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#### Worship Times

10:00 a.m. In-Person & Livestreamed 11:15 a.m. Outdoor Worship

#### Office Hours

<u>Mon</u>: 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. <u>Wed</u>: 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. <u>Thurs</u>: 10:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

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Dear WUMC Community of Faith,

As this Messenger goes to print, Easter is around the corner, only a few days away. We hope you will join us in-person or virtually as we celebrate the

Resurrection Power unleashed in the world, amazing Love and Grace with the Risen Christ.

We are hopeful that we can have the second service Sunday (11:15 am) outside. Remember the first service (10:00 am) will be live streamed from the sanctuary. Masks are required, as well as social distancing.

Remember, too, we will have the wire Cross outside to receive cut flowers in memory or honor of loved ones. Please bring them Sunday morning and fill up the cross with colorful beauty.

In our Lenten journey, it is important to not just move from Palm Sunday to Easter, ignoring the days in between. The recognition of Jesus' days between his entry into Jerusalem on the donkey and the Resurrection are critical to our faith and indeed to the Power Easter morning holds for us. Our Maundy Thursday service (April 1, at 7:00 pm) and our Good Friday service (April 2, at 7:00 pm) this year are being livestreamed and thus available on our YouTube for watching any time after the premier showing. You may not have seen these at the stated times, but I encourage you to experience them some time before Easter. The details of the final days and the reflective music you will experience, will prepare you to better receive the transforming gift of the Resurrection.

Spring is before us! Check out the opportunities that are present in this Messenger. Carpenter's Helping Hands Service Day is April 10th. Check out what to do if you would like some help from this generous team. Carpe Diem String Quartet will also have a socially distanced Concert at 4:00 pm on April 10th. Seating is limited, so if you are interested check it out quickly.

With warmer weather coming, our Children's Choir and Bells will begin once again in their Outdoor socially distanced rehearsals on April 8th. VBS this year will be hybrid, with a resource kit to use at home part of the week and outdoor socially distanced the first and last evenings. It's time to prepare for Camps. Be sure to read about them inside. Scholarship Information will be in the May Messenger. If you would like information before, please contact Ashley Gerard at ashley@worthingtonumc.com.

Please continue to be careful and proactive with healthy decisions. Wash hands, wear a mask, stay socially distanced and unless for a medical reason you cannot, please get a vaccine. It is one of the gifts you can give to those around you as well as to yourself.

Your staff hopes you have a blessed Easter.

Cyndy

# Prayer Joys and Concerns

- Sympathy to friends and family of Jean Hall, who died on March 11.
- We celebrate the life of **Roslin Clark**, born on March 17 to parents Leisel and Donnie Clark, and big brother Langley.
- Sympathy to Mike and Jody Jones at the death of Mike's mother, Audrey Baker, who died on March 24.

# Sunday Morning Worship

Here are your options for worship for Sunday morning:

<u>10:00 a.m.</u> View our livestreams at <u>https://bit.ly/OfficeWUMCYoutube</u>

OR reserve a spot for in-person at worthingtonumc.churchreserve.com

11:15 a.m.-Outdoor worship on the church lawn. No reservation needed!\*

If you plan to join us for in-person worship, please remember to wait until 15 minutes prior service to enter the church, to enter through the main double doors, and that masks must be worn at all times.

\*The 11:15 a.m. service will be moved inside if weather is poor. Reservations will be requested to accommodate all people.



# <u>The Carpenter's Helping Hands Service Day</u> April 10, 2021

Do you need a few extra hands around the house? *The Carpenter's Helping Hands* will be conducting its Spring Service Day on **Saturday**, **April 10** from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. to help householders who need assistance with gardening and other simple outdoor chores. Volunteers are wanted. Both volunteers and those in need of help should contact Jerry Knorr at 614-330-5832 or e-mail him at jerrynliz@sbcglobal.net, preferably no later than noon on Wednesday, April 7. Youth, with parental supervision, are welcome to participate. Since the Covid-19 virus has not gone away, our volunteers will wear facemasks and be limiting their activities to outdoor chores only. Please do not be shy if you need help. We look forward to serving you! It is what we do. Be safe.



Friendship Community Dinner!

Thursday, April 15

6:00 p.m.-6:45 p.m.

Carryout Only!



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# April 2021 Outreach Calendar

Join us as we "Make a Difference"!

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Bags of Blessings for Worthington Resource Pantry				1 NNEMAP Pantry 3 pm – 7 pm	2 NNEMAP Pantry 9 am – noon	3 Worthington Pantry 9:30 am -12:30 pm NNEMAP Pantry 10 am – 1 pm
4 Operation Sandwich* New Life Clinic 7 am – 9 am	5 NNEMAP Pantry 9 am – noon Worthington Pantry 9 am – 3 pm	6 NNEMAP Pantry 9 am – noon	7 NNEMAP Pantry 9 am – noon Worthington Pantry 2 pm – 8 pm	8 NNEMAP Pantry 3 pm – 7 pm	9 NNEMAP Pantry 9 am – noon	10 Worthington Pantry 9:30 am -12:30 pm NNEMAP 10am-1pm TCHH Service Day 8:00 am – 1:00 pm
11 Operation Sandwich* New Life Clinic 7 am – 9 am	12 NNEMAP Pantry 9 am – noon Worthington Pantry 9 am – 3 pm	13 NNEMAP Pantry 9 am – noon	14 NNEMAP Pantry 9 am – noon Worthington Pantry 2 pm – 8 pm	15 NNEMAP Pantry 3 pm – 7 pm Friendship Dinner 5 – 8 pm*	16 NNEMAP Pantry 9 am – noon	17 WRP 9:30 -12:30 pm NNEMAP 10 –1 pm Camp Otterbein Mission Trip 7:30 am – 5:00 pm
18 Operation Sandwich* New Life Clinic 7 am – 9 am	19 NNEMAP Pantry 9 am – noon Worthington Pantry 9 am – 3 pm	20 NNEMAP Pantry 9 am – noon	21 NNEMAP Pantry 9 am – noon Worthington Pantry 2 pm – 8 pm	22 NNEMAP Pantry 3 pm – 7 pm Red Cross Blood Drive 1 – 6 pm*	23 NNEMAP Pantry 9 am – noon	24 Worthington Pantry 9:30 am -12:30 pm NNEMAP Pantry 10 am – 1 pm YWCA Family Dinner 5 – 9 pm*
25 Oper Sandwich* New Life 7 -9 am Bags of Blessings Sort 12:00–12:30*	26 NNEMAP Pantry 9 am – noon Worthington Pantry 9 am – 3 pm	27 NNEMAP Pantry 9 am – noon	28 NNEMAP Pantry 9 am – noon Worthington Pantry 2 pm – 8 pm	29 NNEMAP Pantry 3 pm – 7 pm	30 NNEMAP Pantry 9 am – noon	* Family Friendly Ministries

# Outreach Programs

**<u>Bag of Blessing</u>**: For the month of April, we will be collecting items for Worthington Resource Pantry. Below are the items needed;

- Fruit (peaches, pears, mixed)
- Vegetables (carrots, beets, spinach)
- Tomatoes (diced, stewed, whole, puree)
- Beans (chili, refried, pinto, baked)

- Condensed Soups
- Canned Pastas (ravioli, spaghetti)
- Hand or Bar soap
- Shampoo
- Ready-to-eat soups (Chunky, Progresso)
  Deoderant

<u>Donations for ongoing needs</u>. Urgent needs for Worthington Resource Pantry are canned fruit, tuna and ravioli. Urgent needs for NNEMAP Food Pantry are canned fruit, soups and ravioli.

# <u>Work Camp</u>

#### June 21-25 - Eligible Ages: Incoming Freshman - Graduated Senior

We will be meeting at various local Columbus mission sites each day of the week to serve our own community. While the travel aspect of Work Camp brings a special aspect to our week, we know that this year, it is still best practice to stay local. That being said, we won't want to miss the opportunity for us to gather for the week! The exact details and times of each day are TBD, but most organizations operate within typical work day hours between 9:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m. If you are interested and have more questions, or wish to reserve a spot now, contact Ashley Gerard at <u>ashley@worthingtonumc.com</u>

## <u>ReachOut</u>

#### July 18-24 - Eligible Ages: Incoming 8th Grade - Graduated Senior

ReachOut is typically held in Lakeside, Ohio for a week-long camp planned and run by seven elected high school campers. With the Governor's Orders in place for this Summer, the ReachOut board voted to continue one more Summer of camp being virtual, with the hopes of a major In-Person Winter Retreat! That being said, the planning committee has been actively working on how to make the experience more interactive, including live-streamed worship services and an at-home supply kit for each camper to experience the week of camp. Registration will open in April through East Ohio camps!

### **Explorations**

#### July 26-29–Eligible Ages: Incoming 4th Grade – Incoming 7th Grade

Explorations will function very similarly to our typical year! Each day, our group will serve a local service organization that supports our Columbus community! This year, we will need parents to provide their own transportation to and from the mission sites directly, and provide each student with their own packed lunch. This will include locations like the Worthington Resource Pantry and our annual trip to Sunrise Sanctuary which is a farm animal sanctuary in Marysville. This will be our 6<sup>th</sup> year taking a group to visit Sunrise Sanctuary to spend time with their animals. If you are interested and have more questions, or wish to reserve a spot now, contact Ashley Gerard at <u>ashley@worthingtonumc.com</u>



Experience the great outdoors with West Ohio Camps this summer! With over 40 events to choose from for kids and families, we have something for everyone! Join us for a summer of Abundant Adventure, Christian Community and Faith Formation!

#### Register today at <u>www.WestOhioCamps.org</u>

West Ohio Camps are offered at 3 locations – Camp Otterbein, Camp Wesley, and Camp Widewater. This summer, they have adapted to follow safety procedures within the Governor's Orders for summer camps. Find more details at their website!



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we are wonderfully made!



 \*Opening Kick-Off // Sunday, June 13, 4pm Pick-up your resource kit at the church, then enjoy our outdoor, family event!
 \*Mon - Thu June 14-17 // VBS Activities!
 Enjoy the curriculum safely at home. We have everything prepped so you just need to supervise! We do the teaching prepped so you just need to supervise! We do the teaching Questions? Contact Ashley
 \*Closing Celebration // Friday, June 18, 6pm Celebrate the week with us with an outdoor concert!ashley@worthingtonumc.com



# WUMC Children's Choir and Handbell Choir

Come and be a part of our children's choir where young people are offered a wonderful opportunity to meet other children interested in music, make lasting friendships, have fun, and worship together!

> Practices are on Thursdays, September - May Children's Handbell Choir: (Grades 3<sup>rd</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup>) 4:30 - 5:00 Children's Choir: (Grades K- 6<sup>th</sup>) 5:00 - 5:30

Please go to the following link to register for next year! https://tinyurl.com/cchWUMC

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# Loving God & Loving Neighbor... On Purpose!

We'll participate in guided study of scripture and social data as a springboard into addressing ministry opportunities and needs with our Northland neighbors. We'll trust God's word to

- inspire our ministry by prayer,
- instill in us a new "mission-mindedness,"
- move us to hear the call to community building
- re-dedicate us to Jesus' charge to be and make disciples.

This group will meet on the 2nd and 4th weeks. If you are interested in joining, or want more information, contact Rev. Cal Holloway at <u>Cal@worthingtonumc.com</u>!



# Carpe Diem String Quartet



One of the most unique and sought-after chamber ensembles on the concert stage today, the **Carpe Diem String Quartet** is a boundary-breaking ensemble that has earned widespread critical acclaim. Carpe Diem defies easy classification with programming that includes classical, Gypsy, tango, folk, pop, rock, and jazz-inspired music.

The quartet is dedicated to community engagement, to pushing the limits of the classical string quartet, and to changing the concert experience of chamber music. Using innovative programming, thematic concerts, popular music for younger generations, cameras and video to assist in the visual presentation, as well as speaking from the stage to better engage the audience, Carpe Diem is bringing new audiences into the concert hall and revitalizing the chamber music experience.

CDSQ will be presenting Spring Serenade on Saturday, April 10 at 4:00 p.m. — an in-person concert featuring works from Hugo Wolf, Eleanor Alberga, and Antonin Dvorak. Limited seating is available for social distancing protocols, and masks must be worn at all times. Order tickets at <a href="https://www.carpediemstringquartet.com/calendarandtickets/spring-serenade-in-person">https://www.carpediemstringquartet.com/calendarandtickets/spring-serenade-in-person</a> or call 614-205-8160.

# APRIL

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				<b>1</b> Maundy Thursday Office Hours 10am—2pm Maundy Thurs. Online Worship—7pm	2 Good Friday Office Closed Good Friday Online Worship—7pm	3
<b>4</b> <i>Easter Sunday</i> 10 am—Worship 11:15 am—Outdoor Worship	5 Office Closed 8 pm—College Group	6 Office Closed 7pm—Trustees 8 pm— Devos	<b>7</b> Office Hours 10am—2pm 7pm—Wired Word	8 Office Hours 10am—2pm 4:30pm—Children's Bells and Choir Loving God & Neighbor 7:00 pm	9 Office Closed	10 Helping Hands Spring Service Day 4pm—Carpe Diem String Quarter Concert
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# Red Cross Blood Drive

The next Blood Drive is on Thursday, April 22 from 1:00 - 6:00 p.m. Health safety screening protocols will be in place, including temperatures taken of all donors at the door, and the use of hand sanitizer. Masks are required. Staff and volunteers will be wearing masks and gloves, all surfaces will be cleaned between donors, and safe distancing practices will be followed.

Please schedule today at <u>RedCrossBlood.org</u>;

Sponsor Code: WorthUMC

Or Call 800-733-2767.



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