

Worship Participants

Pastors

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

Liturgist

Joanne Mansfield

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.**



Sunday Afternoon Hike at the Rocky River Nature Center

TODAY!, 4 PM, 24000 Valley Pkwy, North Olmsted, 44070

Enjoy the beauty of God's creation, both outdoors and in each other! All are welcome to join us and invited to bring a friend. We will meet in the main parking lot at the entrance to the Rocky River Nature Center.



Make a Joyful Noise!

Saturday, October 14, 3 PM, Chapel

All are invited to a hymn sing at 3 - 4 pm on Saturday, October 14 in the Chapel. Come sing hymns with us and hear the stories behind some of them. Email any questions or favorite hymn requests to **Margaret Proctor** at Margaret.Proctor@sbcglobal.net.



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



Read and Grow Book Discussion Group

Monday, October 9, 6:30-8 PM, Room 13 or via Zoom

On October 9, we will be discussing **The Only Woman in the Room** by Marie Benedict. For more information or the Zoom numbers, please contact **Betsy Meikle** at meiklebetsyj@gmail.com or 440-243-5767.



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 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 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.



Messy Church Trunk or Treat

Next Sunday - 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!

How can you help this year?

1. Host a trunk to hand out treats and smiles! Sign up near the Outreach Board.
2. Donate extra candy - that's a lot of kids! Donate extra candy so those hosting trunks don't need to purchase as much. Donations can be put in the bin near the Outreach Board.
3. Bring friends! Whether they are there to participate or host a trunk with you, we'd love to get to know the people you love!

Questions? Contact **Pastor Carrie** at cantczak@umcb.org or **440-234-3525 x105**.



Homework Helpers for Grindstone Elementary

If you are interested in helping a young person in grades K-4 with their reading or math skills, please contact Pastor Carrie to learn more. The program will take place during the school day at Grindstone. We will soon know exact times and days. We will begin this fruitful ministry in October. Our loose change offering for October will support our partnership with Grindstone Elementary as well.

If you are interested, contact **Pastor Carrie** at cantczak@umcb.org or **440-234-3525 x105**.



November Knit-off - Ready . . . Set . . . Knit, Crochet, or Sew

Final Count due to Pastor Carrie (cantczak@umcb.org, 440-234-3525 x105) by November 1

Create hats, scarves, and mittens for those experiencing homelessness this winter. We are competing with several other churches to see who can create the most items. Count your items (mittens count as two) and report them to Pastor Carrie by November 1. Then share your creations with our local missions. The UMCB will receive the Golden Mitten Award if it creates the most items.



Viewing and Discussion of the Documentary "13th"

***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 '13th'. 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.



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/vSR6mWE6u5QTd7nPA>

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

Morning Prayer:

God of hosts,
at the dawning of this day,
let your face shine upon me.
Restore me,
and be my salvation;
through Jesus the Lord. Amen.

Evening Prayer:

Christ Jesus my Lord,
as you have lived with me this day,
let me rest with you this night;
and when this life has ended,
let me live with you forever. Amen.

Happening at The UMCB this week:

Sunday, October 8

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
Bring Your Own Bible Sunday

Mark 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

The Porch BW Campus Ministry

10 AM / Library / Contact [Judy Hammer](#)

Modern Worship

11 AM / Wesley Hall

Hike at Rocky River Nature Center

4 PM / Meet at the Rocky River Nature Center,
24000 Valley Parkway, North Olmsted, 44070

Monday, October 9

Mark on Vacation

Morning Prayer

9 AM – 9:30 AM/ via Zoom

Survivor's Fellowship

11 AM/ Parlor, Lunch at Applebee's /
Contact Phil Gehring at pgehrings@att.net

Read & Grow Book Discussion

6:30 PM / Room 13

Tuesday, October 10

Mark on Vacation

Morning Prayer

9 AM – 9:30 AM/ via Zoom

Tuesday Morning Bible Study

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

Sustainable Berea

6:30 PM / Room 13

Wednesday, October 11

Mark & Beth on Vacation

Morning Prayer

9 AM – 9:30 AM/ via Zoom

Parking Lot Fellowship

11 AM / The UMCB Parking Lot (weather permitting)

GriefShare

6:30 PM / via Zoom/Contact Mary Lynn Swartz at
marylynn482@gmail.com

Sisters Embracing Oneness Bible Study

7 PM / Offsite / Contact Linda Short at
9short28@gmail.com

Thursday, October 12

Mark & Beth on Vacation

Morning Prayer

9 AM – 9:30 AM/ via Zoom

Storytime

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

Bell Choir Practice

6 PM / Sanctuary / Contact [Tori Penfound](#)

Thursday Bible Study

6:30 PM / Zoom / Contact Mary Lynn Swartz at
marylynn482@gmail.com

Choir Practice

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

Friday, October 13

Mark & Beth on Vacation

Morning Prayer

9 AM – 9:30 AM/ via Zoom

GriefShare

1:30 PM / Room 13 / Contact Mary Lynn Swartz at
marylynn482@gmail.com

Saturday, October 14

Mark & Beth on Vacation

Hymn Sing

3 PM / Chapel

Sunday, October 15

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

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