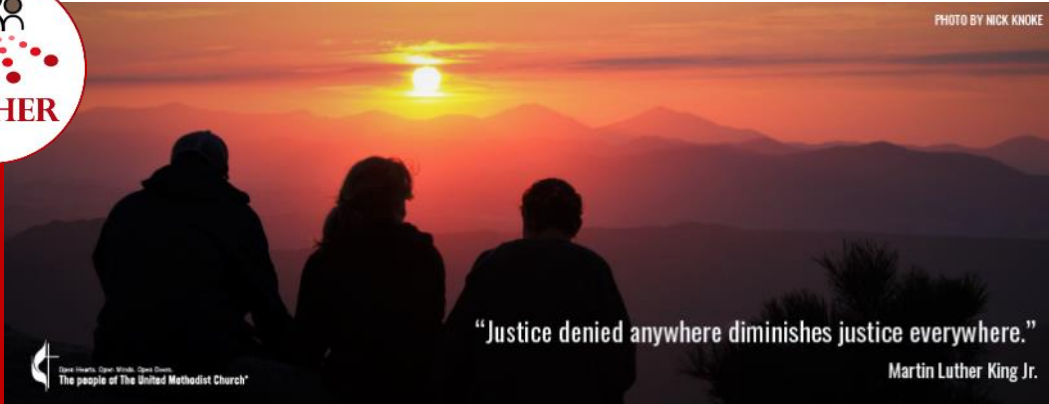




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Summer WORSHIP SCHEDULE

This summer, we will **not** change our Sunday morning worship schedule, so please continue to join us at:

8:00 AM
in the Chapel

9:00 AM
in Wesley Hall

*10:00 AM
Christian Formation
Opportunities will be made
available at this time
throughout the summer.
Watch for upcoming
announcements.*

11:15 AM
in the Sanctuary

during the coming
summer months.

On days when the temperature is very high, the 11:15 AM worship service may be moved to Wesley Hall, which is air-conditioned.

If you have any questions about this planned worship schedule for the summer, please contact Pastor Nathan at nhowe@umcb.org or 440-234-3525 x101.

CONNECTING, INVITING, & WELCOMING

PEACE WITH JUSTICE SUNDAY

SUNDAY, JUNE 16, 2019

On Peace with Justice Sunday, we are reminded that when God's children suffer injustice, Jesus suffers with them.

God asks, "Are you building up peace with justice?" As disciples, we are compelled to respond to God's mission, saying, in the words of Isaiah's vision, "Here I am. Send me."

It doesn't matter where we live, our nationality or our ethnicity. It doesn't matter what other people are doing or are not doing. When we experience our connectedness in the Divine, we realize that we cannot tolerate that sisters and brothers in our community or the world are hungry, thirsty, naked, sick, or lonely. "And the king will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me."

Connectional giving through offerings like Peace with Justice Sunday provides an opportunity for us to share the costs of worldwide ministry with other United Methodists. From the Democratic Republic of Congo where local United Methodist church members mentor former child soldiers, to a peace march organized by United Methodists in Iowa, to developing nonviolent strategies that address the cold war in the Korean Peninsula, Peace with Justice is a faithful and biblical expression of shalom. It calls the church to strengthen our capacity to advocate publicly in communities and nations throughout the world by saying, "Here I am. Send me."

Please consider giving generously on Sunday, June 16, 2019 because...

TOGETHER, WE DO MORE!

Learn more at www.umcsgiving.org/PWJS.

