saturday, March 12

7:30 a.m.	Men’s Breakfast	Library
10:00 a.m.	Cookbook Meeting	Library

Sunday, March 13

9:30 a.m.	Worship	Sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	Child care for Infants and Toddlers	Room 101 and Room 102
10:30-11:30 a.m.	Fellowship Time	Dixon Lounge
10:40-11:20 a.m.	Lenten Study	Chapel
10:40-11:20 a.m.	Sunday School	See info board
10:40-11:20 a.m.	“Becoming Well-Versed” Class	Fellowship Hall
10:40-11:20 a.m.	Open Door Class	Browning Lounge
11:30 a.m.	Emerge Service	Sanctuary
11:30 a.m.	Child care for Infants and Toddlers	Room 101 and Room 102
12:30 a.m.	Joyful Family Fun Day	Fellowship Hall
4:00 p.m.	<i>Handbells Columbus</i> Concert	Sanctuary
6:00 p.m.	Youth Impact	3 rd floor

Photo directory updates & additions from February are now available for pick-up at the Welcome Desk.

Information to take with you this week

March 6, 2016

Handbells Columbus in Concert at WUMC: Sunday, March 13 @ 4pm in the sanctuary. *Handbells Columbus* is an advanced community ensemble composed of ringers from Central Ohio. The group plays on six octaves of handbells and handchimes, employing advanced techniques and demonstrating extraordinary musicality. For this concert, *HC* will offer a wide variety of musical styles and collaborations, including the premiere of a newly composed work for handbells and flute by Ohio State University student Scott Turner. There will truly be something for everyone, from hymn arrangements to symphonic works, spirituals to jazz.

Children's Camp Fundraiser: Pick up a tube of M&Ms from the church office starting February 7 throughout Lent to fill it back up with quarters after you eat the candy! The quarters will go towards fundraising for children in our church attending summer camps.

WUMC Singles: Please join us for dinner at La Chatelaine in Worthington on Friday, March 11, at 6:30 p.m. Our group is a social and fun fellowship group for all singles age 40 and above, whether never married, widowed, divorced, or separated. The primary purpose is to provide fellowship and interaction with other singles in order to continue to grow as individuals. Please let us know you are coming by emailing wumcsingles@gmail.com or by calling the church at 614-885-5365 no later than Wednesday, March 9.

WUMC Cookbook: Time is running out to submit your recipes for our UMW Cookbook, 2016. Remember the deadline is March 15th. Thus far, we have over 220 recipes and still counting! Thanks to everyone who has contributed to our collection. If you plan to submit a recipe or two, type or print your recipe for us and be sure to include your name as you want it listed in the book. Recipes in all categories are welcome. We are still looking for gluten-free recipes! Once the recipes go to Morris Press for production, we are looking at a September date or earlier for purchase.

Women's Retreat: April 22-24, all women are welcome to join us at the Mohican State Lodge in Perrysville. There will be a time of exploring joy with retreat leader Annetta D; time for group discussion with a small group of women; time for worship; lots of time for personal reflection and renewal; time for Bible study, prayer, and meditation; time spent outdoors; and time for yoga led by a certified Yoga instructor. Mohican has an exercise facility, a sauna and hot tub, and other indoor and outdoor activities. Contact the church office for more information or to register. Registration deadline is Thursday, March 17.

A Church Conference will be held on Tuesday, March 22nd at 7:15 pm for the purpose of addressing a recommendation from our Board of Trustees to approve a Declaration of Restrictions for the benefit of Worthington Lodge LLC, our neighbors. This is an action being required from the City of Worthington for the safety of putting residential units in the former Masonic building. It will mean that we are unable to build a building within two feet of our north property line where the former Masonic building is; with our current zoning we cannot build within fifteen feet of that property line now. Additional information is available in the church office. All church members can vote at this Conference.

“An Act of Love” Community Screening:The debate over same-sex marriage has reached a point where it threatens to irreparably divide the Church. In May of this year, the United Methodist Church will meet again for their General Conference, where the rules about same-sex marriage and LGBTQ clergy will again be debated. After over four decades of protest from LGBTQ Methodists and their allies, will 2016 finally be the year that the Church changes their stance on this issue? Or will it be the year that the UMC irreparably divides? As the third largest Christian denomination in the United States, which direction the UMC takes could have ripple effects throughout the entire Christian community, in the US and the world. “An Act of Love” is the story of Rev. Frank Schaefer and his family, and it will undoubtedly have an impact on this discussion. The community of North Broadway United Methodist Church invites you to join us for a free community screening of “An Act of Love”—a story of family, faith, and love—on Friday, March 11, 2016 at 6:30 P.M. North Broadway UMC is located at 48 E. North Broadway, Columbus OH 43214, www.north-broadway.org or call 614-268-8626

Kroger Rewards: This is an easy way to help those in need. It costs you nothing, and money received helps fund UMW missions for women, youth and children. All you need to do is link your Kroger shopping card with our organization through their Community Rewards Program, and then Kroger will send us a donation based on the total amount you spend in their stores. To sign up, or to renew your registration each year, visit Kroger’s website at www.kroger.com, log into your account, select the community rewards page and follow the instructions to select Worthington United Methodist Women as your organization. If you do not have a Kroger Plus Card, or even an email address, we can still help you. If you have any questions, please contact the church office.

Creative Play Center is Hiring!: Are you or someone you know a nurturing, experienced educator who marvels at the curiosity and growth during the early childhood years? We have exciting opportunities for you at Creative Play Center! We offer a variety of benefits to our full-time employees including health/dental/vision, paid-time off, pension and professional development opportunities. In collaboration with their team, teachers create a warm, inviting classroom environment, establish and foster positive relationships with the children and families, engage in positive, open communication with parents and colleagues, observe and assess children’s development and interests, plan and implement responsive, meaningful learning experiences.

