

### The United Methodist Church of Berea

THE CALLER November 2019

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### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3

The Festival of All Saints is celebrated by the church on November 1 (or the first Sunday after November 1). It is an annual opportunity for us to give thanks for the community of faith and to re-affirm our faith that the church consists not only in all those followers of Jesus who are living but also all those who have gone before us and all those who are yet to come.

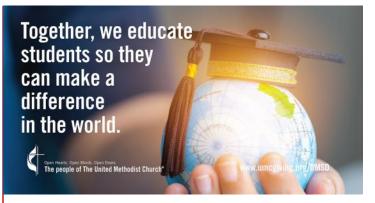
On All Saints Sunday (November 3), we will celebrate the gift of the communion of saints during all three morning worship services (8 AM, 9 AM, and 11:15 AM), reading the names of persons connected to this congregation who have died in the past twelve months and lighting a candle for each one as we remember the eternal light of Christ that continues to shine in their lives and in ours.

### REIGN OF CHRIST SUNDAY

### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24

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, especially as narrow ideologies and tribalistic nationalism spread across much of Europe following the First World War.

Celebrated on the last Sunday of the Christian year (before the new year starts on the First Sunday of Advent), Reign of Christ Sunday remains for us an opportunity to gather and reaffirm the primacy of God in our lives and throughout creation.



### UNITED METHODIST STUDENT SUNDAY

### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24

The United Methodist Church believes that every person has the right to education and that the responsibility of educating young people rests with the family, faith communities, and the government. On United Methodist Student Day, we have the opportunity to support scholarships and low-interest loans that help young leaders achieve their dreams.

Morgan Murdock, a 2018 graduate of North Carolina State University, was a Gift of Hope scholar. According to her, when we give on United Methodist Student Day, "You are reminding and encouraging students of all majors and walks of lives to remain constant in their faith and to continue to uphold the great qualities that The United Methodist Church has instilled in us. The church has shown me so much unconditional love over the years in many forms, and this was a very meaningful form of that love. I was encouraged to pursue more in my community and remember the church that helped make me who I am."

You are invited to invest in young people like Morgan by giving generously on November 24. You are also invited be in prayer with the students who are recipients of the education made possible through this special offering. Learn more at <u>www.umcgiving.org</u>.



### OUR FIVE ESSENTIAL PRACTICES: NAMING OUR COMMITMENTS SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17

As a community of faith, we are committed to making and maturing disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. Over the course of five Sundays in late October and early November, we are exploring five essential practices that help us grow into the disciples God is calling each of us to become.

On **Sunday, November 17**, during all three morning worship services, we will name our commitments to practicing these five essential practices both alone and together in the upcoming year. Commitments Cards have been distributed through the mail in mid-October and continue to be available on tables at the back of each worship space and on the website at <a href="http://www.umcb.org/donate/2020-commitment-form/">http://www.umcb.org/</a> donate/2020-commitment-form/. Please consider prayerfully your commitments to our life together and mission in 2020, and join with us in naming those commitments in the context of worship on November 17.

### OUR GOALS FOR 2020

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

This *mission* is the reason we exist and the motivation for everything we do.

### **Our Five Essential Practices** for our discipleship journey:



Worship (goals for cultivating a life of gratitude)

- Together: Get an "A" in worship attendance—90% or 47 out of 52 Sundays
- Alone: Pray 5 times every day, giving thanks to God



**Study** (goals for cultivating a life of learning)

- $\circ~$  Together: Participate in an ongoing small group
- Alone: Read scripture 5 days each week



**Serve** (goals for cultivating a life of justice and kindness)

- Together: Participate in 5 service projects at The UMC of Berea each quarter
- O Alone: Practice 5 intentional acts of kindness every week



**Give** (goals for cultivating a life of generosity)

- *Together:* Tithe (giving 10% of income) or commit to growing into a tithe
- Alone: Pursue 5 acts of radical generosity each month

Share (goals for cultivating a life that bears witness to God's love)

- *Together:* Invite 5 people each year into the life of the community of faith
- Alone: Pray for your "top 5" individuals who are not yet disciples

### Our Goals for 2020

Gather (Connecting, Inviting, & Welcoming)

- Plans developed by the "welcoming task force" will be implemented to improve "first impressions" and signage inside and outside the building.
- The pastor will recruit and train a team to provide follow-up with first-time visitors and regular attenders.
- The pastor will provide ongoing training to empower the congregation in the practice of faithful neighboring.



