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## NATIVE AMERICAN MINISTRIES SUNDAY

SUNDAY, MAY 5, 2019

Since 1988, we have been celebrating Native American individuals and congregations in the United Methodist community. Today, there are 149 Native American congregations within the United Methodist denomination and over 21,000 Native American individuals.

On Native American Ministries Sunday, we honor the unique and beautiful contributions of Native Americans by giving generously to a special fund set aside for seminary students and for congregations that are finding authentic ways to minister to their communities.

United Methodist Native American seminary students and congregations are empowered to develop new ways of doing church that honor the creative expression of the culture. They are enabled to form new ministry partnerships and coalitions, allowing the process of reconciliation, restoration and release between communities.

**WE ARE KNIT TOGETHER BY YOU.**

Psalm 139:13



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Please consider giving generously on Sunday, May 5, 2019. Together, we will make a lasting impact today. Your offering will reach across the country because...TOGETHER, WE DO MORE!

Learn more at [www.umciving.org/NAMS](http://www.umciving.org/NAMS).

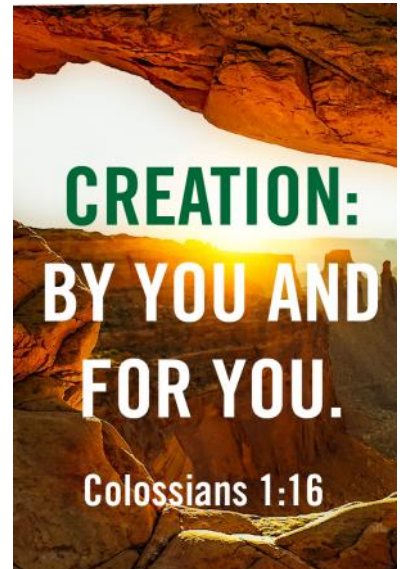
*With each sunrise, may we never forget that hope is always present.*

*With each sunrise, may we never forget*

*that this new day possesses new opportunities.*

*With each sunrise, may we never forget that this day is a gift from our Creator.*

*With each sunrise, may we never forget to work and proclaim good news to all of Creation. Amen.*



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## GUEST PREACHER

SUNDAY, MAY 5, 2019

8 AM, 9 AM, AND 11:15 AM WORSHIP SERVICES

During all three morning worship services on **Sunday, May 5**, we will welcome Rev. Andrew Lee, a missionary with the General Board of Global Ministries of The UMC serving as Country Director of the Methodist Mission in Cambodia. Our mission team to Cambodia was blessed to meet Andrew during our time there in January 2019, and we look forward to re-connecting with him on May 5 as our whole congregation continues building our connections with sisters and brothers in Christ in Cambodia.

For more information, please contact Pastor Nathan at 440-234-3525 x101 or [nhowe@umcb.org](mailto:nhowe@umcb.org).

CONNECTING, INVITING, & WELCOMING



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# Confirmation

SUNDAY, MAY 19, 2019

10:30 AM\*, SANCTUARY

We invite our whole church family and community to join us in celebrating the Confirmation of faith of these young people: Jared Blevins, Luke Rentsch, Janie Rohfeld, Andrew Sperry, Cameron Stallard, and Madelyn Williams. Please be sure to personally welcome them into membership with your prayers and presence!

For more information, please contact Pastor Carrie at 440-234-3525 x105 or [cantczak@umcb.org](mailto:cantczak@umcb.org).

*\*Please note there will be an adjusted worship schedule this Sunday with services at 8 AM in the Chapel and 10:30 AM in the Sanctuary.*

## THE CALLER

### FOR MEN WHO LIKE TO TALK! NEW - MEN'S GROUP AT PARKSIDE

ONCE A MONTH ON SATURDAYS AT 11 AM  
ONCE A MONTH ON MONDAYS AT 7 PM

PARKSIDE VILLA, 7040 HEPBURN ROAD,  
MIDDLEBURG HEIGHTS

The men of UMCB have been invited to meet with the male residents of Parkside Villa twice a month for fellowship. No agenda, no program. The only goal is to build relationships. As you can imagine, the male residents are outnumbered by female residents and a (mostly) female staff, and they love to get together with other men and talk. They meet one Saturday a month at 11 AM and one Monday evening a month at 7 PM. The exact dates are in the church calendar—Parkside Men's Group.

