

Altar flowers are given by Barb and Dave D., in celebration of 50 years of marriage, and also for Ron and Ellen R..

Church Office Volunteer: Marcia T.

9:30 Ushers: Tom T., Dave A., Dan G., Carolyn H., Doug S., Tom S., Joel S., Ralph V.

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

9:30 Greeters: Jane & Howard L., Barb B., Aaron & Karin E., Don & Dana H., Mike & Jody J., Gene & Kathy R., Carol R., Beth S.

11:30 Greeters: Laurie M., Jim & Jo D., Holly K., Kent & Ellen K.

Sound System: 9:30 Sean L., 11:30 Frank B.

Van Driver: Brad A.

Tuesday Hospital Visitor: Dick M.

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 18

9:15 a.m.	Child Care for Infants and Toddlers	Room 101 and Room 102
9:30 a.m.	Worship	Sanctuary
10:30 a.m.	Fellowship Time	Dixon Lounge
10:40 a.m.	Becoming Well-Versed	Fellowship Hall
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 Infants & Toddlers	Banta Room, Nursery
11:30 a.m.	Emerge Service	Sanctuary
6:00 p.m.	Impact	3 rd floor rooms
6:00 p.m.	Concert on the Lawn	Church Grounds

Monday, September 19

10:30 a.m.	Prayer Group	Chapel Lounge
6:30 p.m.	Library Hour	Library

Tuesday, September 20

9:00 a.m.	New Life Clothing	Offsite
1:00 p.m.	Immunization Clinic	Fellowship Hall
6:00 p.m.	District Meeting	Dixon Lounge, Library
7:00 p.m.	Finance Committee	Browning Lounge
8:00 p.m.	Sr. High Devos	3 rd floor rooms

Wednesday, September 21

9:00 a.m.	New Life Clothing	Offsite
1:00 p.m.	Plarn Party	Dixon Lounge
6:30 p.m.	Naomi Circle	Offsite
7:00 p.m.	Family Ministry	3 rd Floor Rooms

Thursday, September 22

4:30 p.m.	Children's Bells	Bell Room
5:00 p.m.	Children's Choir	Sanctuary
7:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir	Sanctuary

Friday, September 23

9:00 a.m.	Bulletin Assembly	Dixon Lounge
6:00 p.m.	WUMC Singles	Dixon Lounge

Sunday, September 25

9:15 a.m.	Child Care for Infants and Toddlers	Room 101 and Room 102
9:30 a.m.	Worship	Sanctuary
10:30 a.m.	Fellowship Time	Dixon Lounge
10:40 a.m.	Becoming Well-Versed	Fellowship Hall
10:40 a.m.	Sunday School	See info board
11:00 a.m.	Child Care for Infants & Toddlers	Banta Room, Nursery
11:30 a.m.	Emerge Service	Sanctuary
12:30 p.m.	Jubilee Ringers	Bell Room
6:00 p.m.	Impact	3 rd floor rooms

OhioHealth Offers New Grief Support Group: The OhioHealth Foundation will offer a new grief support group called "Steps Toward Healing" on Wednesday evenings, October 5 through November 23, 7:00-8:30 p.m. This eight-week support group will provide the opportunity to talk about the painful feelings of grief in a compassionate, non-judgmental and confidential atmosphere. The sessions will be offered in two locations: Dublin Methodist Hospital Main Lobby Conference Room (7500 Hospital Dr., Dublin) and Kobacker House (800 McConnell Dr., Columbus). It is free, but registration is required. To register, call 614-533-6060.

Need a CD?: If you need a CD of our services, or know anyone who does, contact the church office (614-885-5365) and we'll send it out.

Information to take with you this week

September 18, 2016

Don't Forget Our Open House: There is a Back to School Open House today between services. Everyone is invited!

New Member Class coming Oct. 9 – Nov. 6, and you're invited!: Can't attend all classes? Just 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.

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. So join us for the one day Adult Mission Trip to Camp Otterbein in Logan, Ohio, on Saturday, October 15. 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 for in cash or by check made out to Worthington United Methodist Women (WUMW). 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. 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 for further information or to let us know you will attend, or sign up on today's insert card.

Trifles 'n Treasures Needs Your Help! The ladies of WUMW need help during the week setting up for our annual sale, during the sale and clean up! Debbie V. is in need of trucks and strong bodies the **afternoon of Sunday, October 9**, to pick up donations from those who are unable to bring them to church. Help also is needed **Wednesday late afternoon, October 12**, moving furniture from the POD into the church. Call the church office if you can help. We also need volunteers the **week of October 10-14** to help with sorting and pricing from 9 a.m.-8 p.m. every day, and during the sale, **Friday evening, October 14, and Saturday morning, October 15**. Providers of food and snacks for the volunteers also are needed. To help, please stop by the volunteer sign up table in the lobby between services on Sundays beginning later this month. Questions? 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 about 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.

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.

Directory Addendum Available: A directory addendum that includes recent new members can be picked up in the office.

Statements Ready: You can pick up statements in the Ministry Hallway today.

Upcoming Events

- **Back to Sunday School Open House – TODAY**
- **Concert on the Lawn – TODAY**
- **WUMC Harvest Day – Sunday, October 2**
- **New Member Class Begins – Sunday, October 2**

CROP Walk: Are you ready to walk? The Worthington CROP Hunger Walk is Sunday, October 9. Please join us as we walk to end hunger here in Worthington and around the world. Twenty-five percent of the funds raised go to the Worthington Resource Pantry. The walk begins and ends at the West Ohio Conference Center across from the fire station. Registration will begin at 1 p.m. There will be a 5K route and a 1 mile route. Please see Amy W. to pick up your walker envelope or raise funds online at crophungerwalk.org/worthingtonoh. Thank you!

WUMC Singles: Please join us for pizza (\$6 per person) at 6:30 p.m. and Uno and/or Crazy Bridge at 7:00 p.m. in the Dixon Lounge on Friday, September 23. Bring your own beverage. Please RSVP for either pizza and/or cards by emailing us at wumcsingles@gmail.com, or by calling the church office at 614-885-5365 no later than Wednesday, September 21.

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 you have a prayer concern and would like it to be added to the prayer chain.