JUNE 2019 REVISED COMMON LECTIONARY



CONNECTING, INVITING, & WELCOMING

<p>Sunday, June 2, 2019 Seventh Sunday of Easter Ascension Sunday</p>	<p>Acts 16:16-34 Psalm 97 (UMH 816) Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21 John 17:20-26</p>
<p>Sunday, June 9, 2019 Day of Pentecost</p>	<p>Acts 2:1-21 Psalm 104:24-34, 35b (UMH 826) Romans 8:14-17 John 14:8-17 (25-27)</p>
<p>Sunday, June 16, 2019 Trinity Sunday Peace with Justice Sunday</p>	<p>Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31 Psalm 8 (UMH 743) Romans 5:1-5 John 16:12-15</p>
<p>Sunday, June 23, 2019 Second Sunday after Pentecost</p>	<p>1 Kings 19:1-15a Psalm 42 (UMH 777) Galatians 3:23-29 Luke 8:26-39</p>
<p>Sunday, June 30, 2019 Third Sunday after Pentecost</p>	<p>2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14 Psalm 77:1-2, 11-20 (UMH 798) Galatians 5:1, 13-25 Luke 9:51-62</p>



SING PRAISES TO HIM;
 TELL OF ALL HIS WONDERFUL WORKS.

PSALM 105:2

HYMN SING

THURSDAY, JUNE 27, 2019

7:00 PM, FELLOWSHIP HALL

Singing is good for the soul!

Take a pause that refreshes!!

The NEWSingers invites everyone to a Hymn Sing on Thursday June 27, 2019 at 7:00 PM in Fellowship Hall. We'll sing hymns (old and new) and share some stories, then enjoy fellowship and light refreshments.

Come! Bring yourself, friends and family of all ages!

Enjoy an hour of song, love, and fellowship!



THE CALLER

HAVE YOU MET OUR SUMMER MINISTRY INTERN?



Erin is a 21 year old college student from North Ridgeville, Ohio. She is a full time student at Lorain County Community College where she is working towards her associates in human services. Erin plans to get her bachelors in Non-Profit Administration before going on to seminary.

In her free time, she can usually be found enjoying the outdoors with her elderly golden retriever, Sparkles. They enjoy walking together as well as sitting outside reading, drawing, or playing fetch together. Erin also enjoys spending time with the human members of her family which includes her two older brothers and her parents as well as a very large extended family. She is a family oriented person but she very much so enjoys meeting new people.

Erin was raised Roman Catholic but has been attending the United Methodist Church since 2016 and has been a member of the Avon United Methodist Church since November 2018. She looks forward to spending the summer at the United Methodist Church of Berea where she expects to meet many new people and work in various areas of ministry in order to discern her personal call to ministry.

We are excited to have Erin join our team this summer as she explores her gifts for ministry. If you have not already done so, please take a moment to introduce yourself to Erin.

You can email Erin at intern@umcb.org or call her at **440-234-3525 x104**.

CHURCH FAMILY PRAYER CONCERNS

Janice Arnold
Bruce Akins
Betty Atherton
Heidi Blue
Jean Brenneison
Donna Dial
Cleda Fletcher
Laurie Garvin
Pat Harf
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
Dave Thurau
Kathleen Wargelin
Kenneth Williams
Eva Williamson

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

WE REACH OUT IN CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY AND LOVE TO...



...to Carol Kappeler and family on the passing of John Kappeler on Sunday, April 21, 2019. A Memorial Service was held on Friday, April 26.
...Robert "Jeff" Jeffries and family on the passing of Barb Jeffries on Tuesday, April 30, 2019. A Memorial Service was held on Saturday, May 4.
...the family of Fran Bobo. Fran passed on Sunday, May 5, 2019. A Memorial Service was held on Wednesday, May 8, 2019.

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.

*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**).*



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR CONFIRMATION CLASS

RECEIVED INTO MEMBERSHIP MAY 19, 2019

We are excited to celebrate with, and welcome into membership our Confirmation Class of 2019: Jared Blevins, Luke Rentsch, Jane Rohfeld, Andrew Sperry, Cameron Stallard, and Madalyn Williams .



Please be sure to personally welcome them into membership!

CELEBRATING GOD'S LOVE

TOGETHER WE DO MORE!

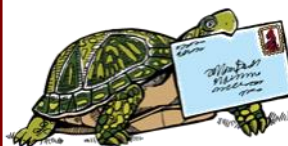
On May 5, 2019, a special offering for collected for Native American Ministries Sunday totaling \$614.

These offerings and those from other congregations will be given to a special fund set aside for United Methodist Native American seminary students and for congregations, empowering them to develop new ways of doing church that honor the creative expression of the culture and allowing the process of reconciliation, restoration and release between communities.

See Page 1 for more information about our next special giving Sunday:



Peace with Justice Sunday on June 16, 2019.



PLEASE TAKE NOTE: ADDRESS UPDATE

Buck Stultz (husband of the Rev. Valerie Stultz)
100 Delaware Crossing, Apt. 2001
Delaware, OH 43015

LOOSE CHANGE OFFERING

In May, the Loose Change offering of \$94.16 was collected for Berea Community Meal.

The Loose Change offering on June 9, 2019 will be collected for The United Methodist Church of Berea & Church in the Circle Neighborhood Meal.

See Page 7 for more information about the Neighborhood Luncheon & how to get involved.





SUMMER CHILDREN'S CHURCH

SUNDAYS BEGINNING JUNE 2ND

DURING *arise!* SERVICE,
AFTER CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

FELLOWSHIP HALL

We are excited to share that faith formation for children and youth will continue over the summer! Children in preschool – youth are welcome, after the children's moment in *arise!*, to join an adult leader in Fellowship Hall. They will learn about compassion, through story-telling, games, and art. They will dig deep into reflection about what compassion means as Christians.

If you're interested in helping with this faith formation time, please contact Julie DiFrancesco at julie.difrancesco@gmail.com or Pastor Carrie at 440-234-3525 x105.



YOUTH GROUP

OPEN TO
7TH - 12TH GRADERS

June 2, 5:00 PM, RM 31-32
Last Youth Work Mission Meeting

June 7-9
Youth Annual Conference at Lakeside

June 23-29
Youth Work Mission in Colorado Springs

July 7, 7:00 PM
Youth Work Mission Ice-Cream Social

July 15-19, 9:00 AM - Noon
Vacation Bible School - Help needed - See Page 5

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



HEADING TO MARS, SOON, FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL!

JULY 15 – 19

9:00 AM - NOON

UMCB FIRST FLOOR

Join us on a journey to Mars and Beyond as we explore where God's power can take us!

Currently seeking Station Leaders, Station Assistants, Star Guides, Space Volunteers, and more!

Hey Parents, Grandparents, Neighbors, & Kids!
Let's blast off to Mars and Beyond this summer!

VBS is open to all kids,
Preschool – completed 5th grade.

Youth, you get to help out on this mission!

Registration is now open!
Forms can be found outside of Room 13, and the Children's Formation page of our website at www.umcb.org.



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

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Please check our online calendar (www.umcb.org/upcoming-events/) for the most current events and information.</p>	<p>Family Life Center Day Camp June 10, 2019 – August 16, 2019 Monday – Friday 6:30 AM -6:30 PM</p>					<p>1 9:30 AM UMW Executive Board 10:00 AM Girls Hygiene Kit Sewing Day #2 1:00 PM Girl Scouts</p>
<p>2 Seventh Sunday of Easter Ascension Sunday 8:00 AM Traditional Worship 9:00 AM <i>arise!</i> Worship with Praise Band 9:30 AM Children's Church 10:00 AM Christian Formation 11:15 AM Traditional Worship 2:30 PM Hapkido 5:00 PM Youth Work Mission Meeting 6:30 PM Boy Scouts #228</p>	<p>3 11:30 AM Survivors Fellowship at Tony K's 6:30 PM Girl Scouts #77113 6:30 PM Stephen Ministry Training 7:00 PM Staff Parish Relations Committee</p>	<p>4 6:30 AM Let's Get Moving 9:00 AM Quilters 9:00 AM Bible Study 10:00 AM Intercessory Prayer 1:30 PM Staff Meeting 4:00 PM Family Life Center Parent Meeting 6:00 PM Cub Pack #107 6:00 PM Strawberry Festival prep 7:00 PM Alcoholics</p>	<p>5 10:00 AM Hanson House TBI Support Group 5:30 PM Pickleball 5:30 PM Strawberry Festival 7:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous 7:00 PM Evening Prayers</p>	<p>6 1:00 PM Organist Rehearsal 5:00 PM Girl Scouts #70325 / #70020 5:30 PM Eagle Scout Review 7:00 PM Square Dancing 7:30 PM Alcoholics Anonymous</p>	<p>7 Youth Annual Conference 6:30 PM Girl Scouts #71718 8:30 PM Alcoholics Anonymous</p>	<p>8 Youth Annual Conference 8:00 AM Family Life Center Teacher Meeting TBA</p>
<p>9 Day of Pentecost <i>Youth Annual Conference</i> 8:00 AM Traditional Worship 9:00 AM <i>arise!</i> Worship with Praise Band 9:30 AM Children's Church 10:00 AM Christian Formation 11:15 AM Traditional Worship 2:30 PM Hapkido 2:30 PM Worship at Parkside Villa 6:30 PM Boy Scouts #228</p>	<p>10 Annual Conference 11:30 AM Survivors Fellowship/ Lunch at Mateo's 6:30 PM Girl Scouts #71305 6:30 PM Girl Scouts #77113 6:30 PM Stephen Ministers 6:30 PM Stephen Ministry Training</p>	<p>11 Annual Conference 6:30 AM Let's Get Moving 9:00 AM Quilters 9:00 AM Bible Study 10:00 AM Active Sr. Network Lunch (rain location) 10:00 AM Intercessory Prayer 7:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous</p>	<p>12 Annual Conference 10:00 AM Hanson House TBI Support Group 12:00 PM Investing with Limited Resources 5:30 PM Pickleball 7:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous 7:00 PM Evening Prayers</p>	<p>13 Annual Conference 1:00 PM Organist Rehearsal 5:00 PM Girl Scouts #70325 / #70020 6:00 PM Boy Scout District Roundtable 7:00 PM Square Dancing 7:30 PM Alcoholics Anonymous</p>	<p>14 6:00 PM Scouts #71008 8:30 PM Alcoholics Anonymous</p>	<p>15 CALLER SUBMISSIONS DUE 9:00 AM Church & Society 10:00 AM Western Reserve Postcard Club</p>

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<p>23 Second Sunday after Pentecost Youth Work Mission Trip 8:00 AM Traditional Worship 9:00 AM <i>arise!</i> Worship with Praise Band 9:30 AM Children's Church 10:00 AM Christian Formation 11:15 AM Traditional Worship 2:30 PM Hapkido 6:30 PM Boy Scouts #228</p>	<p>24 Youth Work Mission Trip 11:30 AM Survivors Fellowship at Berea Depot 6:30 PM Girl Scouts #77113 6:30 PM Stephen Ministry Training</p>	<p>25 Youth Work Mission Trip 6:30 AM Let's Get Moving 9:00 AM Quilters 9:00 AM Bible Study 10:00 AM Intercessory Prayer 1:30 PM Staff Meeting 7:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous</p>	<p>26 Youth Work Mission Trip 9:00 AM Caller Assembly 10:00 AM Hanson House TBI Support Group 5:30 PM Pickleball 7:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous 7:00 PM Evening Prayers</p>	<p>27 Youth Work Mission Trip 1:00 PM Organist Rehearsal 7:00 PM Hymn Sing with the NEWSingers 7:00 PM Square Dancing 7:30 PM Alcoholics Anonymous</p>	<p>28 Youth Work Mission Trip 8:30 PM Alcoholics Anonymous</p>	<p>29 Youth Work Mission Trip 8:00 PM Our Savior Church overnight</p>
<p>30 Third Sunday after Pentecost 8:00 AM Traditional Worship 9:00 AM <i>arise!</i> Worship with Praise Band 9:30 AM Children's Church 10:00 AM Christian Formation 11:15 AM Traditional Worship 12:30 PM Neighborhood Lunch at Church in the Circle 2:30 PM Hapkido</p>						
<p>Staff Phone Extensions/Emails</p>						
<p>100 - Church Office/Beth Barner ebarner@umcb.org (Office Manager)</p>						
<p>101 - Rev. Dr. Nathan Howe nhowe@umcb.org (Pastor)</p>						
<p>102 - Mark Williams mwilliams@umcb.org (Facilities Manager)</p>						
<p>103 - Joanne Mansfield jmansfield@umcb.org (Finance and Membership Secretary)</p>						
<p>104- Erin Becks intern@umcb.org (Summer Ministry Intern)</p>						
<p>105 - Rev. Carrie Antczak cantczak@umcb.org (Pastor of Christian Formation and Outreach)</p>						
<p>Church Office Hours: Monday - Friday, 9 AM - 3 PM</p>						



