

Church Office Volunteer: Mysa Mathews

9:30 Ushers: Diane Meadows, Shirley DeLucia, Judy Mayhew, Linda Wacker, Colleen Wildman

11:15 Ushers: Dave Dudley, Michelle Hadley, Mev Mielke, Vern Musser, Linda Riley, Keith Stimpert

9:30 Greeters: Mary Ann Potter, Barb Boucher, Dana & Don Hehmeyer, Mike & Jody Jones, Gene & Kathy Riblet, Carol Rinehart, John & Marcia Trakas

11:15 Greeters: Liz & Jerry Knorr, Lin Bensen, Debbie Coleman, Laura Daily, Ann Earl, Marje Obrist, Ron Rybak

Sound System: Sean Leary

CD Delivery: Mary K. Walsh

Van Driver: Johann Yang

Tuesday Hospital Visitor: Gail Walter

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 January 14:

Waldo UMC – Rev. Jerry Frazee and Mr. Mike Fogle

DeGraff UMC – Rev. Michael Mitchell

Unionville Center UMC – Rev. Bonnie Frost

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 14

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.	New Member Class	Browning Lounge
10:40 a.m.	Becoming Well-Versed	Commons Conf. Room
10:40 a.m.	Sunday School	See Info Desk
10:45 a.m.	Rainbow Singers	Sanctuary
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
5:30 p.m.	Youth Choir	Potter Chapel
6:00 p.m.	Impact	3 rd floor rooms

Monday, January 15 The church office is closed.

10:30 a.m.	Prayer Group	Room 314
11:00 a.m.	Martin Luther King Jr Community Celebration	Sanctuary
7:00 p.m.	Boy Scouts Troop 365	Offsite

Tuesday, January 16

1:00 p.m.	Immunization Clinic	Fellowship Hall
6:00 p.m.	Worthington Cotillion	Fellowship Hall
7:00 p.m.	Finance Committee	Browning Lounge
8:00 p.m.	Sr High Devos	3 rd floor rooms

Wednesday, January 17

1:00 p.m.	PLARN Party	Dixon Lounge
6:30 p.m.	CPC Info Session	Potter Chapel Lounge
7:00 p.m.	Family Ministry	Allen Lounge
7:00 p.m.	Boy Scout Summer Camp Meeting	Fellowship Hall

Thursday, January 18

8:45 a.m.	Keeny Group	Dixon Lounge
4:30 p.m.	Children's Bells	Bell Room
5:00 p.m.	Children's Choir	Sanctuary
6:30 p.m.	Friendship Community Dinner	Fellowship Hall
7:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir	Sanctuary

Friday, January 19

9:00 a.m.	Bulletin Assembly	Dixon Lounge
10:00 a.m.	Prayer Shawl Ministry	Library

Saturday, January 13

5:30 p.m.	ProMusica Concert	Sanctuary
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Sunday, January 21

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.	New Member Class	Browning Lounge
10:40 a.m.	Becoming Well-Versed	Commons Conf. Room
10:40 a.m.	Confirmation Class	Jr High Room
10:40 a.m.	Sunday School	See Info Desk
10:45 a.m.	Rainbow Singers	Sanctuary
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
3:00 p.m.	Churchwide Bowling	Offsite
5:30 p.m.	Youth Choir	Potter Chapel

Information to take with you this week

January 14, 2018

Martin Luther King Jr Community Celebration: The Worthington community celebration to honor Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. will be held tomorrow, January 15. This year's program will feature Anthony Gibbs, creative director of Black History Impressions, who will perform a living history presentation on the African American troops that fought during the Civil War. Performances will also include the Capriccio Vocal Ensemble and the Capriccio Youth Choir. The program begins at 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary. A community luncheon will follow, and the entire event is free and open to the public. As a tribute to Dr. King's commitment to help those in need, everyone attending the program is asked to bring a canned food item to be donated to the Worthington Food Pantry & Resource Center. For more information on the Martin Luther King Community Celebration, please go to the City website www.worthington.org or call 436-3100.

Snow Emergency Sunday Cancellation Policy: Church Service Cancellation Policy is: **Level 1 Snow Emergency** – Sunday Services will continue as planned; please use caution. **Level 2 Snow Emergency** - Only the LAST Sunday Service of the day will be held. **Level 3 Snow Emergency** – All Sunday Services are cancelled. For weekday cancellations, check the church website or call the office.

Hospitality & allergies: In the interest of providing a safe and inviting Fellowship Hour for our members and guests with nut allergies, the Hospitality Committee will now provide pre-packaged, individually wrapped treats as a nut-free alternative to the home-baked cookies already provided. These items will be available at the table where lemonade and water are served. Thank you!

Church-Wide Bowling: Family Ministry Team is hosting a church-wide bowling event on Sunday, January 21 at 3 p.m. Cost is \$10 per person, children ages 3 and under are free, with a \$40 maximum per family. We will be meeting at Sequoia Pro Bowl (5501 Sandalwood Blvd, Columbus 43229). Sign up on the friendship card today! If you have any questions, please email Ashley at ashleymills@worthingtonumc.com

Winter New Member Class: The next New Member Class series begins today! Mark your calendars now and plan to join us Sunday mornings during the Sunday School time (10:45-11:15 a.m.) for the 5-session class Jan. 14 through Feb. 11. 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 or fill out a friendship card today!

