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## OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORSHIP THIS MONTH

9:00 in the Sanctuary; 11:00 in the Fellowship Hall

### March 6 - 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent

At 9:00 worship the Choir will be joined by a small string and wind ensemble. It will be a real treat! At both services, Pastor Steve continues his Lenten sermon series *Questions of the Bible* by asking, "What Is In Your Hand?"



### March 13 - 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent

The Handbell Choir will share special music at the 9:00 service. Pastor Steve will ask and, perhaps, answer the *Question*, "What Are You Looking For?"



### March 20<sup>th</sup> - Palm Sunday

Both services will recall Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. "Do You Want to Be Healed?" is the *Question* of the day.



### March 25<sup>th</sup> - Maundy Thursday

At 7:00 PM gather in the Sanctuary on this holy night to share the Lord's Supper and remember the suffering of Jesus. The Choir will share special music. Pastor Steve will ask "Do You Understand What I Have Done For You?" based on John 13.



### March 27<sup>th</sup> - Easter Day

At 7:00 AM, the annual Community Sunrise Service and Breakfast will be held at Dayton Mennonite Church. This is always a joyous time with the congregations of the Church of the Brethren, Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran, Victory Fellowship and our host (and the breakfast is yummy!)



### **Our Resurrection Celebration will be ONE WORSHIP at 10:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary.**

Music will be by the combined Chancel Choir and Praise Band and other guest musicians. Pastor Steve concludes his *Questions* sermon series with "Why Are You Crying?"



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## FUN & FELLOWSHIP ~ CONTEMPLATION & ADORATION

**Easter Egg Hunt:** Children, infant through Grade 5, are invited to bring a basket and join the fun on **Saturday, March 26<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM** at the Church.



**Wednesday Fellowship Dinners:** Invite a Friend! Meals are **served at 6:00 PM** in the Fellowship Hall and will continue through April 6<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to the groups that have already hosted this season and to these folks, in advance: 3/9 – UMMen; 3/16 – On the Move; 3/23 – Creative Chefs 4-H Club; 3/30 Gail Mitchell & friends; 4/6 – The Youth Group.

**Women's Bible Study:** More Seuss! Join us on Tues., **March 8<sup>th</sup>** at 7:00 PM in the home of Nancy Byrd [395 Westview Street]. The group will continue looking at the lessons in the stories of Dr. Seuss as discussed in the book "The Gospel According to Dr. Seuss" by James Kemp. This month "Horton Hears a Who!" and "Green Eggs and Ham" are featured.



**Flowers for Easter Sunday:** Share a potted plant in memory or honor of a loved one. You can order a Hyacinth, an Easter Egg Mum, or Tulips for **only \$6 each**. Order/payment deadline is Sunday, March 13<sup>th</sup>. Take them home after Easter worship.

## A MONTH FOR MISSIONS

You are encouraged to participate in one, two, three or all four of these Mission projects during Lent – as the Lord leads you:

### The Easter Basket Project

For the 19<sup>th</sup> year, a community-wide project is underway to assemble about 900 Easter baskets for disadvantaged youth in our area. The baskets are distributed through 13 agencies to local children "in need" aged 2-12. Items needed for the baskets are: small games and toys, individually-wrapped candy, snack cakes, box drinks, school supplies, toiletries (toothbrushes, toothpaste, etc.), and baskets or sand buckets. Cash donations will be used to buy items for specific age groups. Donations will be accepted through Friday, March 18, and baskets will be assembled Sunday, March 20. A collection box is in the Narthex and lower level entry area. For more information or to help with assembly, contact Kim Guyer or Debbey Roadcap. THANKS for your support!



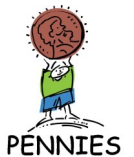
### Weekend Food Backpacks

We are packing 20 each week in March & April for students at Pence that have been identified as "food insecure" on the weekend. You have already generously responded with food items and monetary donations (over \$300 so far)! The project lasts 9 weeks so please, continue to share food or funds. We will be packing on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 and anticipate it taking about 30 minutes. If you would like to help, there is a sign up in the Narthex. Also, we do not need any more applesauce, peanut butter/cheese crackers, or oatmeal packets. We do still need donations of sleeves of crackers, 28 oz jelly in plastic containers, 28 oz. peanut butter, and cans of corn and green beans. See the list on page 4. Again, thank you to everyone who has helped kick off our backpack mission project! Any questions, please contact Stacie Jackson at 560-5300.



### Pennies for Haiti

Join our children and help with their mission project; donating your pennies for children in Haiti. This program provides a hot lunch for children who would otherwise have nothing to eat.



### Offering for UMCOR

Received on Easter Sunday, this special offering will help the United Methodist Committee on Relief in their work with refugees from the Syrian crisis.

According to the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, more than 4 million people have fled to Turkey, Lebanon, Jordan, Egypt, and Iraq. More than 7 million are internally displaced in Syria. The exodus of refugees to host countries throughout the region into Europe is placing a strain on available basic resources. Here are some of the ways UMCOR is working:

- UMCOR has provided more than \$2.4 million in emergency aid for people impacted by the crises in Syria and Iraq and it continues to support partners in meeting ongoing needs for refugees.
- In Jordan, UMCOR is working with partner International Orthodox Christian Charities to provide school kits for 6,048 Syrian refugee schoolchildren. They have also provided 16,800 health kits for Syrian refugees and distributed layette kits for 784 newborn babies.
- In partnership with UMCOR, Global Medic has packed and shipped 1,080 family emergency kits containing hygiene items such as soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes and Rainfresh household water purification units for those displaced by the conflict in Iraq.



Our Easter Offering - also known as "One Great Hour of Sharing" - will go to help support efforts to aid in this humanitarian crisis. Let's turn our prayers into good deeds.

*The world is our parish—John Wesley*



Christians suffering persecution and United Methodist Churches in other countries.

## CONGREGATIONAL CARE



*Andrew Warren Huffman*  
was born February 18, 2016.  
His parents are Whitney and  
Jonathan Huffman. Welcome,  
Drew & congratulations Jon &  
Whitney!

From Ed & Flo Byrd:

Ed and I want to thank the Nurture and Care Committee for the food brought to us. It was more than enough to share with Nancy. We also want to thank our church family for all the cards and expressions of sympathy shown to us in the loss of Ed's brother, Richard Byrd.



- ~ Steve Ruminski on the death of his father.
- ~ Ed Byrd on the death of his brother.
- ~ Becky Eberly on the death of her mother.
- ~ Edgar Caplinger on the death of his brother and sister.
- ~ The family & friends of Margaret Showalter. She died on February 12, 2016.

### Flowers

- 6 Lent #4
- 13 Lent #5
- 20 Palm Sunday
- 27 Easter Potted Plants

### Nursery Workers (9:00)

- 6 Kim Nieder
- 13 Linda Wine
- 20 Jan Alley
- 27 Brenda Legg

### Greeters (9:00)

- 6 Nancy & Larry Hedrick
- 13 Connie & Vince Gilmer
- 20 Linda & Doug Wine
- 27 Ann & Paige Will

### Pew Stewards (9:00)

- 6 Margaret Thornton
- 13 Mary Nieswander
- 20 Patty Bird
- 27 Ann Gerads

### Coffee Social Providers

- 6 UMMen
- 13 On the Move
- 20 need a volunteer!
- 27 need a volunteer!



### Anniversaries

- 8 David & Ruth Culver (1997)
- 12 Ed & Judy Powell (1999)
- 21 Jeff & Sally Smith (1981)

Opening & Closing:  
Dave McCoy

Ushers of the Month:  
Lee & Bonnie Dellinger

NOW meets

Sunday, March 13

12:15

Coffee Social Area

### Birthdays

- 3 Rodney Guyer
- 3 Steve Ruminski
- 5 Gail Mitchell
- 6 Bryan Bland
- 8 Sarah Heatwole
- 8 Betsy Hedrick
- 11 Landon Brinkley
- 12 Sally Parsley
- 13 Larry Hedrick
- 14 Ellie Rachel Eberly
- 15 Jamie Eberly
- 15 Glenda Ryder
- 18 Celia Good
- 20 Denise Cooper
- 20 Katrina Eberly
- 20 Travis Ryder
- 20 Garrett Ryder
- 22 Lou Spicer
- 25 Jack Osborne
- 29 Mary Glenn Hiner
- 31 Nancy Stockner
- 31 Jackie Stover

### A Note from NOW:

Our 1<sup>st</sup> Corn Hole Tournament & Chili Cook-off was a blast! We had 14 teams participate with great fellowship and fun had by all. The team of Aidan Parsley & Doug Wine outlasted the competition to take the win! The chili cook-off was won by Mary Helen Witt...we will overlook the fact that hers was the only entry ;-). A win is a win, right? Watch for our next Corn Hole tournament coming in late summer or early fall this year!

### Another Note from NOW:

We are seeking someone to spearhead the DUMC booth at Dayton Days on Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>. In the past, the booth sold hand-made items and baked goods to benefit the church mortgage and handed out brochures of DUMC programs. We need someone to coordinate volunteers to work that day and to solicit and organize donations. Got an idea to improve the booth? We are listening! Contact Robin Simmons to volunteer or share your visions! [simmonsrh@comcast.net](mailto:simmonsrh@comcast.net)

### The Children:

The NOW Committee has developed the following changes for our children's Sunday School program to better support the faith journeys of our youngest disciples. So beginning March 6<sup>th</sup>:

~ The Children's Choir, led by Martha Alger and Patty Bird will move downstairs to Room 8. After singing, all of the students (K-5) will be served a snack. This means the children will no longer need to so the coffee social for snacks and we can provide a more appropriate treat downstairs.

~ We are looking for individuals to teach on a monthly basis instead of once a month. We feel we need to connect our teachers and children with the mission and fun opportunities that exist with the Young Followers. Contact Ginny Deeds if you would like to volunteer to lead our children in their exploration of the Bible and nurture their relationship with Jesus.

### The Youth:

~ The Middle School Youth and are using "Faith Matters."  
~ The High School Youth are in a year-long study by Adam Hamilton called "Making Sense of the Bible."



### The Adults:

~ Suter's Bible Class will continue in the Lenten study, "He Set His Face to Jerusalem" by Richard Wilke. The class meets in room #6 downstairs.  
~ On the Move meets in the conference room at the south end of the Fellowship Hall.  
~ Cross Talk and the Unified Class both use "hot button" discussion formats that focus on a Christian response to a secular world. They are both downstairs – somewhere!



**SAVE THE DATE:**  
Summer Youth Mission Trip to Copperhill, TN > July 24-31  
*Registration deadline Friday, March 18*

### What Else Is Happening:

MAR. 8th (Tuesday) @ 7:00 PM > Summer Youth Mission Meeting

MAR. 9th (Wednesday) @ 7:00 PM > Pack Food Backpacks

MAR. 15th or 16th, Evening > Open Doors 'Loads of Love' with Bridgewater UMC Youth

MAR. 18th (Friday) - SUMMER MISSION TRIP DEADLINE!!!

MAR. 20th (Sunday) 12:30 PM > Easter Basket Project @ DUMC

APR. 6th (Wednesday) 5:00 – 8:00 PM > Community Meal @ DUMC (we plan on grilling burgers & hot dogs)

APR. 16th (Saturday) 6:30 AM – 3:00 PM > Operation INASMUCH with Bridgewater UMC Youth

APR. 22-23 (Friday-Saturday) > Cardboard Box City @ B'water UMC

*to raise awareness for those experiencing homelessness*

### **Wish list of items for the Weekend Food Backpacks for students at Pence.**

**PACKING: WEDNESDAYS AT 7:00 PM in the Children's Sunday School wing**

**QUESTIONS? Call Stacie Jackson at 560-5300.**

Remember to purchase Single Serving Sizes only except where indicated (cases are fine, just don't get one big box of cereal) and check expiration dates, please.

#### Entrée items:

Soup or Stew cups/bowls

Easy Mac Cups

Chef Boyardee cups/bowls

Ramen noodle cups (Cup Noodles)

Peanut butter in 28 oz jars

Jelly in 28 oz plastic jars

#### Breakfast items:

Cereal bowls / boxes

Cereal bars

Granola Bars

#### Fruit & Snack items:

100% juice boxes

Microwavable popcorn

Pudding cups

Snack cakes / rice krispie treats

Teddy Grahams





United Methodist Women have always had a heart for mission. In fact, you can say it the “heart” of their organization! The Dayton UMW invite you to participate in three of their projects – two that are ongoing and one that has a deadline:



**Kits for Conference:** This year we are assembling School Kits and Health Kits. These are distributed by the United Methodist Committee on Relief all over the world. Last year DUMC donated 40 kits and we want to double that number this year! A box will be placed in the narthex, March – May, in which you can place items. The contents of each kit are very specific so please buy only what is on the **lists printed on PAGE 6.**

**Postage Stamps:** What an easy way to help others! A very generous philatelist evaluates the stamps given to him by UM Women’s groups all over the state and gives us a percentage of the total value to use for a number of our mission projects. ANY postage stamp is welcome – cancelled or un-cancelled, U.S. or foreign, any value but not torn. Place them in the UM Women mailbox in the Coffee Social area. Please follow these special instructions:

- A. Bring the whole envelope or cut stamps off leaving at least ¼-inch border around the stamp.
- B. Foreign stamps are great and sometimes more valuable.
- C. If you have postcards, turn in the whole card; don’t cut or tear the stamp off the card!
- D. Leave rows of stamps intact.

**Campbell Soup Labels:** these are shared with several of the organizations that UMW and Virginia Conference support. Look on most cans of Campbell Soup and cut out the specially marked UPC code-area. Also put these in the UM Women mailbox in the Coffee Social Area.

THANK YOU for your generous support!



Everyone is invited to ***Celebration Day at Camp Overlook*** Sunday, March 20<sup>th</sup>.  
***Ron Robey, Director, is retiring*** after 37 years. An Open House Reception in his honor will be held from 3:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Direct questions and submissions for this publication  
to:

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I have a box in the Coffee Social Room, too!

Next Deadline: Sunday, March 27

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### **Editor's Choice**

Most of you know that Dayton was once a college town. Shenandoah College and Conservatory of Music occupied many buildings in the town, the old EUB Church (now Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church) across from the Post Office being one. The school moved to Winchester in the 1960’s and is now Shenandoah University.

Every year a “Dayton Alumni Reunion” is held. It includes numerous activities and receptions.

Dayton UMC is honored to be the host this year for the Alumni Memorial Service on Friday, April 1<sup>st</sup> from 10:30 to 11:30 AM in the sanctuary. It is free and open to the public.

An Alumni Choir performs each year and I have been part of it in years past, thanks to a special invite from Anne Hill (even though I never attended Shenandoah Univ). I encourage you to attend this worship service if you can. It is always a feast for the spirit!



### **Health Kit—all items must be NEW**

Health kits provide basic necessities to people who have been forced to leave their homes because of human conflict or natural disaster. Health kits are also used as learning tools in personal hygiene, literacy, nutrition, and cooking classes. Value: \$12 per kit

#### ●1 hand towel

O15 x 25 inches to 17 x 27 inches;

OKitchen, cleaning, and microfiber towels not acceptable.

#### ●1 washcloth

#### ●1 comb

OComb needs to be sturdy and longer than 6 inches long;

ONo pocket combs or picks please;

ORattail combs and combs without handles are acceptable with a minimum of 6 inches of teeth.

#### ●1 metal nail file or nail clippers

ONo emery boards, please.

#### ●1 bath-size soap

O3 oz. and larger sizes only;

ONo Ivory or Jergens soap due to moisture content;

ODo not remove from original packaging.

#### ●1 toothbrush

OAdult size only; individually packaged!

ODo not remove from original packaging.

#### ●6 adhesive bandages

O¼ inch to 1 inch-size;

OCommon household Band-Aids.

#### ●1 plastic bag

OOne-gallon size sealable bag only.

**\$1.00 to purchase toothpaste**



### **School Kit—all items must be NEW**

In some countries, children don't have books or school supplies. Many have no schoolrooms; classes are held in inadequate or half-destroyed buildings, tents, or even the open air. School kits may be these children's only educational resources. Value: \$11 per kit

#### ●1 pair blunt scissors

ORounded tip only;

ONo plastic scissors, please.

#### ●3 pads of paper

OSpiral- or top-bound pads;

O150 sheets or less of loose-leaf paper can be substituted for 1 pad;

OCombination of spiral, top-bound, side-bound, or loose-leaf paper is acceptable;

ONo composition books, please.

#### ●1 hand-held pencil sharpener

OMust be at least 1 inch long;

ORemove from packaging.

#### ●1 30-centimeter ruler

OHard or flexible;

OCartoon characters are acceptable;

ONo advertisements please.

#### ●6 unsharpened pencils

ONo advertisements, religious, patriotic, military, or camouflage symbols, please;

OCartoon characters are acceptable.

#### ●1 2-inch or larger-size eraser

ONo advertisements, religious, patriotic, military, or camouflage symbols, please;

OCartoon characters are acceptable.

#### ●1 24-count box of crayons

OOnly 24-count boxes, please.

#### ●1 14x16 inch cloth bag

OHomemade or purchased bags are both acceptable;

OHeavy-duty fabric only, such as denim, corduroy, drapery fabric, etc.;

ONo advertisements, religious, patriotic, military, or camouflage symbols, please;

Closures are optional but must be buttons, snaps, or Velcro sewn in middle of opening, if used.