

Altar flowers are provided by Beth Kellogg, in memory of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Fultz.

Church Office Volunteer: Ellie Jones

9:30 Ushers: Randy & Beth Gabel, Myra Colflesh, Nancy Endroi, Jim Gahman, Mike Jones, Rob Kidder, Dorba & Ron Mezger, Tanna Stewart

11:15 Ushers: Lesly & Dave Wade, Bob & Cheryl Hughes, Sherry McGoron

9:30 Greeters: Becky & Larry Boord, Louise Carle, Myra Colflesh, Ann Earl, Nancy Endroi, Ron & Suzanne Kendrick, Steve Potter, Bob & Lynn Stoycheff, Susan & Walter Wiley

11:15 Greeters: Laurie Moats, Allison Blankenship, John Jadwisiak, Dave & Lesly Wade

Sound System: Craig Kramer

CD Delivery: Mary Wetterauer

Van Driver: Marcia Gilton

Tuesday Hospital Visitor: Joan Schaeffer

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 28:
Stone Village UMC – Rev. John Wooden
Epworth UMC – Rev. Jennifer Kimball Casto
Rushsylvania UMC – Rev. Scott Miller

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 28

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 29

10:30 a.m.	Prayer Group	Room 314
7:00 p.m.	Endowment	Browning Lounge
7:00 p.m.	Boy Scouts Troop 365	Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, January 30

6:00 p.m.	Worthington Cotillion	Fellowship Hall
6:30 p.m.	WUMC Singles	Offsite
8:00 p.m.	Sr High Devos	3 rd floor rooms

Wednesday, January 31

There are no events scheduled.

Thursday, February 1

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

Friday, February 2

Women's Retreat begins

ReachOut Winter Retreat begins

9:00 a.m.	Bulletin Assembly	Dixon Lounge
11:30 a.m.	Alzheimer's First Friday Meeting	Fellowship Hall

Saturday, February 3

9:00 a.m.	District Leadership Day	Powell UMC
10:00 a.m.	West Ohio UMW Leadership Meeting	Dixon Lounge

Sunday, February 4

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
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11:15 a.m.	Emerge Service	Potter Chapel
12:15 a.m.	Souper Bowl	Dixon Lounge
5:30 p.m.	Youth Choir	Potter Chapel

Information to take with you this week

January 28, 2018

We welcome the Columbus International Children's Choir!!

Thanks for joining us today.

Columbus International Children's Choir: The award-winning Columbus International Children's Choir (CICC) offers premier singing education and performance experience for children of Central Ohio since 1998. It was formed in 1998 by artistic director Tatiana Kats and now is comprised of more than 200 singers ages 4-19. The choir performs classical and contemporary music in a variety of styles and languages. CICC won in the category of youth choirs of equal voices and earned silver medal in the champions competition category "Musica Sacra" of the 2014 World Choir Games. Other awards include gold and silver diplomas at 2012 World Choir Games and 3rd place in the youth choirs' division of the American Prize, in 2012. The choir performed at regional ACDA conference (2018), OMEA professional development conference (2017), St. Peter's Basilica in Vatican (2016), in Twisted 2 production with BalletMet, Columbus Symphony and Opera Columbus in the Ohio Theatre (2016), The White House for President Obama and First Lady (2015), Carnegie Hall (2015, 2006), on the Great Wall of China (2011), Ohio Statehouse (2010, 2009).

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!

District Leadership Training Day will be Saturday, February 3 at Powell UMC, from 9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. They are offering over 20 workshops, and there is still time to sign up! If you wish to see the available workshops or to sign up, you may do so at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c094faaac22a6fc1-2018>. Or email Jessica at jessica@worthingtonumc.com for a direct link.

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner: Join us on Tuesday, February 13 from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. for a pancake dinner in the Fellowship Hall. \$5/person with a \$20 max/family. Proceeds support the youth mission trip and summer camp! Help us know how much food to prepare by letting us know you'll be there: sign up on a friendship card today!

The Fine Arts Committee will be holding a workshop on Sunday, February 18 at 2:00 p.m. "BEYOND THE PENCIL" will explore the wide variety of ways that one can draw. We will look at some of the new tools on the market. The focus of the afternoon will be to have fun and to get the creative juices flowing. No training or experience is necessary. The workshop is designed for upper elementary children through adults. Please sign up on a friendship card today!

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!

Embracing the Uncertain. A Lenten Study for Unsteady Times: In our church-wide Lenten study we will engage and wrestle with life's uncertainties. The study book by Magrey deVega, senior pastor of Hyde Park UMC in Tampa, Florida, was published in December 2017 and will be our major focus point for conversation. Just turning on the news lets us know we are living in uncertain times. Economic instabilities, eruptions of violence, and natural catastrophes can alter the lives and landscapes of entire communities. Our individual lives are often just as unsteady: relationships can break, plans can falter, and confidence can fail. Uncertainty can definitely be uncomfortable. Many of us prefer stability and a predictable future to an unknown fate. We are wired to want to control our destiny. The reality is that in our fast-changing, unpredictable world there are few guarantees in life. We will consider what it means to follow Jesus in this Uncertain Times. On Sunday mornings the class will be facilitated by Cyndy Garn at 10:40 a.m. in Browning Lounge and on Wednesday evening at 7:00 p.m., Dick Mayhew will facilitate a weekday session. Books for the class will be available in the church office (if you want to make a donation, \$8.80 cover the book expense).

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.

WUMC Singles: We'll gather for dinner at La Chatelaine, 627 High Street, Worthington, on Tuesday, January 30, at 6:30 p.m. If you are able to join us, please email to wumcsingles@gmail.com or call the church office at 614-885-5365 no later than Sunday, January 28, to let us know you are coming.

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.

Elizabeth Circle will be meeting on Monday February 5 at 7:00 p.m. in the Dixon Lounge for a program over the Lord's Prayer hosted by Ann Wheat. All are welcome. If anyone has any questions regarding the Elizabeth Circle they can reach out to Margaret Tyler at 614-736-1152 or via email lilly.peacecraft@gmail.com.

Deborah Circle will meet February 8 in the Dixon Lounge at 1:00 p.m. for a combined program of membership pledge and prayer and self-denial.

Every Member in Ministry: Look for an email from EMIM@worthingtonumc.com that lists the ministries we have listed for you. It also shows the ministry leader and contact info. If there are changes, just reply to the email. Thank you for volunteering and making a difference!

You Can Make a Difference

Mat Ministry: The next Plarn Party is **Wednesday, February 21**, 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.

Upcoming Events

- **Women's Retreat** – February 2 - 4
- **Souper Bowl** – February 4
- **Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner** – February 13
- **Ash Wednesday** – February 14
- **'Beyond the Pencil'** – February 18
- **Boy Scout Spaghetti Dinner** – February 24
- **Adult Mission Trip** – February 24 – March 3

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!

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.

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.