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FAIRVIEW TREASURE SALE: AUGUST 3rd & 4th

It's time to clean your closets, de-clutter, down-size, or just get rid of things while you help others. Mark your calendars now for Friday, August 3 and Saturday, August 4 and begin gathering your best 'cast-off treasures' for the UMW Treasure Sale. The money raised helps to fund many United Methodist Women Mission projects, which include local and national organizations and projects.



We can use all **QUALITY, GENTLY USED, AND CLEAN** items.

Children's items sell well, especially belts, shirts and pants, good quality shoes, for school, and good back packs. Kitchen and household items, lamps, bed linens, towels, rugs, tools, sports equipment, and some adult clothing is appreciated. We especially need men's clothing. Please pre-price any collectibles that you donate.

Helpers are needed. We will schedule folks from July 30-August 2 to help with pricing, sorting, and organizing the items for display in the Parish Hall. We will be working from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Persons will also be needed to help with the customers during the Treasure Sale hours and to straighten the sales items. The Treasure Sale will be Friday, August 3, from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. and then again on Saturday, August 4 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. We will have items to sell on Sunday immediately following worship service and we will clean up also. To volunteer, please call Vicky Wentling at 937- 219-4536 or Cecelia Long at 937-972-7045.

Please, **DO NOT** bring items to the church until Sunday, July 29th. We cannot store the items due to other activities and events at the church. To arrange pick up of large, bulky items, contact Cecelia Long.

THANK YOU in advance for your assistance in making this one of our best Treasure Sales.



Adorable Pet Contest Winners

Congratulations to the nineteen pets who competed in the Adorable Pet Contest. We recognize that pet families all think they share a home with the MOST adorable critter. The candidates' families donated very generously in support of their beloved pets. Thanks to you, we generated \$112.89 for much deserved missions.

The Adorable Pet “Cat-egory” was won by Ms. Fluffy Long. The runner-up was Beatrice Lovelace. The “Dog-gone” Adorable Pet was Gibbs Schaefer. (His Mom stuffed the ballot jar; so unfair!) Patch McBride won second place. Thank you to all who participated. We're sure our pets are proud of us.

Eating Smart / Being Active Workshop Series

Central State University Extension, in partnership with Fairview UMC, will be offering a free nine-week workshop series called *Eating Smart / Being Active*. Classes will be held at Fairview UMC on Tuesdays, July 10 through September 4, 10:00-11:30 a.m. Join us for these fun interactive classes to learn how to add more fruits and veggies to your meals, save money at the grocery store, and discover easy ways to increase your physical activity. Participants will also prepare and sample an easy, healthy dish and receive a small take home item. Contact our Community Ministries Coordinator, Nicole Pritchett to register at nicole@fairviewunitedmethodist.org or call the church office at 937-274-2189.



Healthy Living Tips

Fairview UMC Financial Update

	YTD May 2018	YTD May 2017
Offerings	79,426	80,444
Expenses	83,773	79,180
excess (shortfall)	(4,347)	1,264

July Programs at the Northwest Branch Library

Polish Your Proposal -- Tuesday, July 10, 2018 6:00 – 8:00 PM

Come to this meeting and bring 5 complete copies of your grant proposal and the request for proposal for review. Share your proposal for editing and commenting by your peers. Receive valuable insight and honest feedback by five other attendees to this workshop. Class size is limited to 20 participants.



Let's Get Up! -- Tuesday, July 3, July 10, July 17 and July 24 1:00 – 2:00 PM

Join us for an action packed time of health and wellness activities for grades K-6.

Teen Art and Making -- Monday, July 9, July 16, July 23, and July 30 6:00 – 8:00 PM

Come enjoy activities including crafts, science, culinary skills, and visual art projects. Grades 7th-12th. Limited to 15 people, first come first served.

Job Seekers Open Lab – Ohio Means Jobs online – Wed., July 18, 2018 2:00 – 4:00 PM

Staff members from the Job Center discuss the many great resources available through the Ohio Means Jobs website.

The Dayton Art Institute's First Century -- Thursday, July 19, 2018 6:30 – 8:00 PM

Join historian Mike Williams for a look at the colorful history of one of the Miami Valley's cultural institutions.



Celebration of Congregational Life

- We extend our love, prayers, and sympathy to James and Celia Washington upon the death of James' sister, Iona Wynn, on June 17th. A Celebration of Life was held June 24 in Cincinnati.
- SaraRae Lili Hallstein and Isaiah Joseph Rupp will celebrate their marriage on Saturday, June 30 at 3:30 p.m. here at Fairview UMC. The bride is the daughter of Duane and Sara Hallstein and the granddaughter of Dick and Sara Dinneen. Congratulations and blessings to the bride and groom!
- Congratulations to Max Reynolds, son of Russell Reynolds and grandson of Bob and Marla Reynolds, who graduated from UCLA on June 15th with a bachelor of arts in life sciences.



5th Annual **COMMUNITY FESTIVAL** & Health Fair

Saturday August 11th

11am - 3pm

828 W. Fairview Ave.

(Corner of Fairview & Catalpa)

Dayton, Ohio

For information, call (937) 274-2189

**Gently Used Clothing
& Shoes Giveaway
School Supplies
Entertainment
Evangelism**



**Health Screenings
Health Information
Free Farmer's Market
Free Hotdogs
Games**



A Word from the Pastor

As many may already know, Dave and I are in the process of moving from our two-story plus basement house on a hill to a one-story house with no basement on a flat lot. We have owned this house since 1975, keeping it for our ultimate "retirement" home. Although neither of us are planning to retire, we are ready to give up stairs and hills! In the process of moving, we have discovered a number of boxes that were packed up twenty years ago to leave the house to which we are returning, and haven't been opened since. Of course, we are also moving many things which we have accumulated in the past twenty years. What's also amazing is that, with all that "stuff," we are still buying some new things to complete the move. We must decide what to take, and what is no longer needed.

I wonder if that isn't an analogy for our faith lives. As little children, many of us accumulated wonderful Bible stories that we continue to treasure. Through the years, we may have picked up additional stories and sayings. But it's likely that we also picked up some assumptions and interpretations that no longer serve a purpose. For example, slave owners used Bible passages to justify slavery. Ironically, slaves used some of the same passages to seek freedom. For many years, churches used Paul's words to the church at Corinth to prevent women from being leaders in the church. Some of the things we thought the Bible "said" are ancient interpretations rather than faithful biblical texts. And some of those understandings prevent us from being the people God intends us to be.

A popular method for decluttering our lives suggests that we rid ourselves of things that no longer give us joy. We're challenged to set nostalgia aside and rediscover our own style. As followers of Jesus, those may also be good guidelines for decluttering our faith lives. Most of us don't use dial telephones just because they were the first phones we learned to use. We seldom put grandma's crocheted doilies on dressers or tables unless it's a "retro" room. We can use new methods to make the good news of Jesus relevant to new generations of people. Rediscovering our own style may prevent us from following trends that are not who we are or what we are about. Being real brought the Velveteen Rabbit to life, and being who we truly are will create genuine worship and authentic relationships. We need make no apologies for being people who love singing hymns in four-part harmony, and enjoy the glorious sounds of the organ.

One of the challenges of moving, once we've decided what to take and what to leave behind, is figuring out where everything goes. Logic dictates that some items must be placed in specific locations for best results. Kitchen utensils belong in the kitchen, not the bedroom. But aesthetics, beauty, also plays a part in good design. We position our most treasured possessions where they are best displayed. For disciples, nothing is of greater treasure than our Lord Jesus. When Christ is central, in our thoughts, in our decisions, in our prayers, in our actions, everything else will be more radiant. And the home in which we live will be filled with peace and joy.



*A Word From
Pastor Barbara Wiechel*

Fairview Director of Music

The Staff Parish Relations Committee is pleased to announce that Carol Chatfield has accepted the position as Fairview Director of Music. Her official work begins in September, when the choirs begin their season. She is already busy planning for the coming year, and we look forward to her presence and leadership. Welcome, Carol!



- July 1** Matt Wright
- July 2** Susie Kurtz, Jeremy Hounshell
- July 3** Willow Gear, Nate Payne, David Lovelace
- July 4** Marla Reynolds
- July 5** Jan Carrigan, Nathan Messer
- July 10** Sandy Rutherford
- July 11** Reese Olivia Pulver
- July 15** Adam Parks
- July 18** Amanda Puderbaugh
- July 19** Gordon Mains
- July 20** Hamilton Bridges, Hailey Bridges
- July 25** Shelly Geraci
- July 26** Matthew Adams
- July 29** Lee Kreider
- July 30** Amanda Gear

July Panera Bread Pick-Up

- July 4 Cecelia Long
- July 11 Jerry Gribler
- July 18 Bertha Messer
- July 25 Pastor Barbara and
Dave Wiechel

July Greeters

July 1 Kathy & Dick Schaefer
July 8 Florence Carwell
July 15 Pam & Wayne Hounshell
July 22 Gerry & Marlys Nelson
July 29 Jean Needham

July Hospitality

July 1 Cecelia Long
July 8 Barbara Rowlands
July 15 Deb Arnold
July 22 Bertha Messer
July 29 Cecelia Long

July Worship Leaders

July 1 Amber Yeary
July 8 John Larsen
July 15 Marla Reynolds
July 22 Kathy Schaefer
July 29 Alexander Joseph

July Van Ministry

July 1 John Larsen
July 8 Jerry Gribler
July 15 Bertha Messer
July 22 Traci McGuire
July 29 Art Mehaffey

July Ushers

Sheila Crane, Dick Schaefer, Ed Farmer
Head Usher: Sam Kurtz

Pantry Schedule

July 2 Marla Reynolds and Vicky Wentling
July 6 Linda Payne and Pam Hounshell
July 9 Barbara Buttram and Pat White
July 13 Barbara Rowlands and Bonnie Maloney
July 16 Jackie Mergler and Barbara Rowlands
July 20 Kathy Farmer and Vicky Wentling
July 23 Susie Kurtz and Pat White
July 27 Ingrid Tartaglia and Vicky Wentling
July 30 Shirley McBride and Janet Michael



Legal Clinic

In July we will **not** be having our normal Free Legal Clinic. We are giving our volunteer attorneys a break for a month.

The church office will be closed
Wednesday, July 4 in observance of
Independence Day



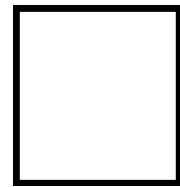
Deadline for articles to be submitted
for the August edition of *Columns* is
July 15. Please email your articles to
office@fairviewunitedmethodist.org.
Thank you!



SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE
 Hospitality (Parish Hall) 9:15 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.
 Sunday School Classes 9:45 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.
 Worship (Sanctuary) 11:00 a.m.

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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
01 Sunday Morning Schedule	02 9:30am Food Pantry	03 9:00 am NYLA	04 4th of July Holiday Church Office Closed	05 9:00 am NYLA	06 9:00 am NYLA 9:30am Food Pantry	07
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