Interested?

Join us or see Linda McCowen, Phil Gehring, or Doug Thomson.

Or for more information, contact Linda McCowen at 440-434-7211 or [ismccowen@gmail.com](mailto:ismccowen@gmail.com).



## PLEASE TAKE NOTE: ADDRESS UPDATES

### Laurie Garvin

Grande Oaks Nursing & Rehab  
24579 Broadway Avenue, #214  
Oakwood Village, OH 44146



### Mary Lou McKissock

Generations Senior Living of Berea  
4 Berea Commons, Room 204  
Berea, Ohio 44017440-243-6681

## MAY 2019 REVISED COMMON LECTIONARY

<p><b>May 5, 2019</b> <b>Third Sunday of Easter</b> <b>Native American Ministries Sunday</b></p>	<p><b>Acts 9:1-6 (7-20)</b> Psalm 30 (UMH 762)</p>	<p>Revelation 1:4-8 John 20:19-31</p>
<p><b>May 12, 2019</b> <b>Fourth Sunday of Easter</b> <b>Festival of the Christian Home</b></p>	<p><b>Acts 9:36-43</b> Psalm 23 (UMH 754)</p>	<p>Revelation 7:9-17 John 10:22-30</p>
<p><b>May 19, 2019</b> <b>Fifth Sunday of Easter</b> <b>Confirmation</b></p>	<p>Acts 11:1-18 Psalm 148 (UMH 861)</p>	<p><b>Revelation 21:1-6</b> John 13:31-35</p>
<p><b>May 26, 2019</b> <b>Sixth Sunday of Easter</b></p>	<p>Acts 16:9-15 Psalm 67 (UMH 791)</p>	<p>Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5 <b>John 14:13-29</b></p>

The Lessons in **bold** are the Whirl Lessons for Sunday Children's Formation Classes.



## THE CALLER



FRIDAY, MAY 3, 2019 - 7 PM, ROOM 27

Adult Discipleship team invites you to enjoy a meaningful and entertaining movie night. We'll provide popcorn and beverages – bring a snack or treat to share if you wish! We'll watch a movie about a Ugandan girl sees who her world rapidly change after being introduced to the game of chess. The movie will be followed by discussion. (We can't share the title for copyright reasons but if you are curious, talk to Claire Powell.) The movie is rated PG, and filmed by Disney. Common Sense media says it is appropriate for children 10+. Join us for a great movie and great discussion!

For more information, please contact Claire Powell at **440-234-7625** or [cepohio@sbcglobal.net](mailto:cepohio@sbcglobal.net).

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### SUNDAY AFTERNOON HIKE

Sunday, May 26

4 PM, Rocky River Nature Center

Enjoy the beauty of God's creation! All are welcome to join us for a hike on the trails near the Rocky River Nature Center on Sunday, May 26. We will gather in our parking lot at 4 pm and then carpool to the Nature Center to begin our walk (weather-permitting).

If you plan to join us, please RSVP by the end of the day on Thursday, May 23 to Pastor Nathan at **440-234-3525 x101** or [nhowe@umcb.org](mailto:nhowe@umcb.org).



Tuesdays, beginning May 7

6:30 AM, Wallace Lake parking lot

As the days become longer and sunnier, it's a joy to get outside and get moving. It's also a great way to care for the bodies God has given us and to experience God's presence in creation.

All are welcome to join us on Tuesday mornings at 6:30 AM, beginning May 7. We will meet in the parking lot by Wallace Lake and head out on the all-purpose trail that runs beside Valley Parkway. Because we will be using the all-purpose trail, you are welcome to go at your own pace—walking, jogging, biking, etc.—and to whatever distance works for you. Join us!