JULY 26-28

FIRST FLOOR

A multigenerational summer retreat experience is coming soon!

We look forward to an outdoor potluck, Baptism opportunity, and hearing big band music from the Scimitars on Friday evening.

On Saturday morning, we'll have the opportunity and blessing to be engaged in several outreach activities. After a provided lunch, we'll gather with Rev. Sharon Seyfarth Garner, spiritual director and author of *Praying with Mandalas*, to join us as explore different Spiritual Disciplines.

All week, we will also have a labyrinth set up in the Parlor for anyone to come and enjoy this special spiritual practice.

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

Registration forms can be found on the table outside of Room 12, or you can register online at www.umcb.org/renew-weekend-2019.

Join us for part, or all, of the renewing faith formation opportunities.

Volunteers are greatly appreciated and needed.

If you are interested in learning about the various volunteer opportunities, please contact Pastor Carrie at 440-234-3525 x105 or cantczak@umcb.org.

For more information about ReNew Weekend, please contact Claire Powell at 440-234-7625 or cepohio@sbcglobal.net.

COMMISSION ON THE STATUS AND ROLE OF WOMEN

At the time when our UMC was founded, women were discouraged from speaking in public! Proper decorum did not allow women to stand in public and speak. Women could speak with their fellow church ladies but not in a mixed audience, as this was deemed "promiscuous".

Elizabeth Cady Stanton stood up in the Methodist meeting house in Seneca Falls, New York. (You can visit there!) and demanded the "vote" for women.

April's COSROW high-lighted the first woman to run for the presidency, Victoria Woodhull. She shocked everyone by accepting the nomination!!!

Now check out the upcoming elections.
How times have changed!

Submitted by Jo Swanson

THE FIRST CONVENTION

EVER CALLED TO DISCUSS THE

Civil and Political Rights of Women,

SENECA FALLS, N. Y., JULY 19, 20, 1848.

WOMAN'S RIGHTS CONVENTION.

A Convention to discuss the social, civil, and religious condition and rights of woman will be held in the Wesleyan Chapel, at Seneca Falls, N. Y., on Wednesday and Thursday, the 19th and 20th of July current; commencing at 10 o'clock A. M. During the first day the meeting will be exclusively for women, who are earnestly invited to attend. The public generally are invited to be present on the second day, when Lucretia Mott, of Philadelphia, and other ladies and gentlemen, will address the Convention.*

* This call was published in the *Seneca County Courier*, July 14, 1848, without any signatures. The movers of this Convention, who drafted the call, the declaration and resolutions were Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Lucretia Mott, Martha C. Wright, Mary Ann McClintock, and Jane C. Hunt.

THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF BEREA
AND



CHURCH IN THE CIRCLE
UNIVERSITY CIRCLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

NEIGHBORHOOD LUNCHEON

THE LAST SUNDAY OF EVERY OTHER MONTH INCLUDING JUNE 30
AT CHURCH IN THE CIRCLE

The Neighborhood luncheon has been a mission partnership with Church in the Circle for over 20 years. The purpose is to provide a nutritious meal to those in need at the end of every month. The United Methodist Church of Berea participates at the end of the month every other month. Your continued support of this community meal is appreciated and welcomed by all who attend.

See the new sign up location on the Mission and Outreach board by Room 13 or contact Claire Powell at 440-234-7625 or cepohio@sbcglobal.net.

GIRLS HYGIENE KIT SEWING DAY #2



SATURDAY JUNE 1, 2019

10 AM - 2 PM

(PLEASE BRING A SACK LUNCH)

WESTLAKE UMC

ROOMS 106 AND 107

27650 CENTER RIDGE RD

WESTLAKE

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.

If you have a sewing machine with a serger, you are especially needed!!

Don't sew? Don't worry! There are many steps that don't require sewing too!

All volunteers with willing hands are appreciated and welcome. By working together, we can create these kits that can make a change in a girl's life.

For more information, please contact Megan Howe at 419-618-6176 or paxchristi205@yahoo.com.

THE CALLER

PRAYER & PEACEFUL PRESENCE VIGIL

JULY 11, 2019

4:00 PM (MEET FOR CARPOOLING AT 3:30 PM)

BROOKLYN HEIGHTS ICE OFFICE
925 KEYNOTE CIRCLE
BROOKLYN HEIGHTS, OH 44131



For the past several months, people of faith have been gathering weekly for interfaith vigils outside the office of Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) in Brooklyn Heights.

At these vigils we pray, sing, hold silence, lift up prophetic values of justice and compassion, and exhort those in power to work from that set of values. Each week in prayer, we name the reality of families being separated by immigration practices. We pray that God's intervention, power, grace, and comfort enter into these situations of suffering and despair.

Our church has volunteered to share in prayer and peaceful presence on July 11 at 4 PM. We will carpool from the UMCB parking lot at 3:30 PM.

If you are interested in joining us, please let Pastor Carrie know at **440-234-3525 x105** or cantczak@umcb.org.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT, COMPASSION, & JUSTICE

“Feed the Kids” Summer Lunch Program

July 29-August 2
Noon - 1:00 PM



Peoples Community Church
631 N. Rocky River Dr.
and
St. Mary's School
265 Baker Street

Local churches have partnered again this summer to provide lunches to Berea area children for the “Feed the Kids” Summer Lunch program. Brown bag lunches will be distributed June 10 through August 16 at two locations: Peoples Community Church and St. Mary's School. Our church will collect items, pack lunches, and distribute lunches the week of July 29 through August 2.

To sign up to help and watch for future information on items needed, please contact Bobbie DiNicola at **440-668-5035** or bdinicola@wowway.com.

AFS INTERCULTURAL PROGRAMS SEEKS HOST HOMES

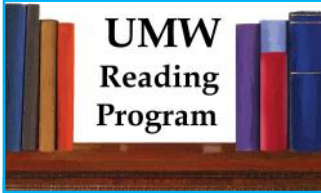
FOR THE 2019-2020 SCHOOL YEAR

Have you considered hosting an international student for a semester or year in your home?

The whole family benefits from such a learning experience as they learn about themselves, a new culture and even their own, in a new way, through a teen's eyes, ultimately building a relationship which can last a lifetime. The commitment is to offer room and board and the same loving guidance you'd want your child to receive from a host family. All styles of families make good hosts. AFS students come with some English skills, spending money and medical coverage. They receive orientations before arrival and several during their exchange plus there is local support through area volunteers.

Students will be arriving in August and are anxiously waiting to hear who will host them. The sooner you apply, the more time you'll have to get acquainted before they arrive this summer.

To find out more about how to be considered for this adventure of a lifetime, please contact Nancy Goette at **440-234-3821** or nagoette@yahoo.com.



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THE SAME SKY

BY AMANDA EYRE WARD

There are two concurrent stories in the novel **The Same Sky** by Amanda Eyre Ward. Carla is a 12-year-old girl living in a violent city in Honduras with her little brother Junior and her grandmother. When her grandmother dies, she cannot support herself and Junior by collecting junk at the dump, and so she decides to try to make the hazardous journey to the U.S. with Junior and a few other people. This story chronicles their treacherous trip through Mexico to reach Texas where her mother works.

On the other hand, Alice and Jake are a successful middle class couple who own a restaurant in Austin. Even though their lives would seem happy and stress free compared to Carla and Junior, they have some difficulties, also. The author brings the two stories together in a surprising way that solves several problems. It is in the category of "Nurturing for Community."

