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RALLY DAY PRAYER REQUEST

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8



Mark your calendars now for Rally Day! This is the exciting kick-off to our faith formation year. All ages of faith formation will resume or begin new units. As you prepare for fall here are some prayers we'd appreciate:

- * For our children and youth disciples
- * For adult disciples
- * For community members whom we will invite to worship, formation, and service opportunities
- * For teachers and leaders of faith formation classes and groups
- * For teachers and staff in our mission partner school, Grindstone Elementary
- * For teachers and care providers in our mission partner, OhioGuidestone

Feeling led to help teach or facilitate a group of disciples? There are short-term and long-term opportunities for faithful leadership. To discuss possibilities, please reach out to Pastor Carrie at 440-234-3525 x 105 or cantczak@umcb.org.

TEACHING & LEARNING TOGETHER

FALL ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Beginning Sunday, September 8

As we approach "back to school" season, now is a great time to begin prayerfully considering how you will take your soul "back to school" for continued faith growth. Each group has a symbol next to it to help you know which group may be helpful for you as you continue on your discipleship path.



Getting Your Feet Wet is perfect for those new to faith.



Wading Out is great for those ready to go a bit deeper in their faith.



Going Deep groups are helpful for those committed to discipleship and deep faith growth.

Beginning in September, you can look forward to, and prayerfully consider the faith formation small community groups and classes on the next two pages.



THE CALLER

SUNDAY MORNINGS AT 10 AM

Homebuilders

Parlor

Join them beginning September 22nd for *Half Truths* by Adam Hamilton. Explore popular sayings that miss the point.

True or false:

1. Everything happens for a reason.
2. God helps those who help themselves.
3. God won't give you more than you can handle.
4. God said it, I believe it, that settles it.
5. Love the sinner, hate the sin.

All true? Not so fast. We've heard these phrases all of our lives, but in this study you'll learn that although they capture some element of truth, when compared to the wisdom found in Scripture, they're really just popular sayings.



Covenant Bible Study

Room 12

(Series 2 for original group, and a new group beginning with series 1). This in-depth Bible study will give you a firm foundation for faith growth. Perfect for those new to Bible Study, and seasoned study participants. Everyone will learn something, about the Bible, themselves, and their small group.



Parent's Group

Room 26

will continue! They will most likely participate in a short study (no homework!), followed by a few weeks of open discussion. Come for support and friendship!



FaithLink

Library

Delve into current events and how our faith shapes our prayerful response.



Contemplative Small Group

Wesley Parlor

*Since 2006 a small group for contemplative study of faith writings has reflected on an array of books. **HOLY ENVY: FINDING GOD IN THE FAITH OF OTHERS** by Barbara Brown Taylor will be used this fall. There will be space for a least five additional participants. Please contact Pat Nixon at **440-532-9486** or pn1047@gmail.com if you want to know more or join the group.*

DAY & TIME YET TO BE DETERMINED

A Disciple's Path

*Come to explore discipleship on a personal and deep level. Learn about the United Methodist Church, and explore what membership might mean for you. This class is open to those considering membership, and current members seeking to deepen their discipleship. To express your interest, please contact Pastor Nathan at **440-234-3525 x101** or nhowe@umcb.org.*



Membership Class for Youth Grades 9-12

See the Youth Ministry section at the top of Page 4 for more information.



THE CALLER

OPPORTUNITIES DURING THE WEEK

Tuesday Morning Bible Study

Tuesday, 9:00 AM, Room 13

Resuming on September 3 with Adam Hamilton's Making Sense of the Bible, the group prepares for a year full of biblical study and reflection.



Wednesday Morning Mom's Group,

Every other Wednesday, 9:30 AM, Room 11 (Nursery)

Meeting every other Wednesday morning, this group welcomes all moms with all ages of children. Little ones will play alongside us as we grow in friendship and faith.

