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Worship Times

8:30 a.m.

Summer Chapel Service
Potter Chapel

9:30 a.m.

Traditional Worship Service
Sanctuary

11:15 a.m.

Emerge Worship Service
Potter Chapel

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Monday, July 16 is the deadline for the August Messenger. To submit your article, drop it off or email it to Jessica Sapp at jessica@worthingtonumc.com.



And here comes July... complete with a special Concert on the Lawn with The Blue Jays, 4th of July celebrations, All-Church Picnic and Youth Sunday, Relaxation Station, ReachOut, *Godspell: In Concert*, Clippers Game, and the Pack Shack right next to the normal activities of the month...and right at month's end, Explorations starts. It is not a hazy lazy July that is before us. Please look through this Messenger carefully and plan to be present for those activities that are of interest to you – and then plan to reach out beyond your comfort zone to share in something new to you.

In addition, we will be welcoming Rev. John Ma and his family on July 1 as our Associate for the Northland Initiative. Please be sure to greet John, Christine and their daughter, Anastasia, on July 1 or as the month unfolds. We are grateful to the Wayne and Mildred Smith Grant and the Capitol Area North District for making this appointment possible and hope that together we deepen our witness in this area of need. Thanks to all who have signed up to be part of the initial team. We will be gathering soon.

For those of you unable to be here, please know that Vacation Bible School was filled with much laughter and learning, praise and fun. Our Rolling River Rampage helped to remind us that God is with us at all times and in all places. Some pictures from VBS will be in next month's Messenger. Thank you for providing this experience for some of the youngest persons among us.

During the first four Sundays of July we will be continuing our series on The Lord's Prayer. For those wanting a summer discipline, try praying this prayer each day, thinking about each word that is contained in it and see where it leads.

And as we move through this month with firecrackers, picnics, and all that is before us, thank you for remembering your giving to WUMC. Our Administrative Council approved a challenging budget for 2018 and we will need the generous help of everyone to end the year meeting budget. Congregations often see giving decrease in the summer months, but your leadership and staff believe this congregation is able to meet the demands before it and keep up with expenses even through the summer months. This will allow us to fulfill the responsibilities the Administrative Council set for us. And for those of you who follow this carefully, wouldn't it be great if we had our connectional ministries responsibilities completed by Thanksgiving?!

Thank you for all the ways you participate in this congregation and in our outreach with the community. Hope you have a wonderful summer.

Cyndy

Parish Concerns and Joys

We express love and sympathy:

- To Amy Click & her family, at the death of her father, Carl Weiffenbach.
- To Harry Coffield, at the death of his sister, Marianne.

We express joy and congratulations:

- To Kelsey & Troy Karski, at the birth of their daughter, Evelyn Irene. Proud grandparents are Bill & Sue Grubaugh.
- To Amanda & Jered Yang, at the birth of their daughter, Norah Camille, born June 8. Proud grandparents are Johann & Susan Yang.

One-day New Membership Class August 19

Join us Sunday morning 10:40 a.m. – 1 p.m. for a one-day summer class. The class is designed to help you meet other new members, discover ways you can get involved in the life of the church, and become familiar with some of the history and core beliefs of the United Methodist Church. Lunch is provided, and childcare is available.

Register online at worthingtonumc.com, or call the church office 614-885-5365.

Sign up now for the next adult mission trip!

The dates are August 26 – 31. We will be working at The Nehemiah Mission of Cleveland. They are a United Methodist Church Mission working to rebuild the lives and homes of the physically and fiscally challenged of Cleveland. If some of you would like to go for just a couple of days, we can probably make that happen. The last date to sign up for this mission trip is August 12.

If you have any questions, please contact Russ Line .

There will be no July meeting of the Riverside Sewing Guild. They will resume meetings in August.

A Soldier's Prayer: Please God, Grant them courage, when times are bleak.
Grant them strength, when they are weak.
Grant them comfort, when they feel all alone.
And most of all, God, please bring them home.

The needs of the soldiers from our church, and others from central Ohio, are many. Through the efforts of our Worthington United Methodist Women, the local Blue Star Mothers are able to provide many care packages to those who serve throughout the world.

Soon their needs will be different as our weather changes. Please consider choosing items from the list below. A complete list of suggested items and the drop-off box for donations can be found in the church office.

Fly paper; deodorant, dental supplies, grooming supplies; puzzles (crossword, word search, Sudoku); pens and pencils; positive and informative articles from newspapers, magazines – used or new (science, cars, history, comics); jokes, decks of cards, photos of interest (our zoo, community event, new changes/buildings, etc); LED book lights, books; dried meat sticks and meat jerky, cans of nuts, packages of cheese and peanut butter crackers, Pringles; hard candy.

This effort is on-going.

Your support is important to our soldiers and their families. THANK YOU!

Outreach: Opportunities to Make a Difference!

Double the Fun for July Bags of Blessings

For the July Bags of Blessings, we will have two choices to help with Back-To-School preparations for our local children:

- As we do every summer, we will be collecting school supplies and back packs for UMCH children. Specific school items will be listed in bags on the UMCH bag rack.
- A new collection opportunity for Back-To-School will be for Family Mentor Foundation. This local organization provides a weekend buddy box of food items for identified children with low food security. These children are given a buddy box to take home from school on Friday of each week to sustain them through the weekend. The list of individual-sized, child-friendly food items will be listed in bags on the FMF bag rack.

Please pick a bag and contribute what you can. There is no expectation that you contribute everything on the list. Thank you in advance for making a difference to the children in our community.

- Lesly Wade

July 2018 Outreach Calendar

Join us as we “Make a Difference”!

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|---|---|--|---|--|------------------------------------|--|
| 1 Operation Sandwich* New Life Clinic 7 am – 9 am | 2 NNEMAP Pantry 9 am – noon Worthington Pantry 9 am – 3 pm | 3 NNEMAP Pantry 9 am – noon New Life Clothing 9 am – 11:30 am | 4 NNEMAP 9 – noon New Life 9 – 11:30 WRP 2 pm – 8 pm | 5 | 6 NNEMAP Pantry 9 am – noon | 7 Worthington Pantry 9:30 am – 12:30 pm |
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| 29 Operat Sandwich* New Life Clinic 7-9 Bags of Blessings Sort 11:00–11:30* | 30 NNEMAP Pantry 9 am – noon Worthington Pantry 9 am – 3 pm | 31 NNEMAP Pantry 9 am – noon New Life Clothing 9 am – 11:30 am | | Bags of Blessings BACK-TO-SCHOOL for UMCH Family Services & Family Mentor Foundation* | | * Family Friendly Ministries |

Worthington UMC shows their PRIDE

Where were you on Saturday, June 16? We wish you were with us! Over two dozen members of our Open Hearts team, and others from our congregation, walked together in the Columbus Pride Parade. Several members also worked the Reconciling Ministries booth at the Pride Festival. If you have never had this experience, we encourage you to join us next year. It's a joyous event and an impactful way to show nearly one million people that we welcome everyone at Worthington United Methodist Church. We are all God's

Children. Open Hearts, Open Minds, Open Doors. Reach out to Matt Mallory any time to discuss.



The United Methodist Women sponsored the first ever "Teddy Bear Tea" for members of the church on Wednesday, June 13 in South Fellowship Hall. Amid tables decorated with lots of teddy bears, all present enjoyed a meal of chicken salad, cucumber sandwiches, egg salad and pimento cheese; accompanied by fresh fruit, carrots, cherry tomatoes, and a lovely assortment of cookies. All present were entertained with piano music while they enjoyed their meal. Individuals had the opportunity to chat with old friends and perhaps make a few new ones.

An enjoyable hour for all present!



Concert on the lawn

Sunday, July 1
6:00 p.m.

With music provided
by Alex Toth and
The Blue Jays

The Blue Jays is a jazz
and funk band formed
in 2014 with members
from the Thomas
Worthington High
School jazz band

Join us!



The Pack Shack Meal Donation Event

We are hosting The Pack Shack here at WUMC on Saturday, July 28 for a meal donation event at 1 p.m. The Pack Shack works with local organizations to pack meals to be donated to local resources (like the Mid-Ohio Food Bank) or a location globally. We will get to choose where the meals we pack are sent. We need about 100-120 people to make this happen! The time commitment is about an hour and a half, and there are tasks for ages 3-103! We have to pay a small cost for each meal, so we are asking for donations of 25 cents per meal and we hope to do 22,500 meals. This is a great way for your whole family and the whole congregation to work together to support others in need. Please fill out on our friendship card if you are able to attend and indicate how many will be able to come. For more info on the Pack Shack, their website is <http://www.thepackshack.org/>

Church-wide Clippers game event Sunday, July 22, 4 p.m.

You can fill out the friendship card with your ticket order, and there will also be someone from Family Ministry Team at a table on July 8 to purchase tickets then. We will need numbers and sign-ups on July 8 so we can order tickets on July 9.

Prices are:

Lawn/Bleacher Seats:

\$7 for adults;
\$4 for youth (12 and under) and seniors (60+);

Reserved Seats:

\$10 for adults
\$7 for youth and seniors

Children 2 years of age and under do NOT need a ticket as long as they are sitting on someone's lap.

You can pick up your tickets on Sunday, July 15, or any day thereafter leading up to the game.

If you have questions, email Ashley at ashley@worthingtonumc.com.



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WUMC
homepage

Online via the church website, www.worthingtonUMC.com. Start by clicking “Donate to Worthington UMC” and fill in your info for a secure transaction.

Godspell: In Concert **Saturday, July 21 at 7 p.m.** **Sunday, July 22 at 2 p.m.**

Set as a series of parables based on the Gospel of Matthew, this musical includes contemporary music with lyrics from traditional hymns and biblical passages. Depicting the life, teachings, death and resurrection of Jesus, Godspell carries the message and works of Christ into the modern era. Led by John the Baptist, the show features a cast of everyday people who become disciples of Christ and spread God’s message of love and tolerance. This concert production marks the inauguration of WUMC’s theatre series and will be free and open to the public. A freewill donation will take place during the intermission and all funds will be used for future productions.

JULY

Sunday Schedule at Worthington UMC

8:30 a.m. Summer Chapel Worship in Potter Chapel; 9:30 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary & 11:15 a.m. Emerge Worship in the Potter Chapel;
 Sunday School at 10:40 a.m. for children, youth & adults;
 Childcare for infants & toddlers at 9:30 & 11:15 a.m.;
 Children's Church at both services;
 Hospitality Hour is 10:40-11:15 a.m. in the Dixon Lounge

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| 1 See Sunday Schedule 3:00 p.m.—Trifles & Treasures Meeting 6:00 p.m.—Concert on the Lawn | 2 10:30 a.m.—Prayer Group | 3 | 4  Office is Closed | 5 | 6 9:00 a.m.—Bulletin Assembly | 7 8:00 a.m.—Relaxation Station |
| 8 See Sunday Schedule 3:00 p.m.—Ohio Health Memorial Service 7:00 p.m.—Godspell rehearsal | 9 10:30 a.m.—Prayer Group 6:00 p.m.—Emerge Planning 7:00 p.m.—Boy Scouts Troop 365 7:00 p.m.—CPC Board Meeting | 10 6:30 p.m.—Wine Tasters 7:00 p.m.—Welcoming & Inviting | 11 7:30 p.m.—Taize | 12 10:00 a.m.—CANDO Board Meeting 6:00 p.m.—Liberty Bells 4-H | 13 7:30 a.m.—Breakfast & Conversation 9:00 a.m.—Bulletin Assembly 9:30 a.m.—Alzheimer's Support & Respite Care | 14 8:00 a.m.—Relaxation Station |
| 15 See Sunday Schedule 7:00 p.m.—Godspell rehearsal Reachout | 16 10:30 a.m.—Prayer Group 6:00 p.m.—Grounds Upkeep 7:00 p.m.—Boy Scouts Troop 365 7:00 p.m.—Godspell Rehearsal Reachout | 17 1:00 p.m.—Immunization Clinic 7:00 p.m.—Godspell Rehearsal 7:00 p.m.—Finance Committee Reachout | 18 1:00 p.m.—PLARN Party 7:00 p.m.—Godspell Rehearsal Reachout | 19 6:30 p.m.—Friendship Community Dinner 7:00 p.m.—Godspell Rehearsal Reachout | 20 9:00 a.m.—Bulletin Assembly 7:00 p.m.—Godspell Rehearsal Reachout | 21 8:00 a.m.—Relaxation Station 7:00 p.m.—Godspell: In Concert Reachout |
| 22 See Sunday Schedule 2:00 p.m.—Godspell: In Concert 4:00 p.m.—All-Church Clippers Game | 23 10:30 a.m.—Prayer Group 7:00 p.m.—Endowment Committee | 24 | 25 | 26 9:00 a.m.—Messenger Assembly 1:00 p.m.—Red Cross Blood Drive 6:30 p.m.—Hannah Circle | 27 9:00 a.m.—Bulletin Assembly | 28 8:00 a.m.—Gates Fourth Breakfast 8:00 a.m.—Relaxation Station 10:00 a.m.—Library Work Day 1:00 p.m.—Pack Shack Event |
| 29 8:30 a.m.—Summer Chapel Service 10:00 a.m.—Blended Service Join us for an all-church picnic following blended worship | 30 10:30 a.m.—Prayer Group 7:00 p.m.—Boy Scouts Troop 365 Explorations | 31 Explorations | | | | |

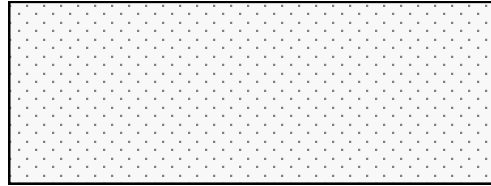
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This Month's Happenings

- July 1 - Concert on the Lawn
- July 4 - Office is Closed, Happy Fourth of July!
- July 11 - Taize Worship
- July 15-21 - ReachOut
- July 21 & 22 - *Godspell: In Concert*
- July 22 - All-Church Clippers Game
- July 26 - Red Cross Blood Drive
- July 28 - Pack Shack Event
- July 29 - Blended Service & All-Church Picnic
- July 30-Aug 3 - Explorations