

The United Methodist Church of Berea

THE CALLER

November 2018

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Our Goals for 2019

Our Mission is to make and mature disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

This *mission* is the reason we exist.

Transformative discipleship also gives shape to our way of life together.

Our Journey is shaped by

Gathering

connecting with people and inviting and welcoming all people into the community of faith and into the journey of discipleship

Growing

teaching and learning together about Jesus Christ and the message of God's grace and salvation

* Going

sending people into the community to engage in acts of compassion and justice, equipping the entire congregation to notice and to engage with our neighbors

Our Goals for 2019

Community Engagement

- participating in prayer walks of our neighborhood
- conducting interviews with community leaders
- developing a comprehensive plan for increasing our community engagement

Hospitality and Welcoming

- completing a building audit with attention to "first impressions" and signage
- exploring options for an information desk or connections point
- developing a comprehensive plan for hospitality and welcoming ministries

Connections Process

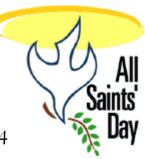
- creating a process to help all people connect or reconnect with the life of the congregation and the discipleship pathway
- encouraging all persons to build new relationships by connecting through classes, small groups, and service opportunities

Holy Conversations

- facilitating conversations on "A Way Forward" and the 2019 General Conference, both before and after this special session
- giving intentional focus to conflict resolution training for lay leadership
- cultivating the capacity of the whole congregation for engaging in conversations centered in peace even across disagreements and differences

These goals were adopted by the Church Council on October 13, 2018. They represent the next step in our congregation's life together, following the conclusion of the Healthy Church Initiative process, and will be our focus as an entire congregation throughout 2019 as we continue to live into our mission. For more details regarding these goals or to express your desire to serve one of the teams which will help us to live into them, please contact Pastor Nathan at nhowe@umcb.org or 440-234-3425 x101.





ALL SAINTS SUNDAY SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4

The Festival of All Saints is celebrated by the church on November 1. It is an annual opportunity for us to give thanks for the community of faith and to remember that the church consists not only of all living followers of Jesus but also all who have gone before us and all who are yet to come. In and through God's love, we are one with all the saints of every time and place: the "great cloud of witnesses" (Hebrews 12.1) which surrounds us, encouraging us and cheering us on as we continue the journey in this time and place.

At The UMC of Berea, we will celebrate the gift of the communion of saints on **All Saints Sunday, November 4**. During all three morning worship services, we will read the names of persons connected to this congregation who have died in the past twelve months, and a candle will be lit for each one as we remember the eternal light of Christ that continues to shine in their lives and in ours.

NAMING OUR COMMITMENTS FOR 2019

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18

As a community of faith, our mission is to make and mature disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. We exist to share God's love with our neighbors and to close the gap between the world as it is and the world as it ought to be. Discipleship-following Jesus and centering our lives on loving God and loving others--is our reason for existence and the shape of our life together. We live our discipleship together by **gathering** in worship and fellowship, **growing** to be more like Christ, and **going** to share God's love and transform the world.

On **Sunday, November 18**, during all three morning worship services, we will be invited to name our commitments to our mission for the upcoming year of 2019. Commitment Cards have been distributed through the mail in mid-October and continue to be available on the tables at the back of each worship space or on our website at www.umcb.org/giving. Please consider prayerfully your commitments for the coming year as together, we continue to live the mission God has given us.

REIGN OF CHRIST SUNDAY

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 25

Reign of Christ or "Christ the King" Sunday is one of the most recent additions to the Christian calendar. Begun in 1925, the celebration was intended as a response to growing secularism and competing claims for our allegiance, particularly as narrow ideologies and tribalistic nationalism spread across much of Europe in the wake of the First World War.

Celebrated on the last Sunday before the new church year begins with the First Sunday of Advent (this year, on December 2), Reign of Christ Sunday remains an opportunity for all of us to gather and reaffirm the primacy of God in our lives and in the world today.



