

**SEPTEMBER
2018**



Christ United Methodist Church

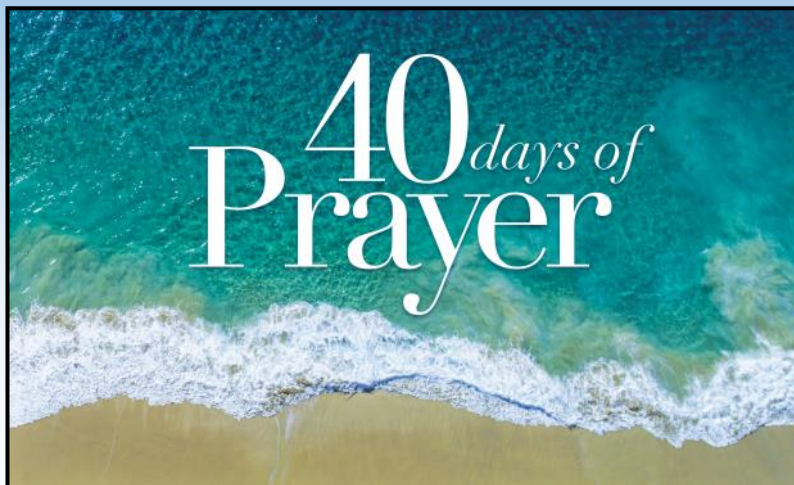
THE VOICE OF CHRIST CHURCH

...to help people find and follow Jesus Christ

Worship Schedule

8:45 a.m. Worship Service
10:00 a.m. Sunday School for All Ages

Please Join Us for our Worship Series!



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| Sept. 2 | 1) "Who Do You Think You're Talking To?" | Psa. 100:5 |
| | <i>Holy Communion</i> | |
| Sept. 9 | 2) "A Beginner's Guide to Prayer" | Luke 11:1 |
| | <i>Grandparent's Day</i> | |
| Sept. 16 | 3) "How to Pray & Listen to God's Word" | Psa. 119:97 |
| | <i>Third Grade Bible Presentation</i> | |
| Sept. 23 | 4) "How to Pray Throughout Your Day" | Eph. 6:18 |
| Sept. 30 | 5) "How to Discern God's Will" | Rm. 12:1-2 |
| | | 1 Thes. 5:16-18 |

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.

DO YOU WANT TO GROW...
in your faith,
in your prayer life, and
to be who God created
and calls you to be?

If so then I invite and encourage you to fully participate in the **40 Days of Prayer**, beginning Sept. 2.

40 days of Prayer

The more I grow in my faith; the more I learn I need to keep growing. I have grown much in my faith from the time I was little, and yet I still have so much more to learn and so many ways to grow to become more like Christ. Can you relate? If you have become like Jesus in every way, then perhaps you don't need this. However, if you still have any way in which God still wants you to learn and grow in your faith, prayer life, and becoming more like Christ, then THIS IS FOR YOU!

...we aren't supposed to be infants any longer...
Instead, by speaking the truth with love,
let's grow in every way into Christ...
(Ephesians 4:14-15, CEB)

Why is this "program" different from others? Why can't I just do this on my own? God created us to be in community—to BE the body of Christ.

...though there are many of us,
we are one body in Christ,
and individually we belong to each other.
(Romans 12:5, CEB)

God created us to NEED each other, encourage each other, and help each other grow. Therefore, it is impossible for us to BE who God created us to be if we are not part of the body of Christ and if we are not helping each other grow. So how do we best grow? Rick Warren suggests

Six Laws of Spiritual Growth:

1. We grow when we feed on God's Word.

Jesus: "People do not live by bread alone,
but by every word that comes from
the mouth of God."
(Matthew 4:4, NLT)

ACTION STEP: Spend time with God and read God's Word for 40 days. Contact the church office to purchase your copy of the *40 Days of Prayer Workbook* (\$15). The all-in-one workbook contains daily prayer guides,

space for weekly sermon notes, weekly small group lessons, and suggestions for further study.