2016 Positions:

Full-Time Toddler Teacher: Monday thru Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Part-Time Teaching Positions:

Infants: Monday thru Friday: 1:30-5:30 p.m.; 3:45-6 p.m.

Email your cover letter and resume to creativeplay@sbcglobal.net

Naomi Circle will meet Wednesday, March 16, 7:00 pm, in the Browning Lounge. Members will bring items and assemble "Easter basket" gift bags for the homebound of WUMC. There will be a pledge service, and Prayer and Self Denial offerings will be collected. Guests are welcome.

Martha Circle will meet this Thursday, March 10, in Dixon Lounge from 7-9pm. It is a chance for women to have 2 hours to do something for themselves. It doesn’t have to be crafty but can be. Great fellowship and chocolate are always provided.

We are Called Into the Mission Field

Mat Ministry: The next Plarn Party is **Wednesday, March 16**, 1:00-4:00 p.m., in the Dixon Lounge. Please join us as we work on materials for making sleeping mats for the homeless. Look for the Mat Ministry table in the hallway the Sunday before our Plarn Party. To date, 478 mats have been donated to the Open Shelter. Thanks for supporting this important ministry.

Donations for ongoing needs for Worthington Resource Pantry, New Life Community Outreach Ministries and NNEMAP may be placed in the donation boxes, at the north (CPC) doors on Sundays or near the church office on weekdays. *Urgent needs for Worthington Resource Pantry are bagged beans, canned beans (kidney, pinto, chili, refried), and canned tomatoes (paste, diced, stewed). Donations of men’s clothes are needed for the New Life Clothing Room. Urgent needs for NNEMAP Food Pantry are cereal, ravioli, canned chili, pop-top cans of soup, baby food and laundry detergent.*

Bags of Blessings to Share: Our March donations will benefit The Worthington Resource Pantry. Bags with lists for our donations are available now on the racks at the south entrance and by the Church Library. As always, donate as much or as little as you choose. Every bit helps!

Operation Sandwich: Each week dozens of PB&J or bologna and cheese sandwiches are transported from WUMC to Friends of the Homeless in Columbus. Make simple, freezable, individually-wrapped sandwiches at home and bring them to the refrigerator downstairs when you come to church on Sunday or before 10:00 a.m. on Monday to help feed the homeless in Central Ohio.

Sarah Circle and the Blue Star Mothers extend their sincere thanks to our church members who have donated items for our central Ohio soldiers. Winter donations are needed, including hand and foot warmers, boot socks (black, green or white in various sizes), foot powder, lotions and creams and muscle ache creams. Food and snack donations and entertainment items also are needed. As always, notes, letters and cards are much appreciated. A complete list of suggested items and the drop-off box are in the church office.

Keep Saving Your Pop Can Tabs! Pop can tabs are converted to cash by Ronald McDonald House to pay their utility bills. Place your tabs in the container on the *Upper Room* table in the narthex.

Deborah Circle: will meet March 10 at 1:00 p.m. in the Dixon Lounge. In conjunction with Women’s History Month, Sharon S. will present a program on Florence E. Allen. Visitors are welcome.

Lenten Tuesday Chapel Communion and Meditation: On Tuesdays during Lent, February 16 through March 15, the Potter Chapel will be open for a Meditative Time from 7:00 to 8:00 a.m., and 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. During this time you may meditate for as long as you like and then come forward where one of the pastors will serve you Holy Communion.

Upcoming Events

- **WUMC Singles Dinner** – March 11
- **“An Act of Love”** – March 11
- **Columbus Handbells Concert** – March 13
- **Joyful Family Fun Day** – March 13
- **Art in the Sanctuary Trip** – March 16

Art in the Sanctuary Trip: The Fine Arts Committee is sponsoring a trip to St. Peter’s Episcopal Church in Delaware on March 16th, to view their Lenten exhibit entitled, “Take Up Your Cross”. We will carpool from our church at 12:00 noon, for a 1:00 p.m. tour by John K. at St. Peter’s. Please call the church office to make a reservation.

It’s too far away. It’s too many days. It’s when I’m working. If these are reasons that you have not been able to participate in our mission trips, then this one is just for you. It’s a one day Adult Mission Trip to Camp Otterbein in Logan, Ohio on Saturday, April 23rd. Camp Otterbein is one of the West Ohio Conference camps. We are not sure right now about the nature of the project. **The last day to sign up is Sunday, April 10th.** If you have questions, please contact the church office.

Hosting First UMC Youth Choir: We will be hosting a youth choir from First United Methodist Church in Downer’s Grove, Illinois on Saturday, March 26th (Easter Eve). The youth will eat at the church prior to presenting a musical, and then they can eat again at the church for breakfast. If you are interested in helping us host our guests – please sign up on the back of the friendship card today!

The Welcome Center provides information about the ministries of our church family and resources like a map of our church and Sunday School class schedule. If you are visiting with us today, please stop by the Welcome Center at the main entrance, outside the Dixon Lounge, for a welcome gift.

Please Keep Us in the Loop! For pastoral concerns, including hospitalizations, births and deaths, please contact Cyndy Garn directly at cyndylg@aol.com or John Girard at john@worthingtonumc.com.

Prayer Shawls Are Available through our Julia Prayer Shawl Ministry for you or someone you know who is in need of comfort. Send requests for shawls to the church office at 614-885-5365.

Prayer Chain: Contact the church office if you have a prayer concern and would like it to be added to the prayer chain.



God wants us to give away a portion of what we have as an act of self-sacrifice and gratitude and for the benefit of others.

Deuteronomy 26:1-11