UNITED METHODIST STUDENT DAY

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 25

The truth is college has gotten expensive. Really expensive. When we started celebrating Student Day in 1940, a college education could be attained for \$450 annually. Now that same education costs an average of \$23,000 each year. Today, 62 percent of American families say they can't afford to send their children to college. Yet, by 2020, 65 percent of the jobs in the American market will require a college degree! College and seminary enrollment rates have been decreasing. The financial burden is really taking a toll.

These aren't just statistics about money; these are statistics that are affecting the next generation of leaders!

When we give on this Special Sunday, we are helping United Methodist youth from the next generation become the leaders, pastors, teachers, engineers, doctors and lawyers of tomorrow. Let's give them the gift of hope. Let's help them discover their purpose. Please consider giving generously on United Methodist Student Day. **Together, we do more!**

(source: <u>www.umcgiving.org</u>)

November 2018

NOVEMBER 2018 REVISED COMMON LECTIONARY **GATHER** Nov. 4, 2018 NOVEMBER 11, 2018 NOVEMBER 18, 2018 NOVEMBER 28, 2018 REIGN OF CHRIST/ TWENTY-FIFTH TWENTY-SIXTH TWENTY-FOURTH LAST SUNDAY AFTER SUNDAY AFTER SUNDAY AFTER SUNDAY AFTER **PENTECOST** PENTECOST PENTECOST **PENTECOST Thanksgiving Sunday All Saints Sunday Loose Change Offering** (Don't forget to set your **UM Student Sunday Naming Our** for the Giving Tree clocks back.) **Commitments for 2019** 1 Samuel 1.4-20 Ruth 1.1-18 Ruth 3.1-5, 4.13-17 2 Samuel 23.1-7 1 Samuel 2.1-10 or Psalm 132.1-12 Psalm 146 Psalm 127 Psalm 113 (UMH 834) (UMH 858) (UMH 777) (UMH 849) Hebrews 10.11-14 (15-18) Hebrews 9.11-14 Hebrews 9.24-28 Revelations 1.4b-8 19-25 Mark 12.28-34 Mark 12.38-44 Iohn 18.33-37 Mark 13.1-8

COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING WORSHIP SERVICE

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 7 PM UMCB SANCTUARY

We will renew a Berea-community tradition this year by hosting a Thanksgiving worship service in our **Sanctuary at 7 PM on Wednesday, November 21.** Invite your friends and neighbors to join us as we give thanks for God's presence and share God's love with our community. Please bring with you a nonperishable food item to be given to support the ongoing work of Berea Community Outreach (housed in the Smith Elementary School).

GENESEE ABBEY RETREAT

NOVEMBER 29 - DECEMBER 1

If you need some time to step away from the routine and noise of our usual busy-ness, please prayerfully consider joining us for a brief retreat at the Abbey of the Genesee, November 29 – December 1 (Thursday – Saturday). The Genesee Abbey is a community of Trappist monks located about fifty miles east of Buffalo. This will be a self-guided, mostly silent retreat: an opportunity to unplug and re-focus as we head into the season of Advent. Total cost, including room and board, is \$130 per person.

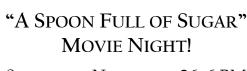
For more information or to express your interest, please contact Pastor Nathan by **November 15** at nhowe@umcb.org or 440-234-3525 x101.

COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING DINNER

THANKSGIVING DAY, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 22

Plans for this year's Community Thanksgiving Dinneron Thanksgiving Day, November 22--are still in progress. More information will be provided in weekly announcements in November.

If you would like to help plan, cook, set-up, or clean up, please contact Pastor Nathan at nhowe@umcb.org or 440-234-3525 x101.



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 6 PM FELLOWSHIP HALL

The children's ministry team is happy to host a night full of magic and all things...

supercalifragilisticexpialidocious!

Join us Saturday, November 26 at 6 PM to enjoy the original movie, snacks, pizza, and fun with friends. There will also be a sing-a-long as part of the night! This is a great event to bring your friends to, please invite them!

Want more information? Contact Pastor Carrie at cantczak@umcb.org or 440-234-3525 x105.



ADVENT









440-234-3525 x101.