2. We grow when we learn in different ways.

God speaks in different ways,
and we don't always recognize his voice.
(Job 33:1, CEB)

We learn in different ways, and increasing the number of ways we learn increases our ability and likelihood to learn. For example, we learn by listening (to teachings/messages in worship), watching/reading (the Bible), talking (with others in small groups or Sunday school classes), and doing (what God says).

3. We grow when we develop spiritual habits.

All good athletes train hard and practice to get better.
They do it to win a prize that won't last.
But we practice to win a prize that will last forever!
(1 Corinthians 9:25)

ACTION STEP: Develop the spiritual habits of praying daily, participating in worship weekly, meeting with a small group, and memorizing God's Word.

4. We grow when we help each other grow.

Let us be concerned for one another,
to help one another to show love and to do good.
Let us not give up the habit of meeting together,
as some are doing. Instead,
let us encourage one another all the more...
(Hebrews 10:24-25)

ACTION STEP: Join a small group.

5. We grow when we expect to grow.

Jesus said, "According to your faith,
it will be done to you."
(Matthew 9:29, NIV)

6. We grow when we commit to grow.

God: "You will seek me and find me
when you seek me with all your heart."
(Jeremiah 29:13, NIV)

ACTION STEP: Commit to participate these 40 days.

If you want God to change your life and help you grow to be who he created you to be, we invite and encourage YOU (& EVERYONE) to participate in **40 Days of Prayer**.

"Our greatest wish and prayer is that
you will become mature Christians"
(2 Corinthians 13:9, TLB)

May God work through these **40 Days of Prayer** to help us all grow to become more like Christ and become who he created us to be!

Praying with you and for you, *Alice*

Administrative Council Report

There were 16 faithful servants that attended our July 23 Council meeting. The participation of many members continues to lead our congregation in faithful service to God and fulfilling his plan for making a more peaceful world.

Actions that the Ad Council has taken during our July 23, 2018 meeting are summarized below. Please contact me at tjames@indenv.com or via my cell phone which is (812) 305-0734 if you have any questions or 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:

- 1. Considering the fact that the Church is presently engaged in a hiring freeze, a motion was made and unanimously approved to authorize SPRC to hire a Youth Director at the salary noted in the Church budget.**
- 2. A motion was made and unanimously approved to include the Safety Committee as a full-fledged Standing Committee with Administrative Council voting privileges. The committee will be chaired by Dwayne Miller.**
- 3. A motion to change the protocol for collection was made and approved with one dissenting vote. The new procedure will be implemented on July 29 in the worship service.**
- 4. Clarissa Lawlis was nominated to become the parent representative to the Pre-School leaving her present position of Pre-School Board Member. A motion was made and unanimously approved to accept this change.**

Other items on the agenda included the following;