OTHER OPPORTUNITIES



Messy Church

Third Sunday of Each Month

Messy Church is for all ages! Start praying now about who you can bring to this family-friendly faith formation and fun experience!



JOIN US FOR SEPTEMBER'S MESSY CHURCH

SEPTEMBER 15, 4-6PM, FIRST FLOOR

Can you believe Messy Church is in its third year already? We've been so blessed to make so many friends, introduce so many to faith and faithful community, and we've had so much fun getting messy together!

The journey continues! Some still are wondering though, what is Messy Church? Messy Church is a global movement we've joined in on – it's a way of being church for all-ages. Messy Church-goers join in experiencing fun and faith formative activities. It is based on the values of all-ages together, celebration, creativity, hospitality, and centering ourselves in Christ. There are several ways you can support Messy Church:

- * Come and bring others – this isn't something you just invite people to – rather, we ask that you bring them with you and participate together. All ages are welcome.
- * Volunteer – helping lead an activity, helping with a meal, or sharing in worship are easy when the expectation is to be messy.
- * Prayers – pray for our Messy Team, and those new to our church community who are trying us out for the first time.

Thank you for your support and enthusiasm for all things Messy!



SEPTEMBER YOUTH GROUP

SUNDAYS, 5-6:30 PM (UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED), ROOM 31-32
OPEN TO 7TH - 12TH GRADERS

SEPTEMBER 1

Labor Day Weekend - No Youth Group

SEPTEMBER 8

Life 101 – Bike & Car Maintenance

SEPTEMBER 15, 4-6 PM

Messy Church (See Page 3 for more details)

SEPTEMBER 22, 3-6 PM

Youth Poverty Simulation, off site

SEPTEMBER 29

Youth Work Mission Meeting

MEMBERSHIP CLASS FOR YOUTH (GRADES 9-12) STARTING SOON!

We are looking for youth in grades 9 through 12 who are not yet members of The UMC of Berea but who would like to learn more about The United Methodist Church, our congregation, and what it means to be a member of a local congregation. We will plan to meet for a total of six weeks at times and days that work best for participants.

For more information and/or to express interest, please contact Pastor Nathan at nhowe@umcb.org or 440-234-3525 x101 .



DISCUSSION GROUP

THE SECOND MONDAY OF THE MONTH
BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 9
6:30-8 PM, PARLOR

September 9 is the start date of our 2019-2020 Read and Grow Discussion Group. We hope you will join us.

SEPTEMBER 9

The Street Lawyer

by John Grisham

Set in Washington D.C. it addresses the complex problems of homelessness. This legal tale will provide food for thought and active discussion about one of today's most serious growing problems.

October 14

When Women Were Birds

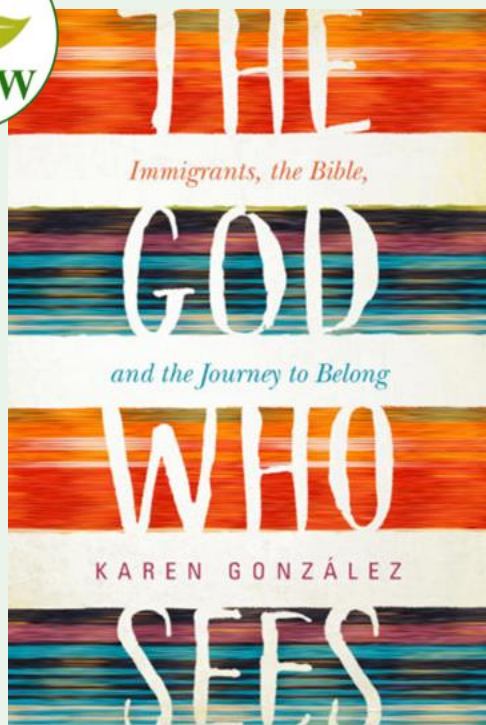
by Terry Tempest Williams

"I am leaving you all my journals, but you must promise me you won't look at them until after I'm gone." This is what Terry Tempest Williams's mother, the matriarch of a large Mormon clan in northern Utah, told her a week before she died. Williams recounts memories of her mother, ponders her own faith, and contemplates the notion of absence and presence art and in our world.

