

## Worship Participants

### **Pastors**

Dr. Stephen J. Knisely, Ph.D.  
Rev. Carrie Antczak

### **Liturgist**

Cindy McCowen

### **Music**

Josh Kraybill, *Organist*  
Courtney McClain, *Choir Director*  
Margaret Proctor, *Choir Director*

### **Audio Video Elements**

Mark Williams  
Marlynda Dziak  
Debby Haas

## ***Welcome to The United Methodist Church of Berea!***

As followers of Jesus Christ, who reveals a God whose love knows no boundaries, we are committed to welcoming and affirming every person as a beloved child of God. Every person—of every sexual orientation, gender identity, ethnicity, age, economic status, health, ability, or any other identifying label—is welcome to participate fully in our ministries and life together as church. We hope The United Methodist Church of Berea will become a home for you, your family, and your friends as together, in our relationship with God, with each other, and with all creation, **we make and mature disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.**



### **October is Pastor Appreciation Month**

Both Pastor Steve and Pastor Carrie have been praying, studying, organizing, visioning, advocating, counseling, listening, and reaching out, among all their other daily routines. A gesture of appreciation to each of them in the form of a card, E-card, note, or letter would be appropriate. Or feel free to be creative with an expression of gratitude for their commitment to our community! - Staff Parish Relations Committee



### **Student Mission for Second Mile Shop**

This year instead of a Sunday school offering, we are asking students to support fellow students who are food insecure. This season, we encourage kids to bring in their favorite cereal for kids who might not always be able to get their favorite.

Questions? Please contact **Pastor Carrie** at [cantczak@umcb.org](mailto:cantczak@umcb.org) or 440-234-3525 x105.



### **Thursday Bible Study**

**Thursdays, 6:30 pm, via Zoom**

As October approaches, we are pleased to start a new book. We will be delving into the Book of Revelations as we learn about The Beautiful Wrath of God; Tearing Down Strongholds; The Last Battle.

For more information, please contact **Mary Lynn Swartz** at [marylynn482@gmail.com](mailto:marylynn482@gmail.com) or 440-409-5931.



### **GriefShare**

**Wednesdays, 6:30 PM, via Zoom - or - Fridays, 1:30 PM, Room 13**

We are so excited to introduce new materials a new book and new sets of video's. Come join us as we all learn more about our grieving process and share with others our struggles, our tears, our new normals and even a smile or laugh or two. You can go on [www.griefshare.org](http://www.griefshare.org) and register for either program. Once you are registered, you will be sent all the information you need.

For more information, please contact **Mary Lynn Swartz** at [marylynn482@gmail.com](mailto:marylynn482@gmail.com) or 440-409-5931.



### **Fall Festival**

**Saturday, October 28, 10 AM - 2 PM, Wesley Hall**

Enjoy perusing the wares of the 15+ vendors, participating in the Gift Basket Auction, and lunch from the Chlli Café. As always, ALL profits benefit the United Methodist Women's missions. Thank you for your encouragement and support.

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



### **UMW Gives Thanks!**

**Donations may be placed in the box across from the Gathering Place**

In partnership with Second Mile Outreach, we will be collecting Thanksgiving goodies...all the fixings for a Thanksgiving meal (mashed potatoes, gravy, stuffing mix, sweet potatoes, canned green beans, cranberry sauce...). Clients will get a dinner box when they pick up their turkey.

Our congregation is so generous and supportive. We are truly blessed. Thank you!



### **Messy Church Trunk or Treat**

**TODAY - October 15, 4-6 pm, In The UMCB Parking Lot**

Last year, we welcomed over 300 people to our Trunk or Treat Messy Church! Not only did they get candy, but they also participated in Messy Church activities, and found a welcoming church community!

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### **Blessed Youth: Equipping Youth for Mental Wellness**

**October 29, 5-7 PM, Christ United Church, 23114 West St., Olmsted Falls**

**Register here: <https://forms.gle/ySR6mWE6u5QTd7nPA>**

**Suggested Donation: \$10 (Not Required) - Purchasing Book: \$15(optional)**

Join us for an evening of focusing on your youth's mental wellness. Parents will gather to explore the book "Blessed Youth" and discuss strategies for helping their youth through challenges in mental health. Parents will learn how to take care of their youth's mental health, how to help them stay safe when challenges arise, and will practice strategies for coping with stress.

Survival Kits will be included as take homes for students along with resources for parents. Meanwhile, youth can participate in pumpkin carving and snacks and discussion about kindling the light within us.

Brought to you by: Berea Ecumenical Youth Group



### **Viewing and Discussion of the Documentary "13<sup>th</sup>"**

**Monday, October 16, 7-9 PM, Middleburg Heights Community UCC Fellowship Hall**

**7165 Big Creek Parkway (Parking Lot is located off Big Creek Parkway)**

The Middleburg Heights Community UCC Social Justice Team has invited us to a showing of the documentary '13<sup>th</sup>'. The documentary will be shown on Monday, October 16 in their Fellowship Hall from 7 to 9 PM. There will be a short discussion following the movie.



### **Carpool or Walk Sundays**

**Sunday October, 29 and each Fifth Sunday**

Creation Care invites you to carpool or walk or bike to church on the fifth Sundays of the month. Our first opportunity for this is October 29! This is a great way to be conscious about the energy we use for transportation. It's also a fun way to think about who you can bring to church - whether it's someone who already worships with us, or a new friend! How many people can you fit in your car?



### **Dinner Church**

**Sunday, October 22, 5 PM, Fellowship Hall**

Our theme for the evening will be "Grow" and how we grow in our faith and discipleship. Bring a dish, but **more importantly, bring a friend or neighbor**. The goal of this meal is to bring together folks who have not been to church in awhile, or are curious about faith. Who can you invite? The table is open and ready to host more friends! Adult Discussion & Desserts, Kids Club, and Youth Group all start around 6:15 pm.

Please contact **Pastor Carrie** at [cantczak@umcb.org](mailto:cantczak@umcb.org) or **440-234-3525 x105** to learn how you can help

#### **Morning Prayer:**

Holy God,  
you are light, and in you there is no darkness at all.  
Shift my focus today  
from whatever is false to that which is true;  
from whatever is vulgar to that which is honorable;  
from whatever is corrupt to that which is just;  
from whatever is inauthentic to that which is pure;  
from whatever is detestable to that which is pleasing;  
from whatever is insignificant  
to that which is commendable;  
that I may live in the light.  
Through Christ Jesus I pray. Amen.

#### **Evening Prayer:**

God,  
your love is steadfast and enduring.  
May your peace, which surpasses all understanding,  
hem me in, behind and before,  
as I lie down to rest. Amen.

# Happening at The UMCB this week:

## **Sunday, October 15**

### ***Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost***

*Caller Submissions Due - Submit articles to info@umcb.org or the church office mailbox.*

*Beth on Vacation*

### **Traditional Worship**

9 AM / Sanctuary or Online at <http://www.facebook.com/umcberea/videos>

### **Formation for All Ages**

10 AM / Adults - First floor,  
Children - Second floor, Youth - Third floor

### **Modern Worship**

11 AM / Wesley Hall

### **Messy Church Trunk or Treat**

4 PM / The UMCB Parking Lot (weather permitting)

## **Monday, October 16**

*Beth on Vacation*

### **Morning Prayer**

9 AM – 9:30 AM/ via Zoom

### **Survivor's Fellowship**

11 AM/ Parlor, Lunch at Red Lobster /  
Contact Phil Gehring at [pgehrings@att.net](mailto:pgehrings@att.net)

### **UMCOR Meeting**

6:30 PM / Gathering Place

### **Viewing & Discussion of the documentary "13th"**

7 PM / Middleburg Hts Community UCC

## **Tuesday, October 17**

*Beth on Vacation*

### **Morning Prayer**

9 AM – 9:30 AM/ via Zoom

### **Tuesday Morning Bible Study**

10 AM/ Room 13/ Contact [Pastor Carrie](mailto:Pastor Carrie)

## **Wednesday, October 18 (AM)**

### **Morning Prayer**

9 AM – 9:30 AM/ via Zoom

### **UMW Circle**

9:30 AM / Fellowship Hall

### **Prayer Shawl Ministry**

10 AM / Room 13 / Contact Linda McCowen at

[lsmccowen@gmail.com](mailto:lsmccowen@gmail.com),

### **Parking Lot Fellowship**

11 AM / The UMCB Parking Lot (weather permitting)

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## **Wednesday, October 18 (PM)**

### **GriefShare**

6:30 PM / via Zoom/Contact Mary Lynn Swartz at [marylynn482@gmail.com](mailto:marylynn482@gmail.com)

### **Sisters Embracing Oneness Bible Study**

7 PM / Offsite / Contact Linda Short at [9short28@gmail.com](mailto:9short28@gmail.com)

## **Thursday, October 19**

### **Morning Prayer**

9 AM – 9:30 AM/ via Zoom

### **Storytime**

10 AM / Nursery (Room 11) / Contact [Pastor Carrie](mailto:Pastor Carrie)

### **Bell Choir Practice**

6 PM / Sanctuary / Contact [Tori Penfound](mailto:Tori Penfound)

### **Thursday Bible Study**

6:30 PM / Zoom / Contact Mary Lynn Swartz at [marylynn482@gmail.com](mailto:marylynn482@gmail.com)

### **Choir Practice**

7 PM / Parlor / Contact [Courtney McClain](mailto:Courtney McClain)  
or [Margaret Proctor](mailto:Margaret Proctor)

## **Friday, October 20**

### **Morning Prayer**

9 AM – 9:30 AM/ via Zoom

### **GriefShare**

1:30 PM / Room 13 / Contact Mary Lynn Swartz at [marylynn482@gmail.com](mailto:marylynn482@gmail.com)

## **Saturday, October 21**

## **Sunday, October 22**

### ***Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost***

### **Traditional Worship**

9 AM / Sanctuary or Online at <http://www.facebook.com/umcberea/videos>

### **Formation for All Ages**

10 AM / Adults - First floor,  
Children - Second floor, Youth - Third floor

### **The Porch BW Campus Ministry**

10 AM / Library / Contact [Judy Hammer](mailto:Judy Hammer)

### **Modern Worship**

11 AM / Wesley Hall

### **Dinner Church**

5 PM / Fellowship Hall

### **Youth Group (following Dinner Church worship)**

6:15 PM / Room 31