



FAIRVIEW  
United Methodist Church

## COLUMNS NEWSLETTER

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### Fairview United Methodist Women's Treasure Sale ---A Big Success

A **Special Thank you** is extended to everyone who helped to make the United Methodist Women's 2018 Treasure Sale a big success! All who contributed clothing, household items, furniture, toys, puzzles, games, linens, health care, beauty products, tools pet supplies, etc. made this annual event possible. The ones who prepared the posters, flyers or banners helped to spread the word. Parish Hall was filled with many treasures for the community to purchase, but we still had lots to give to the Corner Cupboard Thrift Shop. Those persons who helped to pick up and deliver furniture and other contributions gave invaluable time and energy. All the women who unbagged, unboxed, sorted, organized, priced and placed items on tables in the Parish Hall for display, and who helped on the Sales Days generously gave more than 150 hours of time. The helpers who packed boxes and bags and pushed and shoved left-over treasures out of the Parish Hall are commended for giving of their time and energy. With cooperative spirits and helping hands, the United Methodist Women celebrated another year of providing quality and useful items for the community through the annual Treasure Sale. **Over \$1600 was raised** to be used for mission projects in our local, regional, national and international

communities where assistance is needed. Thank you, thank you, thank you!!!



### Deborah Circle of United Methodist Women --Salad Carry-In and Meeting

The Deborah Circle will have a Salad Carry-In on Monday, September 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. at Fairview. The Salad Carry-In will resume our time of meeting monthly as we learn more about missions of the United Methodist Women. We will re-commit our energies and resources to being available to those who need a hand-up. The meeting is hosted by Pat White with co-hostess Judy Gebhart. Devotions will be led by Judith Mathes.

Members of Deborah Circle extend an invitation to anyone to come and share in this time of fellowship. All are reminded to bring diapers of any size or women's hygiene items for the Fairview Pantry. If you have any questions, please call Cecelia Long, 937 972-7045 or email [cealong48@gmail.com](mailto:cealong48@gmail.com).

## Fairview UMW Leadership Team Meeting Is Thursday, September 13<sup>th</sup>

The Fairview United Methodist Women's Leadership Team will meet on Thursday, September 13 at 9:30 a.m. All members of the team will meet to evaluate the Treasure Sale, receive finance reports, make decisions about distribution of mission dollars, receive the Nominations Committee Report, and to finalize planning for UMW Sunday scheduled for October 28. If you are unable to attend the Team meeting, please contact Cecelia Long 937 972 7045 or email [cealong48@gmail.com](mailto:cealong48@gmail.com). We have had a busy and productive year for UMW. We give God the glory for working through us!



### Rebecca-Naomi Circle to Resume Monthly Meetings

Fairview United Methodist Women's only daytime circle will reconvene after a summer break on Wednesday, September 12 at 1:30 in Brewbaker Library. All women are welcome to join us as we consider how we can share God's love with all people. Finding our place and our calling in the global ministries of the church is part of our purpose. We meet on the second Wednesday of each month for the remainder of 2018. Mark these dates on your calendars: September 12; October 10; November 14; December 12. Gatherings begin at 1:30 and end by 3:00, and include light refreshments.

### United Methodist Women District Annual Meeting

Come ***Celebrate Mission!*** together at the 2018 Annual Fall Gathering of the Miami Valley District on Saturday, September 29, 2018 from 9 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. at First United Methodist Church in Troy, Ohio. Representatives from the six mission sites supported by the Miami Valley District will be present. Please bring items which they are requesting to help in their outreach efforts. Boxes will be set up in the Welcome Center for your contributions to these mission sites.

Items requested are: Alpha Community Center – canned tuna, vegetables and soups; Oasis House – women's hygiene products; Open Hands Free Store- bar soap and dish detergent; St. Paul Ministries- crayons, markers, colored pencils; Sycamore House – children's educational toys or "sippy" cups; and Wesley Community Center – all sizes baby diapers and wipes.

Registration is \$15 per person. Groups of three or more from the same church receive a reduced rate of \$12 per person. Please contact Cecelia Long at 937-972-7045 if you wish to register. Fairview is so close to Troy that this will be a great time to meet representatives from the mission sites and learn more about the wonderful work that they do for women and children and families. Thank you for your support of UMW District Fall Gathering!

## Financial Update

	YTD July 2018	YTD July 2017
Offerings	146,772	138,551
Expenses	140,895	131,035
Abundance	5,877	7,516



## Fairview Fun Club Volunteers Needed

Fairview Fun Club will begin a new season of after-school meal time and activities on Wednesday, September 12<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. The Fun Club meets each Wednesday during the school year except when the Dayton Public Schools are not in session.

Volunteers are needed for: 1) Being a leader with children in a specific grade range; 2) Coming to lead a time of reading, music, dancing, physical exercise, etc. once per month.

Fun Club needs donations of pull up water bottle tops for a craft project. Please place water bottle tops in a plastic baggie and bring to the church office, or place in the mailbox on the church office door.

Fairview has been blessed with volunteers who have given of their time and energy to Fun Club for several years. It is a mission opportunity that needs men and women to step forward to help. Please contact Cecelia Long, 937/972-7045 with your questions and to volunteer! Thank you.

## In Sympathy

We extend our love and prayers to the family of Maxine Beavers upon her passing August 17, 2018. A graveside service was held on August 23, with Rev. Barbara Wiechel officiating.

## In Celebration

With joy and gratitude to God, Rev. Alecia Schroedel announces her engagement to Rev. John Deuble of Jackson, Michigan. Alecia and John met in the mid-1990's at the First Congregational Church of Akron. They rekindled their friendship about two years ago and have decided to commit their lives to each other. Alecia is a former associate pastor at Fairview, having served here in the early 2000's. She is currently the pastor at Campbellstown UCC outside of Eaton, Ohio, and John is the pastor at St. James UCC in Saline, Michigan. The wedding will take place in May of 2019 at Campbellstown UCC and the couple plans to make their home in Eaton, Ohio.

## Community Matters

by Nicole Pritchett,  
Community Ministries Coordinator

September is here and we are well into harvesting. The youth of the Grow2Live Garden have returned to school and the garden continues to flourish. We had a beautifully productive season in the Grow2Live Youth garden. Youth from within and around the Fairview community learned the benefits of having a garden and the life principles that go along with it. The garden allowed parents and kids who had never gardened before learn and grow together. It gave fresh produce to families and a sense of accomplishment and hope to youth. The vegetables in the garden are now available to the Fairview congregation. Fairview members are able to pick vegetables. We ask that if when you pick from the garden that you let us know how much the vegetables weighed as we are tracking how much (in weight) our new garden produced in 2018. Feel free to send an email or write a quick note to the office with the type of vegetable and the weight.

A special thank you to Larry Gebhart for his willingness and faithfulness in keeping the garden watered when the youth were not in session. Without his help we could not have made the impact that we did. The garden would not be what is without Larry. Thank you Larry.

## Caresource at FUMC

Lisa Taylor, Community Marketing Representative with CareSource will be on site during the month of September for our Pantry days. CareSource is a non-profit managed care plan that serves families with Ohio Medicaid, Marketplace, and Medicare A & B. CareSource is the largest Managed Care Plan for Medicaid in Ohio. Lisa Taylor will be available to answer questions about how to apply for Medicaid and the benefits that CareSource has to offer. You do not have to be uninsured!! Additionally, Lisa will have giveaways including toothbrushes, hand sanitizer and notepads/pens. Please come if you have questions.

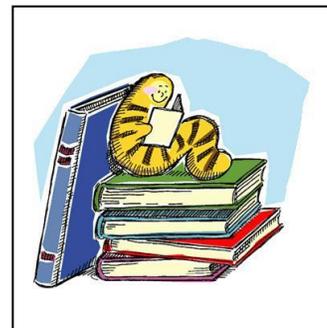


## September Programs at our Neighborhood Northwest Branch Library

The following programs are offered during the month of August at the Northwest Branch of the Dayton Metro Library, 2410 Philadelphia Drive. All free! To register, visit the Events Calendar at [DaytonMetroLibrary.org](http://DaytonMetroLibrary.org) or call (937) 463-2665.

### **Brukner Nature Center Presents: Insects - Saturday, September 1, 2:00-3:30 PM**

Wildlife Educators from Brukner Nature Center will bring two live insect predators to show and discuss. Play Insect Jeopardy and watch as someone is transformed into a giant insect! This program is limited to 30 participants.



### **Job Seekers Open Lab – Resumes and Online Applications – September 12, 2:00-4:00 PM**

Ohio Means Jobs will assist with creating simple resumes and reviewing existing resumes. Also learn how to apply for jobs online and upload resumes and application materials.

### **Cyber Safety – Saturday, September 15, 2:30-4:30 PM**

Learn how to protect yourself and your family while browsing the Internet, using email, shopping online and more! We can make security fun by viewing videos and playing simple games. October is National Cyber Security Awareness month; join us as we learn how to stay safer and more secure online.

### **Is Business Ownership For You? – Tuesday, September 18, 6:30-8:00 PM**

In this informative presentation, franchise consultant and business expert Bill Powell of FranNet will answer attendees' initial questions on business and franchising basics. Advance registration is required. Register by calling (937) 496-8631 or register at [Dayton.score.org](http://Dayton.score.org).

### **Coding Club – Wednesday, September 19 – 4:00-5:00 PM**

Learn the concepts of loops, variables, conditionals, and functions that form the basis for all programming languages – whether you want to build a website, an app, or a robot. We will work in teams to design and build a Computer Science “CS” Impact Project that solves real world problems you care about through code. Curriculum provided by Girls Who Code, a national non-profit working to close the gender gap in technology. The club is for both boys and girls grades 7-12.

*A Word From  
Pastor Barbara Wiechel*

The lectionary readings for September include a focus on the letter written by "James, a slave of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ." Scholars believe the letter was written early in the first century, when the church was predominantly Jewish, and had little formal structure. It seems to be written to encourage Jewish Christians outside of Palestine who were suffering trials and troubles. This particular letter follows the pattern of wisdom literature, such as Proverbs and Ecclesiastes in the Hebrew Bible. The letter's primary themes are endorsing values that are contrary to the world's, and expressing faith through actions consistent with God's values. Because the letter was written during a time when almost everyone believed Jesus' second coming in glory was imminent, it might be called a strategy for living in the waiting time.

James provides some excellent practical advice for living a happy life that treats others with dignity and respect. Any community that follows James' advice, by showing no favoritism, providing for the needs of all people, refusing to speak in ways that cause harm, and refusing to judge one another, will be a place of peace. Like Proverbs and Ecclesiastes, James provides practical rules that could apply to virtually any community, not just religious communities. James insists that by following these practices we are aligning ourselves with God and Jesus Christ. Where James falls a bit short, however, is in distinguishing between "good people" and "good disciples of Jesus Christ."

Jesus' life, teachings and ministries call us to be something more than "good people" who follow practices that lead to a happy, compatible life. During September, the gospel stories include scolding those who place the rules of humans above the commands of God, two healing stories that are challenging, and two predictions of his own death. His teachings insist that those who follow him must take up crosses, become slaves to others for Jesus' sake, welcome children and give thirsty people cups of water. To believe in Jesus is to move beyond wisdom and good manners into self-sacrifice and a life at odds with the ways of the world. James is not wrong in his advice and support for those attempting to live a life of faith. Faith that doesn't change our behaviors and relationships with others in positive ways is no faith at all. But we must be prepared to go further than wisdom, perhaps even into the foolishness of believing that only by sacrificing our lives will we find life.

Although the calendar year begins in January, for many of us, the "new year" starts in September, when students and staff return to school, when crops are harvested and preparations begin for the winter season, when church calendars resume activities from which we rested in the summer. As we enter this new year, let's be intent on discovering what it takes to be "followers of Jesus" while we live as "good people" following the teachings and wisdom offered by James.

## **September Birthdays**

- September 2** Betsy Combs, Ed Farmer
- September 3** Kathy Farmer
- September 5** Linda Hart
- September 11** Marcella Barrett
- September 12** Heather Copas, Jan Edgel, Kayla Messer
- September 13** Zachary Puderbaugh, Bridget Thomas
- September 16** Mark Golovcsenko, Pam Rapp
- September 18** Charlene Pratt, Bob Reynolds
- September 19** Michael Cox, Marcus Messer
- September 22** Terry Cudney, Corey Spencer
- September 25** Fred Clark
- September 27** Zachary Weatherford, Tom Wright
- September 29** Mindi Puderbaugh



## **Legal Clinic**

Legal Clinic will be available to those in need of services on Saturday, September 8 at Fairview UMC from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m

## **September Greeters**

- September 2** Bertha Messer & Deb Arnold
- September 9** Florence Carwell
- September 16** June Barr
- September 23** Kathy & Dick Schaefer
- September 30** Susie Kurtz

## **September Hospitality**

- September 2** Deb Arnold
- September 9** Barbara Rowlands
- September 16** Cecelia Long
- September 23** Bertha Messer
- September 30** Deb Arnold

**September Worship Leaders**

- September 2** Greg Zuber
- September 9** Traci McGuire
- September 16** Mary Beth Wyss
- September 23** Sherri Sutter
- September 30** Bob Larsen

**September Van Ministry**

- September 2** John Larsen
- September 9** Jerry Gribler
- September 16** Bertha Messer
- September 23** Traci McGuire
- September 30** Art Mehaffey

**September Ushers**

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

**Pantry Schedule**

- September 3** CLOSED (Labor Day Holiday)
- September 7** Pam Hounshell & Linda Payne
- September 10** Barbara Buttram & Marla Reynolds
- September 14** Barbara Rowlands & Bonnie Maloney
- September 17** Barbara Rowlands & Jackie Mergler
- September 21** Kathy Farmer & Deb Arnold
- September 24** Pat White & Susie Kurtz
- September 28** Ingrid Tartaglia & Vicky Wentling

**Panera Bread Pick-Up**

- September 5** Cecelia Long
- September 12** Jerry Gribler
- September 19** Bertha Messer
- September 26** Pastor Barbara and  
Dave Wiechel

**Communion Servers September 2**

- Fred Poland
- Cecelia Long
- Terry Lunsford
- Duke Lunsford

**Building Trustee**

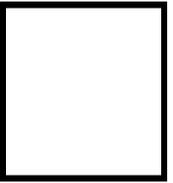
- Sunday, September 2** Jan Mains
- Sunday, September 9** Judy Gebhart
- Sunday, September 16** Fred Poland
- Sunday, September 23** Mike Zuber
- Sunday, September 30** Doug Kneisly



<b>SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE</b>	
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
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<b>02</b>	<b>03</b> LABOR DAY Church Office and Food Pantry closed	<b>04</b> 10:00am Eating Smart	<b>05</b>	<b>06</b> 7:15pm Chancel Choir	<b>07</b> 9:30am Food Pantry 10:00am CareSource	<b>08</b> 10:00am Legal Clinic 7:00pm Open Door Class
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