THE LONGEST NIGHT

DECEMBER 22, 5 PM, THE CHAPEL

The holiday season can be especially difficult for some of us, a painful reminder of what has been lost or of what has never been. All are welcome to join us on Saturday, December 22 at 5 PM in the Chapel for a time filled with scripture, prayer, candlelight, and Holy Communion. Join us as we affirm God's presence with us, even in the darkest and loneliest of times.

As we count down the Sundays leading up to Christmas, in worship we will light an additional candle each week on the Advent Wreath. This is a great opportunity especially for families with children to participate in tangible rituals, but of course individuals, couples, or any other groupings are more than welcome, too! For more information or to sign up to participate during any of our three Sunday worship services from December 2 through December 23, please contact Pastor Nathan at nhowe@umcb.org or

CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP SCHEDULE

We are making a small change to our worship schedule for Christmas Eve this year. Please take note of the following and share this information with others. Each worship service will include beautiful music, a message of hope, and the traditional passing of candlelight while we sing "Silent Night." Invite your friends, family members, and neighbors, and join us as we celebrate the gift of God's presence with us in Jesus Christ.

CHRISTMAS EVE

2:30 PM at Parkside Villa 7040 Hepburn Road Middleburg Hts, OH 44130

The Rev. Linda McCowen will lead worship for the residents and families at Parkside Villa, and you are welcome to join them. This service will include scripture, singing favorite Christmas carols, a short message, and candlelight using battery-operated tea-lights.



4 PM in the Sanctuary

Chancel Choir, Handbell Choir, and Holy Communion

7 PM in the Sanctuary

NEWSingers Choir, Children's Choir, and No-Rehearsal Children's Nativity Program

11 PM in the Chapel

A Service of Lessons and Carols with Holy Communion

SAVE THE DATE —MLK, JR. SUNDAY

SUNDAY, JANUARY 20, 2019 AT ALL SERVICES

As part of our weeklong Berea community celebration of the ministry and witness of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., on **Sunday, January 20, 2019**, we will welcome **guest preacher**, **Dr. Emmanuel K. Twesigye**. Dr. Twesigye is Professor of Christian Studies at Ohio Wesleyan University and will share with us from his expertise in church history, theology, and Christian ethics.

Please be sure to join us in worship on this special Sunday.

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CHURCH FAMILY PRAYER CONCERNS

Bruce Akins
Heidi Blue
Fran Bobo
Donna Dial
Cleda Fletcher
Laurie Garvin
Karen Grant
Pat Harf
Helen Hignett
John Kappeler
Betty Kavendar
Janice Kavendar
Joyce McGee
Marcie Metz

Betty Miller
Tom Moore
Donna O'Brien
Esther O'Hearn
Barb Rochford
Lou Russell
Barbara Scoon
Jeanette Sheneman
Carol Thompson
Victoria Thomson
Kathleen Wargelin
Margie Weisbarth
Kenneth Williams
Eva Williamson

Currently Serving in the Military

John Cline Carros
Chad Droney
Nikki (Myers) Droney
J.D. Ferut (Grandson of Gerry & Jo Boggs)
Ryan Hopkins
Bill Lambert (Son-in-law of Corky Cline)
Ben Lebrun
Matthew Metzger
Zachary New (Grandson of Bob & Jackie King)



We reach out in Christian sympathy and love...

...to the family and friends of Haskel "Hack" Lloyd, who passed away on Monday, October 1, 2018. A Memorial service was held at Sunset Chapel in North Olmsted on Saturday, October 6, 2018. A full list of the Prayer Concerns is available on the Sanctuary Narthex Table.

To receive Prayer Concerns by email, please email Beth in the church office at **info@umcb.org**.

If you know of someone needing care or a visit, please contact the church office (info@umcb.org or 440-234-3525 x100) or Pastor Nathan (nhowe@umcb.org or 440-234-3525 x101).

GLIMPSES OF HISTORY CELEBRATING THE 175TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF BEREA

The three intertwining circles on our Chapel Spire symbolize the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

The spire was installed in 1960 when the Chapel was built.