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## CHURCH FAMILY PRAYER CONCERNS

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Janice Arnold  
 Bruce Akins  
 Betty Atherton  
 Heidi Blue  
 Fran Bobo  
 Jean Brenneison  
 Donna Dial  
 Cleda Fletcher  
 Laurie Garvin  
 Pat Harf  
 John Kappeler  
 Janice Kavander  
 Joyce McGee

Marcie Metz  
 Betty Miller  
 Rev. Cal Myers  
 Donna O'Brien  
 Esther O'Hearn  
 Barb Rochford  
 Lou Russell  
 Barbara Scoon  
 Carol Thompson  
 Victoria Thomson  
 Kathleen Wargelin  
 Kenneth Williams  
 Eva Williamson

### We reach out in Christian sympathy and love to...

...to Sherri Buehl and the Yost/Buehl family on the passing of her father, Glenn Yost. A Memorial Service will be held at 10:00 AM on Friday, March 29, 2019 at the Brunswick United Methodist Church, 1395 Pearl Road, Brunswick.

...the Hignett family on the passing of Helen Hignett on Friday, March 15, 2019. A Memorial Service will be held on Sunday, April 28, 2019 at 3:00 PM in the Sanctuary with a reception in the Gathering Place to follow.

...the Sheneman family on the passing of Jeanette Sheneman on Sunday, March 31, 2019. A Memorial Service was held at Babitt-Busch Funeral Home on Friday, April 5, 2019.

...to Dee Dee Murnan and family on the passing of Dave Murnan on Thursday, April 11, 2019. A Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, May 11, 2019 at 2:00 PM in the Sanctuary with a reception in the Gathering Place to follow.

### SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES

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*)  
 Jeff Patrick

*A full list of Prayer Concerns is available on the tables at the back of each worship space.*

*To receive Prayer Concerns by email, please email Beth in the church office at [info@umcb.org](mailto:info@umcb.org).*

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



## UMW PLANT SALE

SUNDAY MORNINGS, GATHERING PLACE

Spring is here! And that means working in the garden is just around the corner.

This year, UMW would like to help make your work a little easier and less stressful. We will be selling coupons, for \$16, that can be redeemed for a full flat of flowers, a full flat of vegetables, or mix and match a flat. If you'd rather have a 10" hanging basket, the coupon can be redeemed for that, too. Better yet, buy 2 coupons and you can get both! UMW is collaborating with J & J Greenhouse on Folley Road. You decide what you need, check what's available and pick out the plants you want. Oh, and bring a separate container and you receive up to 2 gallons of free liquid fertilizer.

Coupons are available on Sundays, in the Gathering Place or from UMW officers. Check the weekly bulletin and our bulletin board for more details. Thanks, in advance, for your support. Happy Gardening!

Questions? Please contact Carol Anne McCleery at 440-234-9078 or [mcmanistee7250@gmail.com](mailto:mcmanistee7250@gmail.com).

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### 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 generosity will benefit OhioGuidestone, Westside Community House, UMCB Youth Work Mission, Feminine Hygiene Kits for women and girls in Cambodia, and the UMCB church budget.

Molly Arthur, UMW

### A huge thank you to all of our church family who made Messy Easter an amazing event for over 200 people!

From our usual Messy Team organizing and leading activities and the meal, to adults and youth and even kids, who jumped in to help manage our unexpected turnout, we are so grateful! What a joy to see our folks leading in hospitality and service to our neighbors from several different cities.

Several guests shared with me that they would be back for more Messy events, and how welcomed they felt and grateful they were for this experience.

On top of it all, is knowing that most of our guests had never heard the Easter story or been to church before - and we had the privilege of sharing the love of God with them. Praise God!

Pastor Carrie

*Please consider joining our team for the Messy Church Carnival on May 19 - See Page 7 for more details.*

## TOGETHER WE DO MORE!

On March 31, 2019, a special offering for collected for UMCOR Sunday totaling \$1791.

Wow! Thank you for giving so generously.

These offerings and those from other congregations will be applied to the relief agency's annual operational and administrative costs so that UMCOR may apply 100% of other donations directly to relief efforts.

*See Page 1 for more information about our next special giving Sunday:  
Native American Ministries Sunday on May 5, 2019.*

## SPECIAL NEWS

FROM

## THE NORTH COAST DISTRICT

At the Spring District Conference on Saturday, March 30, 2019, Rev. Nathan Howe was named North Coast District Lay Servant Pastor of the Year. He was nominated for this honor in recognition of the work he does with the Leadership and Lay Servant Committee, including teaching courses for the Lay Servant Training workshops. Congratulations to Rev. Howe.

## 80<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

Mark Metz invites friends to celebrate his mother, Marci's 80<sup>th</sup> birthday on Saturday, May 18, 2019. Come anytime 3:00-6:00 PM in the Gathering Place. There will be food, fellowship, fun and sharing of memories.

Laurie Garvin reports that she had her final radiation treatment. Her doctors believe the radiation has done its job and she is cancer free at this time.

She wishes to thank UMCB for their prayers and support. Laurie feels firmly that they made all the difference.

## LOOSE CHANGE OFFERING

In April, the Loose Change offering of \$165.00 was collected for Youth Work Mission.

The Loose Change offering on May 12, 2019 will be collected for Berea Community Meal. *In cooperation with St. Paul's Lutheran and other Berea churches, we offer free meals on the last Wednesday of each month at 6:00 PM to community members.*



## THE CALLER

### COMMISSION ON THE STATUS AND ROLE OF WOMEN



Since so many women are becoming interested in politics, it is worth noting that Ohio contributed the first woman to run for the presidency - Victoria Clafin Woodhull. She was born in Homer, Ohio where you can see the sign outside her home! Victoria attended a debate between Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Frederick Douglass and she decided to advocate for the right to vote. Woodhull was the candidate in 1872 from the Equal Rights Party, supporting women's suffrage and equal rights. Frederick Douglass became her running mate. Although her "run" was only four weeks long, Victoria fanned the flames for women's rights.

Submitted by Jo Swanson

#### CATCH: A CHURCHWIDE PROGRAM FOR INVITATIONAL EVANGELISM

WEDNESDAY EVENINGS (7:30 PM) AND THURSDAY MORNINGS (10 AM) DURING MAY

Our congregation's goals for 2019 include increasing engagement with our local community, developing and implementing a comprehensive plan for hospitality and welcoming ministries, and creating a process to help all people connect with the life of The UMC of Berea and the discipleship pathway. To help us live into this important work as a congregation this year, please prayerfully consider participating in a churchwide study called, "Catch."

We will meet on Wednesday evenings at 7:30 pm and Thursday mornings at 10 am during the month of May (beginning Wednesday, May 1 and Thursday, May 2). Please join us at either time, whichever best fits your schedule. All are welcome!

For more information, please contact Pastor Nathan at **440-234-3525 x101** or [nhowe@umcb.org](mailto:nhowe@umcb.org).

#### READ & GROW BOOK GROUP

MAY 13, 2019 - 6:30-7:45 PM, PARLOR

We will discuss **The Whole Town's Talking** first and then discuss and choose our books for 2019-2020 year. **You are always welcome to join us.**

**The Whole Town's Talking** by Fannie Flagg

*Elmwood Springs, MO, is a small town like any other, but something strange is happening at the cemetery. Lordor Nordstrom, in his wisdom, created not only a lively town, but a prosperous legacy for himself. Odd things begin to happen and it starts the whole town talking.*

For more information, please call Janet Mallarnee **440-235-7331**, Betsy Meikle **440-243-5767**, or Jan Harlamert **440-243-7126**.

#### LOOKING AHEAD: 2019-2020 SMALL GROUP FOR CONTEMPLATIVE STUDY SUNDAY MORNINGS DURING CHRISTIAN FORMATION

In 2006 Dr. Mark Collier initiated a small group for a contemplative study of writings from Thomas Merton, who was a Trappist monk, writer, theologian, mystic, poet, social activist and scholar of comparative religion. Participants throughout the years have grown in their comfort level with the contemplative dialogue process and come to see the power and potential of engaging in this way with one another.

Source materials have included **Convictions: How I Learned What Matters Most** by progressive theologian and New Testament scholar Marcus Borg and **Living Buddha, Living Christ** by Vietnamese Buddhist monk and peace activist Thich Nhat Hanh as well as collections of sermons from prominent preachers such as Barbara Brown Taylor, Peter Gomes and Frederick Buechner.

**Grounded: Finding God in the World - A Spiritual Revolution** by historian Diana Butler Bass, who focuses on the history of Christianity, was used in the 2018-2019 sessions. A copy of the book will be donated to the church library in honor of Mark Collier and in appreciation for his thirteen years leading the contemplative group.

Please watch future issues of The Caller for information about the 2019-2020 book choice. There will be space around our table for a least five additional participants.

If you want to know more about practicing contemplative dialogue on your faith journey, please contact Pat Nixon at **440-532-9486** or [pn1047@gmail.com](mailto:pn1047@gmail.com).

TEACHING & LEARNING TOGETHER

## THE CALLER

### YOUTH GROUP

SUNDAYS, 5-6:30 PM, RM 31-32  
(UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED)

OPEN TO 7TH-12TH GRADERS

For more information about these events,  
contact Pastor Carrie at  
[cantczak@umcb.org](mailto:cantczak@umcb.org) or 440-234-3525 x105.

**May 5 - Gather**  
Fun & Games

**May 12 - Grow**  
End of Year Bible Study

**May 19**  
Confirmation Sunday  
Messy Church, 4-6 pm

**May 26**  
Memorial Day Weekend  
No Youth Group



MAY 19, 2019 - 4-6 PM, FIRST FLOOR

Invite friends now to join us for a fun, faith-filled time at the Messy Church Carnival! Fun games, crafts, and of course Messy things will be enjoyed by all!

This month's Messy Celebration will focus on Communion:  
**All are welcome at God's table!**

Carnival style dinner will be sure to be a hit!

We were pleased to hit a record of Messy Church guests in April - over 200! So we anticipate a large crowd of repeat guests in May.

Please consider joining the Messy team - there are many roles you can play! From really getting messy in Messy Play, to helping with dinner, to sharing music in Celebration, to being a host or designated friend! We would love to share with you the JOY of sharing the LOVE of God at Messy Church!

For more information, please contact Carolyn Williams at 440-570-2913 or [weaseltv@msn.com](mailto:weaseltv@msn.com).

### GIRLS HYGIENE KIT SEWING DAY

SUNDAY, MAY 19, 2019

2 PM, WESTLAKE UMC  
27650 CENTER RIDGE RD, WESTLAKE  
ROOMS 106 AND 107

Join Westlake UMC and The UMC of Berea as we make hygiene kits to send to Cambodia with the East Ohio team this summer.

These kits are filled with reusable feminine hygiene products that enable girls to go to school uninterrupted. Health education training is also provided to the girls when they receive the kits.

We need volunteers with sewing machines, scissors, material, and thread, and willing hands to work together to create these kits that can make a change in a girl's life. No sewing knowledge necessary! There are many steps that you can do!

We also need cotton, both lightweight and heavier, and flannel, preferably dark, vibrant colors with coordinating prints. In choosing fabric, please do NOT use fabric that has: patriotic images, camouflage, advertising, hand prints, foot prints, or paw prints.

Let us know what materials you can bring with you so we can plan accordingly. Please RSVP to Megan Howe at 419-618-6176 or [paxchristi205@yahoo.com](mailto:paxchristi205@yahoo.com).



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

We live into our mission by:

