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2018 West Ohio Annual Conference

The West Ohio Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church will convene Sunday, June 3, at Lakeside, Ohio. Pastor Barbara and Amanda Greer represent Fairview United Methodist Church. Rev. Dr. AK Lovelace, our administrative assistant, will also be attending as retired clergy. As part of the conference business, AK will be appointed to a ¼ time position as the pastor of New Jasper UMC beginning July 1, 2018. Her appointment will not affect her employment here, as her primary pastoral responsibilities will be on Sundays.

Rev. Dr. Zan Holmes, Jr., well known United Methodist pastor and scholar, will be preaching Sunday evening and Tuesday morning. Dr. Holmes is one of the key presenters in *Disciple*. Bishop Palmer will preach at the celebration of ministry Tuesday evening, when retiring clergy are recognized and new clergy are being commissioned and ordained. In addition, he will offer an episcopal address on Monday evening. Rev. Lou Seipel will preach Wednesday morning.

The work of the conference includes setting the budget for 2019, determining minimum compensation for clergy, as well as setting

pension, health care and other benefits. Clergy vacation policies will also be considered through Recommendation 4. Recommendation 5 deals with investment policies of the conference, in light of changes in investment policies by Wespath (a United Methodist agency), who created high-performing, socially responsible funds. Recommendation 6 encourages all congregations and individuals to support, in a variety of ways, those who are immigrants within our communities, including education and awareness, direct assistance with transportation, legal procedures, etc. and through advocacy.

Although the focus of annual conference is on worship and conducting necessary business, the atmosphere is that of a family reunion, with plenty of opportunities to meet with friends or alumni organizations, and explore new ways to be "church." And there is always time for a stroll on the dock or along the lake shore, with a stop for fresh donuts in the morning, or ice cream treats during the day! Please keep our annual conference and The United Methodist Church in prayer, that we may be faithful and obedient to our call.

Updates from our Community Ministries Coordinator, Nicole Pritchett

Fairview Church's Impact on the Community

The word *impact* is used often in community circles. By definition, to have an impact is to have a strong effect on someone or something. Organizations and churches strive to have impact and there are people in the community that need positive relationships.

Our Food Pantry has a strong impact on entire zip codes, two in particular - 45405 and 45406. According to PantryTrak, the system we use to serve the community through our pantry, Fairview United Methodist Church has served 714 people and has provided over 12,000 meals since January 2018. Wow, that is having a strong effect! That is having a very positive impact.

Our Fun Club provides children with a healthy meal and an activity every week of the school year. Fairview UMC, for 20 weeks with an average of 20 kids each week, has provided over 400 meals and given over 220 hours in service to the Fairview neighborhood. The love, commitment, and consistency the volunteers have shown has made a huge difference in the lives of these youth.

Building Impact

Fairview United Methodist Church is very proud of the facilities entrusted to us. Although the facilities are not generally open to the public, we make it available to approved non-member persons and groups as a witness to our faith, in a spirit of Christian charity, and as a means of demonstrating the Gospel of Jesus Christ in practice. In this we have a great impact to the community through the use of the facilities. In efforts to maintain safety and security, we ask that the office be notified of any meetings held in the church.

Here are ways to notify the church office of meetings being held:

Website: We have a building use form available on our website.

Call: You can call the office during office hours

Email: Send an email to office@fairviewunitedmethodist.org



Keep an eye on our garden! Grow2Live has planted seeds that are growing, growing, growing!

Community Events

As we move into the warmer months, we have wonderful, impactful events happening here. In addition to our garden, we will be hosting the Art of Hope on Saturday June 2nd at 1:00 pm. The Art of Hope is a celebration of the artistic talents of youth. This event will promote and highlight all forms of creativity displayed by youth in the community and around the Miami Valley.

On August 11th, the annual community festival and health fair will be held here at Fairview at 11:00 am. Information and health screenings will be provided along with food, fun and games. This wonderful event remains in partnership with our neighbors, Agape Bible Fellowship and the FROC Priority Board.

Celebrating our Graduates

SaraRae Hallstein is graduating from MVCTC/National Trail High School. All are welcome to celebrate with the graduate at an open house at the Hallstein's home on Sunday, June 3 beginning at 1:00 p.m. For further details, see the bulletin board outside the church office. SaraRae is the daughter of Sara and Duane Hallstein and the granddaughter of Dick and Sara Ann Dinneen.

We also congratulate these graduates and their families:

- Brianna Gracey, daughter of Dave and Debbie Gracey and granddaughter of Jerry and Barbara Gribler; graduating from Chaminade Julienne Catholic High School
- Samantha Cudney, daughter of Terry and Dawn Cudney and granddaughter of William and Esther Weglage, graduating from The Ohio State University



Schoolchildren's Books Distributed

Although we had a smaller distribution crew than usual, all students at Fairview PreK-6 School received one or two books for summer reading from Fairview United Methodist Church. The book giveaway took place Monday, May 14, 2018. Church members Art Mehaffey, Wayne Hounshell, Barbara Rowlands, Pat White, Judy Gebhart and Pam Hounshell helped the children select their books. A total of 701 books were given to 494 eager students.

Many thanks to all who helped make this important project a success: those who counted and sorted, those who boxed or delivered, those who donated books to give or sell, those who gave money, and those who shopped. Special thanks to AK Lovelace in the church office for making name labels for all those books. Well done, everyone!

*Thank
You!*

Thanks from our Trustees

The church Trustees extend a big THANK YOU to all who helped keep our building and grounds safe and attractive through their labors during our Spring Work Day on May 12.

In Sympathy

We extend our love and prayers to:

- Deb Arnold, Bertha Messer, and family upon the death of their niece, Mindy Boyd Hankins, who passed on April 20. Her service was held on April 29.
- Sandy Rutherford, member of the Faith Class, upon the death of her mother, Nora Bell Rutherford on May 12. A celebration of life will be held at a later time.

Summer Programs at Our Neighborhood Library

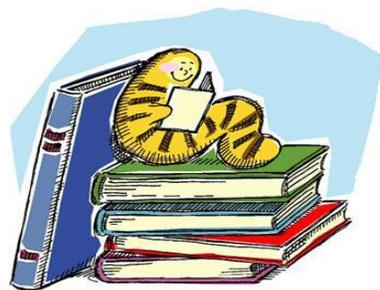
The Northwest Library Branch Library of the Dayton Metro Library will offer a variety of fun, educational and entertaining programs for all ages.

Summer Challenge--The 2018 Summer Challenge began May 17 for children from PreK through Grade 12. This year's slogan is "Libraries Rock." Earn great prizes for hours spent reading and attending library programs. Stop by the Northwest Branch to register for the Summer Challenge before it ends July 28.

Summer Lunch Program--Monday – Thursday June 11 – July 28 12:30 – 1:00 children age 18 and under are invited to eat lunch at the library. Meals are provided by Dayton Public Schools.

Computer Classes--Need to learn a new computer program or brush up your existing computer skills? Call (937) 496-8640 to pre-register for any of the following computer classes:

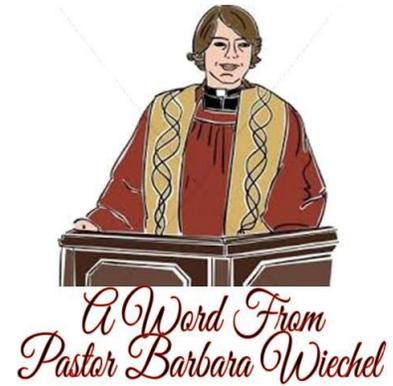
- **PowerPoint Basics:** 6/5/2018 5:30 – 7:30 PM
- **Word Basics:** 6/7/2018 2:00 – 4:00 PM
- **Excel: Just the Basics:** 6/12/2018 5:30 -7:30 PM
- **Social Media Basics:** 6/19/2018 5:30 – 7:30 PM
- **Mouse Basics:** 6/21/2018 2:00 – 4:00 PM
- **Go Digital with Overdrive, Hoopla and Zinio:**
6/26/2018 5:30 – 7:30 PM
- **Computer Keyboard:** 6/28/2018 2:00 – 4:00 PM



Build a Better Community--James and Peter from The Collaboratory, Dayton's civic innovation lab will visit the Northwest Branch Library on Tuesday, June 12 from 4:00 – 7:00 pm to talk to patrons about their personal passions and ideas for building a better community for their neighborhoods or the region. Brainstorm with them or work through a concept for a specific initiative. The ideas with the biggest impact will be shared at a community workshop in the late summer at the Main Library. The workshop will be open to anyone who participates in the Northwest forum.

A Word from the Pastor

As a student in high school, I was the recipient of the generosity of what was then the WSCS of my local Methodist congregation. They paid for me to participate in a UN/Washington, D.C. trip for high school students. It was an eye-opening experience for those of us who attended. Years later, the United Methodist Women encouraged me to attend my first Assembly, and paid for my trip. I got on a bus with forty-some women, none of whom I knew, and we headed to Philadelphia. There my eyes were truly opened to the amazing work of mission and advocacy being done by women committed to Jesus Christ. No longer could I think of the UMW as merely crafters, cookie bakers, and tireless workers in the local community. These were women who were changing the world! The topics they considered were at least twenty years ahead of the United Methodist Church.



It was my sisters in United Methodist Women who affirmed my call to ordained ministry, and who continue to support me with their prayers and guidance. Whenever I have an opportunity to return their support through presentations, work or money, I do so with great gratitude. How wonderful it is to be celebrating 150 years of women's ministry, and to be a part of ensuring the future of United Methodist Women through the Legacy Fund.

As we gathered in Columbus, we experienced moving music and worship, engaged in serious conversations about serious issues, celebrated deaconesses and women bishops, and committed to using the *Power of Bold* to address issues that threaten the well-being of our world. Marian Wright Edelman asked us to be "holy fleas," persistent in representing the needs of our community with legislators and others who wield power. "After all," she said, "even a big dog can be moved by persistent fleas." She also reminded us that there are more United Methodist Women than there are members of the NRA. We tackled challenges related to fair wages, climate justice, maternal and child health and the criminalization of black and brown people in our educational and justice systems.

In casual conversations, I talked with a geophysicist, counselors, nurses, teachers, community organizers, women business owners and experts in all kinds of areas. Talk about the *Power of Bold*! We come from major cities, small towns, and rural areas throughout the world. Sometimes, when we are focused upon raising money, others may see only the treasure sales, dinners, cookie baking and projects. But rest assured, underlying all that work is a commitment to creating a world that is better for us all, particularly with lives of freedom and grace for women and children everywhere. We truly are "a community of women whose purpose is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ; to develop a creative, supportive fellowship; and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church."

June Birthdays

June 2	Terri Hoernemann
June 3	Susan Carrigan
June 4	Steve Spring, Adam Wyss
June 5	Kathy Fruchte
June 8	Beckham Hounshell
June 12	Debby Day
June 13	June Barr
June 14	Sean Cudney
June 16	Madeleine Mehaffey
June 21	Sam Kurtz
June 23	Sheila Crane
June 26	Richard McBride



Both the church office and the Food Pantry will be closed Monday, May 28 for the Memorial Day holiday.

The church office will be closed Monday, June 4 and Tuesday, June 5 because of Annual Conference.

The Food Pantry will be open as usual on Monday, June 4.

June Worship Leaders

June 3 Bob Larsen
June 10 Debbie Arnold
June 17 Fred Poland
June 24 Barbara Rowlands

June Hospitality Schedule

June 3 Cecelia Long
June 10 Barbara Rowlands
June 17 Cecelia Long
June 24 Bertha Messer

June Ushers

John Larsen, Gerry Nelson, Bob Larsen
Head Usher: Jack Hoernemann

Van Ministry

June 3 John Larsen
June 10 Jerry Gribler
June 17 Bertha Messer
June 24 Traci McGuire

Welcome Team

June 3 Debbie Arnold & Bertha Messer
June 10 Florence Carwell
June 17 Susie Kurtz
June 24 Kathy & Dick Schaefer

Pantry Schedule

June 1 Pam Hounshell, Linda Payne
June 4 Marla Reynolds, Janet Michael
June 8 Kathy Farmer, Deb Arnold
June 11 Pam Hounshell, Pat White
June 15 Bonnie Maloney, Barb Rowlands
June 18 Shirley McBride, Pat White
June 22 Susie Kurtz, Vicky Wentling
June 25 Jackie Mergler, Barb Rowlands
June 29 Ingrid Tartaglia, Ginger Agee, Vicky Wentling



Legal Clinic

Legal Clinic will be available to those in need of services on Saturday, June 9 at Fairview UMC from 10:00 am-Noon.

Do you have a refrigerator?

Do you have refrigerator magnets?

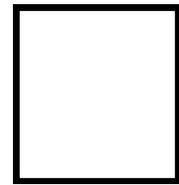
If you answered *yes* to both questions, then please detach the June calendar from this newsletter and post it on your refrigerator. We are making progress toward becoming a seven-day-a-week church, with one or more ministries happening almost every day in our building. Check the calendar often to see what's happening at Fairview United Methodist Church.



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 9:30am Food Pantry	02 1:00pm Art of Hope
03 Sunday Morning Schedule	04 Church Office Closed 9:30am Food Pantry	05 Church Office Closed 6:00pm Grow2Live	06 5:00pm NYLA	07	08 9:30am Food Pantry	09 10:00am Legal Clinic 12:00pm Grow2Live
10 Sunday Morning Schedule	11 9:30am Food Pantry	12 6:00pm Grow2Live	13 6:00pm FROC Priority Board	14	15 9:30am Food Pantry Deadline for July Columns	16 12:00pm Grow2Live
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24 Sunday Morning Schedule	25 9:30am Food Pantry	26 9:00am NYLA	27 9:00am NYLA	28 9:00am NYLA	29 9:00am NYLA 9:30am Food Pantry	30 2:00pm Hallstein Wedding



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