CALLING FOR BOOKS!!

Please search your shelves for these books that have been checked out since last year:

50 Women Every Christian Should Know

On This Spirit Walk, Sally Ride

I Am Malala (2 copies)

Strong Was Her Faith

Outcasts United

This Will Be Remembered of Her

Key United Methodist Beliefs

Bus to Corinth

The White Umbrella

Uprising: A New Age Is Dawning for Every Mother's Daughter

If you need two or three months to read a book, that's fine. But if the book has been at your house since last year, it's time to bring it back to share with other readers.

ALPINE ODYSSEY 2020

INCLUDING THE OBERAGAMMERAU PASSION PLAY

JUNE 29 - JULY 7, 2020

LED BY DON BERKEY (IN CONJUNCTION WITH EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES)

Join Don Berkey (who facilitated our Love & Logic Workshop) on a nine-day Alpine Odyssey Trip from June 29 – July 7, 2020. Tour **Munich** – with its historic Opera House, Hofbrauhaus and Glockenspiel; **Innsbruck** (host of two Winter Olympics) – with its quaint medieval streets, castles and churches; and **Salzburg** (birthplace of Mozart) – with a musical adventure including the Leopoldskron Palace from the "Sound of Music", and a visit to Neuschwanstein Castle that inspired Walt Disney. You will also have the opportunity to extend your trip, for an additional three days, in the countries of Italy or Switzerland.

The highlight for many will be attending the famous **Oberammergau Passion Play**. This one-of-a-kind event is a musical and dramatic presentation of the events of Holy Week, lasting 5 ½ hours (divided into two parts with dinner). The Passion Play dates back to 1633. After months of suffering from the Bubonic Plague, the people of Oberammergau promised God if He would spare their town, they would perform every ten years the "Story of Suffering, Dying and Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ". They all survived and from that point on, the town has remained true to its promise. The first performance was in 1634 and moved to the turn of the decade in 1680. To be a member of the cast one has to live in Oberammergau for at least 20 years and must be an amateur. Villagers make all the costumes and grow their hair and beards. Over half the town, of approximately 2,000 villagers, will perform this memorable event for the 41st time.

Germany ... Austria ... Oberammergau Passion Play (only once every 10 years) ... travel with your church family that share your passion for life and life-long experiences ... this is a truly unique way to spend the summer of 2020!

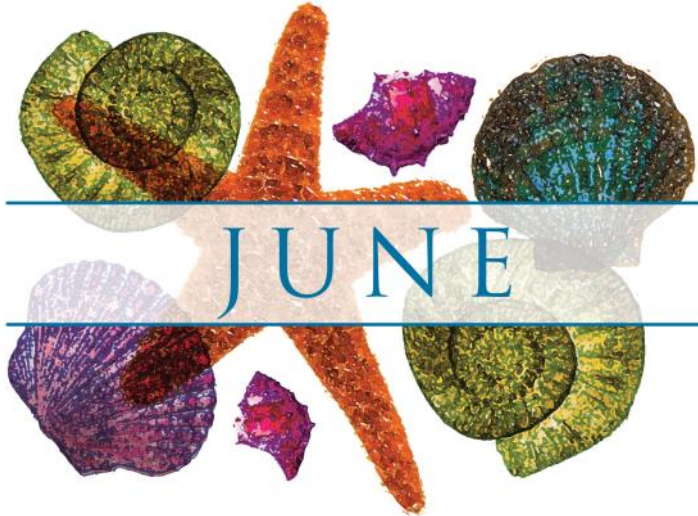
Don Berkey (in conjunction with Educational Opportunities) will be your liaison, coordinator and guide through this experience. Brochures with complete details, including how to register online, are available outside the church office. If you have any questions, would like a brochure emailed to you, or would like assistance with the registration process, you may contact Don Berkey at **440-667-6374** or DFBRef@aol.com.

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Our Mission

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

We live into our mission by:

