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Official Newsletter of Church of the Master



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A Letter from the Pastor By Pastor Jay Anderson

This month I thought I would use this space to share with you in more detail the idea behind the new Leadership Council model that we have introduced to replace the Administrative Board structure that we have traditionally used. Understanding that “change for the sake of “change” is rarely a good idea I wanted you to know the thinking behind making this change and how it helps us going forward. In order to do that though, we have to go back.

When I first arrived at Church of the Master in 2019 one of the first things I noticed was that there were meetings of one kind or another every weeknight. And as I began dropping in on some and regularly attending others I observed that often times I was sitting around the table with many of the same people at each meeting, just discussing different topics. Another thing I saw was that some of the meetings felt like they didn't really need to happen - that what little was discussed or planned could just as easily been handled in a couple of emails rather than pulling people out of their homes on a weeknight for a meeting. One other thing I noted was that none of the meetings had anything close to full attendance by those who were slated to be part of that group. If everyone attended all the meetings that they were “supposed” to attend, myself included, we'd be out of the house and away from family 3-4 nights per week. Hmmm, I thought. It seems like people are “meetinged out.”

After gathering those observations over a few months I also realized, when trying to schedule a Bible study, that there was no single night of the week that we could do a multi-week study without running up against one or more meetings that I and others had to attend. So at that point I met with the individual chairs of primarily the administrative committees and asked that we rearrange our meeting schedules so that all meeting took place on Monday nights - Meeting Mondays I called it. They were all amenable to that idea and soon we had most of the major meetings taking place on Mondays, which began to open up the schedule for bible studies and other activities on other nights.

At the same time, even on Monday nights, I observed that it was largely the same group of people meeting each week because all of the administrative committees were largely populated by people who had to be there because of their leadership role in the church. Lay Leaders (of which we had three), Lay Members to Annual Conference, Treasurer, Pastor and others, by virtue of their position, are members of most if not all of the committees, and these along with the chairs of every committee and others are required to be part of the Administrative Board. So, the same group of people would gather one week to discuss finance issues, the next to discuss staffing issues, the next to discuss building issues, and so on. And often times, a decision by one group had to also go to another group for ...

approval or in order to move forward, which meant, depending on the situation, talking about an issue at 2-3 different meetings or 2-3 different groups over several months. At times it could be both maddening and frustrating. It was certainly inefficient.

This organizational structure was the traditional structure in the United Methodist Church, as laid out in the Book of Discipline. However, the Book of Discipline also provides for another model of church governance for churches that think it would work better in their context. This model is called a Unified Board model. In a Unified Board structure, a representative group of people, usually from 12-16 total, creates a combined Administrative Committee that acts as the Finance Committee, the Staff-Parish Relations Committee, the Board of Trustees, and the Administrative Board. Those committees, largely made up of the same people who are there because of their positions, would meet one time, together, rather than four times separately, to make the decisions that need to be made for church operations. All of the committees and positions required by the Book of Discipline are present, but the way they operate is different, more efficient, and better suited for making the decisions necessary, but also to transform the board into a forward-looking, visioning body for the church, which is what the Administrative board of a church by any name is supposed to have time to do anyway.

I had worked under the Unified Board structure in my last two appointments, and while they were similar in nature, there were also unique characteristics to both, based on their contexts. I began having conversations with various lay leaders in the church about this structure in late 2019 and early 2020, explaining the concept, answering questions, and getting feedback from the people who knew this church best and who would be most directly impacted by a change like this. The feedback was good and there was a growing sense of excitement from many about the possibilities...then the pandemic hit. Everything shut down. Meetings didn't happen initially, then we, like the rest of the world, discovered Zoom, and a new "normal" was developed. And with that, any plans for making changes to our organizational structure were shelved for the time being.

Fast forward to Spring of 2021, a year after the initial pandemic-induced shutdown, and things are beginning to get back to a real normal. Worship is in-person again as well as being live-streamed, meetings are happening again in an in-person/Zoom hybrid kind of format and conversations about the organizational structure were dusted off and resumed. In May of 2021 we held an all-day retreat for our Administrative Board and staff where, among other things, I introduced this idea to the entire group. We had a lot of discussion and questions but in the end, made the decision to move forward by creating a task force to put together a proposal for what a new Unified Board would look like for the church. To that end, Chuck Erickson, Michelle Foster, Sam Dorff, Greg Shaw, and I met several times over several months and put together a model for what a new Leadership Council would look like, taking several meetings to just question and "what if" the structure to death, as best we could. After we felt we had put together a structure that would weather most of the storms we could throw at it, within reason, we took it to the Administrative Board who approved moving forward with the new structure as of July 1st of this year on a one-year trial basis so we could figure out what worked and what did not. At the end of one year the model will either go to a Church Conference for approval or be taken back to the drawing board.

The Leadership Council as we have structured it represents all of the major administrative and ministry areas of the church, provides for representation for youth and young adults both, and includes at-large positions so there are voices on the Council with no specific area of interest. The structure is set up with term limits for positions and a rotation so that new voices come onto the board on an annual basis without our losing "institutional memory," as it were.

The biggest advantages to the church, though, will come in different ways. Fewer meetings to attend means more time with family, more time to engage in activities to help grow in discipleship, whether that's through book and bible studies or serving in some kind of mission or outreach activity. Fewer meetings and a unified administrative concept means more efficient and nimble decision-making and a quicker turnaround time for new and innovative ministry ideas to become actual ministries of outreach impacting the community. And the use of short-term task forces as opposed to long-term committee commitments will hopefully encourage more people to become engaged, knowing there is a beginning and ending to their commitment, thus training up new leaders to fill needed leadership positions as we go forward.

No system, no structure, no idea is perfect. There will be stumbling blocks as we move forward and find new "what ifs" that we didn't think about - that's why we're doing it on a trial basis to begin. That said, this group needs your prayers. Thinking about and visioning for the future of the congregation is vital work that in so many places gets pushed to the back burner. But as scripture tells us, "a people without vision perish." Please pray for this courageous group of leaders who have not shied away from this experiment or clung to the "we've always done it that way" mindset. And please pray for our church and our future at the same time.

Grace & Peace,
Pastor Jay

Children's Ministry Newsletter

August 2022



Wrapping up Summer Sundays: Sonbeams!

Families are encouraged to worship together during the 9:00AM service. Our Sunday morning children's church programs are offered at the 11:00 service, during which we also offer Nursery care. After the Children's Message, 3-year-olds through 6th graders are invited to meet their teachers in the Gathering Space to transition to Sonbeams. Or, families may choose to have children remain in Worship - children's sounds, energy, and emotions are welcome as part of God's joyful noise!

Summer Acolytes Needed!



Our Summer "Sonbeams" curriculum will be an exploration of *The Lord's Prayer*, engaging with artwork, children books, and yoga, in addition to Biblical resources! Children will be flexibly grouped each week based on the numbers/ages in attendance, sometimes remaining in one large group (3 and 4 year-olds are welcome in the nursery if parents prefer). This format continues through Sunday, August 28th!

Lighting candles in Worship is a symbol of Jesus' presence in our world and in our sanctuary! We need 2nd-6th graders to fulfill this special role during the 11:00 service. If your child would like to serve, but has not yet completed an Acolyte training, I'll just need your child to arrive about 15 minutes prior to the service. Sign up for as many Sundays as you wish: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050F4AADA72AABFF2-acolytes4>

July BIBLE BINGO!

Did you complete a Bible Reading Bingo? Turn in your completed Bingo Card to Miss Cindy to receive a prize!



Music & the Master (M&M's) Returns: September 1st!

We are so excited to resume our Thursday night M&Ms programming! The schedule will be slightly adjusted from last year to include dinner in the Fellowship Hall, which will be offered for FREE to all attending! As we ease back into serving dinner on a regular basis, we will be alternating Jersey Mike's and Papa John's for our main course. We will need Adult volunteers for set-up/clean-up of dinner each week, as our Children's ministry staff will all be teaching during these times. (Watch for a volunteer Sign-up genius coming soon!)

	0-2	3-K	G1-3	G4-6	G7-12	Parents
5:00			Chimes (6 th *) Rm 20		Youth Handbells (may not have fall session)	
5:30	Cherub Choir (with parents) Fellowship Hall		Faith & Mission Rm 17	Faith & Mission U2 Rm	Assist w/Cherubs, Faith & Mission or Dinner Prep**	Cherub Choir or Dinner Prep
6:00	Dinner in Fellowship Hall					
6:30	Nursery	Faith & Mission Rm 8	Junior Choir (6 th) Rm 15		Youth Music details TBD Sanctuary	(Dinner Clean-up) Bible Study Fellowship Hall

*6th Graders can participate in Youth Handbells and/or Youth Music - as it is more developmentally/musically appropriate - unless they/their parents prefer they remain in the children's ensembles.

** Youth attending will be encouraged to volunteer with either Cherub Choir, Children's Faith Development, or Dinner Prep during the 5:30-6:00 time slot.

Join "Church of the Master Children's Ministry" Facebook group!

This is a private group for parents of kids involved in our children's ministry. We can share stories and pictures, and Miss Cindy will sometimes share ideas to help your children engage with God's love outside of worship! www.facebook.com/groups/chmasterchildren/

Sunday Rainbows & Dewdrops Teachers Needed Starting in September!

We hope that all our teaching volunteers enjoyed their well-deserved the summer "off!" We will need volunteers to help nurture and teach our young disciples during 11AM worship, beginning again in September. Adult and youth volunteers are asked to commit to serving once a month in either Dewdrops, Rainbows, or U2, on a regularly scheduled basis. Please contact Cindy Hughes (children@chmaster.org) if you would be willing to be added to the volunteer rotation for the 2022-23 school year!

Upcoming Events:

Sunday, August 7th: Backpack Blessing in Worship!

August is here and that means Back to School! We want to show our love and support of our students by blessing their backpacks. Please bring school bags to worship on Sunday, August 7, and there will be a special time during the service to receive the blessing. After this, children pre-school-6th grade are invited to leave worship and watch a video in the movie room, returning later in the service to receive communion with their families. This would normally be a "Family Worship Sunday," but with the current sermon series, "The Bible, Sexuality, and the United Methodist Church," we recognize this content may not be appropriate for children's participation.



Thursday, September 1st: M&Ms Begins!

We welcome your family back to "Music and the Master" on Thursday evenings! Save the date on your calendar.

Sunday, September 4th: Family Worship

All children remain in the Sanctuary to share in the traditional liturgy and hymns, and to receive Communion. Including this practice regularly will allow our children to more fully participate in our congregation, and learn from an earlier age what it means to worship in Christian community! Grab an activity kit or book from the Gathering Space to help keep younger children engaged. (Nursery care is available.)

Sunday, September 11th: Dewdrops, Rainbows, and U2 Resume

Following the completion of our "Summer Sonbeams" multi-age curriculum, regular Sunday children's education resumes beginning 9/11. Dewdrops is for pre-school and kindergarten, Rainbows for 1st-3rd graders, and U2 for 4th-6th graders. More details to come in the September newsletter.

Sunday, October 23rd: CHILDREN'S SABBATH!

Our children will lead worship on this special Sunday, so **save the date!** Children's Chimes, Cherub and Junior Choirs will perform, and we will need volunteers to be readers, preachers, greeters, and soloists to offer special music. (Yes, we DID just have Children's Sabbath back in February...we are experimenting with changing this service to the Fall, allowing more time to focus on Lent/Easter preparations during the winter months - so we get two Children's Sabbath services during calendar year 2022!)

U2 Ministry News

Hello Families!

We will be sending out another survey this month to U2 Families in order to plan for our next Fellowship opportunity. We know that school is starting this month along with all sorts of activities that can make scheduling difficult. We will work on providing multiple options to get together in the fall.



Each month we will be providing our children with a doodle devotional to complete sometime during the month. Devotionals help our children develop habits that will make them devoted disciples. Doodling is a great way to calm the mind and understand the world around us. For some, doodling also allows for deeper connections and learning. This month we will work on creating something new. Our scripture reading comes from Genesis 9:16 "When I see the rainbow in the clouds, I will remember the eternal covenant between God and every living creature on Earth." Use the page attached here ([AUGUST DOODLE PAGE](#)) to create your picture. There will be copies printed also found at the entrance of the sanctuary at the beginning of the month. Please bring your doodles to church with you and you can hand them to Ms. Amy, Mr. Bob, or Ms. Cindy and we will hang them up at the end of the month for our congregation to see. Remember, there is no right or wrong way to doodle! Let yourself get lost in your own thoughts as you continue to reflect and learn from God's promises.

A reminder that our summer Sonbeams program is currently happening and available during our 11:00 service. We are focusing our summer on learning the Lord's Prayer through a variety of activities. All U2 children are welcome to join. We will not resume our Sunday faith development until September. Another reminder, during our children's moment all rising 4th-6th graders are welcome to sit and listen to the children's message up at the front but are also free to stay with their families at that time.

Masking Protocol Update

Franklin County Public Health (FCPH) issued an advisory July 22, 2022 about the rising numbers of Covid cases. It read, "As of July 18, the positivity rate in Franklin County is 19.8%. According the CDC, Franklin County COVID-19 Community Level is now considered "orange" or a high level for Covid -19." FCPH is recommending that everyone wear a mask indoors in public places and in crowded outdoor areas regardless of vaccination status. As a result of this advisory, and after discussion with our staff this week, we are changing our current masking protocol from "Masks are optional" to "MASKS ARE STRONGLY RECOMMENDED." We are not requiring masks in the building, but are strongly recommending them for all people. All staff will be masked in the building except when working in the privacy of their own office. The signage on the doors reflects this change in status and is accompanied by the Advisory letter from FCPH. Out of an abundance of caution and concern for those who are immune-compromised in our congregation, and reflecting the fact that many members of our congregation either have recently had or are currently dealing with Covid infections, we are taking this measure. We trust you to make the decisions that are best for you and your family, and "do no harm" as it pertains to others in our church family. When FCPH updates their advisory level we will re-address our protocols as well.



Campus Ministry Update By Lucy Kelly

The school year is approaching quickly and we are gearing up to welcome, feed, and encourage our college students (at Otterbein and beyond!). The first day of classes at Otterbein is August 22nd. This means that the first Monday Morning Coffee will also be on August 22nd! We look forward to seeing students and we are happy to add volunteers to our group. If you are interested in serving this ministry please let me know (campus@chmaster.org). On Saturday, August 20th from 10am-12pm we will be hosting first year students for the Fall Plunge (Otterbein Loves Westerville Service Day). They will be helping us with our flower beds, planting seedlings for the Otterbein Community Garden, and baking & crafting for Kairos Prison Ministry. On Friday, August 26th, Otterbein is having their annual "1st Friday" event where they ask local community businesses and organizations to set up tables for students to learn more about what is available to them in our community. Church of the Master will host a table, where we can inform students of all of the ministry opportunities we offer. If you are passionate about helping with any of these events please let me know. As always, thank you for your continued support of campus ministries.



Calling all college students from Church of the Master: Please send me (campus@chmaster.org) your college mailing addresses and email addresses. Our church wants to be in contact with you, while you are at school, so we can encourage and support you!

Annual Conference Report 2022 By Julie Porretta, Church of the Master Lay Member

On Friday and Saturday, June 3-4th the West Ohio Annual Conference 1,600 clergy and lay members met via zoom. Past Jay and myself were the representatives from church of the Master, but we were also represented by Harry and Ann Peat, David Day and Amy Heaton who were members at large from the West Ohio Conference. The theme of this year's conference was, *Becoming*, rooted in the Scripture 1 John 3:2. Bishop Gregory Palmer presided and challenged all present to become more like Jesus: becoming community and becoming Spirit filled.

In our opening worship on Friday Bishop Palmer encouraged us to see God standing at the foot of the cross, encouraging, "See me. See me in the wounds of my darling son. See him in the faces of all the people that you and your church have ignored throughout these years ... because it was seductive and comfortable for you to be with folks that were just like you. Same zip code as you, same pigment as you, same gender identification as you." He then invited everyone to take the opportunity "to be in conversation in Christian community and discover again that [God] is at the heart of our lives."

There were 8 legislative actions that were voted on with 6 of those passing, including:

Recommendation #1 - PASSED - Changes to Structure, Procedure and Rules - Annual Conference Rules and Policies

Recommendation to amend the conference rules impacting our structure and procedures and to be more concise.

Recommendation #2 - PASSED - Budget

The conference is well positioned financially to continue training leaders and equipping over 950 local churches to transform people and communities. Financial resources continue to be in place to fulfill our promises to retirees. For the second year, neither the Board of Pensions nor the United Methodist Foundation of West Ohio requested apportionment support for 2023. The total amount apportioned is \$17.7 million, in line with 2022 but decreased from five years ago.

Recommendation #3 - PASSED - Board of Pensions and Health

No changes have been made to the billing rate for the Clergy Retirement Security Plan (CRSP). The past service rate for pre-1982 service increases to \$636. Retiree health insurance plan will be limited to clergy and clergy spouses and continue with Wespath's Via benefits program for those 65 and over.

Recommendation #4 - PASSED - Equitable Compensation

The 2023 Equitable Compensation recommendation presented a minimum salary increase of 3% over last year. The committee sought to balance the needs of appointed clergy and the financial challenges of the local church. The recommendation was amended to clarify terms for deacons appointed to local churches.

Recommendation #5 - PASSED - Number of Districts in the West Ohio Conference

Beginning July 1, 2023, the West Ohio Conference will move from 8 districts to 6 districts.. The bishop and cabinet will lead the process to set and announce district boundaries no later than March 1, 2023.

Recommendation #6 - PASSED - Support for an Amicable Separation for Local Churches and Annual Conferences

As requested by the 2021 annual conference, its elected delegation put forward a recommendation that encourages General Conference delegates to support legislation that provides for graceful exits for churches choosing that path.

There were 2 other legislative items that were voted on:

Recommendation #7 - FAILED - Call to West Ohio Annual Conference to Recognize and Validate Persons' Called to Ordination Without Prejudice Toward Sexual Orientation or Gender Identity

The recommendation encouraged the Board of Ordained Ministry to affirm candidates in line with board members' vows of baptism and to consider requests for ordination without prejudice toward a candidate's sexual orientation or gender identity.

Recommendation #8 - OUT OF ORDER- A Path for West Ohio Congregations Separating Under Paragraph 2548.2

The recommendation encouraged the use of paragraph 2548.2 for churches choosing to disaffiliate instead of the provisions of paragraph 2553. Bishop Palmer affirmed a request for a decision of law on the content of this recommendation. His ruling will be made available within 30 days and is, by Discipline, automatically reviewed by the Judicial Council.

In other business:

The Board of Trustees report included an update on the Boy Scouts of America litigation and acknowledging the church's role in the harm some scouts experienced. The annual conference voted on the closing of eight churches. The conference celebrated the financial contributions of congregation and individuals that gave nearly \$7.5 million to Light the Way campaign. This generosity helped establish 18 new faith communities, over 40 Fresh Expressions of existing congregations, nearly 2,300 new worshippers and over 250 baptisms.

West Ohioans have contributed \$250,000 for humanitarian efforts in the Ukraine.

The Harry Denman Evangelism Award recognizes United Methodists in each annual conference whose exceptional ministry of evangelism brings people into a life-transforming relationship with Jesus Christ. West Ohio presented the Denman Award to four individuals: one clergy, two laity and one youth. The conference celebrated the ordination of twelve elders and 4 deacons and commissioned three provisional deacons and five provisional elders. Fifty-four clergy retired, representing in aggregate 1,549 years of service to the church.

The conference affirmed the recommendation of the General and Jurisdictional conference delegations' support of the Rev. Dr. Todd Anderson as an episcopal candidate.

The 2023 West Ohio Annual Conference will be held June 1-4 at Otterbein University in Westerville, Ohio. Pastor Jay and the newly appointed Pastor at Church of the Messiah are beginning conversations with West Ohio Leadership to see how our church can help to be a welcoming presence to all those attending Conference next June.

Respectfully Submitted:
Julie Porretta

It's Here! Share the joy of music by becoming a sponsor in our Give a Bell Program.

We know that music offers so much to our ministry, and our Handbell/Chime Program is an important part of that worship experience. Besides the beautiful music we can create, the handbell program is something everyone can join in and benefit from greatly. We are offering everyone an opportunity to help us grow this program with a new set of Malmark Handbells. With your help, we can celebrate with music as we never could before. Starting August 7th, we will be in the Gathering Space.



Let the memory and honor of loved ones ring out...

Each handbell may be personalized to honor or memorialize an individual or group. An inscription may be permanently enclosed in the handbell handle. For example:

In Honor of our Parents
Mary and John Smith
with love, Bobby and Sue

or

In Loving Memory of
Francis J. White
1920-1993

So come see us in the Gathering Space Sundays beginning in August or you can contact Kim Hoessly, 614-537-8596 or handbells@chmaster.org for more information.

What is Healing Ministry? By Rev. Jim Wagner

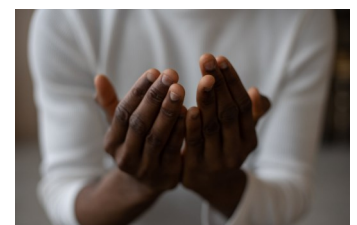
Jesus understood and demonstrated the connection between physical health, mental health, spiritual health, and healthy relationships. Because Jesus loved the whole person, his goal was to help each one he met to become whole and healthy. This is also the message and mission of the church. Health in the biblical sense is not simply the absence of disease. Your doctor may pronounce you "disease-free," but you may still be unhealthy. Think of health in terms of wholeness, balance, harmony in your life (your body, your mind, your spirit, your human relationships). When one or more of these areas is broken or unbalanced it affects your entire being.

In the 21st Century, God continues to use medicine, hospitals, psycho therapies, and health care professionals to help restore our health. However, these resources alone are insufficient to meet our total health needs because often they do not address the spiritual dimensions in the healing process. Consider this affirmation attributed to Pierre Teilhard de Chardin: **We are not human beings having a spiritual experience. We are spiritual being having a human experience.**

Since we are created in the image of God (Genesis 1:27) our spirituality is significant in staying healthy. Because the church has spiritual resources, each church is considered to be a primary healing community. Church of the Master is a praying church. Frequent messages from our Pastors request intercessory prayer for members, families, and friends who are coping with all kinds of unhealthiness. Prayer is the main therapy in healing ministry. So what can our church do to be more intentional in offering healing prayer?

The four Sunday Healing Ministry Seminars in August will explore, discuss, and demonstrate practical ways to offer healing prayer opportunities. If you are unable to attend all four sessions come when you can...come out of curiosity...come to be better informed...come to be in touch with the Healing Christ.

Ponder this sentence from Paul's Letter to the Philippians 4:6-7. **"Don't be anxious about anything; rather bring all of your requests to God in your prayers and petitions, along with giving thanks. Then the peace of God that exceeds all understanding will keep your hearts and minds safe in Christ Jesus."** (CEB)



Pastor's Summer Bible Study

6 weeks- In Person

Begins Monday, July 25th, 7:00PM



Church of the Master UM

24 N. Grove St. Westerville, OH 43081

Session Topics

- 1: How United Methodists Interpret Scripture
- 2: Old Testament Passages
- 3: The Influence of Culture on How We Read the Bible
- 4: New Testament Passages
- 5: The Jesus Ethic: What Did Christ Say?
- 6: Where Does the United Methodist Church Go From Here?

- Gain an understanding of how United Methodists can be both obedient to God's Word and fully welcoming to LGBTQ persons in the church
- Participate in a brave space to navigate through this thorny issue, relying on the biblical interpretation approach of John Wesley
- Videos feature the faith journeys of members of the LGBTQ community and their families
- Registration appreciated, but not required. Email office@chmaster.org to rsvp.

AUGUST 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 6:00 pm Zoom Book Study: Making Sense of the Bible 7:00 pm In-Person Bible Study: Faithful AND Inclusive	2 10:00 am Staff Reports	3	4	5	6
7 9:00 am Worship 11:00 am Livestream Worship 11:00 am Nursery 12:30– 2 pm Healing and Wholeness Ministry Seminar 4:00-6:00 pm District Youth Color Party	8 6:00 pm Zoom Book Study: Making Sense of the Bible 7:00 pm In-Person Bible Study: Faithful AND Inclusive	9 10:00 am Staff Meeting	10	11	12	13
14 9:00 am Worship 11:00 am Livestream Worship 11:00 am Nursery & Sonbeams 12:30– 2 pm Healing and Wholeness Ministry Seminar 5:00 pm Back to the Future Youth Night	15 6:00 pm Zoom Book Study: Making Sense of the Bible 7:00 pm In-Person Bible Study: Faithful AND Inclusive	16 10:00 am Staff Reports	17	18	19	20 9:30-12:30 Otterbein Fall Plunge- Day of Service
21 9:00 am Livestream Worship 11:00 am Livestream Worship 11:00 am Nursery & Sonbeams 12:30– 2 pm Healing and Wholeness Ministry Seminar 5:00 pm Youth Group	22 8:00 am Coffee Ministry 6:00 pm Missions and Outreach Committee 6:00 pm Zoom Book Study: Making Sense of the Bible 7:00 pm In-Person Bible Study: Faithful AND Inclusive	23 10:00 am Staff Meeting 7:00-8:00 pm Health Cabinet Meeting	24	25	26	27
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Seminars on Healing and Wholeness Ministry

HEALING MINISTRY.....SOME THINGS TO PONDER

- Why are not all people healed?
- Is it necessary for the Pastor or someone in the church to have Holy Spirit gifts of healing in order to have an effective healing ministry?
- Prayer is not a substitute for action. Prayer is an action for which there is no substitute.
- Are all prayers answered?
- Have you experienced Holy Communion as sacramental therapy?
- How significant is the spiritual dimension in the healing process?
- Do you know that each church is a primary healing community?

THE HEALING MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH
United Methodist Church of The Master
Four Sunday Seminars August 7, 14, 21, 28, 2022
12:30-2:00 pm Lunch and Child Care Provided

SEMINAR LEADER: Rev. Jim Wagner

Member and former pastor at Church of the Master, Author of five books on holistic healing ministry in the church today.

FOCUS AND PURPOSE:

To provide understanding and insights of healing through the lens of Biblical teachings and instructions; Jesus as our role model in healing the whole person; four kinds of health (physical, mental, spiritual, relationships); power of prayer in healing; sacramental therapy; models and practical ways to offer intentional healing ministry in the church.

WHO SHOULD COME:

Everyone who has an interest in learning about healing ministry. Please share this opportunity with your family and friends. The invitation is extended to persons of all churches and denominations. The healing of Christ has no boundaries.

COST:

There is no cost, except your presence and an inquiring mind. In place of a study book, you will receive complimentary handouts at each session. If you are unable to attend all four seminars, simply be present on the dates open for you.

-----REGISTRATION-----

HEALING MINISTRY SEMINARS- August 7, 14, 21, 28

Name/s _____

Phone # _____ Email Address _____

Will plan to be present on these dates:

August 7

August 14

August 21

August 28

For child care give name and age: _____

Place this in the offering plate or return it to the church office.