1. Finance Chairperson, Jerry McCreery, shared that the obligations are being met with the exception of fully funding the requested apportionments.
2. With respect to our Pre-School finances, Treasurer Darla Reedy shared that as of the end of July there is approximately \$6,000 in the Pre-School checking account. **It was also noted that due to exceptional efforts of Darla Reedy, all tuitions were collected for the 2017 – 2018 year with no bad debt expense. This is not an easy or pleasant task by any means. The entire council offered their gratitude to Darla for her significant contribution in collecting all funds that are critical to meeting the Pre-School budget.**
3. As chairperson of the Outreach and Mission group, Jim Thompson shared that that Kofi Amoteng will be sending a report outlining his mission activities in Ghana in the near future
4. Richard Blackstone indicated that a contractor has successfully removed the steeple intact and placed it near the southeast corner of parking lot for future disposition. The roof was also repaired. Several suggestions were made to preserve the steeple and place it somewhere on the Church property. Those suggestions can be sent to Tom James at tjames@indenv.com for consideration at our next meeting.
5. Rob Sayre (SPRC chairperson) noted that expanding the responsibilities of the yet to be hired Praise Band Director to include all musical activities was discussed but tabled for consideration at a subsequent meeting. He also indicated that SPRC is developing a Job Description for a Youth Director. Sheila Burns expressed concern that we are not offering a program that reaches out the Junior and High School age group and that a delay in finding a new Youth Director in a timely manner will jeopardize continuity of the program for the future. Pastor Alice agreed to provide the names of potential participants to Tom James for future reference. Tom James volunteered to host a kick off meeting for the Jr. High and High School youth with a bon fire at his residence in Lancaster.
6. Cheryl Fey (Annual Conference Representative) shared that issues to be considered at the Special General Conference Meeting in February 2019 can be reviewed on the website **UMC.org**.
7. Cheryl shared that 99 people attended the String Quartet that performed at our Church as part of the Lancaster Festival and indicated that the attendance could have been larger if it had been better advertised. There were many positive comments from the participants regarding the refreshments that were generously donated by Church members.
8. As part of the Worship Committee, Chery expressed a need for more greeters and that the greeters and ushers are no longer responsible for the Safe Sanctuary duties. A member of the Safety Committee will now be responsible for the Safe Sanctuary duties.
9. Kristy Schooler encouraged everyone to participate in the 40 days of prayer that will commence in September. More details will be forthcoming.

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..

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday August 27, 2018 at 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Respectfully submitted,
Tom James
Ad Council Chairperson



KRISTY SCHOOLER

Prayer Ministry

Commit to the Lord whatever you do, and your plans will succeed. (Proverbs 16:3)

Somewhere I heard this story. On a hot, sticky summer day, some children were playing in the sprinkler in their front yard. Suddenly, one hollered, "Help me, Mom! I'm all sticky!" The little tyke was wrapped in a cocoon of bubble gum from head to toe! The child was screaming with discomfort and fear.

Her mother put her in the bathtub and poured a large bottle of vegetable oil over her. All the while, the child was howling, "Help me, Mommy!" Suddenly the little one's mother realized that her child's eyes were even stuck closed and she was frightened from "bubblegum blindness". After she cleaned her eyes, the child calmed and stopped screaming. She realized the problem was only temporary and her mother was working on it, so she relaxed and started cooperating with the cleanup process.

Such a dilemma! Sometimes, our eyes have been sealed shut with a spiritual blindness that resembles a sticky wad of bubblegum. We impatiently lose sight of God's abilities to remedy our sticky situations. Panic sets in and we howl



with discomfort. Like a bottle of oil that slowly and gently releases our impatience, God removes our sticky, uncomfortable circumstances. But we must simply relax and cooperate and realize He is in control. If we fight Him, we only wind ourselves up tighter in a web of discomfort.

If you are impatiently struggling with some circumstance today that is blinding your eyes to God's plan for abundant living, stop fighting it yourself and let His Holy Spirit pour

His balm of truth over you, releasing you from struggle, discomfort and the problem. The battle is His. Cooperate with His directions. Wait patiently for His plan to be fulfilled. And try to stay away from bubblegum.

Keep praising & praying,
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

LESLIE MARTENS

Food Pantry Ministry

"We make a living by what we get...But we make a life by what we give" Winston Churchill

Summer is almost over. The kids are back in school, enjoying time with friends and involved with their studies and school activities.

The last thing on their mind should be if there will be enough to eat. The need is never ending. Thanks to your generous giving they will not have to worry. Please keep them in your prayers.

NEEDED THIS MONTH:

- Canned Peas
- Canned Pasta Dinners
- Boxed Potatoes
- Boxed Dinners

Thank you,
Leslie Martens
Food Pantry Ministry
leslieann247@gmail.com



SHEILIA BURNS

College Connection Team

College students are back to school!

With college students back in school, we would like to stay in contact with all of the students. Please let the office

(office@christum-baltimore.com) or Sheila Burns (emdmom3@hotmail.com) know the contact information for any of our college students.

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Please send the name of the college, major, and the year they are in college. Also, send their address and email address where we can contact them with cards, messages, and announcements throughout the year.

Any questions please contact Sheila Burns. Thanks!

Sheila Burns
College Connection Team Chair

FROM THE CONFERENCE

Town & Rural Resources Programming (TARRP)

Saturday, September 15

9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Town & Rural Resource Programming (TARRP) is offering a workshop on Developing Effective Leadership here at Christ UMC. This training is offered to us (Christ UMC members) at no charge since we are the hosts, but you must still register before Sept. 9th to attend. You are responsible for your lunch fee. (lunch fee TBD)

Contact Rev. Debbie Ketchum at 614-580-2382 (revdsk@frontier.com). Brochures are available at the Connection Center or contact the church office (740-862-4343/office@christum-baltimore.com) for more info.

Praying Our Way Forward Now Through February 26, 2019

Bishop Gregory V. Palmer encourages all West Ohio United Methodists to participate daily in Praying Our Way Forward until the conclusion of the Special Session of General Conference which ends February 26, 2019. Below are some suggestions and resources for your use.

- Engage in a weekly Wesleyan 24-hour fast from

TARRP Event & More

Thursday after dinner to Friday mid-afternoon. Those who have health situations causing food fasts to be unadvisable might consider fasting from social media, emails or another daily activity.

- Pause and pray for our church's mission and way forward daily for four minutes from 2:23 through 2:26 a.m. or p.m. OR at another time. This is because the Special Session of General Conference will be held February 23 through February 26, 2019.

- Pray using a weekly prayer calendar that will be posted on the UMCPrays.org website from June 2, 2018, through the end of February 2019.

The calendar will list a unique cluster of names each week. The names will balance United States bishops and delegates with Central Conference bishops and delegates. It will also include General Secretaries, Commission on a Way Forward members, the Commission of the General Conference and the staff of the General Conference.

If you are interested, you may find information and ideas about how to pray or fast at

<https://www.westohioumc.org/conference/news/praying-our-way-forward-now-through-february-26-2019>



GOOD TIMERS

We served the Baltimore Festival Queen's Luncheon August 4th after the parade. Our next event will be an all day event Saturday, September 15th in the Family Life Center. We will serve breakfast and lunch to the attendees of the Town and Rural Resource Program of the East and West Ohio Conferences.

In August we disbursed over \$14,000 from our fundraising events to the following church accounts:

- ♦ \$12,300.00 to the mortgage principle - 90% of our profit, this will pass thru to the mortgage company the end of August

Event Updates

- ♦ \$ 1,275.54 to the general fund - 10% of our profit
- ♦ \$ 452.50 Fellowship Hall and Family Life Center building rental that our clients paid

The Good Timers

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

REBEKAH CIRCLE

The Rebekah Circle met August 6th and voted to disburse the money that was made at the June yard sale as follows:

- ♦ \$300 to the church general fund to pay for air conditioning for the Family Life Center during the 3 day yard sale
- ♦ \$500 to the mulch for the playground
- ♦ \$500 to the Baltimore Food Bank
- ♦ \$3,000 to the carpet for the sanctuary



Updated Information

We thank everyone again for their donations and help with the annual church-wide yard sale. It was our biggest sale ever in merchandise for sale, customers and profit -- over \$4,000. The 2019 sale will be June 13-15. The next Rebekah Circle meeting will be Monday, November 5th, 7:00 pm in the parlor.

If you may be interested in joining the Rebekah Circle, contact Carol Sayre at 740-862-6660 or Louise Smith at 740-862-6018. We would love to have you join us!

CHERYL FEY

Blessings From Worship

As Worship Chair this year, I would like to thank all of those who have served so faithfully in the many Lay positions of our ministry in worship: those who serve as Worship Leaders each Sunday, provide wonderful lessons during Children's Moments, uplift us with beautiful music in song and instrument, control our audio/visual ministry, greet our attenders (especially important in greeting visitors), prepare and serve Holy Communion, care for our altar settings, lead our children in Jr. Church lessons, serve on our Worship Team. (Please forgive me if I've left any group out!).

As the saying goes, "Many hands make light work." And we, as followers of Jesus Christ, accepting Him as our Lord and Savior, having each received at least one Spiritual Gift, along with natural God-given talents, personalities and passions for serving, are called to use these blessings to serve in special ways in our church. Please pray about how God wants to use you for the building up of Christ United Methodist Church to then reach others in sharing the Good News!

There are openings still to be filled in our Worship Helper Teams:

Greeters/Ushers for September, October, November and December (contact me for more information of what this consists of – but it's really just having a friendly smile and

warm greeting while passing out bulletins and collecting the offering). Please note that the Hall Shepherd position has been taken over and will be done by additional people instead of the greeters.

Jr. Church Leaders – We have a team of leaders who take one month at a time in spending about 20 minutes with our little ones (3 yr. – 3rd grade). It requires very little prep time, just a heart for sharing the love of Jesus with these precious children. We currently only have a limited number of leaders, some of those with very limited available Sundays to help, so we really could use more willing souls!

The schedule has been made for the remainder of the year for Worship Leaders and Children's Moments Leaders, but we encourage anyone who feels called to serve in these areas to contact me to be included for next year.

May you continue to be blessed by all the ways God uses you in His service. Ours is a great big God. Praise be to God!

Cheryl Fey
Worship Chair

MESSAGE FROM PASTOR ALICE

New Beginnings!

God longs for all people to find a new beginning (to be born again and made new) through Jesus Christ, and God longs for his Church to go out into the world to help others find their new beginning in Jesus. Although we have temporarily discontinued our Sunday morning contemporary worship service, we believe God is still calling us to *reach out* and *go out into the community* to help people find and follow Jesus Christ—to help people find their new beginning through Jesus.

A group of people have been gathering to pray and discern how God might be calling Christ UMC to offer another worship service (at a different time and day) that will help people find their new beginning in Jesus Christ. If YOU would like to be



part of this exciting opportunity to help Christ UMC reach out in new and different ways, then we invite you to join us for our next

New Beginnings Gathering,

Wednesday, Sept. 5,

at 6:30 p.m. in the church library.

If you are interested but can't attend, please let Pastor Alice know.

Even if God is not calling you to be part of this group, please keep praying for Christ UMC and how God is calling us to reach people we haven't yet reached to help them find and follow Jesus Christ! To God be the glory!



Congratulations On Your Baptism!

Darbi Lee Ulrich
August 12, 2018



Daughter of Jacob & Tolli Ulrich

Grandparents Ed & Julie Ulrich

We rejoice with you in your baptism & celebrate your being a part of the Kingdom of God!

JIM THOMPSON

Missions & Outreach

Kofi and Ama Amoateng are resettling back in their native Ghana. He let us know he will be reporting soon on what they are doing. We are eager, but patiently wait for his report. Expect it in the October newsletter.

We've got some work to do in local missions!

Our nation is seeing the emergence of the largest generational mission field in over a century.

According to current research the Millennial generation, those born between 1980 and 2000, have a very low Christian representation. Estimates now are that only 15% are Christian. With a huge population of nearly 80 million, that means that nearly 70 million young people are not Christians. (Pew Charitable Trusts). And that's just one segment of the population.