Armed Intruder Readiness: Bishop Palmer and Columbus Police Chief Kim Jacobs have dialogue on this topic on the West Ohio UMC Website. We plan to play this five-minute video after the worship services on Sunday, February 4. You are invited to linger a bit after the postlude and take a look at this very practical information. Kim Jacobs is a United Methodist with extensive police experience, and her expertise and common sense comes through as one watches.

UMW Kick-Off Event: Want to learn more about some of the ministries supported by members of our church? Join us for our Annual New Year Kickoff on January 27 at 9:00 a.m. in the Potter Chapel and second-floor rooms. Sponsored by United Methodist Women, but everyone is welcome! Information sessions will include: UMCH Family Services, Sean Reilly; South Sudan Health Clinic, Steve Walker from Scioto Ridge UMC; Community Development for All People; The Horizon Prison Ministry, Bishop Joe Sprague; Women's Health Panel; Climate Justice, Jeanne Long, incoming president of West Ohio United Methodist Women; and more! After the program, be sure to join us for a delicious soup and sandwich lunch, and then stay to help (or learn how) to make plarn and crochet mats for our homeless friends, or help with writing greetings to deployed military personnel. New yearbooks and pledge brochures will be available for members. There is no charge for the event, but we do request that you let us know you are coming so that we can prepare the correct amount of materials and food. You can sign up on a friendship card today!

Souper Bowl: Family Ministry Team is hosting the Souper Bowl Cook-off on Sunday, February 4 at 12:15 p.m. 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. Sign up on a friendship card today!

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 24 – March 3, 2018. We will be staying in Grand Bay, AL. At this time we are not sure what projects we will be working on, but most likely it will be projects at individuals' homes where service work is needed. Please join us for a time of fun and fellowship while we are carrying out God's work. The final sign-up date for this trip is January 21. For more information, contact Russ Line at (614) 885-3111 or rjlineohio@aol.com.

The 2018 Women's Retreat will be Friday, February 2 through Sunday, February 4 at Salt Fork State Lodge in Cambridge, Ohio. This is always a great experience and a chance to relax and get to know ourselves and other women better. Please call or e-mail Ann Wheat at 614-761-2950 or awheat@columbus.rr.com if you have any questions.

Pro Musica Concert: Saturday, January 20 at 5:30 p.m. in the sanctuary. Transported by the power of music that's evocative of Northern climates, Creative Partner Vadim Gluzman leads the orchestra through a program of time-honored favorites from Bach to Nielsen. Gluzman's glittering artistry is showcased in Vasks' Distant Light. We are happy to offer the same ticket discount to members of WUMC - \$20 per ticket. Church Members may feel free to call into our office at 614-464-0066 and speak with Joe, our Patron Services Manager, to order tickets.

You Can Make a Difference

Mat Ministry: The next Plarn Party is **Wednesday, January 17**, 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. 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, cereal and canned ravioli. 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: Our January donations will benefit the Family Mentor Foundation. 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 continues to endorse our local Blue Star Mothers in the provision of items for Ohio soldiers who are serving around the world. The following are suggested items to provide during the winter months: baby wipes, batteries, hand warmers, muscle-ache cream, foot powder, travel-size mouthwash, duct tape, travel-size packets of laundry detergent, canned foods w/ pull-top lids, snack cracker packets, hard candies, protein bars, Pringles, oatmeal packets/boxes, crackers, crossword puzzles, magazines, deck of cards, dental supplies, travel-sized games, phone card. The donation box and a more complete donation list are located in the church office. Thank you for your continued support and HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

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.

WUMC Wine Tasters: The WUMC Wine Tasters will meet on Monday, January 15, at 6:30 pm. Space is limited and to ensure that we have enough wine, please RSVP right away contacting either David or Peggy Hayes at hayesdl@sbcglobal.net or the church office.

Upcoming Events

- **MLK Jr. Celebration** – January 15
- **ProMusica Concert** – January 20
- **Church-wide Bowling** – January 21
- **UMW Kick-Off Event** – January 27
- **Souper Bowl** – February 4

The WUMC walk club will be meeting for our first walk of 2018 on Sunday, January 21 at 2:00 p.m. We will meet at the deck at the Antrim Lake park. Any questions, please reach out to John Valasco at 614-332-1541.

2018 flower calendar: The flower calendar for 2018 has been posted outside of the Sanctuary, by the octagon table. Please sign up now if you'd like to provide altar flowers for any Sunday in 2018. Thanks!

The next Red Cross Blood Drive is January 25, 2018 from 1-6 p.m. You may sign up between services today.

West Ohio Conference Disaster Response: UMCOR-authorized trainers will provide an Early Response Team (ERT) Training on January 27 at North Broadway UMC (48 E. North Broadway St., Columbus) from 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. The cost is \$40 for basic/\$35 for recertification. To register, click on "Register for Events" at www.westohioumc.org. For more information, contact Kris Shoaf at 614-844-6200 or kshoaf@wocumc.org

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 Tyler at Margaret.tyler07@gmail.com or 614-736-1152.

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 Garrison at mgarrison4@att.net, or contact the church office at 614-885-5365.

Prayer Chain: Contact Mysa Mathews at 614-436-4136 or mysamathews@aol.com 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.