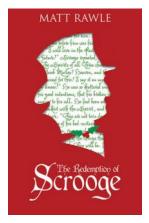
It was not damaged in the 1988 fire.

It was removed, a new roof was installed, insulation added and the spire was reinstalled.

It also serves as a lightening rod.







ADVENT STUDY

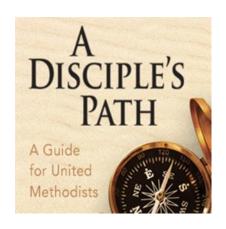
SUNDAYS BEGINNING DECEMBER 2 10AM, CHAPEL

Join us beginning December 2 at 10 AM, in the Chapel, for the study "The Redemption of Scrooge".

Ebenezer Scrooge is a man in dire need of a second chance. Is redemption possible for such a greedy, dark and sad character? The Redemption of Scrooge, from Matt Rawle's The Pop in Culture Series, shows us how the teachings of Jesus can be found in Dickens' Christmas classic. From the ghosts of Christmas past, to the Life of the present, and the resurrection of Christmas future, this Advent study will "bless us every one" and reinvigorate our spiritual journeys as we look at this familiar story through the lens of faith.

Youth will also be using this same study in Senior High – with a cross-over class just before Christmas.

For more information or to express your interest, Contact Pastor Carrie at cantezak@umcb.org or 440-234-3525 x105.



A DISCIPLE'S PATH

A Disciple's Path is a six-week study that explores discipleship from a Wesleyan perspective, focusing on how we grow our relationships with one another and with God. This class is designed especially for those who are new to The UMC of Berea, would like to become members of The UMC of Berea, or just want to learn more about church membership and opportunities to deepen our relationships with Christ and the church.

Our current class began on October 7, and those who choose to become members of The UMC of Berea following this class will do so on Sunday, November 18. Please pray for those who are participating as they and all of us - continue our discipleship journeys, and join us in worship on November 18 as we welcome these new members into our community of faith.

If you are interested in a future opportunity to participate in *A Disciples' Path*, please contact Pastor Nathan at nhowe@umcb.org or 440-234-3525 x101.



For more information about these events, contact Pastor Carrie at cantczak@umcb.org or 440-234-3525 x105.

YOUTH GROUP - OPEN TO 7TH-12TH GRADERS

SUNDAYS, 5-6:30 PM, RM 31-32(unless otherwise noted)

November 4
Gather: Fun and Faith

November 11: 3 Simple Rules

November 17: Service project of the month Join us for leaf-raking with Berea Cares - See the article on Page 8

> November 18 Messy Church & Mentoring

November 25, 4-6 PM Super Secret Mission Project

(You'll find out when you arrive. Meet in youth room. No permission slips needed.)

Save the Date: December 1-2, Holiday Lock-in, Details coming soon!!





NOVEMBER SEED PACKETS

On Sunday, November 4, we will distribute new "Seed Packets" for the whole month of November. "Seed Packets" are intended as ready-to-use devotions for personal use or—especially—to be shared with a small group of friends, co-workers, or neighbors. Each week contained within the "Seed Packet" includes an opening prayer, introductory questions for building relationships, a scripture focus, and a prayer focus for the upcoming week. Just pick one up, find some folks to share it with, and continue growing in your relationship with God and with other people.

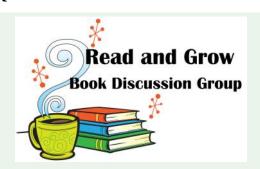
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COMING SOON—FEBRUARY 2019!



CATCH: A CHURCHWIDE PROGRAM FOR INVITATIONAL EVANGELISM

As we prepare to live into our new goals for 2019 (please see the front page for more information), please plan to participate in a church-wide small-group study called "Catch," a comprehensive program for invitational evangelism which will help us engage with our neighbors, connect them with our faith community, and invite them to join us on the discipleship journey. More information will be available soon, but please begin prayerfully to consider your participation in February 2019.



SECOND MONDAY OF EACH MONTH 6:30-7:45 PM, PARLOR

YOU are always welcome.

Monday, November 12, 2018 Hillbilly Elegy by J.D. Vance

This family saga/memoir is a personal analysis of a culture in crisis - that of the white working-class set in Ohio. A memoir of growing up with the challenges of abuse, alcoholism, poverty and trauma, J.D. Vance tells his true story of overcoming these challenges and achieving upward mobility. It includes social, regional, and class decline. His family moves from Kentucky's Appalachia region to Ohio. The role of grandparents is significant in this story.

Monday, December 10, 2018 Little Fires Everywhere by Celeste Ng

Set in Shaker Heights Ohio, this story explores the weight of secrets, the nature of art and identity, and the ferocious pull of motherhood - and the danger of believing that following the rules can avert disaster.

For more information or to answer any questions you may have, call Janet Mallarnee **440-235-7331**, Betsy Meikle **440-243-5767**, or Jan Harlamert **440-243-7126**.

COMMISSION ON THE STATUS AND ROLE OF WOMEN



This is an important year to celebrate women - 100 years ago women were granted the right to vote. Rebecca Felton became the first woman to occupy a seat in the U.S. Senate in 1922. Whatever your political persuasion, voting is your responsibility and we have an obligation again this November.

Submitted by Jo Swanson

November 2018

LEAF RAKING FOR DISABLED AND ELDERLY IN BEREA

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 9 AM - NOON

Do you just love fall and the color and fragrance of leaves? How about serving Jesus by helping our neighbors? Please join us Saturday, November 17, from 9 AM - Noon, as we partner with Berea Cares for leaf-raking throughout our community. Meet at Smith School, 535 Wyleswood Dr. All ages are welcome, youth are especially encouraged to join us for our mission project of the month.



Youth Work Mission prepares for Colorado Springs!

UMCB and Good Shepherd Church in Parma are excited to be in preparation for this year's youth work mission trip! This year we are headed to Colorado Springs, Colorado! Colorado Springs has seen a significant increase in suburban poverty with over 16% of families living below the poverty rate.

Thankfully, agencies and ministries are providing opportunities and resources to both support those currently in poverty as well as help prevent/slow down the current trend. We are blessed to be able to serve Christ by partnering with these agencies as we enter into relationship with the people of Colorado Springs! We will be participating in meal programs, food bank ministries, light construction and rehabilitation projects.

There will be several ways throughout the year to help support this mission. If you're in need of some assistance at home for yard work or other projects, consider calling Clayton Allen for a crew of young, cheerful helpers ready to help for a donation to our mission. Meal fundraisers, dessert auctions, and more are just around the corner, too! Please also be in prayer for our team as we prepare our hearts for the work God has given us!

For home projects and yard work teams, contact Clayton Allen at mmsdad88@gmail.com or 440-596-**7431**.

For more information about the Youth Work Mission trip, contact Pastor Carrie at cantczak@umcb.org or 440-234-3525 x105.



NOVEMBER 18, 4-6 PM, FIRST FLOOR

That is, exploring a burning bush with the story of Moses, and sharing how God is always ready to rescue us. Plan on attending, November 18, 4-6 PM, and make plans NOW to invite and bring another family. Who haven't you seen in awhile? Wanting to set up a play date with a new friend at school? This is a great way to have some fun together!

For more information, please contact Pastor Carrie at cantczak@umcb.org or 440-234-3525 x105.



CHILDREN'S **CHOIR** SERVICE TRIP

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2

Please pray for our youngest missionaries as they travel to Parkside Villa to share Christmas music and crafts with the residents of this nursing home. Deacon, Rev. Linda McCowen has blessed this community with her ministry during the year, bringing worship and Bible study to the residents. As we grow closer to the Parkside Community, the children's choir looks forward to spreading Christmas cheer!

THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF BEREA - NOVEMBER 2018

SATURDAY	10:00 AM UMW Executive Board 4:00 PM Girl Scouts Spaghetti Dinner	1:00 PM North Coast District 2018 Charge Conference
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OHIOGUIDESTONE BEREA-MIDPARK CLASS SEEKS GUEST SPEAKERS

Wanting to serve with our mission partner, OhioGuidestone? There are several ways you can explore serving. While they are still seeking mentors for their class at Berea Midpark High School, they are also seeking one-time speakers to share about their careers or hobbies. If you have something you'd like to share, Pastor Carrie would like to get you in contact with the Lauren Peticca, teacher of the class. Please Contact Pastor Carrie at cantezak@umbc.org or 440-234-3525 x105.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED – GRINDSTONE ELEMENTARY BUDDY PROGRAM

You may remember Book Buddies from last year – we sent 7 missionaries to read with kindergarten students at our local elementary school! Because the program was so well received and appreciated, we have been asked to expand the program to include 3rd graders. Our mentoring partnership will now be called "Grindstone Buddy Program" as we continue to serve children at Grindstone Elementary.

The Grindstone Buddy Program seeks to encourage and empower young students through mentoring relationships. There are two ways to serve:

- 3rd Grade Flashcard Friends helping with math skills. No need to worry about your own math skills – the answers are on the back of the card! (Needed as soon as possible!)
- 2. Kindergarten Book Buddies simply reading with students. Teachers may occasionally ask for help with other learning activities. (Beginning in January)

Outcomes include better literacy and math skills, along with the benefits of having a trusting relationship with an adult.

You can begin with 3rd graders now if you choose, then either stay with 3rd grade or move to Kindergarten over the winter. Applications are now being accepted by Pastor Carrie. Pick one up at the Outreach Board, or linked to the outreach page of our website: www.umcb.org/outreach/localpartnerships/

"CALL TEAM" NOW FORMING

Do you enjoy connecting with members of our community? Would you like to help ensure that everyone at The UMC of Berea has current, accurate information?

Please consider being part of a newly-forming "call team" which will help occasionally to share relevant, up-to-date information regarding large events and opportunities. Training and call scripts will be provided. For more information or to express your interest in serving in this way, please contact Pastor Nathan at nhowe@umcb.org or 440-234-3525 x101.

EQUAL EXHANGE: ORIGINS OF CHOCOLATE AND HOT COCOA

THE FIRST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH (NOVEMBER 4)

Did you know that chocolate products like chocolate bars and hot cocoa come from cacao pods that grow on a cacoa tree? The pods can look like a football and grow out of the trunk and branches of the tree. The pods can be different colors - from dark brown, green or red, or orange or yellow. To blend chocolate liquor (which is actually "cocoa mass" not alcohol), cocoa butter and other ingredients together for its chocolate bars, Equal Exchange uses a traditional process, called conching, vs. adding soy lecithin to the bars. This process usually takes 24-72 hours depending on the bar!



Cacoa pods Source: Equal Exchange

To find out more about the care that Equal Exchange takes at every step of creating these sweet treats, please visit http://equalexchange.coop/products/chocolate/steps. Also, stop by the Equal Exchange bulletin board to see pictures like this one.

As always, we'll have Equal Exchange items -including the very popular Palestinian olive oil -- on
the 1st Sunday of each month. Thanks for your
continued support of fair trade products that help our
brothers and sisters around the world.

Wendy Jelinek for Church & Society



AND THE FIRST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH

In November, SCAN is collecting foods to be included in the special bags for holiday dinners. Suggested Items are on the Donations Quick Reference below.

Bring your donations to the SCAN cupboard between the Sanctuary and the Narthex between now and November 4.

Prefer to make a monetary donation. You can do so anytime by marking "SCAN" on your check or envelope and placing it in Joanne Mansfield's mailbox or the offering plate.

Thanks to every one for your generous contributions!

Church Street Ministries Giving Calendar

You may have noticed a colorful laminated card on the Church & Society bulletin board. This is the Church Street Ministries Giving Calendar. (Also printed to the right.) Each month they are focused on getting donations for a particular item. (Of course they take donations of all types of items all year long.)

This month they are asking for canned food. You can drop off your donations to the Second Mile Shop at 1480 W. Bagley Road.

For more information, please call **440-239-0549** or visit http://www.churchstreetministries.org.

CHURCH STREET MINISTRIES GIVING CALENDAR

Thank you for your support.

November

December

Turkev

Christmas Gifts and hams

MONETARY DONATIONS ALWAYS WELCOMED



DONATION NEEDS QUICK REFERENCE

We hope you find this list of items being collected in November helpful when you do your shopping.

- Turkey (Church Street Ministries)
- Stuffing mix (SCAN)
- Instant potatoes (SCAN)
- Envelopes of gravy mix (SCAN)
- Canned sweet potatoes (SCAN)
- Canned vegetables esp. green beans (SCAN)
- ♦ Mushroom soup (SCAN)
- Dried or French-fried onions for the "famous" green bean casserole (SCAN)
- Cranberry sauce (SCAN)
- Ready-made graham or chocolate graham cracker pie crusts (SCAN)
- Instant jello pudding mix for pie filling (SCAN)

- Pie crust mix (SCAN)
- Canned pumpkin pie mix with spices already added (SCAN)
- Evaporated milk (SCAN)
- ♦ Soaps (SCAN)
- Detergents (SCAN)
- Softeners (SCAN)
- ♦ Hand cleaner such as Purell (SCAN)
- ◆ Toilet paper (SCAN)
- Paper towels (SCAN)
- ♦ Napkins (SCAN)
- ♦ Kleenex (SCAN)
- Friend to bring to Messy Church with you!



THE PERFECT GIFT? UMW GIFT CARDS

ORDERING ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE SUNDAY MORNINGS IN THE GATHERING PLACE

Shopping from A to (almost) Z!

That's right...Acme to Wendy's. United Methodist Women would like to make your shopping a bit easier this holiday season. YAY!

We're offering a variety of gift cards from over 50 businesses...gas up, grab a coffee, shop, eat...and do it all over again.

UMW will be available on Sundays in the Gathering Place to assist with your order. Order forms are always available on the bulletin board outside the Parlor Kitchenette.

We earn between 2% and 5% on the sale, and that money will help support our missions. So start your shopping, tuck a gift card in a note to your college student, grandchild's birthday card, or save some for yourself. We'd love to help!

Thanks for your support.

For more information, please see the order forms hanging on the bulletin board outside the Parlor Kitchenette or contact Carol Anne McCleery at mcmanistee7250@gmail.com or 440-234-9078.



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2018, 11 AM - 4 PM GATHERING PLACE AND FELLOWSHIP HALL

You are invited to attend the United Methodist Women's **Mission And A Meal** on Saturday, November 17, 2018 from 11 AM- 4 PM.

Admission is a donation to SCAN Hunger Center Pantry

There will be crafts - baked goods, blankets, candy, Christmas decorations, jewelry, knitting, ornaments to name a few - to start your Christmas shopping early. There will also be gift baskets to bid on. The proceeds will support our local missions: Hanson House, Church Street Ministries, OhioGuidestone.

St. Thomas Church, Heritage Congregational, and Mt. Zion Baptist Church will join us as well to display their missions, sell their crafts and unite in a spirit of community outreach.

The Meal will be Sloppy Joe, Vegetables, Chips, Dessert and a Beverage, all for just \$5.00.

Please join us for an afternoon of fun! And don't forget to bring your friends and family to shop, share a meal, and support local missions!

Questions? Please contact Carol Anne McCleery at mcmanistee7250@gmail.com or 440-234-9078.



2018 ANNUAL WHITE HOUSE ORNAMENT

The White House Historical Association's 2018 White House Christmas Ornament honors Harry S. Truman, the thirty-third president of the United States. This ornament is designed to illustrate three significant changes made by President Truman during his administration, one to the Presidential Seal, and two to the White House itself.

The cost is **\$25** per ornament. Proceeds benefit UMW Missions.

Complete the order form on the reverse side of this page and turn with your payment the church office no later than **November 15. 2018**.

Please make checks out to "**UMW**" and notate "**ornament**" on the memo line.



THE CALLER

LOOSE CHANGE OFFERING

The Loose Change Offering on October 14, 2018 totaled \$192.06 for the Grindstone Elementary Partnership.

