

# The Messenger



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### Worship Times

9:30 a.m.

Traditional Worship Service  
Sanctuary

11:15 a.m.

Emerge Worship Service  
Potter Chapel

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Thank you to all who helped with all of the Lenten and Easter services. So many talents and gifts were shared in a variety of ways. Truly we were able to walk through the Praise, Passion, Crucifixion, and Resurrection of Jesus the Christ. Thank you!!

We are quickly approaching one of the busiest months of the year. Only three letters long, it is thirty-one days full of activity and transition. May is a busy, busy time of transition and celebration and we are so glad that the church is part of these special times. The first Sunday of May, we will celebrate Holy Communion, and enjoy the Illuminati Concert and the Spring Fling. Another special moment on that day will be the dedication of our new Peace Poles. Watch for more information about the time of that celebration and the meaning of these special additions to our property.

On the second Sunday, Mother's Day, we will celebrate the Home as well as our graduating high school seniors. The third Sunday, we will recognize our Teachers who provide education and learning experiences for our children, youth and adults each Sunday and other times throughout the week.

We will get to the fourth Sunday, with Memorial Day Weekend, remembering those who have come before us in worship on Sunday and cheering on the parade on Monday.

This is just a portion of the activities that will be underway this coming May. Please read through this Messenger carefully and participate in opportunities that appeal to you.

Thanks so much to those who were able to help with the Pack Shack. We had a great time and packed over 25,000 meals.

During the time between Easter and June 2 (when the 2019 Session of The West Ohio Conference begins at Lakeside), we are joining with others in West Ohio in studying the Book of Galatians, the Book of Grace. You can do so on an individual basis by following the daily emails from West Ohio. Sign up access is on the West Ohio website, www.westohio.org. You can also join with church friends at the Sunday School Hour on Sundays at 10:40 am or on Wednesdays at 7:00 pm.

As we enter May and approach summer, we will again relate to the Farmer's Market each Saturday and want to offer our Relaxation Station. If you would like to be present a time or two, please let us know. We need a couple of people to fill and keep fresh water and cups at the tables on the front lawn and welcome people to sit down and rest for a few moments. The respite place is greatly welcomed by those present. Consider making it a part of your summer a time or two. And stay alert for the Blessing of the Animals -soon to come on June 1!

Grateful to be in ministry with you,

Cyndy

## Prayer Joys & Concerns

We celebrate with **Martha Denbow**, at the birth of her great-grandson, **Judah Aslan**.

Proud parents are **Justin & Heather Moe**.

Proud grandparents are **Tony & Sue Moe**.

We show sympathy to **Susan & Johann Yang**, at the death of their nephew, **Brooks Wilson**.

We show sympathy to **Erin Angel**, at the death of her grandfather, **Robert Kendall Brown**.

### CIRCLE NEWS

**Deborah Circle** will meet on Tuesday, May 21 at 2 pm with the *What's The Buzz?* UMW reading group.

**Elizabeth Circle** will meet on Monday, May 13 at 7 pm at the home of Sharon Chadwell for a potluck and to plan out our Fall 2019 - Spring 2020 schedule. Please RSVP to Sharon Chadwell by Sunday, May 12.

**Naomi Circle** will meet on Tuesday, May 7 at 10 am in the Dixon Lounge. Co-hostesses are Sheri Scott and Phyllis Doelker. Karen Carpenter will share devotions, and Sheri will present a Mother's Day program. Visitors are welcome.

### CPC's Jane Baker Retiring



Since 1977, Jane Baker has shared her love, laughter and life with hundreds of children and their families. After 42 years of teaching young children, Jane will retire from CPC at the end of May.

Please join the Creative Play Center staff and families on Sunday, May 19, from 12:30-3:00 pm, at the Worthington United Methodist Church, as we celebrate Jane.

Please help us spread the word to the CPC and WUMC communities.

If you have pictures of Jane with your children, please email a copy to [shannonheitsch@hotmail.com](mailto:shannonheitsch@hotmail.com), to be a part of a memory board.

# May 2019 Outreach Calendar

Join us as we "Make a Difference"!

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>Bags of Blessings</b> for YWCA Family Center*	<b>PROJECT MORE</b> 30 Minutes any Monday –Thursday	* <b>Family Friendly Ministries</b>	1 NNEMAP Pantry 9 am – noon  Worthington Pantry 2 pm – 8 pm	2	3 NNEMAP Pantry 9 am – noon	4 Worthington Pantry 9:30 am -12:30 pm
5  Operation Sandwich*  New Life Clinic 7 am – 9 am	6 NNEMAP Pantry 9 am – noon  Worthington Pantry 9 am – 3 pm	7 NNEMAP Pantry 9 am – noon	8 NNEMAP Pantry 9 am – noon  Worthington Pantry 2 pm – 8 pm	9	10 NNEMAP Pantry 9 am – noon	11 Worthington Pantry 9:30 am -12:30 pm
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26  Operation Sandwich*  New Life Clinic 7 am – 9 am  <b>Bags of Blessings Sort 12:00–12:30*</b>	27 <b>Memorial Day Holiday</b>	28 NNEMAP Pantry 9 am – noon	29 NNEMAP Pantry 9 am – noon  Worthington Pantry 2 pm – 8 pm	30	31 NNEMAP Pantry 9 am – noon	June 1 Worthington Pantry 9:30 am -12:30 pm

## Memorial Day flowers

This year we will again offer members of the congregation an opportunity to purchase geraniums which will be displayed in the sanctuary on Memorial Day weekend, and then planted on the grounds of the church. Some of the geraniums will also be used to decorate the altar on Pentecost, which is later in June. These geraniums will be in honor or memory of loved ones, and a list of those honored will be placed in the bulletin on Memorial Day. A table will be set up in the welcome center area for members to purchase memorial geraniums (\$5.00 each) on the three Sundays in May before Memorial Day (Sundays May 5, 12, and 19). We appreciate the congregation’s support of this endeavor, which helps beautify our church grounds during the spring, summer and fall. Thank you.

-The Beautification Committee.





On February 24, Paul George, Jim Lawrence, and Russ Line left for a mission trip to Tarboro, North Carolina. It was a ten-hour drive. Jerry Knorr met them there after a drive from Wilmington, North Carolina. We all unpacked our gear and tools and took a ride out to the job site so we could have some idea of what the project entailed. The job site was only about 10 minutes away from the volunteer center where we were staying. After checking out the site we went out for pizza.

The next morning we started working on the project. The project involved tearing out the joists and replacing them with new ones in the front and back of one-half of the house. The joists were about four feet off the ground. During the morning we removed the joists from the back part and cleaned out all of the other debris on that part of the ground. In the afternoon we did the same thing for the front part of the house. That was a tough day's work.



The next day we started rebuilding. To rebuild we needed to put a band board around each of the walls in the front and back sections of the house. The top of the band boards was where the top of the joists were to stop. Paul had a laser level that we used in order set the band boards in place so that the floor in both the front and back sections of the house would be level with each other. Once all of these heights were marked, we used anchor bolts to fasten the band boards to the basic framing of the house.

The joists were then installed at sixteen inches on center by using joist hangers. We also had to put one row of dividers between all of the joists in order to keep them in place. There were a few other little spots (like closets) where we put in some joists by screws. We had finished all this work by Thursday morning.

On Thursday afternoon we worked on the front section on the other side of the house. To stabilize things we had to place a 2x10" board above the rafters in that section and then fasten it to some studs that were above the rafters. After that we removed the bottom part of these studs. We also removed the joists in that section of the house. When we were working in this section, we discovered that one of the main supports was very rotten.



On Friday we replaced the rotted board. We also took out some joists that were in the middle of the house under the hallway and behind the front door. The ground was also cleared out of all debris. We installed the band boards that would be used to support the joists in this section. By using the level we could insure that the flooring in this section would be level with the flooring in the other half of the house.

### **Join us on the next Adult Mission Trip!**

Please consider joining us on our next Adult Mission Trip to The Nehemiah Mission of Cleveland (usually the last week of August) or elsewhere. We usually do two 5 – 7 day trips each year. This is your chance to be the hands and feet of Jesus in carrying out his work. Join us for a time of fun and fellowship while we are carrying out God's work. I guarantee that you will have a good time, and that the food will be great (don't plan to lose any weight). Don't feel that you have to have a lot of skills in order to participate. We do the best we can with the skills that the members of the team have, and there is always something that everyone can do. More information will be available when we set the date and place for the next trip. In the meantime, if you have any questions, please contact Russ Line.

### **Join the Open Hearts Team on Saturday, June 15 to walk in the Pride Parade in downtown Columbus.**

The parade will start 10:30 am, although we will gather at our starting location much earlier. Additional details will be coming in the Sunday tri-folds, as well as the June Messenger as the date nears. As a reminder, the Open Hearts Team encourages opening wide the doors of our hearts and minds to include all of God's children, especially those who may feel marginalized. Please consider lending your support to this team. New t-shirts will be available for Pride. Please stop by our table before and after services on May 5 and 12 to pre-order yours for \$13. Please contact Matt Mallory at [mmallory@wowway.com](mailto:mmallory@wowway.com) for additional information.

### **Spring Fling - May 5, 4 pm**

Mark your calendars now to join us for our Spring Fling at Selby Park on May 5! This is a great way to spend time with church family eating good food and enjoying the Spring weather. There is a playground at the park, a covered seating area, and open field space. We will meet from 4-6 pm, with dinner to be ready around 5 pm. We will provide the hot dogs; we ask you to provide a side dish (if your last name begins with A-M) or a dessert (if your last name begins with N-Z). There is a fridge in the shelter house, so if you bring something that needs refrigerated before 5 p.m. that is fine. If you have any yard games, please feel free to bring those too! If you plan to attend, please let us know in the church office. If you have questions, please e-mail Ashley at [ashley@worthingtonumc.com](mailto:ashley@worthingtonumc.com).

## Help us assemble UMCOR Flood Buckets!

Flood buckets and other relief supply kits help provide care for the most vulnerable during times of crisis. UMCOR provides school kits, hygiene kits, and cleaning buckets assembled by United Methodist volunteers for distribution after disasters in the United States and its territories, enabling those affected by floods, hurricanes and tornadoes to begin the overwhelming job of cleaning up. In our current climate these disasters are happening at a record pace, and demand for relief supplies is constant.



You can help keep the supply inventory ready to go to people in need. During the coming weeks we will be collecting items and assembling flood buckets. Below is a list of items to be included in each bucket. The value of a complete bucket is estimated by UMCOR to be \$75; however our dynamo shoppers have been able to put them together for less than \$40 by shopping at discount or dollar stores. Please give what you can, whether that is a complete bucket, or just a few items. And if you would rather give cash, we will do the shopping for you!

Watch for more information to come, including our display in the ministry hallway, where you will find buckets and the list of items to be included. Just take a list and an empty bucket and fill it up! Make checks payable to WUMW with Flood Buckets on the memo line, and leave at our table on Sundays, or in the church office during the week.

### Cleaning Kit Materials:

- One five-gallon round bucket with resealable lid (14.35" h x 12.19" w x 12.19" d)  
(no screw lids; if used, must be free from all residual product; advertisements on outside ok)
- One 32-64 oz. bottle liquid laundry detergent
- One 16-40 oz. bottle liquid concentrate household cleaner (no spray cleaners)
- One 16-34 oz. bottle dish soap
- One 4-8 oz. pump spray air freshener (three solid, or three gel fresheners also acceptable)
- One 6-14 oz. pump spray insect repellent—must have protective covers; (pack of 10-20 wipes are ok)
- One scrub brush, with or without handle
- 18 re-use cleaning wipes (no terrycloth, microfiber or paper towels, remove from packaging)
- Five scouring pads (no stainless steel pads with soap in them)
- 36-50 clothespins
- One 50-100 ft. clothesline (cotton or plastic line)
- 24 roll of heavy-duty trash bags, 33-45 gallon sizes
- Five N95 particulate respirator dust masks, 1-3 mm thickness (no surgical masks)
- Two pairs kitchen gloves, durable for multiple uses
- One pair work gloves, cotton with leather palm or all leather



*Greetings in our Risen Lord Jesus Christ!*

Hard to believe we are now in May, and before we know it, we will be in the full swing of summer. Several of you have responded in the last few months with willingness to serve in the ministries of refugee & immigrant families. These pictures do not capture all of the moments, but it tells of a few. We are slowly beginning to build some relationships with the families in the Northland area and even having opportunities to serve through our gifts and resources. As we approach the summer, if you would like to connect for possible opportunities, I would love to be in conversation with you. Please pull me over to chat on the days here at Worthington, or contact me at [johnma@worthingtonumc.com](mailto:johnma@worthingtonumc.com).

-John Ma



## ***Concerts at Worthington UMC in May***

### **Illuminati “Songs of the Spirit” - May 5, 3 pm**

ALL people have a place in God's Kingdom! Celebrate a season of song with Illuminati, CGMC's sacred music ensemble. From hymn arrangements to spirituals, traditional to contemporary settings, come witness the powerful musical message that reaches many Central Ohio faith communities throughout the year. Tickets are \$10 and may be

purchased at <https://columbusgaymenschorus.com/illuminati-tickets/>

### **Columbus International Children's Choir Spring Concert - May 19, 6 pm**

Columbus International Children's Choir is the winner of the World Choir Games. The choir has performed in the White House for President Obama and first lady, in Carnegie Hall, in St. Peter's Basilica in Vatican, and on the Great Wall of China.

Family-friendly fun concert. Several different age-groups will perform music in different genres and languages. Admission: \$15, seniors and students: \$10.

Sara Abou Rashed will be performing *A Map of Myself* on June 7 at the McConnell Arts Center, 777 Evening Street. Sara recounts her journey as a 13-year-old from war torn Syria to Columbus, through acting, storytelling and poetry. In her poetry and her prose, Sara addresses issues of identity, diaspora, politics, war, and what it means to find “home.”

After the show, we will gather for dessert and conversation about the event and Sara's exploration of displacement, identity, and the immigrant experience. This will be an opportunity to get a better understanding of the experiences of people newly in this country.

Learn more about Sara Abou Sashed here: <https://www.mcconnellarts.org/sara-abou-rashed-s-a-map-of-myself/>  
We will buy our tickets individually. You can purchase tickets through the above website or call the MAC at 614-431-0329.

Please let us know when you have your tickets, so we can plan for the after event. Contact the church office 614-885-5365 for more information or [EveryMemberWUMC@gmail.com](mailto:EveryMemberWUMC@gmail.com).

Many thanks to all for your kind expression of sympathy at the death of my sister.

- Joan Bash

*Save the date!*

## **Blessing of the Animals**

**Saturday, June 1**

**11:00 am**

*More details to come soon!*



# MAY

## Sunday Morning Schedule at Worthington UMC

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
			<b>1</b> 9:30 am—Riverside Sewing Guild 3:45 pm—Children's Bells & Choir Bowling 7 pm—When Kids Come Out 7 pm—Galatians Study	<b>2</b> 4:30 pm—UMW 6 pm—Liberty Bells 4H 7 pm—Chancel Choir	<b>3</b> 9 am—Bulletin Assembly 11:30 am—Alzheimer's First Friday Meeting	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b> <i>See Sunday Schedule</i> 10:45 am—Rainbow Singers 11 am—Jubilee Ringers 3 pm—Illuminati Concert 4 pm—Spring Fling 5:30 pm—Youth Choir 6 pm—Columbus Rings	<b>6</b> 10:30 am—Prayer Group 6 pm—Emerge Planning 7 pm—SPRC 7 pm—Boy Scouts Troop 365 & Troop 752	<b>7</b> 10 am—Naomi Circle 7:15 pm—Devotions 7:30 pm—Trustees 8 pm—Sr High Devos	<b>8</b> 7 pm—CPC Personnel 7 pm—Galatians Study 7 pm—When Kids Come Out 7:30 pm—Taize	<b>9</b> 1 pm—Deborah Circle 4 pm—CPC Teacher Appreciation Dinner 7 pm—Chancel Choir 7 pm—Martha Circle	<b>10</b> 7:30 am—Breakfast & Conversation 9 am—Bulletin Assembly	<b>11</b> 7:30 am—Men's Breakfast
<b>12</b> <i>See Sunday Schedule</i> 10:45 am—Rainbow Singers 11 am—Jubilee Ringers 5 pm—Impact 5:30 pm—Youth Choir 6 pm—Columbus Rings	<b>13</b> 10:30 am—Prayer Group 7 pm—CPC Board Meeting 7 pm—Boy Scouts Troop 365 & Troop 752	<b>14</b> 9:30 am—Ruth Circle 7 pm—Open Hearts 7:30 pm—Outreach 8 pm—Sr High Devos	<b>15</b> 1 pm—PLARN Party 7 pm—Galatians Study	<b>16</b> 6:30 pm—Friendship Community Dinner 7 pm—Chancel Choir	<b>17</b> 9 am—Bulletin Assembly 10 am—Prayer Shawl Ministry	<b>18</b>
<b>19</b> <i>See Sunday Schedule</i> 10:45 am—Rainbow Singers 11 am—Jubilee Ringers 12:30 pm—Jane Baker Retirement Party 5:30 pm—Youth Choir 6 pm—CICC Spring Concert	<b>20</b> 10:30 am—Prayer Group 10:30 am—Worthington Thrift Shop Board 7 pm—Memorial Committee 7 pm—Boy Scouts Troop 365 & Troop 752	<b>21</b> 3 pm—Immunization Clinic 7 pm—Finance Committee 8 pm—Sr High Devos	<b>22</b> 6:30 pm—Hannah Circle 7 pm—Galatians Study	<b>23</b> 7 pm—Chancel Choir	<b>24</b> 9 am—Bulletin Assembly	<b>25</b> 10 am—Library Work Day
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# **MAY**

## **This Month's Happenings**

**May 5 - Spring Fling**

**May 5 - Illuminati Concert**

**May 15 - PLARN Party**

**May 16 - Friendship Community Dinner**

**May 19 - Columbus International Children's Choir Concert**

**May 19 - Teacher Appreciation Sunday**

**May 27 - Memorial Day**