

Altar flowers are provided by Judy and Dick M., in honor of their grandchildren, Abby and Ethan H..

Church Office Volunteer: Mysa M.

10:00 Ushers: Wayne S., Myra C., Nancy E., Randy G., Dorba M., Ron M., John R., Tanna S., Kirk W.

10:00 Greeters: Carol & John R., Dave & Barb D., John & Marty S. J., Katie L., Kay M., Dick & Nancy O., Tom & Mary Ann S., Jean W.

Sound System: Kent K.

Van Driver: Marcia G.

Koenig CD Delivery Ministry: Mary W. and Ken E.

Tuesday Hospital Visitor: Gloria H.

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, September 11 RALLY DAY
 9:45 a.m. Child Care for Room 101 and
 Infants and Toddlers Room 102
 10:00 a.m. Blended Worship Sanctuary
 11:30 a.m. Church Picnic Church Grounds
 12:30 p.m. Jubilee Ringers Bell Room
 6:00 p.m. Youth Impact Chapel, 3rd Floor

Monday, September 12
 10:30 a.m. Prayer Group Chapel Lounge
 6:00 p.m. Groups Work Church Grounds
 6:00 p.m. Emerge Planning Library
 6:00 p.m. SMART Commons Conf. Room
 7:00 p.m. CPC Board Room 314

Tuesday, September 13
 9:00 a.m. New Life Clothing Offsite
 9:30 a.m. Ruth Circle Dixon Lounge
 7:00 p.m. Open Hearts Browning Lounge
 8:00 p.m. Sr. High Devos 3rd floor rooms

Wednesday, September 14
 9:00 a.m. New Life Clothing Offsite
 9:30 a.m. Sarah Circle Dixon Lounge

7:00 p.m. CPC Personnel Staff Lounge
 7:30 p.m. Taize Service Potter Chapel

Thursday, September 15
 4:30 p.m. Children's Bells Bell Room
 5:00 p.m. Children's Choir Sanctuar
 6:30 p.m. Friendship Dinner 6:30 p.m.
 7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Sanctuary

Friday, September 16
 9:00 a.m. Bulletin Assembly Dixon Lounge
 10:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl Library
 Ministry

Saturday, September 17
 10:00 a.m. UMW CANDO Board Dixon Lounge

Sunday, September 18
 9:15 a.m. Child Care for Room 101 and
 Infants and Toddlers Room 102
 9:30 a.m. Worship Sanctuary
 10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time Dixon Lounge
 10:40 a.m. Becoming Fellowship Hall
 Well-Versed
 10:40 a.m. Sunday School See info board
 10:40 a.m. Back to School
 Open House
 10:40 a.m. Church Tour Meet at Info Desk
 11:00 a.m. Child Care for Banta Room, Nursery
 Infants & Toddlers
 11:30 a.m. Emerge Service Sanctuary
 12:30 p.m. Jubilee Ringers Bell Room
 6:00 p.m. Impact 3rd floor rooms
 6:00 p.m. Concert on the Lawn Church Grounds

Information to take with you this week

September 11, 2016

Rally Day 2016: Today is our fall kick-off event, Rally Day, as we learn how we can plant seeds for new growth! Join us after worship for a church lunch and activities, including a photo booth!

Adult Mission Trip: In *The Messenger* you saw us sitting on the rocking chairs on the porch of the lodge at Camp Otterbein. That could be you if you join us for the next adult mission trip. The OSU football game is away and they don't play until 8:00 p.m., so that doesn't qualify as a reason not to participate. Besides, it's only down in Logan, Ohio. Please join us for the one day Adult Mission Trip to Camp Otterbein in Logan, Ohio, on Saturday, October 15. 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, October 3.** If you have questions, please contact the church office.

Cookbooks Being Served: Our cookbook, "Favorite Recipes," are on sale in the Ministry Hallway through October. The books also will be available at Trifles & Treasures in October. The books sell for \$15 each. They feature a hard-back cover with interesting personal pages at the beginning and nearly 400 recipes in eight different categories with Helpful Hints for each category. There is an index of contributors' names as well as an index of all the great recipes followed by a set of full-color Cooking Hints. The cookbooks can be paid in cash or by check made out to Worthington United Methodist Women (WUMW). It is with great pride that we have recipes contributed by so many members, families, and friends of the congregation. Our thanks to each of you for sharing your favorite recipes. We are excited to share the books with you and for you to look at them for possible purchase. Just a thought . . . they would make wonderful Christmas gifts!

Immigration Forum Set For September 28: "Entertaining Angels" is a forum hosted by the Capitol Area North District at WUMC on Wednesday, September 28, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. This is an important discussion on the growing immigrant/refuge communities in Central Ohio. It is hoped the forum will promote justice work around immigration and refugees in our backyard. Clergy and laity are welcome. Here is the agenda:

10:00-10:30 Gathering/Welcome/Bible Study
 10:30-11:30 Who are our neighbors?
 11:30-12:00 So What?
 12:00- 12:15 Two areas of focus
 12:15- 1:00 Lunch (optional)
 1:00-3:00 Tour (optional)

A local ethnic lunch will be provided. **Please RSVP by September 23** by signing up at:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c094faaac22a6fc1-discussion>

Now Available: Electronic Giving! WUMC is pleased to announce a convenient new way to make your regular offerings through the WUMC homepage. With our new electronic giving program, you can easily set up a recurring giving schedule or make one-time contributions. We encourage you to set up a schedule of recurring contributions. It's convenient for you and provides much-needed consistency for our church, especially during summer months.

If you are currently giving on a weekly basis, you will no longer need to write out 52 checks a year. Even when travel, illness, or other circumstances prevent you from attending on Sundays, our church will continue to receive your contributions on an uninterrupted basis.

To become an electronic giver, visit WorthingtonUMC.com and click on "Donate to Worthington UMC." For new users, "Create a Profile" and follow the instructions.



Scan this QR Code with your smart phone to be taken directly to the donation page for WUMC!

WUMC Harvest Day is Sunday, October 2: Join us for a day of fall fun at a farm for the whole family! The farm is at 15303 Maple Ridge Rd, Milford Center. There will be food, games, hay rides and a bonfire. We will meet there at 3:30 p.m. until around 5:30. Contact the church office or Ashley M. for further information or to let her know you will attend, or sign up on today's insert card.

Attention gardeners: Our next work session in our outdoor garden areas will be on Monday, September 12, at 6:00 p.m. (rain date is September 13). With the recent rain, I'm sure we will have a good crop of fall weeds to tackle. Please bring tools and work gloves and water. Thank you for your assistance in keeping our grounds looking their best. If there are questions, please contact the church office.

Naomi Circle: The next meeting is Wednesday, September 21, at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Sheri S., beginning with a potluck dinner. Ashley S. will present the program, sharing information about her work with Star House, a center for homeless young people. We also will finalize plans for Trifles and Treasures. Guest are welcome so join us! Call the church office for more details.

District Office Open House and Retirement Celebration Sept. 15: The District is sponsoring an Open House at the new District Office on Thursday, September 15, from 3:00 – 7:00 p.m. Come visit us! We also will be celebrating the retirement of Carol W., CAS administrative assistant, after 20 years of service. The address is 2545 Farmers Drive, Suite 350, Columbus 43235.

We are Called Into the Mission Field

Mat Ministry: The next Plarn Party is **Wednesday, September 21, 1:00-4:00 p.m.**, in 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. 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), soups (condensed and ready-to-eat) and canned tomatoes (paste, diced, stewed). Donations of men's clothes, towels, and sheets are needed for the New Life Clothing Room. Urgent needs for NNEMAP Food Pantry are baby food & formula, toothpaste, bar soap, deodorant, shampoo, and bulk donations of sugar, flour, and laundry detergent.*

Bags of Blessings to Share: Our September donations will benefit New Life United Methodist Church. 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 continue to encourage church support for our soldiers overseas. Please consider donating any number of items, including foods, snacks, beverages; portable games; reading materials; comics, puzzles; hygiene items; duct tape; plastic trash bags; fly paper; boot socks. 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. Thank you to all who have brought in pop tabs! We have collected and sent 40 pounds of them to Nationwide Children's Hospital.

Upcoming Events

- **Rally Day – TODAY**
- **Taize Service – September 14**
- **Back to Sunday School Open House – September 18**
- **Concert on the Lawn – September 18**

New Member Class coming Oct. 9 – Nov. 6, and you're invited! Can't attend all classes? No problem. Indicate the Sundays you will be absent when you register, and we'll be sure to get the corresponding class information to you. Classes are designed to help you meet other new members, discover ways you can get involved in the life of the church, and become familiar with some of the history and core beliefs of the United Methodist Church. Classes run concurrent with Children's Sunday School and Nursery childcare. For questions or registration, call the church office (614) 885-5365, email Pastor John Girard, john@worthingtonumc.com, or sign up on today's card insert.

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.

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.