JUNE 2018

# hurc <u>.</u> Methodis United Christ

to help people find and follow Jesus Christ

# JOIN US FOR WORSHIP AND BRING A FRIEND!

# **Worship Schedule**

8:45 a.m. Traditional Service

10:00 a.m. Sunday School for All Ages

11:00 a.m. Contemporary Service

# Please Join US for Worship!

June 3 Guest Speaker: Clay Selway

CRU (formerly Campus Crusade for Christ) at OU Bell Choir

Pray for the West Ohio Annual Conference, June 3-6

June 10 "Be Not Afraid...There is Enough"

Mat. 14:13-21

Holy Communion
Pray for Work Campers, June 10-15

June 17 Guest Speaker: Joe Farmer

Father's Day

June 24 Work Camp Sunday

Come hear testimonies of God's work & grace at work camp!



# \*\*\* Plan Ahead\*\*\*

# Aug. 26 Worship in the Park

10:00 a.m. Worship at Smeck Historical Farm & Park (7395 Basil Rd, Baltimore)

11:15 a.m. Picnic

Plan now to join us & invite you family & friends!

Our MISSION: To help people find and follow Jesus Christ

**Our VISION:** by CONNECTING people

with GOD through WORSHIP, with the CHURCH through whole-life DISCIPLESHIP, &

with the WORLD through MISSION.

# PASTOR ALICE WOLFE

"I AM" Is with You!

In June 2007, I sat at my desk, trying not to be overwhelmed with fear of what might happen. Mom had died six months before, Dad had open heart surgery three months before, my sister had just had major surgery to remove a pre-cancerous mass, and my twenty-month old nephew was on life support at Children's Hospital—and he wasn't doing well. Nearly paralyzed with fear of what might happen to our family if my nephew didn't make it, God spoke straight to my heart and reminded me that He is, He always has been, and He always will be the great "I AM" (Genesis 3:14)—and He was with me and my family. God also brought to mind a poem that has continued to remind me of God's loving presence and to keep looking to and trusting Him:

### "I AM"

(by Helen Mallicoat)

I was regretting the past and fearing the future. Suddenly God was speaking: "MY NAME IS 'I AM.'" I waited; God continued: "When you live in the past, with its mistakes and regrets, it is hard. I am not there. MY NAME IS NOT 'I WAS.'

When you live in the future, with its problems and fears, it is hard. I am not there.

MY NAME IS NOT 'I WILL BE.'

When you live in this moment, it is not hard. I am here.

MY NAME IS 'I AM.'"

Many of us have faced many challenges in recent months—failing health, major surgery, cancer, death of a loved one, broken relationships, and others. As I type this, I just learned that someone in my family has a very serious health concern. These challenging times can cause us to regret things in the past and fear what the future will bring. Some of us have experienced great blessings—birth, graduation, miraculous healing, and answered prayer. Sometimes these blessings can cause us to worry about the future and whether we can handle what we might face. However, in all of these, God keeps drawing us back to Himself, the Great "I AM."

In challenging times, God reminds me that if I spend my time fearing the future and the "What if's," I will waste the present I do have—and I definitely don't want to do that. We can't take any moment for granted (especially with loved ones) because we never know what the next moment will bring. If we make the most of each moment, then we will have no regrets, and if we trust God in each moment, then we don't need to fear the future because the Great "I AM" is with us.

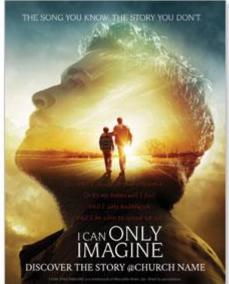
If we live in and meet God in each moment, God gives us His peace, strength, hope, courage, and the reminder that He will carry us through... one moment at a time. Sometimes, one day or even one hour seems overwhelming. In those times, focus on living in God's presence in each moment, and the next one, and the next one after that... Keep trusting that the Great "I AM" is not only with you now, but He'll be with you in the future, no matter what happens!

Regardless of what happens in this world, God is with us now and will be for all eternity. If we believe and trust in Jesus, who died on the cross and rose to new life, then we will live with God now and forever! This is The Good News that we—and many—need to hear! Therefore, as you are encouraged by the Great "I AM," pray for and encourage others with the same Good News! Then we all can live in the presence of the Great "I AM" in each moment—now and forever! Amen!

Yours in Christ's love and service,







We will show the movie, *I Can Only Imagine*, in July—probably July 7th (evening) and July 8th (afternoon). More details to follow. A small group study will also be available.

Please plan to join us and pray for the people God wants you to invite to be blessed and transformed by His love through the movie & a 4-week worship series:

July 8
July 15
July 22
July 29
Imagine a Loving Father
Imagine Forgiveness
July 29
Imagine Redemption
July 29
Imagine Going Home

# **TOM JAMES**

# **Administrative Council Report**

I want to express my sincere appreciation for Kristy Schooler and Tim Lawlis for conducting the April 23 meeting in my absence.

Actions that the Ad Council has taken during our March 26, 2018 meeting are summarized below. Please contact me at <a href="mailto:tjames@indenv.com">tjames@indenv.com</a> or via my cell phone which is (812) 305-0734 if you have any questions of comments on these actions. Copies of our meeting minutes are available in the Church Office or can be emailed upon request.

### The following resolutions were made and approved by the Council:

- ♦ A motion was made and unanimously approved to dispense with the May meeting due to a conflict with the Memorial Day Holiday. The next meeting will be Monday June 25 at 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.
- A motion was made and approved via email consensus after the April meeting to approve the nomination of Cheryl Fey to serve as chairperson of the Worship Committee for the remainder of this year.
- A motion was made by Darla Reedy to support the Kofi and Amoateng Ghana mission with a love offering each Sunday. Subsequent discussion indicated that the congregation should have choice in how the funds from collected would be used. Ideas for targeting giving could be selected from the lists provided by Kofi. As an example, Jim Thompson informed the group he had purchased some white marker boards and shipped them through Elitelinks based in the Columbus Area. The group agreed to designate where the funds collected would go. Items selected were the Bibles in the Twi language and pencils/pens/notebooks/markers for the white boards Jim had purchased. Cheryl Fey raised a point regarding the use of Amazon Prime's free shipping as a potential option to be able to send materials to Ghana. It was decided to let the congregation know they are free to send other gifts from the list of needs provided if they so desire and to advise that there would be an extra fee for shipping items through Elitelinks.

### Other items on the agenda included the following;

- Finance Committee Chairperson, Jerry McCreery announced that an informational Meeting will be scheduled for May 20 during the Sunday School hour. He also reported that there were sufficient funds in the general funds to pay \$500 to apportionments and allocate \$167 to the Capital Improvement Fund for parking lot improvements. Jerry mentioned that communication is continuing with Peoples Bank.
- Darla Reedy reported that the Pre-School finances are OK.
- ♦ As the chairperson of the Outreach and Mission group, Jim Thompson shared that Kofi & Ama Amoateng would be back to share one more time before they travel home. The mission trip to Aldersgate was successful. Dates have been set for next year, April 7-12, 2019.
- As chairperson of the Stewardship Committee, Tim Lawlis reemphasized the importance of communicating the progress of the church's mission through testimonies in order to connect the giver to the mission with the intent in growing giving. That information received from recent UMC sponsored workshops outlined that the foundation for regular giving is spiritual development, routine testimonials of ministry accomplishments, and a clear understanding of the reasons for connectional giving by various age groups.
- Cheryl Fey reported she would be attending annual conference. She requested time during the morning worship service to provide a report once the conference is held.
- Pastor Alice reminded all committee chairs that she wanted them to schedule time with her to meet either in person or via phone to discuss their respective ministry areas. She reported that 25 persons completed the GAP Survey.
- Tiffany Jones reported that on April 27 the youth were going roller skating in Amanda and May 6 would be the next youth group meeting. VBS is moving forward with plans. VBS will be held on four consecutive Sundays at the Baltimore pool. Tiffany is continuing to look for a nursery attendant. Currently there is only one person serving full time, Trudi Coakley. Kids Club will conclude its inaugural season on May 6. She is still looking for Sunday school teachers. Plans are moving forward on the Memorial Day weekend family retreat.
- ♦ As SPR Chairperson, Rob Sayre stated there had been no applicants for the open staff positions and the advertisements were being refreshed. There is an active search for a new director of the preschool.

Keep in mind that Administrative Council meetings are open to all who wish to attend. Please feel free to share any joys or concerns with me.

Prayers were offered for Brian Simpson, Trudi Keck, Phoebe Wolfe, Kristy's mom Mary Ann Ellwood and her uncle, Phyllis Johnson, Faette Smith, Tom McGranor and many others.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday June 25, 2018 at 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Respectfully submitted, Tom James Ad Council Chairperson



Youth & Family News

Please add to your calendar these upcoming events:



If you have any questions Please contact: Tiffany Jones 419-376-2546.



Christ UMC is looking for help with our youth and children's ministries . Please contact Tiffany if you're able to help. We currently need:

- \*A Sunday School teacher. If you're not able to help weekly, sign up to be a substitute or co teach!
- \*An adult volunteer for Kid's Club starting back up in the fall.
- \*Nursery workers. This is a paid position. You work the Sundays you are able. It can be for the whole morning or just one service. Your children are welcome to come with you.
- \* Jr. Church leaders at either worship service.



Our fun filled "Move Up Sunday" will be held on Sunday, <u>June 3rd at 10:00 am.</u> See which room your child will be in below (grade they will be ENTERING) Our classrooms will be:

3 yr, Preschool & Pre-K: Jennifer Lodge Yellow Room

K, 1st, & 2nd : Tiffany Jones Green Room

3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th: Rita Radford Aqua Room

7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th: Dan & Jill Johnson Orange Room



Baltimore Swimming Pool June 25 & July 1, 8 & 15 7:00 — 9:00 pm

Youth in preschool (potty trained) - 5th graders are welcome to join us for a fun summer bible adventure held at the Baltimore Community Pool from 7-9 pm on Sundays June 24th, & July 1st, 8th ,& 15th!

Wear your swimsuit and bring a beach towel each week. There will be an open swim time at the beginning.

Registration links will be posted soon!

We need adult volunteers to be group leaders. Please let Tiffany know if you're willing to help.

Supplies Needed: Pool Noodles, kid's flip flops, foam sheets different colors, stickers, variety of colored permanent markers, blue hair gel, freezer quart bags. Please see Tiffany if you're able to donate.



Youth in 4th-12th grades are welcome to join us for a fun day at Cedar Point on Friday, July 20th. We will leave early in the am and spend all day at Cedar point. We will spend the night at a hotel, and return the next day. Pleas let us know if you'd like to go, so we can make sure we have enough adult chaperones. The cost is \$42.00 plus food. Friends are always welcome. Contact Tiffany Jones for more information.

# Deaconess

### UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

May 17<sup>th</sup> through the 20<sup>th</sup> a United Methodist women's event on a National level is happening in Columbus. It is the National Assembly of United Methodist Women. I will have attended the event by the time this newsletter goes out. I will have to report to you next month on how it was. What I know ahead of time is that the scheduled speakers

and workshops sound amazing. There will be a Nobel Peace Prize winner from Africa, authorities on the environment and many topics that face women of faith at this time. I am looking forward to the event in celebration of an organization which has a long history of women active each in the issues of their time and with a faithful culture of mission outreach both locally and internationally. I became aware of the UMW tradition in the church while training for the lay ministry of deaconess. I came home to Christ UMC, my church family, where the local UMW unit had long since waned. It has been a sorrow for me and for some other women in the church that the women of CUMC don't enjoy a more united fellowship throughout our membership. We have mighty and very productive work groups most certainly. I believe however, that our spiritual growth and our connection with each other and our connection to the Methodist Vis a Vis Wesley's vision of mission has been stunted by the disconnect.

The Book of Discipline states that the purpose of a unit of the United Methodist Women is that it...

"shall be a community of women whose purpose is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; to develop a creative, supportive fellowship; and to expand concepts of mission through



participation in the global ministries of the Church."

It has been heavily on my heart since a woman who was attending Christ, who is no longer attending Christ, wondered one day why the men share a breakfast monthly but the women don't have anything like it. She clearly needed community. I didn't know her well, but I did know that she worked a couple of jobs and so the small work groups that we

do have were not available to her. I'm so sorry that I did not go after that 'Women's Breakfast' fellowship while she was with us. I really hope to encourage us to go after that now!

I hope to encourage Christ's women to rejoin, reconnect, find ways to come together for laughing, studying, embracing each other with gospel love and redisciplining our walks with Jesus to include mission here, there and everywhere.

The resources that 'the' United Methodist Women offer for study and for gathering, for leadership development, for grasp of what's up in this country and the world are rich. I hope and I pray that women of Christ get hungry for that sort of relationship with each other, with the Church and the world and above all with Jesus.

Let me know what you think!

A sister in Christ, Gayle Mccreery Deaconess





# **Annual Church Yard Sale**

# Saturday is bargain day

The Family Life Center has been reserved and items to be donated for the sale can be dropped off at these times starting June 4<sup>th</sup>:

Monday through Friday 9 am to 3 pm, Monday and Tuesday 6 to 8 pm, Saturday 9 am to 12 noon. The sale hours are:

June 14, Thursday, 8 am to 5 pm June 15, Friday, 8 am to 5 pm June 16, Saturday, 8 am to 1 pm

Please do not bring items before June 4 or after June 13. Items can be left at the gym entrance to be sorted and priced.

Volunteers are needed to help sort and price the items before the sale opens; during the sale to check out customers and keep merchandise straightened; Saturday after 1 pm to pack unsold items. If you can help at any of these times or would like more information about the sale, please contact Louise Smith, 740-862-6018 or Darcy in the church office 740-862-4343.

Volunteer sign up sheets will be in the northex starting Sunday, May 27.

This annual sale is coordinated by the Rebekah Circle with the assistance of the entire church.

### HOLLY HARMAN FACKLER

Dear friends and partners,

Plans are in high gear for this summer's cooking/activities club for kids that will run from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Tuesdays (Johnson Park) and Thursdays (Basil Park), from June 5 through Aug. 2. Your church has received a letter from Good Neighbors in the Village detailing ways it can fulfill its GNIV partnership through various types of participation. Here's a summary of the assistance we need:

- adult volunteers to engage with participating children and provide general supervision (no preparation or leading of activities required, unless you want to)
- a bargain shopper/supply master for non-food items; no contact with kids
- contributions to support food purchases for lunches and take-home bags
- help spreading the word to families needing food assistance during summer weeks
- prayer that God will use this effort according to God's purpose

We have menus and recipes. We have leaders for cooking, crafts, games, activities. We have a staging area. We have a number of youth volunteers. There is still much to do, but we're almost ready to launch.

If you'd like to be involved, please leave a message with Darcy at 740-862-4343, Katie Williamson at 740-407-7543, or Holly at the number below.

The After School Program concludes/ed for the year on the last day of school. When it resumes with the start of school in August, director Kay Williamson will be handling only the activities for children through fourth grade. Currently the program also serves middle school-aged siblings of the elementary enrollees who were our original target. These siblings and current fourth graders will age out of the program, unless ... unless someone (like you?) who cares a whole awful lot feels called to jump into

# **Good Neighbors of the Village**

the gap and meet the middle school students when school lets out, walk them to Faith Lutheran Church (or another site?) and get them started on projects and activities. If you have an interest, contact Kay Williamson to discuss.

We've done three ramps and one ramp repair so far this year. We hope we aren't burning out volunteers. That's a veiled request for more volunteers, not fewer ramp requests!

Wednesday chair volleyball fun for seniors (and others) continues, starting around 9:45 a.m. at the Christ UM Church Family Life Center, followed by a hot lunch. Consider yourself invited.

Three things on an organizational note:

- 1. Kevin Kocher has been elected to a three-year term as trustee following the retirement of Pastor Bruce Quatman. Happy sailing, Bruce, and thank you for your leadership in the founding and fledgling years of Good Neighbors.
- 2. The next GNIV board meeting (6 p.m. Aug. 6) will be our third annual potluck at the Basil Park shelter house. If you are curious about Good Neighbors or would like to be involved, this would be a yummy meeting for you to attend. Just bring table service and an appetite.
- 3. We now have a logo! Check it out:

Holly Harman Fackler, chair hjh409@gmail.com 419-564-0964



# THE MASTER'S GARDENERS



After the long winter, we finally got warm sunny days and the pansies and columbine in the flower beds popped. It's that time of year again. Time to work in the flower beds to brighten up our church.

A big "Thank You" to Sue Cooper for all her years of taking care of

the corner gardens of the Family Life Center. Sue and Betty Jo & Doug Merle have kept this area looking so beautiful.

# **June Flowers**

If you are interested in having a section of your own to take care of or would like to help out in any way, contact Louise Smith at

740-862-6018. We can always use the help and there is room for plenty of gardeners!

~Jill Johnson, Betty Jo & Doug Merle, Sue Cooper, Cookie Friesner, Frank & Bernie Anderson, Sharon & Jim Anderson, Louise Smith



## **GOOD TIMERS**

Our April-May spring marathon is over!!!

We had four events in nine days then another banquet ten days later. We served 479 guests with a profit of approximately \$4,500 - 100% goes to the church for general funds and mortgage principle.

# **Event Updates**

Thanks again to everyone who baked pies or cakes and helped with these events.