The Loose Change offering on November 11, 2018 will be collected for the Giving Tree. Through the Giving Tree, UMCB partners with the Berea Community Outreach to give Christmas gifts to children in Berea who might otherwise not receive one.

HURRICANE RELIEF

We have collected \$980 towards hurricane relief in the month of October. Thank you for your generous giving.

Thank you to our pastor, Nathan, and church family for the many ways in which you helped to make the memorial service for John take place. While it was a time to say good-bye, it was also a time in which a positive memory was created for which I am grateful. When the service was over, lunch was taken care of by our outstanding hospitality committee headed by Judy Mollison and Sally Mook who took all concerns off of my mind.

Last week the second book in a three book series given by you on grieving came in the mail. I will need its help in learning to walk a new path.

I am so grateful for everything our church has done for me and for my family.

With warm thanks, Betty Miller

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for your outpouring of love and support after the passing of Marilyn. We are so grateful for all those who were able to celebrate and learn more about Marilyn at the memorial service for her. Thank you also for the hugs, cards, calls, cookies and flowers. We are blessed to have the support of our church family.

Peace, The Jelineks Larry, Keli and Wendy, and Paul The Community Meal on September 26, 2018 served about 100 people this year. Thank you to those who helped in anyway...all those who provided luscious desserts and to the ENO small group for serving that evening.

We will again support the Community Meal program in October 2019.

A big THANK YOU to everyone who helped with the UMW Garage Sale...giving donations, baking, and volunteering your time to sort, price, cashier, set up and tear down. We couldn't have done it without you. Your generousity will benefit the OhioGuidestone, Westside Community House, UMCB Youth Work Mission, the Cambodia Mission Trip, and the UMCB Church Budget.

In 2011, Margaret Proctor began directing the NEWSingers. Thank you for the many ways you bless this community with your leadership and musical gifts.

In 2013, Jim Cobler joined the church staff as custodian. Thank you for keeping UMCB looking beautiful and working so hard to facilitate the needs of the many groups meeting here.

- Staff-Parish Relations Committee



UMW WHITE HOUSE CHRISTMAS ORNAMENT ORDER FORM

Number of Ornaments:	Total (\$25/ornament):
Name:	Phone:
Email:	
Address	

All paid orders must be received in the Church Office by **November 15, 2018.**(Additional order forms are available outside the church office.)

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DON'T FORGET TO FALL BACK ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4.



2018 CHARGE CONFERENCE

November 10 at 1 pm

On **Saturday, November 10 at 1 PM**, we will host all the west-side congregations of our North Coast District here at The UMC of Berea for our annual charge conferences. This is our yearly meeting during which we gather to celebrate God's activity in our life together throughout the past year and conduct official business in preparation for the year to come with the guidance of our District Superintendent, the Rev. Dr. Steve Bailey. All members of the Church Council are expected to attend this meeting with voice and vote.

...and if you would like to help us offer hospitality to those who will be gathering in our building for the Charge Conference on November 10, please Pastor Nathan at nhowe@umcb.org or 440-234-3525 x101.



SPECIAL SESSION OF THE GENERAL CONFERENCE

A special session of the General Conference has been called to discuss and decide on a way forward for our United Methodist Church on matters related to human sexuality, including same-sex marriages and the ordination of openly gay persons. The General Conference will be held February 23-26, 2019 in St. Louis, Missouri.

The delegates from our East Ohio Conference to the special session of the General Conference have invited us to attend and share our thoughts and concerns at a series of listening posts that have been held throughout the Conference. The last of these--and the closest for us--will be **Tuesday**, **November 6 from 6:30 pm to 9 pm at Aldersgate UMC** (4069 Eastwood Lane, Warrensville Heights). You can find more information about this opportunity and pre-register for it at http://eocumc.com/gc/index.html. You can also email questions, comments, or suggestions to the East Ohio delegates directly at their shared email address: eoc2019gcdelegation@eocumc.com.

For more information and with questions, please contact Pastor Nathan at $\underline{nhowe@umcb.org}$ or $\underline{440-234-3525}$ $\underline{x101}$.

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Our Mission

Our mission is to make and mature disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