The entire reading list can be found at <http://www.umcb.org/adult-faith-opportunities/>.

You are always welcome.

For more information, call Janet Mallarnee at 440-235-7331, Betsy Meikle at 440-243-5767, or Margaret Proctor at 440-243-9498.



BOOK DISCUSSION:
THE GOD WHO SEES, BY KAREN GONZÁLEZ

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29 AT 5:00 PM IN ROOM 13

Regardless of legal status or nationality, we are all connected through Christ to one another.... Throughout scripture, the people of God are called to love sojourners in our midst, treating them "as if they were one of your citizens" and loving them as we do ourselves.... The fear and anguish so many migrants in the United States live under are due to federal raids, indefinite detention, and deportations which tear apart families and create an atmosphere of panic.... In the face of these unjust laws and the systematic deportation of migrants, God's people must stand in solidarity with the migrants in our midst.

(Quoted from *The Book of Resolutions of The UMC—2016*.
"Welcoming the Migrant to the U.S.")

As followers of Jesus Christ, we are called upon to welcome immigrants into our congregations and communities and to advocate for legislation that upholds the civil and human rights of all immigrants. In **The God Who Sees**, immigration advocate Karen González recounts her own family's migration from Guatemala to a new life in the United States. She also explores some of the many stories of immigrants in our scriptures, including Abraham, Hagar, Joseph, and Ruth and provides resources for us to welcome immigrants and to advocate for a better immigration system.

Join us for a conversation on Sunday, September 29 at 5 PM in Room 13 as together, we discover the power of Jesus, our refugee Savior, who calls us to become citizens in a country without borders.

For copies of **The God Who Sees** or for more information, contact Pastor Nathan at 440-234-3525 x101 or nhowe@umcb.org.



COMMISSION ON THE STATUS
AND ROLE OF WOMEN

Forgive the tardy reminder, but better late than not at all with such an important message! August 26 was "Women's Equality Day" commemorating the 1920 certification of the 19th Amendment giving women the right to vote. It is difficult to imagine the long struggle. It began in 1848 the Methodist meeting House in Seneca Falls, N.Y. (which you can still visit today) and lasted until 1920 - 72 years to achieve such a basic right! We women owe a great deal to our brave fore mothers.

Submitted by Jo Swanson



LOVING OUR NEIGHBORS

We're on a mission to transform the world through love. Won't you join us? Each month our church welcomes the community to join in loving our neighbors with family-friendly projects and events. Each event or project highlights one or more of the ways the United Methodist Church is working for a more just world.



NEIGHBORHOOD FOOD DRIVE

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 - PICK UP BAGS AT UMCB

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21 - PICK UP FOOD FROM YOUR NEIGHBORS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22 - BRING FOOD TO BE BLESSED AT UMCB

This month we are doing a Neighborhood Food Drive. Here's how it works: Pick up as many brown bags as you'd like on Sunday, September 15. Distribute them to your neighbors letting them know you'll pick them up on September 21 to be brought to church for blessing, and then sent on to either the Berea Community Outreach food pantry, or a pantry of their choice. Flyers on bags will help them remember the details. When you pick up food on the 21, you'll leave a thank you note and an invite to join us in worship the next day to help bless our food offering. (Notes will be provided for you.) This will be a big impact on food security for our community, as well as a great chance to get to know our neighbors more.

Next month: First Responder Appreciation – stay tuned!