The Good Timers

~ Melissa Bader, Cookie Friesner, Dana Hoisington, Tim Lawlis, Susan and Zale Maxwell and Louise Smith



### JIM THOMPSON

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Kofi and Ama's Homeland

**Ghana** is a republic with a tropic climate, slightly north of the equator and a population of about 30 million.

The name of the country translates as "Warrior King." The capital **Accra** takes its name from the African word for ants.

English is the official language, but 8 others are accepted.

### Facts:

- 37% of the population is below 15 years of age.
- 60% of the population is between 15 and 64 years of age.
- Life expectancy is 61.
- Christianity makes up about 71% of the population (Methodist-8%).
- 10 % of Ghana's people have access to a flush toilet; latrines are quite common.
- Average yearly household income in U.S. dollars is \$1,327; per capita income is \$433.
- 31% of adults have not been to school with twice as many females are unschooled.
- The main occupations are agriculture, trades, crafts and services.
- About one-half of all households live in one room.

# **Missions & Outreach**

- 1% of the population live in homes with 5 or more rooms.
- 76% of the urban dwellers live in cement block structures; 79% have access to electricity.
- Charcoal is used in many places for cooking. 40% of the people receive water in pipes; the remainder from wells and natural sources.

**Mission quote for the month**: "He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep to gain that which he cannot lose." Jim Elliot

From an early age Jim Elliot learned the Bible and used it to lead his daily life. Jim and four others were murdered by tribal warriors as they attempted to evangelize the Huaorani people of Ecuador? This young missionary (28 years old) was actually carrying a gun but he did not use it because he would not kill a

tribesman who did not know Christ, to save himself from being killed (January 8, 1956). While their deaths were tragic, the response by the wives of these men towards the ones who killed them opened up their hearts of the warrior tribe to the Gospel.

Jim Thompson Missions & Outreach Chair A big "thank you!" to all of your generous donations to the Amoateng's ministry

Pantry

Ministry

### TIM & SUE COOPER

"Rest in the stillness of My presence while I prepare you for this day." Psalm 46:10

The quiet, peaceful, cool bright mornings of spring are upon us. Summer is just around the corner. What a wonderful time of the year! Awake and hear the birds chirping, the farmers in their fields, and the grass growing. This is the time to enjoy all the wonder that God can provide. Did anyone catch sight of the brilliant rainbow (and in some places the double rainbow) during the storms in the middle of May? Awesome!! God is the greatest artist there is.

As the summer begins it still remains a necessity that we be intentional in our attention to the needs of others. The Baltimore Food Pantry lost several freezers to an odd power surge in May and has managed, through the generosity of others, to repair or replace them. They still have orders to fill, and even though no fresh food was lost the need is great to replenish the staples.

As you know, all contributions are greatly appreciated. The basket in the narthex is always full thanks to your intentional generosity. Let's keep it that way.

# **Food Pantry Ministry**

The most needed items for the Baltimore Food Pantry are:

- Toilet Paper
- Canned Fruit
- Hamburger Helper
- ♦ Cereal

As some of you know, Tim and I will be moving to Florida in the near future. We will dearly miss our wonderful church family. Leslie Martens has graciously agreed to assume the role of Food Pantry Liaison and will be keeping you abreast of the needs of the pantry and will be delivering our staples to the Pantry each week. Thank you, Leslie!!

So have a great summer everyone and keep up that wonderful giving spirit.

Tim & Sue Cooper Food Pantry Ministry

### KRISTY SCHOOLER

# **Prayer Ministry**

"I will refresh the weary and satisfy the faint." ~Jeremiah 31:25

"June is busting out all over! ..." If you enjoy musicals as I do, you probably recognize those words from a song in the musical "Carousel." June is such a lovely month with warmth, flowers, greening hillsides, new life and the promise of a long, lazy, relaxing time (when we are kids, at least.). It was always a treat to know it was "time off" from school and responsibility and time for wading in creeks, swimming in lakes, chasing fireflies, playing kickball and kick the can with neighbor kids, picnicking with family and friends, watching clouds float by, or reading from my favorite perch high in our apple tree. I didn't even mind the chores I needed to complete before enjoying the freedom of summer fun.

Dare I say that this June it's stress that seems to be busting out all over! My plate is full. I don't seem to have time to think; it's just run, run, run and decisions, decisions, decisions. I'll make a confession here (since I'm among friends), for many, many years when I felt stressed or anxious, I ate sweets to take my mind off the situation. Obviously, that wasn't all that helpful.

Now when life dumps a load in my lap, thankfully, I've learned to pass on the M & M's, and skip commiserating with friends, until AFTER I turn to the Lord in prayer. Though the

circumstances may not change and the stress may remain, if I fellowship with the Lord and look to His word, I am refreshed and experience the freedom and beauty of abiding in Him throughout each day. The load just isn't as heavy as it was and I often gain insight into how to deal with both the stress and the things causing it.

Whatever your circumstances, take time in prayer. Don't let anything be a substitute for time with the Lord. Enjoy His fellowship throughout the "lazy, hazy, crazy days of summer." (Another song!)

"The Lord searches every mind, and understands every plan and thought; if you seek
Him, he will be found by you..."

1 Chronicles 28:9

Keep praying & praising Kristy Schooler

> \*\*Please Note: Kristy Schooler no longer has a home phone. Please call or text her cell for prayer requests & updated info.

> > 740-407-5510\*\*

### CHRIST U.M. CHURCH'S ANTI - TRIANGULATION POLICY

Often church members will be approached by other church members or constituents with a complaint about the pastor or a church staff member. Sometimes these complaints are legitimate, sometimes not. In any case, the following steps should be followed. Remembering the advice of the scripture to pray for someone who has offended us, speak to that person one-on-one, and then take two or three others to speak to him/her. (See Matthew 18)

- 1. Ask, "Have you prayed about this situation, and have you prayed for the other person?" Encourage the person with the complaint to take a "God's eye view" of the situation.
- 2. Ask, "Have you gone to the other person and shared honestly your concern/anger/hurt?"
- 3. Encourage the person to talk with the pastor/staff member with whom he/she is upset. Emphasize the willingness of the pastor/staff member to learn and grow.
- 4. If the person is unwilling to go to the pastor/staff person, offer to go with him or her simply for support.
- 5. If the person is still unwilling to go, offer to share the concern with the pastor/staff person, but only with the stipulation that his/her name be revealed to the staff person. Point out that the pastor/staff person will certainly be in contact.
- 6. If the person is adamant that something be done but is unwilling to face the pastor/staff person, encourage him/her to bring the complaint to the Pastor-Parish Relations Committee, but point out that the committee will insist on a face-to-face discussion between the accuser and the pastor/staff person.
- 7. If the person is unwilling to do any of the above, then ask him/her to keep this complaint to himself/herself, not to spread it around the congregation or community.

It is desirable that the Pastor Parish Relations Committee follow the same guidelines in any situation when approached by individuals with complaints about a pastor/staff person.

The Administrative Council hopes that everyone will adopt these principles in their own lives when dealing with others regarding any grievance. (Once again refer to Matthew 18.)

# **ATTENDANCE**

MONTHLY ATTENDANCE April/May 2018	4/29	5/6	5/13	5/20
Attendance Traditional Service	78	130	131	127
Attendance Contemporary Service	23	30	20	24
Combined Service				
Special Sunday Services	Amoateng Family		Mother's Day	Pentecost Sunday
Total Attendance	101	160	151	151
Attendance Sunday School	36	50	56	33

Please Note: It is important for everyone to fill out the Connect Cards on Sunday so that the attendance records and reports I need to run are accurate. It also helps me with knowing how many bulletins to run every Sunday along with other important information. Thank you!

Darcy Soliday, Admin. Asst.

# FINANCIAL UPDATE DARLA REEDY, TREASURER

April

YEAR to DATE

OPERATING INCOME	38,865	145,947	
OPERATING EXPENSES	34,362	143,597	
Sunday School	157	758	
Coins for Missions	62	482	
MORTGAGE BALANCE	1,179,428		

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# **MORE CUMC NEWS!**

# Missional GAP Assessment Update

Thank you to the 25 people who completed the Missional GAP Assessment, and especially to the 6 people who attended the follow-up meeting on April 29. We engaged in meaningful conversation about how we perceive individual importance and congregational effectiveness in several areas. Since the GAP Assessment is designed to be a conversation starter and the questions are intentionally designed so they can be interpreted differently, we don't have any "data" to report back to the congregation. Church leadership will discuss how we might continue the conversation and what our next faithful step should be.

# 2018 Summer Camp Registration

Registration for West Ohio's Summer Camp 2018 season is now open! The Summer Camp Guide is on our website, www.westohiocamps.org/camp or you can email us at camps@wocumc.org to have a copy mailed to you. This website also has pictures, videos,

descriptions and online registration.





# Is God calling YOU?

Christ United Methodist Church is looking for persons to serve in one or more of four different music ministries:

- 1. Praise Band/Worship Leader (part-time, paid position) Must Play Lead instrument
- 2. Choir Director
- 3. Choir Pianist
- 4. Traditional Service Substitute Pianist

Please pray about these opportunities to discern if God is calling you or if you know someone God might be calling. For a detailed ministry description of these music ministries, go to www.christum-baltimore.com/ resources/music-ministry-opportunities.html

If you are interested in or have questions about any of these ministries, please contact Pastor Alice Wolfe (pastor@christum-baltimore.com OR 740-862-4343).



# **Christ UMC Hosting** Lancaster Festival **Concert on July 22**

Our annual concert, organized through the Lancaster Festival, will be

# Sunday, July 22 at 7:00 pm.

Mark your calendar, as this is always an enjoyable & relaxing event here.

More details to follow!

# **Ultimate Camp Packs in Fun!**

Ultimate Camp at Camp Wesley is the ultimate way to start your summer! We have packed in canoeing, stand-up paddle boarding, ga-ga ball, archery, crafts and more. Light up the night with

glow in the dark games or be brave in the mud pit. Fly down the turbo water shoot and have a blast on Adventure Island. Ultimate Camp is held June 6-8 for ages 12-17!



You do not want to miss this!

Register today at www.westohiocamps.org.

# **Pot Luck Luncheon Recognizing**



# Our Graduates:

Join us for a carry in pot luck as we recognize this year's araduates on

# Sunday, June 3 12:00 pm Fellowship Hall

Grilled burgers and hot dogs will be provided.

Everyone is welcomed and encouraged to bring a favorite carry in dish to share.

# AND EVEN MORE CUMC NEWS!

# **Community Prayer Walk** @ Liberty Union Schools

The Baltimore-Thurston Ministerial Association is hosting a Community Prayer Walk at the Liberty Union Schools on Sun., Aug. 12, at 5:00 p.m. Everyone in the community (children, youth, and adults) is encouraged to walk through and around the school buildings to pray for God's blessings and safety for the students, faculty, and staff in the coming year. If you would like to participate, meet at the main entrance of any of the Liberty Union Schools



(elementary, middle school, or high school) at 5:00 p.m. on August 12. Let us come together as a community to Prayer Walk pray for our children and

# American Red Cross Blood Drive Wednesday, June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2 - 7pm Fellowship Hall



Sign-up sheets will be out on the Connection Center desk. Please mark your calendars for Wednesday, June 6<sup>th</sup> and consider starting or continuing your history of donating blood to the American Red Cross. The need is always great!!! Summer is coming and historically the need increases due to accidents and naturally occurring disasters during the warmer weather. Please consider giving!

We will have a sandwich and snacks waiting for you. Come and join us for some good fellowship around the snack table after your donation.

> Thank you so much for supporting this Outreach project.

Dana Hoisington, Blood Drive Coordinator

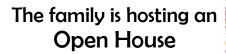


# In celebration of the



60<sup>th</sup> Wedding **Anniversary** Dr. and Mrs. Richard Weidner

Jean's Birthday





**Sunday, June 10, 2018** 2:00 to 4:00

in the

# Fellowship Hall

**Christ United Methodist Church** 700 South Main Street **Baltimore** 

No gifts please

**Vacation Bible School "Pool Party** Make a Splash with Jesus" at the **Baltimore Community Pool** 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Sundays June 24th & July 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>! Wear your swimsuit and bring a beach towel each week.



Go to our website to register at www.christum-baltimore.com

# **CELEBRATIONS, THANK YOU'S & MORE!**

# JUNE BIRTHDAYS!

- 1 Ali Ety, Rebecca Thompson
- 2 Joseph Holland
- 3 Don Burns
- 4 Dan Maldovan, David O'Toole
- 5 Nicole Jewell, Susan Maxwell
- 6 Matthew Bader, Barbara Holland, Susan Wagner
- 7 Amy Moore
- 8 Kenyon James, James Keller, Jason Shreyer
- 11 Norma Fenstermaker, Cheryl Fey, Mariah Maldovan
- 12 Michael Motsch
- 13 Amelia Hetterle, Avery Miller
- 14 Julie Ulrich
- 15 Laura Mathews, David Miller, Jean Weidner
- 16 Tracy Farmer
- 17 Jody Poth
- 18 Alecia Clum, Mark Huntwork
- 19 Karen Mathews, Faette Smith, Tolli Ulrich
- 21 Jake Alderdice
- 24 Vallie Prorok
- 25 Bob Kemmerer, Diana Pickett
- 29 Devin Fey, Ted Poth
- 30 Isla Hetterle

# JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

Dick & Jean Weidner	June 1
Dwayne & Dianne Miller	June 12
Geoff & Leanne Davis	June 13
Ed & Julie Ulrich	June 15
Barry & Barb Waites	June 15
Steve & Debbie Miller	June 16
Dave & Cookie Friesner	June 17
Mike & Mallory Stilwell	June 19
Pat & Barbara Holland	June 20
Zale & Susan Maxwell	June 20
Tim & Loraine Stump	June 20
Dick & Melanie Keller	June 28
Steve & Diana Pickett	June 28
Bob & Lynda Williams	June 28
Steve & Amy Harman	June 29

# THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

Rich and Shirley Reed would like to thank everyone for their prayers, kind words, visits and cards in the recent loss of Rich's brother.



Rich & Shirley Reed



Bernie Anderson & Prayer Shawl Team,

You Made My Heart So Happy! You made my day with the beautiful Prayer Shawl and visit. It is so very comforting. Thanks so much!

Faette Smith

Christ UMC Good Timers & Kitchen Staff,

Thank you for providing such a wonderful meal for our Summa Cum Laude Banquet. We appreciate all your hard work!

Thank you, Liberty Union High School



Thank

Pastor Alice and Christ UMC.

I want to thank you very much for the beautiful graduation gift and gift card, as well as, for recognizing me at the service. I am so thankful to have such a supportive church family when I come home! And last weekends

message was the perfect way to start a very fun, long and emotional day!

Sincerely, Matt Maldovan



Thank you to "Sending Love Over There" & "The Men's Group" Ministries for your generous donations to the Baltimore/ Thurston Food Pantry to help purchase the equipment that was

lost during the power outage we had. We are so very appreciative!

Ruth Beckwith, Baltimore/Thurston Food Pantry



# June 2018

# Christ United Methodist Church



Please Note: The information on the calendar is subject to change

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 7:30 am Men's Breakfast 8:45 am Traditional 10:00 am Sunday School 11:00 am Contemp Annual Conference	7 pm Canal Strings (FH)  Yard Sale Drop Off 9 am - 3 pm (FLC)	5	6  10 am Senior VB (FLC) 11 am Sr. Lunch (FLC) Blood Drive 2 - 7 pm (FH) Blood Drive	7	8	9
10 8:45 am Traditional 10:00 am Sunday School 11:00 am Contemp 1 pm In Use (FH) Youth Work Camper Leave	11 6:45 pm Worship Meeting (L)	12 6:30 pm Scouts (FH)	13 10 am Senior VB (FLC) 11 am Sr. Lunch (FLC) 6:30 pm Girls Scouts (FH)	14 Annual Yard Sale 8 am - 5 pm YARD SALE	Annual Yard Sale 8 am - 5 pm	Annual Yard Sale 8 am - 1 pm Bargain Day  YARD SALE
8:45 am Traditional 10:00 am Sunday School 11:00 am Contemp Pastor Alice Vacation	18 7 pm SPRC (L)	19	20 10 am Senior VB (FLC) 11 am Senior Lunch (FLC)	21	22	23
8:45 am Iraditional 10:00 am Sunday School 11 am Contemp. 7 pm VBS at Baltimore at Community Pool Pastor Alice Vacation	25 6 pm Finance Committee (FH) 7 pm Admin Council (FH)	26 6:30 pm Scouts (FH)	27  10 am Senior VB (FLC) 11 am Senior Lunch (FLC) 6:30 pm Girls Scouts (FH)	28	29	30



### SUNDAY SCHEDULE:

- 8:45 a.m. **Traditional Worship**
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday School for all ages
- 11:00 a.m. **Contemporary Worship**

Our **MISSION** is to help people find and follow Jesus Christ, by (VISION) connecting people with GOD through worship, connecting people with the CHURCH through whole-life discipleship, and connecting people with the WORLD through mission.

Church Office Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

**Pastor** Alice Wolfe

pastor@christum-baltimore.com Generally in the office, Tues., Wed., & Thurs.; Hours vary (Call any time for appointment)

**Children's Director Tiffany Jones** 

children@christum-baltimore.com

**Administrative Asst. Darcy Soliday** 

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**Preschool Director** Shelly Beckham (interim)

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**Pianist** Julie Ulrich

Custodians Jim Anderson, Steve Vandermark

### **ATTENTION!**

### We are emailing our newsletters!

If you would like to receive your church newsletter by email, please contact the church office.



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