Once upon a time, the Christian faith had an overwhelming influence on every day life in America. Even as late as 1972, a whopping 62 percent of all Americans were Protestant and

an astounding 93 percent of all Americans claimed to be affiliated with a religion of one sort or another. (Author: Michael Snyder)

The Christian share of the population has been declining for decades, but the pace rivals or even exceeds that of the country's most significant demographic trends. As of 2014, only 71% of the population claimed to be Christian! (Pew Charitable Trusts)

The religiously unaffiliated—those who identify as “atheist,” “agnostic,” or “nothing in particular”—now account for nearly one-quarter (24%) of Americans. Since the early 1990s, this group has roughly tripled in size. (Pew Charitable Trusts)

Mission quote for the month:

“Leave people better than you found them.” Marvin J. Ashton



A Big “Thank You” from our Preschool!

Christ U.M. Preschool received donations from our members for our recent playground mulch purchase. The bill for \$2,307 was completely covered. Thank you for your generosity!

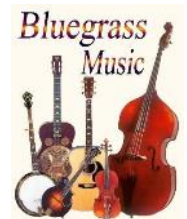


Ice Cream Social and Blue Grass Concert September 9th

The CUMC Men's group will be hosting an Ice Cream Social along with the Bluegrass Music of the Yurcos.

Time is 4:00 - 6:00 pm. Donations will be accepted to support the Men's Group Ministry efforts.

This event will be held in the Family Life Center or on the side lawn under the shade trees (weather permitting). Chairs will be provided or feel free to bring a comfortable lawn chair.



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If you would you like to help raise money for the church without it costing you anything, simply go to Amazon Smile (Christ UMC's dedicate link is: <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/31-0843320>) every time you shop on Amazon. Amazon will donate 0.5% of the purchase price to the church, and then we all can smile and give thanks to God!



18th Annual Craft & Antique Show

Saturday, October 27

9 AM to 3 PM



Our Annual Mission Craft/Antique Show is fast approaching and we wanted to take this opportunity to invite you to continue to be supportive in the following ways:

Remember this event in your thoughts and prayers: This year again, our main project will be "Sending Love Over There". Keep the military men and women in your prayers.

Donate your time: We need volunteers Friday morning the 26th at 9 am to get spaces ready and 6 pm to 8 pm to help the vendors unload. Also Saturday the 27th at 7 am and 3 pm to help with the vendors.

Transportation People: Need drivers at both am and pm times to transport the vendors and workers to and from the elementary parking lot.

Publicity: Louise Smith is in charge of the yard signs, posters and newspaper articles. The yard signs will be available in September and they must be signed out. There will also be a sign up sheet in the office for posters to take to work, give to friends, neighbors, etc. We need your help to get the word out!! Please post on your Facebook page.

Baked Goods: We need cakes, pies, cookies, brownies, candies, cup cakes, sweet rolls, bread, no bake cookies, snack food mixes, jellies & jams. Sharon Anderson is in charge of the bake sale. There will be forms out at the Connection Center the first of October for you or you can call Sharon Anderson at 740-756-7265 to let her know what you'll be making for the bake sale.

Sales Vendors: In June we communicated with our listing of vendors from previous years and responses are coming in from the vendors. Spaces are filling fast! If you know anyone who might like to be a vendor, have them contact us for information asap. **ALL VENDOR SPACES ARE FULL!**

Sharon Gates 614-864-5550 and Becky Ety 740-862-4050



I Believe In The Church Events

- ◆ September 11 at Indian Run UMC - 6305 Brand Rd., Dublin, OH 43016
- ◆ September 12 at Peace UMC - 235 Diley Rd., Pickerington, OH 43147
- ◆ September 26 at Broad Street UMC - 501 East Broad St., Columbus, OH 43215
- ◆ October 3 at Coburn UMC - 3618 Maple Ave., Zanesville, OH 43701
- ◆ October 17 at Trinity UMC - 24 S. Mulberry St., Chillicothe, OH 45601

Basic Schedule for each location:

- 6:00 to 6:45 pm - Dinner (by reservation only)
- 7:00 to 8:30 pm - Program featuring Bishop Gregory Palmer (by reservation only).

Register at <https://www.westohioumc.org/IBelieve>

ATTENDANCE

MONTHLY ATTENDANCE

July / August 2018

7/22

7/29

8/5

8/12

8/19

Attendance 8:45 am Worship Service	112	95	116	129	125
Special Sunday's	VBS Sunday				Blessing Of the Backpacks
Total Attendance	112	95	116	129	125
Attendance Sunday School	35	42	53	64	50

Please Note: It is important for everyone to fill out the Connect Cards on Sunday so that I will have accurate information if needed. That way I can assist you and others the best way possible. You can just put your names. Only need all other info if anything changes or to update a family member. Thank you! Darcy Soliday, Admin. Asst.

FINANCIAL UPDATE DARLA REEDY, TREASURER

2018

July

YEAR to DATE

OPERATING INCOME	25,733	204,921
OPERATING EXPENSES	29,465	203,461
Sunday School	253	1,124
Coins for Missions	187	747
MORTGAGE BALANCE	1,159,162	

Note from Darla Reedy, Treasurer

As part of our electronic giving program, we offer GIVEPLUS Church, our mobile giving app. You can make weekly offerings, respond to special appeals or set up a recurring donation all through your smartphone.

If you're like many people who use mobile apps for almost everything these days, we hope you'll make GIVEPLUS a regular part of your giving routine.

Visit our website if you have questions. Thank you for helping us create a thriving ministry.

MORE CUMC NEWS!

New Member Class



If you are interested in joining Christ UMC or learning more about what it means to be a

member, please contact Pastor Alice. Classes will be scheduled at the convenience of those who participate.

CARE TEAM -

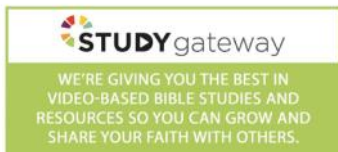
Is God calling you to help?



Would you be able to occasionally call or visit members who are home-bound or in hospitals or care facilities?

If so, we invite you to be part of a new Care Team we are organizing. If you are interested (or are already doing this and would like to continue), please contact Pastor Alice.

A Gift for You: StudyGateway.com



Have you ever wanted to grow in your faith or learn to share your faith, but had no idea how?

Do you want to grow in your faith but can't seem to find the time to be part of a group?

Are you in a Sunday school class or small group (or want to start one), but need resources to help you?

We have a wonderful gift for you! For a minimal price, Christ United Methodist Church purchased a subscription to StudyGateway.com, an on-line library to hundreds of videos that you can access anytime, anywhere with any of your computers, tablets, or smart phones. Therefore, at no cost to you, you may access videos and studies by nationally renowned authors and teachers about parenting, marriage, discipleship, witnessing, apologetics, youth, children, men, women, college, singles, prayer, health and fitness, outreach, leadership, documentaries, stewardship, small groups, and more!

Please contact the church office to request an invitation that will be sent to you directly from StudyGateway.com. If you have any questions, let us know so we may help you. For more information, go to www.StudyGateway.com.

We hope you will check out this wonderful resource and let God use it to help you grow in your faith and help others do the same!



3rd Grade Bible Presentation

We look forward to presenting Bibles to our 3rd graders during worship in September.

If your child/grandchild will be in the 3rd grade and is part of our church family, please contact Pastor Alice (pastor@christum-baltimore.com) ASAP. Must be before Sept 9th.



CELEBRATIONS, THANK YOU'S & MORE!

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS!

- 1 Mary Ann Thompson, Kevin Wagner
- 2 Gary Taylor
- 3 Tina Hawkins
- 4 Ken Warling
- 5 Jeanne Dulin, Autumn Miller, Jerry Osborne
- 7 Lily Endsley
- 10 Jacob Berlekamp
- 11 Ruth Sims
- 12 Becky Blackstone
- 13 Sam Petty, Scarlett Shreyer, Dan Thompson
- 14 Melissa Bader
- 15 Andy Ety
- 16 Kathy Poth
- 17 Melanie Keller, Celler O'Toole
- 18 David Stump
- 24 Katy Endsley
- 25 Jan Kemmerer
- 26 Colton Holland
- 27 Erik Hoisington, Mary Mandeville
- 28 Martha Dowd
- 30 Dave Friesner

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

Mike & Brenda Snider	September 1
John & Connie Mandeville	September 4
David & Jennifer Lodge	September 8
Kevin & Carol Craig	September 13
Ed & Karen Duggan	September 14
Mark & Carla Huntwork	September 15
Tony & Ashleigh Traster	September 20
Blake & Chelsea Schooler	September 21
Matt & Chris Shreyer	September 22
Jay & Tammy Harris	September 23
JR & Trudi Coakley	September 23
Rich & Alicia Clum	September 25
Pat & Elaine Quinn	September 25
Barry & Holly Hettler	September 28

THANK YOU! THANK YOU!



Thank you for the Oreos and all the prayers! Thank you for the supplies too! Your kindness & generosity is very appreciated!

Liberty Union Elementary & Middle Schools

I want to express a special thank you to all who sent cards, brought food and telephoned to express concern following my tumble down our basement stairs. It has been humbling to know of the love and concern expressed by so many. A special pat on the head I extend to Peggy Lawlis who saw a need and took care of it and to the diligent workers who worked on my prayer shawl. It is a beautiful color and crocheting.

Blessings to all,
Phyllis Johnson



Carol Keller 90 years old Celebration

Soon our mother, Carol Keller, will turn 90 years old. Please join us to celebrate her long eventful life.

Open House
Saturday, September 9, 2018
Anytime 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Millersport Lions Clubhouse
Chautauqua Blvd.
Millersport, OH

Pass the invitation on to anyone we may have missed. Please no gifts, your presence is all she asks.

Ted, Ann & Eddie Piper



September 2018

Christ United Methodist Church



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

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 7:30 am Men's Breakfast (FH) 8:45 am Worship 10:00 am Sunday School	3 Church Office Closed in Observance of Labor Day 	4	5 10 am Senior VB (FLC) 11 am Sr. Lunch (FLC) 6:30 pm New Beginnings Planning Committee (L)	6 7 pm Bell Choir (P)	7	8 1:00 pm In Use (FLC)
9 8:45 am Worship 10:00 am Sunday School 4:00 - 6:00 pm Ice Cream Social & Bluegrass Band	10 6:45 pm Worship Team (L)	11 6:30 pm Nominations Committee (L) 6:30 pm Cub Scouts (FH)	12 10 am Senior VB (FLC) 11 am Sr. Lunch (FLC) 6:30 pm Girl Scouts (FH)	13 7 pm Bell Choir (P)	14	15 Town & Rural Resource Programming TARRP Event 9 am - 4 pm (S, FLC, FH, P) Must Register by Sun., Sept. 9
16 8:45 am Worship 10:00 am Sunday School "3rd Grade Bible Presentation" 	17 7 pm SPRC (L) 7 pm Canal Strings (FH)	18	19 10 am Senior VB (FLC) 11 am Senior Lunch (FLC)	20 11 am Baltimore Seniors (FH) 7 pm Bell Choir (P)	21	22 1st Day of Fall 
23 8:45 am Worship 10:00 am Sunday School 30 8:45 am Worship 10:00 am Sunday School	24 6 pm Finance Meeting (FH) 7 pm Admin Council Meeting (FH)	25 6:30 pm Nominations (L) 6:30 pm Cub Scouts (FH) Preschool Picture Day 	26 10 am Senior VB (FLC) 11 am Sr. Lunch (FLC) 6:30 pm Girl Scouts (FH) 6:30 p.m. Preschool Open House	27 7 pm Bell Choir (P)	28	29



SUNDAY SCHEDULE:

- ◆ 8:45 a.m.
Sunday Worship
- ◆ 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School for all ages

*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.

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