

Today's altar flowers are provided by Sheri R., in loving memory of Hazel P..

Church Office Volunteer: Kathy R.

9:30 Ushers: Myra C., Nancy E., Randy G., Jim G., Rob K., Dorba & Ron M., John R., Tanna S.

11:15 Ushers: Dave D., Clyde G., Mark & Michelle H., Mev M., Vern M., Linda R., Marty Schwarz J., Vivian S., Keith S.

9:30 Greeters: Barb B., Dana & Don H., Jody & Mike J., Mary Ann P., Gene & Kathy R., Carol R., John & Marcia T.

11:15 Greeters: Meg B., Barb B., Eleanor M., Gene & Kathy R., Beth S.

Sound System: Frank B.

Van Driver: Alan H.

Tuesday Hospital Visitor: Dave H.

As a part of the new district prayer initiative we are asking our churches to pray for others in our district each week:

Prayer Requests for the Week of September 24:

MTSO – Rev. Jay R., Rev. Mark R., Rev. April C., Rev. Claudine L., Rev. Fulgence N., Rev. Joon Sik Park C. – experiencing a pastoral transition

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 24

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 Time	Dixon Lounge
10:40 a.m.	Becoming Well-Versed	Commons Conf. Room
10:40 a.m.	TED Talk class	Fellowship Hall
10:45 a.m.	Rainbow Singers	Room 307
11:00 a.m.	Jubilee Ringers	Bell Room
11:00 a.m.	Child Care for Infants & Toddlers	Banta Room, Nursery
11:15 a.m.	Emerge Service	Potter Chapel
4:00 p.m.	JAM	3 rd floor rooms
6:00 p.m.	Youth Impact	3 rd floor rooms
6:30 p.m.	Immigration program	Dixon Lounge

Monday, September 25

10:30 a.m.	Prayer Group	Room 314
7:00 p.m.	Memorial Committee	Commons Conf. Room
7:00 p.m.	Boy Scouts Troop 365	Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, September 26

9:00 a.m.	New Life Clothing	Offsite
6:00 p.m.	Lay Leadership	Commons Conf. Room
7:05 p.m.	Ad Council	Dixon Lounge
8:00 p.m.	Senior High Devos	3 rd floor rooms

Wednesday, September 27

9:00 a.m.	New Life Clothing	Offsite
2:30 p.m.	Worthington Resource Pantry	Offsite
6:30 p.m.	Hannah Circle	Kitchen
7:00 p.m.	When Kids Come Out program	Commons Conf Room

Thursday, September 28

9:00 a.m.	Messenger Assembly	Dixon Lounge
4:30 p.m.	Children's Bells	Bell Room
5:00 p.m.	Children's Choir	Sanctuary
6:00 p.m.	Youth Choir	Sanctuary
7:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir	Sanctuary

Friday, September 29

9:00 a.m.	Bulletin Assembly	Dixon Lounge
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Saturday, September 30

10:00 a.m.	Library Work Day	Library
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Sunday, October 1

World Communion Sunday		
9:00 a.m.	Flu Shot Clinic	CPC Lounge
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 Time	Dixon Lounge
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Information to take with you this week

September 24, 2017

Thank you to everyone who donated laundry detergent to the hurricane relief UMCOR project! We were able to donate 118 bottles – 18 over our goal!

U.S. Refugee Resettlement Program: Join us for coffee and conversation about the U.S. Refugee Resettlement Program: How Refugees come to our community and the implications of current policy on refugee families in Central Ohio. The program will take place in the Dixon Lounge TODAY at 6:30 p.m. Joining us will be Angela K. P., Esq., executive director of Community Refugee & Immigration Services (CRIS).

New Member Class: The next New Member Class series begins October 15! Mark your calendars now and plan to join us Sunday mornings during the Sunday School hour (10:45-11:15am) for the 5-session class ending November 12. Can't attend all 5 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, or email Pastor John Girard, john@worthingtonumc.com

Harvest Day: Join us for a day of fall fun at a farm for the whole family on October 1! Andy and Lori B. are welcoming us back to their family farm. The farm is in Milford Center. There will be food, games, hay rides and a bonfire. We will meet there at 3:30 p.m. and stay until around 5:30. Please bring a dish to share with the group (something that will go well with a bonfire and hot dogs!) and also lawn chairs for seating. Contact Ashley M. or the church office for further information. Sign up today on a friendship card!

Bible Sunday (October 8): – If your child is 3 years, in 3rd grade or in 7th grade, the church would like to give them an age-appropriate Bible. During both services on October 8, we will celebrate the Bible and give Bibles to those present in these age groups. Please RSVP to Ashley or sign up on a friendship card if your child would like to participate. Please indicate if you are able to be present on October 8 and which service you will be attending. If you missed a Bible Sunday in the past and would like to receive one, feel free to contact Ashley about that as well.

Tell us how you shared your gift: By now you should have received a gift after service on one of the last two Sundays. We want to hear how you shared that with the world. Was it a random act of kindness? Did you pool it together and do something as a group? We want to share your stories (anonymously if you'd like) by posting short notes on the new Tree poster outside the sanctuary. No matter how simple or elaborate your gift was, send a note to Rob K. or the church office and fill the tree with stories of God's abundance.

New Give+ Kiosk in the Hall by the octagon table: With so many of us no longer carrying cash or checks, WUMC has installed a new card-reading kiosk that lets you give a one-time offering with a credit or debit card. It's a simple, very user-friendly iPad touchscreen. Just tap the screen and follow the instructions to select the fund of your choice, swipe your card or enter your information, and then opt for a receipt. You might choose to drop the receipt in the offering plate or keep it for personal records.

CROP Walk: Go for a walk and help end hunger in Worthington and around the world! Sunday, October 8 will be the 9th annual Worthington CROP Hunger Walk. The walk starts at 1 p.m. at the United Methodist Center. You can sign up online (www.crophungerwalk.org/worthingtonoh) or see Amy W. or go to the church office for a donation envelope.

“Speaking of Faith”: Beginning on October 2 and continuing for five more months – one night each month for two hours – there will be a program called “Speaking of Faith.” Together, across all faiths, we will learn about Judaism, Buddhism, “Spiritual but Not Religious,” Hinduism, Christianity and Islam. We will also learn WITH people who practice their faith in each of these areas. Here are the dates: Monday, October 2, 7-9pm – Judaism (Congregation Tifereth Israel); Tuesday, November 7, 7-9pm – Buddhism (location, TBA); Monday, December 4, 7-9pm - “Spiritual But Not Religious” – (Location, TBA); Monday, January 8, 7-9pm – Hinduism (location, TBA); Monday, February 5, 7-9pm – Christianity (location, TBA); Monday, March 5, 7-9pm – Islam (Noor Cultural Islamic Center, Dublin, Ohio). For more information or to register, please contact Rev. Dr. Tim A. or the church office

Join the Fall One-Day Adult Mission Trip on Saturday, October 21. There is not an OSU football game on this date. This will be a one-day mission trip to Camp Otterbein in Logan, Ohio. Camp Otterbein is one of the West Ohio Conference camps. We do not know what type of work we will be doing as a lot of projects will be completed at the camp this summer. The last day to sign up is Tuesday, October 10. If you have questions, please contact Russ L. or the church office.

When Kids Come Out: Join us for a four-session class for parents of LGBT children, led by Rev. Jim W., retired UMC pastor. Jim and his wife, Carol, have an adult daughter, Lisa, who came out to them several years ago. The class will be held Wednesday evenings from September 6 through September 27 from 7-8:30 p.m.

The next Red Cross Blood Drive is scheduled for October 26, from 1-6 p.m. Sign-ups will be between services on October 8 and 15.

Serving Seniors at Stafford Village: Has God given you a heart for Seniors? Do you desire to extend a witness for Christ? Then you might be interested in a special luncheon that National Church Residences is hosting at Stafford Village on Tuesday, October 3 at 12noon, 814 Hartford St. National Church Residences are looking for Christ followers who are willing to be trained as Lay Chaplains to serve the residents of Stafford Village. If you think you might be hearing that still small voice than come to this luncheon and learn more. We would love to meet you and explore with you if God is calling you into this exciting ministry opportunity. Please RSVP by Tuesday, October 3 to prayer@nationalchurchresidences.org

You Can Make a Difference

Mat Ministry: The next Plarn Party is **Wednesday, October 18**, 1-4 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 today. 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 personal items, canned tuna & chicken, and beans. Donations of fall and winter clothes, especially men's clothes, and bed and bath linens are needed for the New Life Clothing Room. Urgent needs for NNEMAP Food Pantry are personal items, canned tuna & chicken, and whole grain pastas.*

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 a.m. on Monday to help feed the homeless in Central Ohio.

Bags of Blessings to Share: Our September donations will benefit New Life Community Outreach. 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: The WUMW remind you that the needs of our Central Ohio soldiers will soon change due to the change of the seasons. The needs of our soldiers are many, and their appreciation is evident! Suggested donations: baby wipes, batteries (AA, AAA), fly paper, non-aerosol bug spray, duct tape, roach motels, canned foods, snack crackers, protein bars, hard candy, Pringles, cheese, crossword puzzles, magazines, newspaper games, plastic trash bags, dental products. Also, consider providing cards with notes – knowing that we care is important! See the church office for a more complete donation list and for the donation box.

Keep Saving Your Pop Can Tabs! Pop can tabs are converted to cash by Ronald McDonald House to pay its 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 130 pounds of them to Ronald McDonald House.

Flu Shot Clinic: A flu shot clinic will be held here on Sunday, October 1 from 9 – 11:30 a.m. They will be able to administer both regular and high-dose flu shots to anyone over the age of 9, with valid insurance card. Sign up to attend on the back of the friendship card!

Upcoming Events

- **U.S. Refugee Resettlement Program – TODAY**
- **Flu Shot Clinic – October 1**
- **Harvest Day – October 1**
- **Naloxone Training – October 4**
- **CROP Walk – October 8**
- **Bible Sunday – October 8**
- **One-Day Adult Mission Trip – October 21**

Naloxone Training RESCHEDULED: The Franklin County Public Health Department will be holding a training session on how and when to use naloxone, here on Wednesday, October 4 from 5 - 7 p.m. This training session is free to the public, and naloxone kits will be provided to anyone who wishes to receive one.

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.

Church of the Resurrection Leadership Event will be held this coming Wednesday through Friday in Leawood, Kansas. Ashley, John and Cyndy will be participating along with Gari A., Julia H., Diane M., and Jeri S.. If pastoral emergencies arise please contact the church office, or feel free to email or call/text at cyndylg@aol.com, or 614-226-3035.

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.

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.