Grow (Teaching and Learning Together)

- The pastors and Discipleship Collaborative will continue developing connections process from membership to discipleship.
- Pilot Covenant Discipleship Group(s) will meet with a plan to recruit, train, and deploy Wesley Class Leaders who will focus on relationships which connect participants in the life of the congregation into the discipleship pathway.



Go (Community Engagement, Compassion, and Justice)

- We will develop and grow partnerships with Berea Community Outreach, Grindstone Elementary School, and OhioGuidestone.
- We will increase the visibility of the congregation in the community, growing our reputation as a place and resource of belonging, healing, transformation, and active service to and with our neighbors.
- "Loving Our Neighbors" monthly service opportunities will be provided for the congregation and for the larger community to work toward a more just world and educate the congregation on the ministries and needs present in our mission field.

These goals were adopted by the Church Council on October 12, 2019. They represent the next step in our congregation's life together and will be our focus throughout 2020 as we continue to live into our mission. For more details regarding these goals or to express your desire to serve on a team which will help us live into them, please contact **Pastor Nathan** at **440-234-3525 x101** or <u>nhowe@umcb.org</u>.

### 2019 CHARGE CONFERENCE

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 9 AM, ROCKY RIVER UMC

On Saturday, November 9, the west-side congregations of our North Coast District will gather at 9 AM at Rocky River UMC for our annual charge conference. This is our yearly meeting in 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.

GATHER

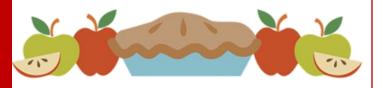


### FALL PIE BAKE-OFF

### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16 2-4 PM, FELLOWSHIP HALL

Let's celebrate fall with some yummy pie! Bake up your best pie recipe and enter the Pie Bakeoff! Pie tasters are asked to bring a donation for the Thanksgiving Food Drive for OhioGuidestone and will have the opportunity to vote on the best pie! Categories are: Fruit, Cream/Custard, Pumpkin/Sweet Potato, and Nut/Other. Dust off your best pie recipes and join us! You won't want to miss this delicious fellowship and community-building event sponsored by the Adult Planning Team. Come to vote, come to eat, come to sing, come for fun and friends!

For more information or to volunteer, contact Pastor Carrie at **440-234-3525 x105** or <u>cantczak@umcb.org</u>.





### GENESEE ABBEY RETREAT

November 22 – 24

If you need some time to step away from the routine and noise of our typical busyness, please prayerfully consider joining us for a brief retreat at the Abbey of the Genesee from Friday. November 22 through Sunday, November 24. The Genesee Abbey is a community of Trappist monks located about fifty miles east of Buffalo. Our retreat will be self-guided and most silent: an opportunity to unplug and re-focus as we head into the Advent season. Total cost, including room and board, is \$130 per person. For more information or to express your interest in participating, please contact Pastor Nathan by Sunday, November 10 at 440-234-3525 x101 or nhowe@umcb.org.

### NOVEMBER 2019 REVISED COMMON LECTIONARY

Sunday, November 3 Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost All Saints Sunday

Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4 Psalm 119:137-144 (UMH 840) 2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12 Luke 19:1-10

Sunday, November 17 Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

Isaiah 65:17-25 Isaiah 12 or Psalm 118 (UMH 839) 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13 Luke 21:5-19 Sunday, November 10 Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost Bible Presentation Sunday

> Haggai 1:15b–2:9 Psalm 145:1-5, 17-21 (UMH 857) 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17 Luke 20:27-38

Sunday, November 24 Reign of Christ Sunday United Methodist Student Sunday

> Jeremiah 23:1-6 Luke 1:68-69 (UMH 208) Colossians 1:11-20 Luke 23:33-43





### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 7 PM, SANCTUARY

The entire Berea community will be invited to join us in worship on Wednesday, November 27 at 7 PM in the Sanctuary.

Invite your friends and neighbors, and join us as we give thanks for God's presence and share God's love with our community. A community choir will gather to rehearse at 6 PM (all are welcome to sing in the choir). Please bring with you a non-perishable food item to be given to support the ongoing work of Berea Community Outreach, feeding people throughout our neighborhood.

### CHURCH FAMILY PRAYER CONCERNS

Bruce Akins Betty Atherton Dick Baker Heidi Blue Jean Brenneison Donna Dial Cleda Fletcher Laurie Garvin Carol Goepfort Pat Harf Carol Heskett Janice Kavander Joyce McGee Betty Miller Rev. Cal Myers Donna O'Brien Esther O'Hearn Lou Russell Russ Sanderson Barbara Scoon Carol Thompson Victoria Thomson Kathleen Wargelin Eva Williamson



SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES J.D. Ferut (Grandson of Gerry & Jo Boggs) Ryan Hopkins Bill Lambert (Son-in-law of Corky Cline) Ben Lebrun Zachary New (Grandson of Bob & Jackie King) Jeff Patrick

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

The McCready Family. Margaret McCready went on to rest in God's eternal peace on September 17. A Memorial service was held on Sunday, September 29 in the Parlor

Molly Arthur. Her friend, Geraldine Peters, went on to rest in God's eternal peace on September 27. A Funeral Mass was held on Friday, October 4 at Saint Adalbert's Church.

The Metz Family. Marci Metz went on to rest in God's eternal peace on October 7. A Memorial service was held on Wednesday, October 23 in the Sanctuary.

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

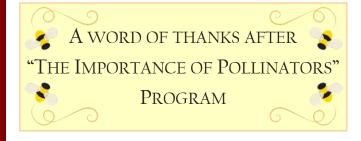
### LOOSE CHANGE OFFERING

The October Loose Change Offering for the Grindstone Elementary Partnership totaled \$132.57.

The Loose Change Offering on November 10 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.

My heartfelt thanks for all the church support given to Gerry and me during her recent illness and passing. Your caring and sympathy through prayers, cards, and words of encouragement meant more to me than you will ever know. I am truly blessed to be part of such a wonderful church family.

> Thank you so much, Molly Arthur



I wanted to personally thank all those in UMW and Church & Society as well as the UMCB staff who helped to make "The Importance of Pollinators" program held on September 21st such a success. Thank you!

In case you couldn't be there, here is a link to the PowerPoint presentation from our speaker Dr. Randy Mitchell: <u>http://www.umcb.org/wpcontent/uploads/2019/10/Gardening-for-</u> Pollinators-v5.pdf

There are also brochures available on native plants and related topics in front of the Church & Society bulletin board (near Room 11) for you to take.

Wendy Jelinek, Church & Society chairperson and UMW board member



### Thank you!

A special thank you to Pam Wetterau for donating nine native plants from her garden. The plants donated are excellent species for pollinators such as zinnias, swamp milkweed and blue mistflower. Kathleen Bradley made the connection with Pam and coordinated a group of volunteers to plant these new plants and do some weeding in the garden in the north lot. Thanks to Mark Williams for watering them. Thank you from us all!

Wendy Jelinek for UMCB

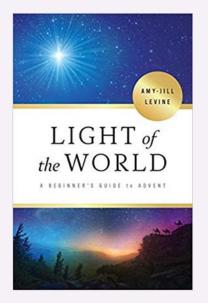
# A big heartfelt thank you to all who helped with the UMW Garage Sale:

- \* Set up Wesley Hall
- \* Donated items
- \* Baked for the bake sale
- \* Sorted/folded donations
- Priced donations
- \* Cashiered
- \* Bought baked goods
- \* Reinvested in our treasures
- \* Helped clean Wesley Hall on Friday
- \* Loaded the U-Haul with the leftover donations
- \* Unloaded the truck at Nehemiah House

It definitely took a village to have a successful UMW Garage Sale. Special thanks to Molly Arthur for her encouragement and confidence. Start saving your treasures for our sale in April 2020.

Nancy Buehler, Garage Sale Chairperson

# Advent 2019



### ADVENT STUDY: LIGHT OF THE WORLD

### SUNDAYS BEGINNING DECEMBER 1

### 10 AM, CHAPEL

All adult disciples are invited to join us for **Light of the World**. Advent is not only the perfect time to read the story of the birth of Jesus; it's also a great time to dive deeper into the biblical texts that surround the event.

In **Light of the World: A Beginner's Guide to Advent**, author, professor, and biblical scholar Amy-Jill Levine shows how the Gospel narratives connect to the Old Testament; highlights the role of women in first-century Jewish culture; and emphasizes the importance of Mary's visitation, the census, the stable, the star of Bethlehem, and the flight to Egypt.

This class will be led by Pastors Nathan and Carrie, Rev. Linda McCowen, and Rev. Linda Short. Books are available for purchase from Room 12 for \$13.

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

### THE LONGEST NIGHT

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21, 5 PM, 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 21 at 5 PM in the Chapel for a time filled with scripture, prayer, candlelight, and Holy Communion. Invite others, and join us as we affirm God's presence with us, even in the darkest and loneliest of times.





### CHRISTMAS EVE WORSHIP SERVICES

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24

We will gather together for four worship services on Tuesday, December 24. Each 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.

2:30 PM AT PARKSIDE VILLA 4 PM AT THE UMC OF BEREA 7 PM AT THE UMC OF BEREA 11 PM AT THE UMC OF BEREA



NOVEMBER 2019

# THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF BEREA

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### **INCLEMENT WEATHER INFORMATION**

Winter is coming! We want to ensure that our congregation stays safe in extreme weather, so we want to let you know our plan should we need to close due to unsafe conditions. Please check Channel 3 (WKYC) for any weather cancellations.

We will do our best to also update our Facebook page.

Groups and meetings are free to cancel their meetings at their judgement, just be sure to let all of your group know of your plan.

Stay warm and safe!

### MESSY CHURCH - FROZEN

### NOVEMBER 17 4-6 pm, First Floor

This month in Messy Church we will be Frozen! Celebrating the new movie Frozen 2, we will look at the original film through a lens of faith. Elsa, Anna, and all their friends will be there as well! Bring all Frozen fans to learn how God's love thaws a frozen heart.

> For more information, please contact Carolyn Williams at <u>weaseltv@msn.com</u> or **440-570-2913**.

### NOVEMBER YOUTH GROUP CALENDAR

NOVEMBER 3 TBD Middleburg Theatre: Harriet (Tubman)

NOVEMBER 10 Life 101: Cooking and Sewing, Fellowship Hall

> NOVEMBER 17 4-6 PM Messy Church

FRIDAY - NOVEMBER 22 8 - 10 PM D.J. Skate at North Olmsted Ice Rink \$10 including skate rental

> NOVEMBER 24 Youth Work Mission Meeting

GROW



SUNDAYS 5-6:30 PM (unless otherwise stated)

ROOM 31-32

OPEN TO 7TH - 12TH GRADERS



### <u>Commission On</u> The Status and Role Of Women

Imagining Susanna Wesley with over 18 living children, one wonders how she managed. There were never less than 10 young Wesleys to be schooled at any time! Mother Wesley organized the children so that the oldest read to the youngest. After the fire in 1709, Susanna realized the essential need for her educational discipline, especially for her daughters! What a model of self-discipline!

Submitted by Jo Swanson

(Susanna Wesley is depicted in the first stained glass window of the West Nave of the Sanctuary.)





DISCUSSION GROUP

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

**Read and Grow** is an ongoing group open to you either for an individual month or every month. We hope you will want to join us for lively open discussions.

### NOVEMBER 11

Beneath a Scarlet Sky by Mark T. Sullivan Based on the true story of Pino Lella who lived in Milan, Italy and was a spy for the Allies. Before he was a spy, he was working underground and helping Jews escape over the Alps.

### DECEMBER 9

Ape House by Sara Gruen When a family of bonobo apes who know American Sign Language are kidnaped from a language laboratory, their mysterious appearance on a reality TV show propels scientist Isabel Duncan, together with reporter John Thigpen, on a personal mission to rescue them. It calls into question our assumptions about these animals who share 99.4% of our DNA.

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

For more information or to answer any question you may have, call Janet Mallarnee at **440-235-7331**, Betsy Meikle at **440-243-5767**, or Margaret Proctor at **440-243-9498**.



### UPCOMING MONTHLY UMW CIRCLE MEETINGS

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 9:30 AM IN THE PARLOR

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 9:00 AM TO NOON IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL We will be having our annual Christmas Brunch. We will be assembling gift bags to deliver to

our "Shut-In" friends. All are welcome as it promises to be a fun morning with a delicious meal.

### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 8, 9:30 AM IN THE PARLOR

If you have any questions, please contact Betsy Meikle at meiklebj@juno.com or 440-243-5767.



CRAFT AND MISSION FAIR

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2 11 AM - 4 PM Fellowship Hall, Gathering Place

There will be crafts, Christmas items, baked goods, and other handmade items for sale. There will also be gift baskets for auction bidding (which will benefit Church Street Ministries, Hanson House, and OhioGuidestone).

A delicious light lunch will be available. Please stop in for a day that benefits these organizations and is sure to be filled with fun.

Any questions please contact Carol McCleery at <u>mcmanistee7250@gmail.com</u> or **440-234-9078**.

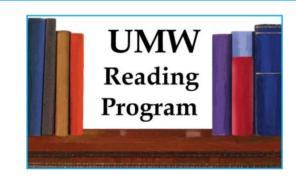
### UMW LUNCHEON: LAURA'S HOME WOMEN'S CRISIS CENTER

January 12, 2020 following 11:15 service Fellowship Hall

The entire Church is invited to attend a potluck luncheon and program. The speaker from Laura's Home Women's Crisis Center, part of the City Mission in downtown Cleveland, will tell us about the services and mission they provide to Cuyahoga County.

# The entire congregation is welcome and encouraged to attend.

If you have any questions, please contact Betsy Meikle at <u>meiklebj@juno.com</u> or **440-243-5767.** 



If you have read one book or more in each of the five categories, please fill out a reading record and give it to me by December 31.

The five categories are:

- Education for Mission
- Leadership Development
- Nurturing for Community
- Social Action
- Spiritual Growth.

Betsy Meikle (meiklebj@juno.com or 440-243-5767)



### GETTING AHEAD AT WILLSON UMC

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5

CARPOOL AT 4:30 PM, SERVING DINNER AT 6 PM WILLSON UMC

We'd love your help in continuing our ministry with Getting Ahead – A Bridges Out of Poverty program. If you can provide a batch of Sloppy Joes, buns, veggie trays, fruit trays, chips, or desserts, please contact Pastor Carrie for more information. Food needs to be dropped off in the Fellowship Hall Kitchen and marked "Getting Ahead" by 4 PM on November 5.

For more information or to volunteer, contact Pastor Carrie at **440-234-3525 x105** or <u>cantczak@umcb.org</u>.



### USE YOUR RIGHT TO VOTE

As United Methodists we are called to use our voice, in this case by casting our votes, to help create a better society for all. Per the **UMC Social Principles** *"The strength of a political system depends upon the full and willing participation of its citizens."* You are encouraged to **research** issues and candidates and get out and **vote in the November 5 general elections** and future elections. Here are a few resources you can use to research issues and candidates so you can form your own opinion on each. The listing of these websites is not an endorsement of them, rather simply a list of a few resources that are available and that can provide helpful information.

Information on issues and candidates: League of Women Voters <u>https://www.vote411.org/</u>

Information on judges: Judge4Yourself <u>https://www.judge4yourself.com/</u>

Information on voting records of elected officials on various issues: <u>http://scorecard.lcv.org/</u>.

As you've probably heard before, voting is a right in America but also a privilege as many people around the world do not have the right to vote or may be threatened if they try to do so. If you want to support the troops, get out and vote.

Submitted by Wendy Jelinek for Church & Society

MISSION TRIP WEEK ON THE

### **Opportunities on Campus**

UMCOR Sager Brown Campus consists of 25 acres of lush, peaceful property that run alongside the **Bayou Teche**. The size of our property commands much attention. The assistance of volunteers for its maintenance is welcomed. We are always in need of volunteers to **assist on our grounds**.

## ALL AGES

### **Depot Opportunities**

Opportunities to assist with assembling Relief-Supply Kits. Kits help provide care for people during crises. Supplies in *Hygiene Kits* provide basic necessities to people forced to leave their homes due to human conflict or natural disaster. In underprivileged areas of the United States, children do not have school supplies and *School Kits* may be their only source for educational supplies. Supplies in *Cleaning Kits* enable people to begin cleaning up after a disaster.

### **Outreach Ministries**

- Distribute USDA food commodities to senior citizens in the Food for Seniors program
- Repairs homes/build wheelchair ramps in the *Hearts and Hands for Homes* program
- Provide light housekeeping, visiting & playing Bingo, to *St. Jules*, a low-income senior housing facility
- Assist at *Chez Hope*, a shelter for survivors of domestic abuse
- Assist in the thrift store at *Matthew 25 International*
- Assist at *Center of Hope*, a ministry for the disabled

The UMC of Berea's Sager Brown Trip is scheduled for March 1-13, 2020.

### We need YOU!

Contact Jan Harlamert at janharlamert@yahoo.com or 440-243-7126.

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### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3

In November, SCAN continues collecting foods to be included in the special bags for holiday dinners. This would include such things as stuffing, instant mashed potatoes, chicken or turkey gravy mixes. Also needed are canned green beans, mushroom soup and dried onions (for the "famous " green bean casserole) and pie crust mix or graham cracker crusts, canned pumpkin with the spices already added, cranberry sauce, and anything else that you would have for a holiday meal.

If you are not going to be in worship 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.

### LOVING OUR NEIGHBORS: Community Thanksgiving Dinner

THANKSGIVING DAY THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28

### 1 PM FELLOWSHIP HALL

Each month, we encourage our congregation and community to participate in a project expressing our love to our neighbors. This year's Thanksgiving Dinner will begin at 1 PM on November 28 in the Fellowship Hall.

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

If you plan to come to enjoy the meal, please plan to bring a side-dish to share, and contact Pastor Nathan with a total number for your party at 440-234-3525 x101 or <u>nhowe@umcb.org</u>.





### DONATION NEEDS QUICK REFERENCE

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

- Sloppy Joes (Getting Ahead)
- Buns (Getting Ahead)
- Veggie trays (Getting Ahead)
- Fruit trays (Getting Ahead)
- Chips (Getting Ahead)
- Desserts (Getting Ahead)
- 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)
- Friend to bring to Messy Church with you!

The Caller

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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:

