

Church Office Volunteer: Marcia T.

9:30 Ushers: Mike A., Doug B., Walt B., Dick B., John D., Mike H., Al H., Dick O., Steve W.

11:15 Ushers: Amy C., Mary Ann C., Rob C., Bill G., John J., Mark R., Gary T., Don W.

9:30 Greeters: Dick & Sally B., Naomi B., Harry & Jane C., Jon E., Bruce & Kathy G., Jerry & Liz K., Matt M., Bob & Lynn T., Ralph & Pam V.

11:15 Greeters: Jerry & Liz K., Debbie C., Laura D., Marje O., Ron R.

Sound System: Kent K.

Van Driver: Johann Y.

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, January 22

9:15 a.m.	Child Care for Infants and Toddlers	Banta Room and Room 102
9:30 a.m.	Worship	Sanctuary
10:30 a.m.	Fellowship Hour	Dixon Lounge
10:40 a.m.	Becoming Well-Versed	Fellowship Hall
10:40 a.m.	New Member Class	Commons Conf. Room
10:40 a.m.	Open Door Class	Browning Lounge
11:15 a.m.	Emerge	Potter Chapel
11:30 a.m.	Jubilee Ringers	Bell Room
3:00 p.m.	Ice Skating	Offsite

Monday, January 23

10:30 a.m.	Prayer Group	Chapel Lounge
7:00 p.m.	Boy Scouts Troop 365	Fellowship Hall
7:00 p.m.	Endowment	Dixon Lounge

Tuesday, January 24

9:00 a.m.	New Life Clothing	Offsite
6:00 p.m.	Worthington Cotillion	Fellowship Hall
6:00 p.m.	Finance Committee	Browning Lounge
7:00 p.m.	Elizabeth Circle	Commons Conf. Room
7:05 p.m.	Ad Council	Dixon Lounge
8:00 p.m.	Sr. High Devos	3 rd floor Rooms

Wednesday, January 25

9:00 a.m.	New Life Clothing	Offsite
6:30 p.m.	Hannah Circle	Browning Lounge
6:30 p.m.	WUMC Singles	Offsite
7:00 p.m.	Boy Scout Summer Camp Meeting	Fellowship Hall

Thursday, January 26

9:00 a.m.	Messenger Assembly	Dixon Lounge
1:00 p.m.	Red Cross Blood Drive	Fellowship Hall
4:30 p.m.	Children's Bells	Bell Room
5:00 p.m.	Rainbow Singers	Room 304
5:00 p.m.	Children's Choir	Sanctuary
7:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir	Sanctuary

Friday, January 27

9:00 a.m.	Bulletin Assembly	Dixon Lounge
5:45 p.m.	Created by God	Offsite

Saturday, January 28

9:00 a.m.	UMW Kick-off	Fellowship Hall
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Sunday, January 29

9:15 a.m.	Child Care for Infants and Toddlers	Banta Room and Room 102
9:30 a.m.	Worship	Sanctuary
10:30 a.m.	Fellowship Hour	Dixon Lounge
10:40 a.m.	Becoming Well-Versed	Fellowship Hall
10:40 a.m.	New Member Class	Commons Conf. Room
10:40 a.m.	Open Door Class	Browning Lounge
11:15 a.m.	Emerge	Potter Chapel
11:30 a.m.	Jubilee Ringers	Bell Room
6:00 p.m.	Youth Impact	3 rd floor rooms

SAVE THE DATE! THERE IS PLENTY OF TIME TO PLAN. We are now accepting applications for the next Adult Mission Trip. The dates are February 25 – March 4, 2017. We will be staying in Grand Bay, AL, which has been our base of operation for the last few trips. Please join us for a time of fun and fellowship while we are carrying out God's work. Don't feel that you have to have a lot of skills in order to participate in this trip. We do the best we can with the skills that the members of the team have, and there is always something that everyone can do. The final sign-up date for this trip is February 1, 2017. For more information, contact Russ L. or the church office.

Information to take with you this week

January 22, 2017

New Sunday Schedule: As most of you are aware, we recently conducted a survey of church members asking their thoughts on our Sunday morning schedule. We asked members to pick between the 5 options presented and asked for additional thoughts, suggestions and comments. We had over 300 responses! After reviewing all the responses, two major themes were noted. First, people preferred to keep the traditional service the first service of the morning and secondly, people wanted to end the morning by 12 p.m. A group of members representing various stakeholder groups in the church met to discuss the results and make a recommendation to Ad Council based on those results. Ad Council met on December 13 and the following schedule changes were recommended and approved:

9:30-10:30- Traditional Worship in the sanctuary
10:30-11:15- Fellowship Hour
10:40-11:30- Sunday School
11:15-12:00- Emerge in Potter Chapel

Continuing through February 12, WUMC will move to this schedule. This will allow us time to evaluate the changes and survey people worshipping at that service. If the change proves positive, we will continue with this schedule. A vote to make this a permanent change will be made at the March Ad Council meeting. Thank you all for your input these past several months. The schedule committee is excited about this "experiment" and the opportunities it brings.

The Salvation of Doctor Who, a 4-week Sunday School class beginning February 5, draws on the long-running TV show and cult favorite Doctor Who to chart the intersection of faith and science. Register online at worthingtonumc.com, in the church office, or on the back of a friendship card today!

All-church Ice Skating: Church-Wide Open Skate at the Chiller North: Join us for a group outing to the Chiller North in Lewis Center today from 3-5pm. Let us know now if you are interested in attending by signing up on the back of a friendship card today!

Worthington UMC Women 2017 Kick-off Gathering: Join us Saturday, January 28 at 9:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall for a leadership development event. This free event includes lunch, information about UMW and their missions, video presentations, and small group discussions. After lunch, you may join the UMW as they make PLARN via the Mat Ministry and greeting cards for the military for the Blue Star Mothers. Let us know if you plan on attending by signing up on the back of a friendship card today!

Souper Bowl: Family Ministry Team is hosting the Souper Bowl Cook-off on Sunday, February 5 at 12:15pm after church services. Prepare your favorite soup recipe and bring it in Sunday morning to be a part of our soup tasting. Cost is \$5 per person, \$20 max per family. Each person will get a taste of the soups and we will have a vote to determine the winner. If you

are interested in participating or bringing in a soup to compete, you can fill out a friendship card today!

Deborah Circle will participate in the UMW Kick-Off Jan 28, 2017. Deborah Circle will meet in Dixon Lounge February 9, 2017 for a program on Prayer and Self Denial, pledge service and program on Response and New World Outlook by Carol B..

Elizabeth Circle will be meeting on Tuesday, January 24 at 7:00 p.m. in the Commons Conference Room to work on Valentine Homebound gifts. Contact Margaret T. the church office with any questions. Thanks!

WUMC Singles: Won't you join us for dinner at Pat and Gracie's Kitchen and Tavern, 138 Graceland Boulevard, Columbus, on Wednesday, January 25, at 6:30 p.m. Let us know that you'll be there no later than Monday, January 23, by emailing to wumcsingles@gmail.com or by calling the church office at 614-885-5365.

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.

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!

New Way to Give: Consider using Joyfully2UMC for your giving needs! WUMC is now registered with this simple-to-use app for making a one-time gift. It's free for Android and iPhone.

Just 3 easy steps:

1. Download the app on your phone or tablet. You can find quick links at www.joyfully2umc.org
2. Search for "Worthington United"
3. Click "Give" and fill in your information

February Marriage Celebration Gathering: Saturday, February 18, 2017 6 - 7 pm: Appetizers and desserts at the home of Pete & Kelly W. Please bring an appetizer or dessert to share. 8-10 pm: Ladies Sing the Blues: Songs & Sounds of the Harlem Renaissance at the Lincoln Theater (769 E. Long Street; Columbus, OH 43215). Tickets are \$26.50 per person. For more information about the performance, please visit <http://www.jazzartsgroup.org/events/bessie-billie-the-blues-of-the-harlem-renaissance/> This is a great event for new members!!

We are Called Into the Mission Field

Mat Ministry: The next Plarn Party is **Wednesday, February 15**, 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 canned soups, stews and chili). Donations of men's clothes, towels, and sheets are needed for the New Life Clothing Room. Urgent needs for NNEMAP Food Pantry are canned stews, chili and ravioli, diapers and toilet paper.*

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.

Bags of Blessings to Share: Our January donations will benefit The Open Shelter. 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!

UMW 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

- **All-church Ice Skating – TODAY**
- **UMW Kick-off Event – Saturday, January 28**
- **Super Bowl – Sunday, February 5**

Cookbook Information: It has come to the attention of the Cookbook Committee that there are some additions/corrections that need to be addressed. If any additions/corrections are found in the recipe(s) you submitted to the cookbook, please respond by February 10. Put your name, recipe, page number and correction in the "cookbook folder" located on the table in front of the office. All information will be made available later in a one sheet format. Thanks very much for your help.

The next Red Cross blood drive is January 26, from 1 to 6 p.m.

Altar flowers: Please sign up today to provide altar flowers for 2017. A new flower sign-up calendar is hanging on the wall outside the sanctuary.

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 Margaret T. or the church office.

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 Mary G. or contact the church office at 614-885-5365.

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

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.