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

GETTING AHEAD: A BRIDGES OUT OF POVERTY MISSION

Can cooking and childcare really make a big difference? It can! We are again participating in Getting Ahead: A Bridges Out of Poverty program supported by the North Coast District. This fall the program will take place at Wilson UMC. We will be asked to provide dinner and childcare once a month for 4 months, allowing and encouraging participants to make positive change in their lives that will lead them out of the cycle of poverty. Other churches will do the same for the remaining weeks. If you are interested in cooking, serving, or providing childcare, please contact Pastor Carrie at **440-234-3525 x105** or cantczak@umcb.org to be added to the team list and for more information.



SCAN Pantry Collection

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

From Lona Gruber, Director of SCAN:

“What a bounty! A sincere thank you for the many, many bags of assorted items that were donated to the SCAN Pantry last Sunday. They will be shared when we are open at the end of the week.”

Our donations do make a difference. Because of Labor Day weekend, our next SCAN food delivery will be on Sunday September 8 (the second Sunday of the month). Mark your calendars!

If you are not going to be in Church that Sunday, your food donations may be delivered ahead of time and placed in the cupboards inside the room between the Narthex and the Library.

Monetary donations are also welcome. Mark them for SCAN and place them in the offering plate or Joanne Mansfield’s office door mailbox.

Thank you for helping.



SEPTEMBER E-BIT ("ENVIRONMENTAL TIDBIT") FROM CHURCH & SOCIETY

While farmers markets are still in session, buy fruits and vegetables local and in season (organic or pesticide-free when you can). They are so much tastier and help create less of a carbon footprint since they are not shipped from far away.

For a list of farmers markets, many that run through October or sometimes beyond, visit: <https://www.localharvest.org/cleveland-oh/farmers-markets>.

Submitted by Wendy Jelinek for Church & Society



Children's Ministry is in need of a few shoeboxes for a project. They could be cardboard boxes, preferably with attached lids, or plastic shoe-sized containers.

Please turn in to room 12. Thank you!

Please check our online calendar (www.umcb.org/upcoming-events/) for the most current events and information.

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22 Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost Connectional Giving - Connectional Impact Sunday Neighborhood Food Drive Bag Blessing at UMCB 8:00 AM Traditional Worship 9:00 AM Worship with <i>arise!</i> Praise Band 10:00 AM Christian Formation 11:15 AM Traditional Worship 2:30 PM Hapkido 3:00 PM Youth Group 6:30 PM Boy Scouts #228	23 11:00 AM Survivors Fellowship/Lunch at Suds Macguire 6:00 PM Girl Scouts 6:30 PM Girl Scouts #77113 6:30 PM SW Community Chorus 6:30 PM Stephen Ministry Training	24 6:30 AM Let's Get Moving 9:00 AM Quilters 1:30 PM Staff Meeting 6:30 PM Cub Scout Den #107 7:00 PM Alcoholics Anon.	25 9:00 AM Caller Assembly 10:00 AM Hanson House TBI Support Group 5:30 PM Pickleball 6:30 PM Girl Scouts #71489 7:00 PM Alcoholics Anon. 7:00 PM Evening Prayers	26 10:00 AM Hanson House TBI Support Group 1:00 PM Organist Rehearsal 7:00 PM Chancel Choir 7:00 PM NEWSingers 7:00 PM Square Dancing 7:30 PM Alcoholics Anon.	27 8:30 PM Alcoholics Anon.	28
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THE CALLER



CHURCH CHOIRS RESUME THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5



Our Church Choirs will begin rehearsals the first week in September. They are open to all who love to sing and ring Songs of Praise to our God.

If you are interested or have questions, contact one of the directors for more information or just stop in at the first rehearsal.

HANDBELL CHOIR - 6 PM IN THE SANCTUARY
directed by Tori Lero - vlero@umcb.org

CHANCEL CHOIR - 7 PM IN THE PARLOR
directed by Courtney Popp - cpopp@umcb.org

NEWSINGERS - 7 PM IN THE CHAPEL
directed by Margaret Proctor - margaret.proctor@sbcglobal.net

CONNECTING, INVITING, & WELCOMING



CONNECTIONAL GIVING - CONNECTIONAL IMPACT

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 22
ALL THREE WORSHIP SERVICES

On **Sunday, September 22**, we will have an opportunity to contribute an additional amount toward **our shared ministry goal for 2019** (our total goal for the year is \$73,737).

For United Methodists, connected in mission and ministry around the world, shared ministry goals represent both an obligation and a great opportunity. Through our shared ministry giving, we expand the reach of our congregation's ministry far beyond our immediate neighborhood. Together with other United Methodists, we fund global Christian mission, support our United Methodist seminaries and seminary students, help to build up 11 historically black colleges and universities (HBCUs), and invest in the work of Africa University which is providing excellent higher education to students from more than 20 countries. Because of our connectional giving, we make a real difference in transforming the world.

In 2017 and 2018, we paid 100% of our shared ministry goal. As of July 31, 2019, we have paid 43% of this year's goal. Through your generosity on September 22 and throughout the rest of this year, we look forward to meeting 100% of our goal once again. Mission-giving envelopes will be available on Sundays, September 15 and 22, or you can give anytime by mail (just mark your check "Shared Ministry") or online (at umcb.org/donate, noting "Shared Ministry").

TOGETHER, WE DO MORE!



THE CALLER

AN EVENING AT THE BALLPARK

CLEVELAND INDIANS VS. MINNESOTA TWINS

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

7:10 PM, PROGRESSIVE FIELD

(6:00 PM, MEET AT UMCB TO CARPOOL)

Invite your friends and neighbors and bring the whole family for an evening at Progressive Field as the Cleveland Indians take on the Minnesota Twins. It's also a Sugardale dollar dog night!

Those who would like to carpool from Berea are invited to meet in our parking lot at 6 PM. Tickets are \$18 each, payable to "UMCB," and the deadline to reserve your ticket is Monday, September 9.

For more information and to reserve your tickets, contact Pastor Nathan at 440-234-3525 x101 or nhowe@umcb.org.

OCTOBER IS BRING A FRIEND TO CHURCH MONTH

Coming soon! Please begin praying about who you might invite to church next month. Whether it's to worship, a fun event (list below) or a faith formation group, we would like to encourage the whole congregation to bring one or more friends with them to church in October. You love your church home and church family – so consider how much your friends, family, and neighbors might as well. Whether they haven't been to church in a long time, or have never been to church, now is the perfect time to casually invite them to join you.



Some tips: pray about it first, who does God bring to your mind and heart? Approach your friend casually about it, and invite them to come with you. Sit by them, work alongside them in service, or introduce them to folks at a fun event. For some people, worship isn't the first thing they want to try at a church – so we've prepared many varied opportunities to get to know us.

Save these Fun-dates

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13 – meet in church parking lot at 4:30 PM to head out for a hike in the Metroparks (near North Rocky River Nature Center).

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18 – meet up at the Berea Midpark Football Game to cheer on our many youth in the marching band! Tickets will be available in the church office so no need to stand in line. We'll have a few folks hanging out around the 50 yard line to help you find friends to sit with.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27 – bring your friends with little ones to Trunk or Treat, 2-4 PM. Or invite your friends to help you decorate a trunk and hand out candy.

WORSHIP AND FAITH FORMATION ALL MONTH LONG (AND ALWAYS) - All worship services will be intentionally visitor-friendly and ready to greet and welcome your new friends. Help us out by introducing yourself to folks around you that you may not know. All Faith Formation classes will be open and ready for visitors as well – from children's Sunday School all the way through Adult Faith Formation classes and groups.



THE CALLER

DINNER FOR EIGHT ACCEPTING NEW MEMBERS

Thank you to all who participated in Dinner for Eight last year. We would like to continue this conversational dinner group for the year 2019-2020. Those who were unable to give their dinners last year will have a chance this year and new members are welcome. People new to the church especially are encouraged to become part of this group.

Please email Molly Force at: molly.o.force@gmail.com if you would like to join.

CHURCH FAMILY PRAYER CONCERNS

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|-----------------|-------------------|
| Janice Arnold | Betty Miller |
| Bruce Akins | Rev. Cal Myers |
| Betty Atherton | Donna O'Brien |
| Heidi Blue | Esther O'Hearn |
| Jean Brenneison | Barb Rochford |
| Donna Dial | Lou Russell |
| Erin Eilbeck | Nancy Schillace |
| Cleda Fletcher | Barbara Scoon |
| Laurie Garvin | Carol Thompson |
| Pat Harf | Victoria Thomson |
| Janice Kavander | Kathleen Wargelin |
| Joyce McGee | Kenneth Williams |
| Marcie Metz | 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

The Hunger Family. Bill Hunger went on to rest in God's eternal peace on Wednesday, August 14. His Memorial Service will be held on Thursday, September 5 at 11:00 AM in the Sanctuary with a reception following.

The Elliot Family. Betty Elliot went on to rest in God's eternal peace on Tuesday, July 30. Her Memorial Service was held on Saturday, August 10.

The White Family. Dr. Edward White went on to rest in God's eternal peace on Tuesday, August 6. His Memorial Service was held on Saturday, August 10.

The Scharf Family. Former UMCB Organist, Margaret (Maggie) Scharf went on to rest in God's eternal peace on Wednesday, July 31. Her Memorial Service was on Saturday August 10.

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).

SEPTEMBER 2019 REVISED COMMON LECTIONARY



CONNECTING

Sunday, September 1 Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost	Sunday, September 8 Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost RALLY DAY!	
Jeremiah 2:4-13 Psalm 81:1, 10-16 (UMH 803) Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16 Luke 14:1, 7-14	Jeremiah 18:1-11 Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18 (UMH 854) Philemon 1.1-21 Luke 14:25-33	
Sunday, September 15 Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost	Sunday, September 22 Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost	Sunday, September 29 Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-29 Psalm 14 (UMH 746) 1 Timothy 1:12-17 Luke 15:1-10	Jeremiah 8:18-9:1 Psalm 79:1-9 or Psalm 4 (UMH 741) 1 Timothy 2:1-7 Luke 16:1-13	Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15 Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16 (UMH 810) 1 Timothy 6:6-19 Luke 16:19-31

FREE SQUARE DANCE LESSONS FROM THE SOLO SQUARE DANCE CLUB



MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 16, & 23

7 PM - 9 PM, ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH, 276 BAGLEY RD, BEREA

Want to learn? Lessons for beginners are held on Mondays from 7 - 9 PM at St. Paul Lutheran Church. September 9, 16, & 23 are free.

Exercise your brain as well as your body. Singles or couples, all ages welcome. See us at the Cuyahoga County Fair.

For more information, call Beth at **440-455-9440** or visit www.SoloSquareDanceClub.com.



LOOSE CHANGE OFFERING

The Loose Change Offering for Messy Church in August totaled \$63.90.
 See Page 2 for September's Messy Church.

The Loose Change Offering on September 8, 2019 will be collected for Saylor Christmas Shop.

For over 30 years, Saylor Christmas Shop has helped provide gifts to children and families in need. At the shop, social workers pick up new, unwrapped items to give their clients so that they can have a special Christmas.



Peter Lebrun. Each week, Peter makes sure our Prayground in Wesley Hall is brought out and assembled in time for the children to use during the 9 AM service. Then, after the service, he carefully puts everything away. His service was noticed and is greatly appreciated.

GOD'S LOVE



For more information about these articles and all that UMW has to offer, please contact Betsy Meikle at meiklebj@juno.com or 440-243-5767.

SAVE THESE DATES: HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

UMW is celebrating 150 years of mission service to youth, women, and children.

Youth Work Mission, Messy Church, Trunk or Treat, Feed the Kids, Grindstone Partnership, Berea Community Meal, BW Breakfast, Church Street Ministries. Hansen House, Ohio Guidestone, SCAN, Westside Community House, UMCOR, Guatemala, and Cambodia...all have received financial assistance from your UMW.

UMW sponsors 2 Garage Sales (October and April), a Craft and Mission Fair (November) and plant sale (April). All profits assist our designated missions.

As a member of our congregation, you are also a member of UMW. We'd like to invite you to share our fellowship by joining us at our monthly Circle meetings...usually the 3rd Wednesday of the month, 9.30 AM in the Parlor. We have refreshments, devotions, fellowship, and a program.

Upcoming UMW sponsored programs:

SEPTEMBER 21, 2019- co-sponsored with Church and Society, "US Fish and Wildlife discuss the loss of pollinators and the effect on our environment" (*see below for details*)

OCTOBER 6-12, 2019- Garage Sale (*see Page 15 for details*)

NOVEMBER 2, 2019- Craft and Mission Fair (*see Page 15 for details*)

JANUARY 12, 2020- UMW Sunday, luncheon featuring one of our new missions: Laura's Home

APRIL 19-25, 2020- Garage Sale

MAY 16, 2020- salad luncheon featuring Cleveland Metroparks Mounted Rangers

Our first Circle meeting is WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18 at 9.30AM in the Parlor. Join us, bring a friend, see you there!

Blessings,
Nancy Buehler, Circle leader
Betsy Meikle, UMW President

THE IMPORTANCE OF POLLINATORS PRESENTATION

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2019 11:30 AM FELLOWSHIP HALL

Did you know that **pollinators** (like bees) are **responsible** for bringing us **1 out of every 3 bites of food**? Join us to hear **Dr. Randy Mitchell**, Professor of Biology, University of Akron, present on the importance of pollinators, in particular wild bees, to our ecosystem including our food sources. The program begins at 11:30 AM Refreshments, appetizers and desserts, will be provided by UMW and Church & Society beginning at 12:30 PM.

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For more information about these articles and all that UMW has to offer, please contact Betsy Meikle at meiklebj@juno.com or 440-243-5767.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN



BI-ANNUAL GARAGE SALE AND BAKE SALE WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 9 - FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11

At United Methodist Church Of Berea
170 Seminary Street
Berea, Ohio 44017

Featuring Clothing, Household Items and Furniture

All Proceeds will be used for ongoing
UMW Mission Support.

The sale dates:

Wednesday, October 9, 6PM - 7:30 PM
Evening Pre-Sale, Admission = \$5.00/family

Thursday, October 10, 9 AM - 7 PM
Garage Sale and Bake Sale

Friday, October 11, 9 AM - 4 PM
Garage Sale Half Price Day

Please Bring Donation Items for the sale:

- Sunday October 6, Noon - 5 PM
- Monday October 7, 9 AM - 6 PM
- Tuesday October 8, 9 AM - 6 PM
- Wednesday October 9, 9 AM - Noon

CRAFT AND MISSION FAIR

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2

11 AM - 4 PM



Mark the date! On Saturday, November 2, from 11 AM - 4 PM, UMW is hosting a Craft and Mission Fair. UMW has invited all area churches to participate in our fall festival. We will have tables for churches to display their missions, sell their crafts and unite in a spirit of community outreach.

Feeling crafty? We would love to display your handmade donations (for example: baked goods, blankets, candy, Christmas decorations, jewelry, knitting, ornaments) to sell. The proceeds will benefit UMW missions.

Feeling creative? Gather items for a gift basket and add to our silent auction. We'll even wrap it for you! Our three missions (Hanson House, Church Street Ministries, OhioGuidestone) will benefit from your generosity. We're also hosting a light lunch during the event.

Further details will be in the October Caller and future Sunday bulletins. Thanks, in advance, for your encouragement and support.

If you have any questions, please contact Carol McCleery at mcmanistee7250@gmail.com or 440-234-9078 or any member of UMW's Board.

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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:

