

The Messenger

Lent

Lord, who throughout these forty days for us didst fast and pray, teach us with thee to mourn our sins and close by thee to stay.

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Worship Times

9:30 a.m.
Traditional Worship Service
11:15 a.m.
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Dear Community of Faith,

As we enter this Lenten Season, your church staff hopes you choose to dive deeply into the opportunities you find in this Messenger & Program Booklet to discover God's grace alive & active in your life. We hope through reflection,

meditation, interaction, worship, social action, study, & community we will all more deeply experience God.

As we journey through Lent this year, we are drawing on the themes of grace, justice, poverty, love, revolution & hope as expressed through Victor Hugo's *Les Miserables*. We are hoping to explore in various settings the miracle of grace we receive through Jesus the Christ. A reminder that on Sunday, March 1st at 3:00 p.m. in the Potter Chapel we will be showing the video of *Les Mis* & our class will begin between services on the 1st and then Wednesday evening, March 4th at 7:00 p.m..

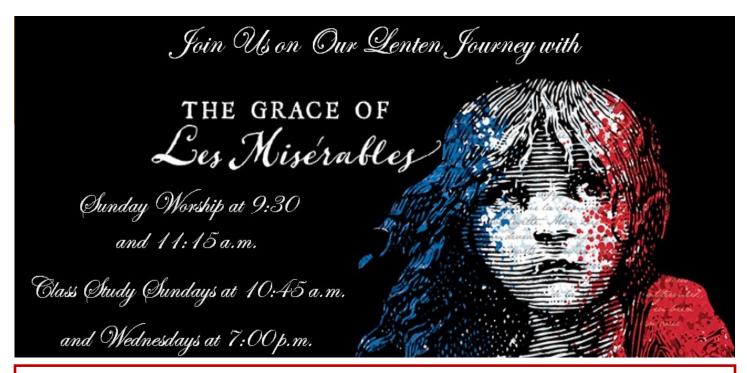
Sunday, March 8th at 4:00 p.m. in Potter Chapel we will host the *Underground* which is a documentary on racism and grace. You can read about it in this Messenger. We hope to experience the documentary & welcome some conversation of ways to impact our community with the love of Christ.

A few years ago I told the Staff Parish Relations Committee that my intention was to move from my current home to a condo in downtown Columbus at some point, and asked if I found one while still pastoring here at Worthington if would they be okay with me moving to a one floor condo downtown, and (thankfully) they said yes. A few weeks ago, I informed SPRC that I had found one! Instead of waiting for eighteen months for one to be finished, I found one nearly ready to buy. With that said, I am working to put my house on the market in mid-March and move the last day of March, first of April. It's all very fast, but it will allow me to be on one floor and is only six minutes further away from here than my current home. For forty-five years I have moved everything with me without going through and sorting. As many of you know, and have told me, downsizing is its own experience. So far I have agreed, and actually enjoy the feeling, but it means lots of sorting. As such, I have taken some vacation days and will take some more as I make this move. And for those of you who enjoy coming for the Epiphany Open House, I intend to have it at the condo next January.

Since our Lenten Study will be held during the Sunday School hour, we will have our next Update on the UMC on Sunday, April 19th. I will also be sharing in other settings and will bring new items to your attention if they arise before the 19th. Please make use of the links we continue to provide for you in the tri-fold and feel free to ask if you have questions.

But for now, let's journey through Lent, make use of the calendar Mary Scott has provided, walk together through Holy Week, and celebrate with joy Christ's Resurrection at Easter!!

Your staff is grateful to dive deeply with you. Cyndy



Last year, the Adelaide Endowment Fund was able to donate almost \$15,000 to varying ministries that are under Global Ministries of the United Methodist Church. They returned a wonderful thank you letter!

Dear Worthington UMC,

Thank you from our Global Health Family to Yours!

When you gave to The United Methodist Church's Abundant Health Initiative, you did something truly significant. Your gift supported vulnerable around the world.

Thank You. The work we do would not be possible without your help. We look forward to continued partnership with you in the year ahead.

Sincerely,

The Director of Global Health Unit





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March 2020 Outreach Calendar

Join us as we "Make a Difference"!

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Operation Sandwich*	2 NNEMAP Pantry 9 am – noon	NNEMAP Pantry 9 am – noon	NNEMAP Pantry 9 am – noon	5	NNEMAP Pantry 9 am – noon	7
New Life Clinic 7 am – 9 am	Worthington Pantry 9 am – 3 pm		Worthington Pantry 2 pm – 8 pm			Worthington Pantry 9:30 am -12:30 pm
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ProMusica Concert

March 7, 5:30 p.m.

Sanctuary



CHAMBER ORCHESTRA
DAVID DANZMAYR, MUSIC DIRECTOR

Join musicians of the beloved Columbus chamber orchestra group ProMusica as they perform "Tango in Paris". The concert features intimate chamber works ranging from the romantic French to the flavors of tango. Performance starts 5:30 p.m. on Saturday, March 7 in the Sanctuary. Tickets can be purchased at the door or by calling 614-464-0066. The cost for WUMC members is \$20!

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The Carpenter's Helping Hands Service Day - April 18, 2020

Do you need a few extra hands around the house? Of course you do. *The Carpenter's Helping Hands* will be conducting its Spring Service Day on Saturday, April 18 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. to help those needing assistance with gardening and simple household chores. Volunteers are wanted. Both volunteers and those in need of help should complete a Volunteer and Job Request form. Forms are available in the church office. Youth, with parental supervision, are welcome to help. Questions? Please contact the church office at 614-885-5365 or office@worthingtonumc.com or visit The Carpenter's Helping Hands table in the Ministry Hallway between services on Sunday, April 5. Please do not be shy if you need help. We look forward to serving you! It is what we do.

Children's Camp Fundraiser

Look out for our M&M fundraiser to begin on Tuesday, March 3. You can pick up a tube of mini-M&Ms and eat the chocolate before Lent begins. Then take the remainder of the Lenten season to collect quarters to refill the container and bring back to the church before Easter on April

12. All money collected goes to children's camps like VBS and West Ohio's summer camps that our children attend.





Creative Play Center is Hiring!

CPC is looking for early childhood educators who value meaningful learning experiences and are passionate about sparking curiosity in young learners. We offer professional-development opportunities and flexible scheduling. Current teaching opportunities include part-time afternoon teachers and full-time Infant and Center Substitute. Email your cover letter and resume to creativeplay@sbcglobal.net

LENT 2020 A prayerful look deeper into the work of the Church.

Sunday	Monday	Tuocday	Wednesday	Thursday	Eriday	Saturday
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday		Thursday	Friday	Saturday
23	24	25	Ash Wednesday Matt. 6:1-21 Pray for our brothers and sisters at St. John's AME	27 Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1- 7. Pray for the Children's Music Program	28 Psalm 32 Pray for NNEMAP Pantry	Romans 5:12-19 Pray for the Gates Fourth Ministry
Matt. 4:1-11 Pray for our Ministers, Cyndy Garn John Girard, John Ma	2 Psalm 108 Pray for Grace Children's Hospital, Haiti	Genesis 12:1-4 Pray for Buckeye Clinic, South Sudan Africa	4 Psalm 121 Pray for UMCOR	5 Romans 4:1-5, 13-17 Pray for Ganta United Methodist Hospital, Liberia, Africa	Luke 9:28-36 Pray for Shungu Clinic, Congo, Africa	7 Matt.17:1-9 Pray for House of Mercy Orphanage, Mexico
8 John 3:1-17 Pray for the Greeters and Ushers	John 3:22-36 Pray for the Worthington Pantry	Psalm 24 Pray for the Administrative Council	11 Hebrews 11:32-39 Pray for the Creative Pray Center	12 Excedus 17:1-7 Pray for the Chancel Choir	Psalm 95 Pray for the Bell Choirs	7 4 Romans 5:1-11 Pray for the office staff and volunteers
John 4:5-42 Pray for those visiting today and for those who are unable to attend.	Jeremiah 31:31-34 Pray for Eddie Jarrell and Kelvin Poole as they care for the church building and grounds	17 Isaiah 41:17-20 Pray for the YWCA Family Center	18 Micah 6:6-8 Pray for the Confirmation Class	19 1 Samuel 16:1-13 Pray for the Community Friendship Dinner	20 Psalm 23 Pray for the Finance Committee	21 Ephesians 5:8-14 Pray for Ashley Gerard and our youth ministry
John 9:1-41 Pray for all those teaching Sunday School and in the Nursery	Psalm 45 Pray for the Capitol North District leadership team	24 Hebrews 10:4-10 Pray for Bishop Palmer and the West Ohio Conference.	25 Luke 1:26-38 Pray for those who run the sound system and projections	26 Ezekiel 37:1-14 Pray for those who prepare bulletins, pew pockets, candles, and flowers	Psalm 130 Pray for those visiting the homebound and those in the hospital.	Romans 8:6-11 Pray for the Charitable Pharmacy of Central Ohio
29 John 11:1-45 Pray for the Staff/Parish Committee	30 Psalm 118 Pray for the Open Hearts Committee	Matt. 21:1-11 Pray for the Endowment Committee	lsaiah 50:4-9 Pray for the Family Ministry Team	Psalm 31 Pray for the Hospitality Team and Cookie Bakers	Rhil. 2:5-11 Pray for the Library Committee	4 Matt. 26:14-27:66 Pray for the Outreach Team
5 Palm Sunday Matt. 26:11-54 Pray for the Communion Stewards	John 12:1-11 Pray for the Welcoming and Inviting Team	7 John 12:20-36 Pray for the Trustees	John 13:21-32 Pray for the Fresh Expressions Team	John 13:1-17, 31-35 Pray for the Altar Guild	Good Friday John 18:1-19:42 Pray for all our church as we gather at the Cross	Matt. 27:57-66 Pray for yourself and where you fit into the work of the Church
12 Easter Sunday John 20:1-18 & Matt. 28:1-10 Christ is Risen! Let us rejoice and give thanks.	13	14	15	16 The Messenger, I	17 Warch 2020 - Wo	18

Worthington UMC Presents

Underground

West Ohio Pastor, Rev. Ryan Grace, was raised in a small White town, where he was taught that racism is dead. But, after hundreds of years of slavery, segregation, and separation, many Black people say the American Spirit has not fully moved beyond racial division, and



their lives are still shaded by the color of their skin. So, as a White Christian pastor, Rev. Grace took his family on a road trip into history to see if our culture really has risen above the racism of our past. After touring a house from the Underground Railroad in southern Ohio and walking in the footsteps of the March to Freedom in Alabama, Rev. Grace and his family visited a Black community, shared a meal with a Black family, celebrated the anniversary of an historic Black church, and talked to people who are Black about their experiences. Along the way, they celebrated the progress our nation has made, and saw firsthand that we still have a long way to go. Join Rev. Grace and his family on their journey to see how racism and resistance continue to rise up from underground.

Join us for a viewing of *Underground* on March 8, at 4:00 p.m. in the Potter Chapel.

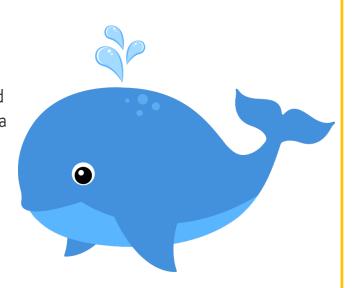
Calling all singers!

We are looking to add more voices to our Chancel Choir, especially tenors and basses. No audition required! Just let Jarod know that you'd like to join, or show up on a Thursday evening and jump right in. Rehearsals begin at 7 p.m. every Thursday in the Sanctuary. Not sure? Talk with Jarod or any choir member on a Sunday morning about what it's like to sing. You can even make a short-term commitment and sing with us for a month or two to see how it through Join Easter and what think! goes. us see you Maybe you know a singer who isn't attending church anywhere? Invite them together! join to and you come Questions? Reach out to Jarod via email (jarod.ogier@gmail.com) or phone (740-418-5667).

WUMC Children's Music Presents:

The Big Fish - Jonah's Whale of A Tale!

Here's the story of Jonah and the whale as told by our very own WUMC Children's Choir with a jazz "film-noir" touch! Get ready to "Dive Deeply" into this story of Jonah, his crazy journey, and learn about God's love for everyone. Hop aboard "the big fish" for an unforgettable ride on Sunday, March 29, at both the 9:30 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. services.



Easter Egg Hunt and Potluck Meal

Come join us on Sunday, March 29, at 4:00 p.m. for our annual Easter Egg Hunt! All ages are welcome. This is a rain or shine event. The hunt will begin right at 4:15 p.m. out on the front lawn of the church. We will enjoy time outside with games and music until around 5:00 p.m., then close with a potluck meal after the hunt in Fellowship Hall. Main course and drinks are provided; please bring a side dish or dessert to share!



UMW and the Blue Star Mothers

The WUMW continues to endorse our local Blue Star Mothers in the provision of items for Ohio soldiers who are serving around the world. The following are suggested items to provide: fly paper, deodorant, dental supplies, grooming supplies, puzzles, pens and pencils, positive and informative news articles, jokes, decks of cards, photos of interest, LED book lights, books, dried meat sticks and meat jerky, cans of nuts, packages of cheese and



peanut butter crackers, Pringles, hard candy. The donation box and a more complete donation list are located in the church office. Thank you for your continued support!



Easter Flowers

Orders for Easter flowers are available today until March 8 at 12:30 p.m. Order forms are available in your bulletin each Sunday or at the church office. Please return all forms to the church office front desk.

All flowers are only \$10!

Hygiene Kits for UMCOR

Along with other disaster relief efforts, UMCOR provides simple hygiene kits for those who suffer from natural or human-caused disasters such as hurricanes, floods, fire, famine, war, & other events. Hygiene kits are also used as learning tools in personal hygiene, literacy, & much more.

Visit our table in the ministry hallway to pick up a copy of the list & assembly instructions, then bring the kit back by March 22. You are welcome to donate individual items or cash, and our volunteers will assemble the bags for you. Make checks payable to Worthington UMW.

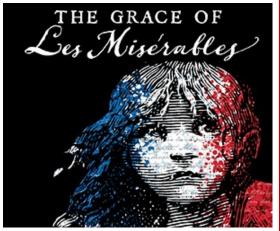
Thank you for your generous support. Be sure to come to the Spring Mission Day on Saturday, March 28, when one of our speakers will be Mike Fogle, West Ohio Conference Disaster Response Coordinator, to talk to us about UMCOR's relief efforts.

Lenten Study on "The Grace of Les Miserables"

Join us on Sundays between services or on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. as we look at the life of Jesus, who shared a Gospel of justice for those on the margins of life. We

will look at grace, poverty, revolution, sacrifice, justice, and hope.

In preparation, and just for fun, we will be showing one of the movie productions of *Les Miserables* on Sunday, March 1, 3:00 p.m. in the Potter Chapel. Please plan to join us for this showing!



Spring Mission Day

A day of learning and engaging in mission.

Saturday, March 28

9:30 coffee and fellowship; 10:00 program

Potter Chapel and Commons Area

We will deliver all the hygiene kits we have collected for UMCOR. In the morning, we will hear from several ministries about their programs and progress toward helping the community, including:



UMCOR Disaster Response Community Development for All People Moms2B



Charitable Pharmacy of Central Ohio



After lunch, we will carpool and/or take the church bus downtown to the Charitable Pharmacy where we will see how they operate, and help sort and count medications.

Everyone is welcome! No fee. Lunch included.

Come for all or just some of the program, as you wish. Please let us know in the church office if you plan to attend.

Spring One-Day Adult Mission Trip Saturday, April 25 Camp Otterbein in Logan, Ohio

Camp Otterbein is a camp ran by the West Ohio Conference, and a staple for outdoor ministries in the Central Ohio area. This short trip is a perfect opportunity to learn more about mission work and how you can get involved.

The last day to sign up is Sunday, April 12. If you have questions, please contact Russ Line at 614-885-3111 or rilineohio@aol.com.

Circle News

- Naomi Circle will meet on Tuesday, March 3, 10:00 a.m., in the Dixon Lounge. We will bring items and assemble Easter "baskets" for homebound members of our church family. Visitors are welcome!
- Riverside Sewing Guild will meet on Wednesday, March 4 at Riverside Methodist Hospital from 9:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. The Riverside Sewing Guild makes neck pillows, stuffed animals, walker bags, blankets, cancer hats, baby hats, fidget aprons, and many other items to be given out at the hospital. You can cut out patterns, stuff pillows or animals, or sew. If you have questions, contact Judye Kirkbride at 614-436-0630.
- Elizabeth Circle will meet on Monday, March 9, 7:00 p.m. at Inspiring U (409 W. Main Street, Westerville, Ohio 43081) for a craft night with Beth Gabel. Please RSVP with Beth (bgabel12@msn.com) no later than Sunday, March 8. If you have any circle Margaret Elizabeth Circle Leaders: questions, please contact margaret.tyler07@gmail.com 614-736-1152. Beth Strasser or or at babob@columbus.rr.com or 614-419-9920.
- Ruth Circle will meet on Tuesday, March 10, at 10:00 a.m.
- Deborah Circle will meet on Thursday, March 12 at 1:00 p.m. in the Dixon Lounge for a program on Prayer and Self-Denial. Deborah Circle will also participate in Spring Mission Day on Saturday March 28.
- Martha Circle will meet on Thursday, February 12, at 7:00 p.m.
- Hannah Circle will meet on Wednesday, February 25, at 6:30 p.m.

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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

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