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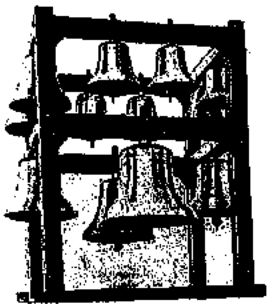
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## **LOOKING AHEAD. . .**

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| June 2       | Copeland Oaks Communion and Lunch – 11:00 A.M.   |
| June 5       | Summer Worship Schedule Begins in Fellowship Hall<br>9:00 A.M. Sunday School Classes: 10:00 A.M. Worship Service |
| June 7       | Unit Meeting for UMW at Copeland Oaks, Indoor Picnic   |
| June 19      | Worship in Silver Park and picnic lunch – 11:00 A.M.   |
| July 9       | 7 <sup>th</sup> Annual Carnival: 6:00 P.M. – 8:00 P.M.   |
| July 25-29   | Summer Music Camp  |
| August 17-20 | Carnation Days in the Park   |
| September 11 | Services will be back to Sanctuary plus Rally Day  |



**SAVE THE DATES!** Summer Music Camp will be held July 25-29 from 9a.m.-Noon. Music Camp is open to any child entering grades 1-6 in the fall. Youth entering grades 7-12 may serve as Shepherds. Registration forms are available in the church office. The children will learn a musical about Esther and how she saved the Jewish people from the treachery of Haman. The musical will be presented to the public on Friday, July 29, at 7 p.m. There is no cost to attend. Adult help is needed for Snacks, T-shirt day, Registration and Shepherds. We will need donations of water (small bottles) and individually packaged snacks and juice. These may be dropped off at the church.

### **FINAL TOTALS FOR ALLIANCE COMMUNITY PANTRY PROJECT**

Great Job!!! 263 items were collected during the month of April! Here is the breakdown of the items received:

- 31 cans of Tuna
- 23 jars of Peanut Butter
- 9 bottles of Laundry Detergent
- 100 bars of soap
- 100 rolls of toilet paper.

Thank you for your generosity!



### **ANNUAL FAMILY CARNIVAL**

Come one, come all! Christ Church will hold its 7<sup>th</sup> annual summer Family Carnival on Saturday, July 9<sup>th</sup>, from 6pm to 8pm, in our west parking lot. The event features children's games, a bounce house, face painting, and free food and drinks. We are always in need of volunteers to help set up, host activities and clean up. Look for more information in the weekly bulletins.

### **SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

Summer worship starts on June 5<sup>th</sup> with our worship service being held downstairs in the fellowship hall. Sunday school moves to 9:00 am. The worship service starts at 10:00 a.m. Weekly Sunday services will be held downstairs in fellowship hall thru Sunday, Sept. 4<sup>th</sup>.

## UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

### Circles

June 21 6:00 PM	M&M Circle:	Franks Restaurant
June 21 6:15 PM	May Smyth Circle:	at Pat Stone's, 3459 Greenbriar Ave.

The **June United Meeting** is June 7<sup>th</sup> an indoor picnic at 6:15 pm at Williamsburg Room at Copeland Oaks. "Good Food, Games and Fun Social Time". Bring a dish to share – table service provided. Greeters/Hostesses: Dorcas Circle.

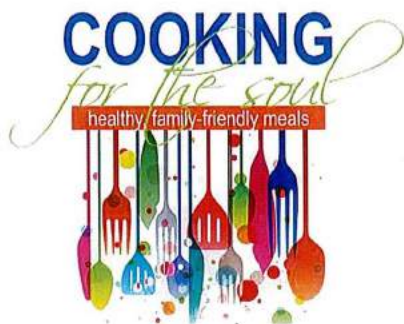
### **Mark your calendar:**

Our United Methodist Women are presenting a Community Program on October 6, featuring Michele Murdock, author of "A Journey of Courage, The Amazing Story of Sister Dorothy Stang".

## CHURCH WOMEN UNITED

June 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting is at Feed My Sheep Ministries/New Beginnings House of God, 114 E. Main St, Alliance, OH. Board Meeting at 11:30 am with General Meeting at 1:00 p.m. Mrs. Noah with Michelle Lee is the program.

Membership costs \$2.00. Please see Jean Webster if you are interested in joining.



The Susie Buckel Circle will once again be conducting a series of free "Cooking for the Soul" classes this summer. This series of classes is scheduled for 3 consecutive Thursdays, **June 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, and 30<sup>th</sup> 2016 at 5:30PM** in Fellowship Hall and will focus on **Casserole Cooking**. Registration is limited to 15 women and their children. Each woman will receive a **FREE** Anchorware Casserole Dish with a hot/cold Carrying Case as part of the series, along with all of the ingredients and supplies necessary make the meals.

Keep your eyes and ears open for opportunities to get involved/support these classes. We are very excited to have the opportunity to continue this project. It is by the grace of God and through our Congregations prayers, guidance, and support that we are able to provide this free outreach to the women and children in our community. For this, we are truly blessed, as are the women and children that participate in the classes! We hope that the "Cooking for the Soul" Classes truly exemplify faith, hope, and love in action, through education, service, and spiritual growth.

Love in Christ,

The Susie Circle

**Attention Gardeners of Christ Church.** We have acquired the lot adjacent to the west parking lot and will experiment this summer with turning it into a garden. Perhaps we can grow some food for the Community Dinners, the Food Pantry, or just for ourselves and our members. We would like to plant flowers around the outside of the garden. You might like a part of the garden to plant and cultivate or you might have some sun loving perennials or shrubs to share. Anyone who would like to help should contact Dave Austin 330 821 2917, email [daustin1130@gmail.com](mailto:daustin1130@gmail.com), tell Leslie on Facebook or contact the church office.

Our recent spring concert has certainly satisfied my appetite for sacred choral and instrumental music. I am also looking forward to the special music that we will experience this summer. Lest we forget, plans for The Summer Music Camp are well under way under the organization and direction of our organist, Carolyn Wallace. The dates are July 25 through 29, 2016 and the culmination of the week-long activities will be a dramatic presentation at 7:00 PM that Friday evening. This year the star of Music Camp 2016 is Queen Esther; her name, by the way, means 'star'. The Book of Esther tells the story of a courageous woman who used her beauty and her brains and even risked her life own life to save her people. If Queen Esther was around today, she might share her 'Bible Bio' in this way. "Hi, my name is Esther. Who would have thought that an orphan girl would one day become queen of the most powerful country in the world? I certainly wouldn't have but that's exactly what happened to me. After my parents died, my older cousin, Mordecai, took me in and raised my like his own daughter. He taught me how to love God and live for God no matter how good or bad things got. We lived in Susa where the great King Xerxes (Ahaseurus) had his palace. He had a bad temper and really didn't do things God's way. Once he got mad at his wife and just decided to get a new one. Guess how he decided to find his new wife? He held a kind of beauty pageant. They took me to the palace and gave me a huge make-over! Of all the women there, he chose me to be his queen. I couldn't believe it!

But Mordecai reminded me that God made me a queen for a special reason. It didn't take long to see why. A wicked man named Haman got permission from the King to kill all of my people, the Jews. I had to do something but I knew if I went to the King without being asked, he'd probably have me killed. I know that sounds weird since I was the Queen. But that was the Law, and like I said, the King had a bad temper.

When I finally did go to the King, I was so afraid that I could barely stand up. But the King held out his scepter (a golden rod) to me, which meant he would hear my request. I was given a chance to tell the King what the wicked Haman planned to do, and the King protected my people. Wherever you are and wherever you go, remember that God put you there. While you are there, find out what God wants you to do."

The Book of Esther is in the Old Testament after Nehemiah and before Job. It is certainly worth reading about Esther and Mordecai who acted with great courage in a hostile world and stood up for God and their people. They trusted God and were His willing servants. Their lives remind us of the ultimate willing servant of God: Jesus! Jesus was willing to be a part of God's master plan even if it meant giving up His life for us. While Esther and Mordecai made a difference for the Jews of their time, Jesus made the difference for all people of all time.

Peace, Dr. J

### **THANK YOU'S**

Dick and I wish to thank you for your thoughts, prayers and cards at the sudden death of my daughter, Sharon. The vase of flowers sent to her funeral was beautiful and meant so much. We feel truly blessed to be part of this "family". Thank you again. In God's love and mercy, Dee & Dick Lapp.

Thank you so much for your donation of food, soap and paper products. All of these help keep our shelves stocked with a variety of items for those in need. We couldn't do it without people like you! Gratefully, Alliance Community Pantry.

A big thank you goes out to all who made it possible for the highly successful United Methodist Women's Basement Sale. From those who brought the many donated items for the sale, to the many who helped prepare, worked the sale and bought items too, to the shoppers who found treasures to buy, as well as to the much needed help of the clean-up crew – **THANK YOU!**

# WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS FOR JUNE

## USHERS – Team #2

John Christian  
Arnie Hirvela  
Keith Noble

Jim Greiner, Captain  
Mike Greiner  
Charlie Manypenny  
Bill Sol

## LITURGISTS

5 Ellen Sol  
12 Keith Noble  
19 Victor Lee  
26 Jim Greiner

## COMMUNION STEWARDS

June Patti Hirst  
July Ellen Sol & Betty-Jo Sutherin  
August Patti Hirst

## SANCTUARY GREETERS

None in June thru August

## WELCOME CENTER GREETERS

5 Carol/Frank Woolf  
12 Ellen/Bill Sol  
19 Church in the Park  
26 Peg Williams/Dick Diser

## NORTH & WEST DOORS GREETERS

5 Betty Sheetz/Susan Burden  
12 Connie/Larry Pyers  
19 Church in the Park  
26 Jill/Jim Greiner

## TELLERS

5 Pat Helsel & Marilyn Ruff  
12 Jill Greiner & Donna Essick  
19 Church in the Park- No Tellers  
26 Mark Locke & Bruce Helsel

## ACOLYTES

5 Zachary Kinser  
12 Ian Sherer  
19 Brianna Starkey  
26 Zachary Kinser

## JUNE VISITATION MEMBERS

5 Darlene Howell, The Towers 250 S. Arch Apt. 511, Alliance, OH 44601  
12 Dorothy Taylor, Canterbury, 1785 N. Freshley Ave Rm 401, Alliance, OH 44601  
19 Betty Coleman, 981 W. Milton, Alliance, OH 44601  
26 LaVerne Edwards, 3080 Ridgehill Ave. Alliance, OH 44601

**To have your birthday and/or your anniversary listed in THE CHIMES:** Just call the church office, 330-823-7136, place information in the Secretary's slot outside of church office, or email to [church@cumcalliance.org](mailto:church@cumcalliance.org).



**CHIMES DEADLINE:** The deadline for the May 2016 issue of *The Chimes* is Friday, April 15<sup>th</sup>. Articles may be placed in the Secretary's slot outside the church office or emailed to [church@cumcalliance.org](mailto:church@cumcalliance.org)

## JUNE BIRTHDAYS

1	Brittany Strong	22	Chrissy Shields
3	Zachary Smith	23	Bob Clayton
4	Elizabeth Wellington		
9	Lucinda Feess	23	Nicolas Skidmore
12	Jennifer Frank	25	Linda Montgomery
13	Aaron Webster	25	Karen Locke
16	Jessica Crider	27	Tyler Kinser
17	Carolyn Wallace	28	Jerry Sandifer

## JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

Bob and Lou Clayton  
June 9, 1963 \*53 Years\*

Rev. Chris and Cindi Martin  
June 12, 1969

Wil' and Dorothy Rogers  
June 12, 1982

Dick and Susan Diser  
June 13, 1970

Robert and Nancy Locke  
June 25, 1955 \*61 Years\*

Bill and Ellen Sol  
June 27, 1970



## PRAYER CHAIN

We are looking for volunteers to become members of our prayer chain calling list. This is very important ministry of the church which prays for members of church family in their time of need. As a member of the prayer chain, you will be asked to pray for that person and to call the next person on the list. Please contact the church office if you are interested.

**This summer there are ten Sundays in need of Special Music.** Starting July 3<sup>rd</sup> through September 4<sup>th</sup>, the Chancel Vocal choir will be "on vacation" so our worship services need your talents to help in the praise and worship of God. So, brush off that song book, breakout the instrument, or collect a small group to assist in this important ministry of our church. Those interested contact the office or Lew Shields to verify available dates.



## CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Our committee on May 18, 2016 at 1:30 p.m. to plan for the Communion Service at Copeland Oaks conducted by Rev. Stephanie Lee.

Residents of Copeland Oaks and members of our church are all invited to attend Communion beginning at 11:00 a.m. in the chapel at Copeland with a fellowship luncheon to follow in the Terrance Room at 12:00 noon. Those attending will be able to order from the menu and residents may charge their meal. Tables will be reserved for those in our group. A special Thank You to Peg Williams for coordinating this June Communion Service. Reservations are requested by Friday May 2<sup>th</sup> and may be made by calling the church office.

We will meet next on July 20, 2016 at 1:30 P.m. at the church to discuss the 2017 Budget along with the upcoming activities for this committee.

## GOOD SAMARITAN OFFERING

Sunday, June 5<sup>th</sup> a Good Samaritan offering will be taken. The funds collected are given to the Alliance of Churches for distribution to those in need for utility bills, food, clothing or medicine. Thank you for your support of this very much needed outreach. Good Samaritan offering envelopes will be available in your June 5, 2016 bulletin.

## CHRISTIAN OUTREACH FOOD PANTRY

We recognize a need in our community by collecting funds, food, personal and household items to help the Salvation Army in its outreach. The Christian Outreach Committee reminds you that there is always a shopping cart in the Lounge for donations, and that there the third Sunday of each month is designated as Salvation Army Food Pantry Sunday. For May, we collected \$41 and 26 food items were collected. Your response for this much needed community program is appreciated. Thank You!



## 2016 GRADUATE RECOGNITION

It is with pleasure that we recognize **JOSHUA SHIELDS**, son of Eric and Christian Shields, as a graduate of the Alliance High School. As a result of finishing in the top ten percent of his class, he has been awarded The Investment Alliance Scholarship. He will be attending the University of Mount Union where he will major in Mechanical Engineering.

While at Alliance High School, Joshua participated in the Marching Band, the Symphonic Band and the Jazz Band. For three years, he was a member of the Swim Team at the High School. He has been a member of Boy Scout Troop 50 for a number of years and, as a long- time member of Christ United Methodist Church, Joshua has faithfully served in the vocal and bell choirs and been an active member of the United Methodist Youth Fellowship.

Congratulations, Josh! May the Lord continue to bless you and keep you is our prayer.

## Your Pledge Dollars at Work

Your pledge dollars are alive and well at Christ Church. The first Sunday in May was an excellent example of sharing time, talent and resources for an inspirational afternoon of music.

Our capable music staff put together a variety of vocal and bell selections that highlighted the skills of all the musicians. The Cherub and Wesley choirs, the Asbury vocal and bell choirs, the Halleluia and Chancel bell choirs and the Chancel vocal choir all participated.

Beyond the hours and hours of practice, Christ Church committed other resources to make this program happen. Your pledge dollars provided the clean, inviting atmosphere that allowed us to open our doors to the community. Music was purchased. Instruments were made available. Staff was paid. Our name was kept in front of the public as advertisements appeared in the newspaper.

As a finance committee, we want to remind you how valuable each and every pledge is to the mission of Christ United Methodist Church. It is because of your pledge that the committees and staff of the church can continue to offer dozens of programs and mission outreach opportunities. Don't ever underestimate the value of a single pledge in accomplishing our goal to make disciples for Jesus Christ.

On the next two pages you can find a tri-fold brochure that the conference has put together to describe the use of our apportionment dollars. The many ministries that are reached for ourselves, our neighbors and others remind us of the far reaching affects of our dollars.

Jill Greiner  
Finance Committee Chair

When your church  
pays its fair amount of

## SHARED MINISTRY



You help support our East Ohio United Methodist Health & Welfare institutions, our Ohio United Methodist-related colleges and our community ministries in East Ohio.



You are in mission across the U.S.  
and 165 countries around the world.

### Frequently Asked Questions

#### *Who set the apportioned Shared Ministry amounts?*

Local church lay and clergy members of the East Ohio Conference must approve all budget items at Annual Conference.

The amount we vote to support at conference is then "apportioned"- each church is asked to pay its fair share of what we voted to fund.

#### *How are our churches' apportioned Shared Ministry funds figured?*

Apportionments are figured only on the amount of money a church spends on itself for programming, operations and salaries, church membership is no longer part of the formula.

#### *What happens if we do not pay our Shared Ministry funds?*

Some mission or ministry of our church that is being done in Christ's name is either cut back or eliminated.

#### *Where do I get more information on Shared Ministry funds?*

Upon request, the treasurer will prepare a printout of your church's annual share of apportioned Shared Ministry funds. Call (800) 831-3972, ext. 123 for more information.

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For more information about shared ministry, visit [www.eocumc.com](http://www.eocumc.com)  
Order more copies from the treasurer's office, (800) 831-3972, ext. 123

# SHARED MINISTRY

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for Neighbors  
for Others*

The United Methodist Church  
East Ohio Conference

160,577 members in 768 churches  
who share in God's Mission



# SHARED MINISTRY

## for Ourselves

- Administrative costs for health care plan.
- Pays up to half the cost of moving household goods when there is a change in pastors.
- Maintains three camps used by churches.
- Provides training for church leaders and pastors through district and conference events as well as local church consultations
- Helps underwrite:
  - Schools of Ministry
  - Conference Youth Events
- Provides money and help for new churches and revitalizing churches.
- Provides salary support for churches unable to meet minimum standards.
- Provides spiritual and administrative leadership to us through our district superintendents and conference staff.

- Provides assistance for our United Methodist-related institutions
  - Guidestone
  - Copeland Oaks/Crandall Medical Center
  - Wesleyan Senior Living
  - Flat Rock Homes and Care Center
  - North Shore Retirement Community
- Provides support for our five United Methodist-related colleges:
  - Baldwin Wallace University
  - Ohio Northern University
  - Ohio Wesleyan University
  - University of Mount Union
  - Otterbein College



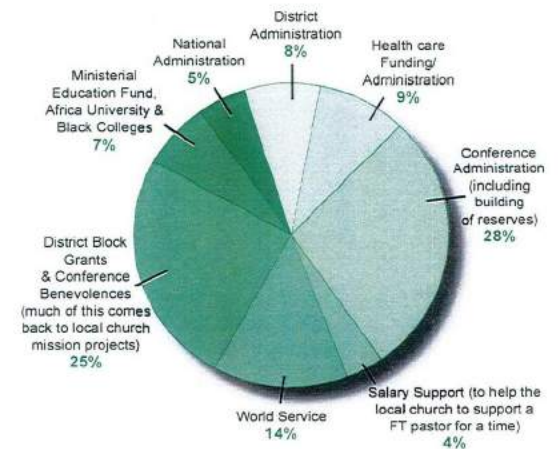
## for Neighbors

- Helps fund over 50 projects launched by churches to serve their communities
- Helps fund a number of community ministries, including:
  - United Methodist Community Center, Youngstown
  - West Side Community Center, Cleveland
  - Urban Mission Ministry, Steubenville
  - Epworth Center, Bethesda
  - Canton Calvary Mission, Canton
  - Open- M, Akron

## for Others





- Provides support for over 1,000 missionaries in the U.S. and around the world
- Provides funding for over 9,000 mission projects in 165 countries in the world and in the U.S.
- Provides for Bible distribution around the world
- Provides support for United Methodist hospitals, homes for the aging and community centers around the world and in our own country.
- Assists in developing evangelism materials
- Provides a support system to channel relief aid to disaster victims in the U.S. and around the world
- Helps fund our 13 United Methodist seminaries and 80 United Methodist-related colleges, including our 11 historically black colleges



# JUNE 2016



\***Sunday** Worship & Program Opportunities  
 9:00 A.M. Sunday School for all ages  
 10:00 A.M. Worship Service

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<b>1</b> Staff Meeting tba	<b>2</b> Communion At Copeland Oaks at 11am	<b>3</b> CWU Feed My Sheep 1p	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b> *See Sunday Schedule Good Samaritan Offering 5p CRC Visitation	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> 12p Prayer Time/Chapel 5:30 Community Dinner 7p UMW Indoor Picnic at Copeland Oaks	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> 6:30pm Threads of Love Prayer Shawls	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>12</b> *See Sunday Schedule	<b>13</b> 6:30p Christian Education	<b>14</b> 12p Prayer Time/Chapel 5:30 Community Dinner 6:30p SPRC	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> 5:30 Cooking forSoul Class	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>
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