

DAYTON UNITED METHODIST

Mission Statement:

"We invite everyone to become disciples of Christ by loving and serving God and actively living out their faith."

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SEPTEMBER 2017

Fall Kick-off of Christian Education - September 10 New Studies, New Stories, New YOU!

Classes for Adults

»Any Given Sunday is open to parents who like to meet in an unstructured way. There is no specific teacher or curriculum and the room is toddler-friendly. Join them in room #9 downstairs "Any Given Sunday!"

»Cross Talk utilizes "Faithlink" - a hot topic, discussion-based examination of life and Biblical expression. Leadership varies and they meet in room #4 downstairs.

»On the Move assembles in the conference room of the Activities Building. The class will use the "Ask It" series by Andy Stanley, a study on how to make decisions. It is led by Pastor Bruce.

»Suters Suter's Bible Class gathers in room #6 downstairs. Led by Connie Gilmer their study is to be determined.

»The Unified Class meets in room #7 downstairs and a study has not yet been chosen by the leaders, Robin Simmons and Jeff Weaver.



Classes for Youth

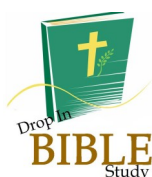
Group	Junior High	Senior High
Grades	6, 7 and 8	9, 10, 11, and 12
Room	13	3
Teachers	Jill Cunningham Erika Gregory Jan Lambert Todd Nieder	Terry Stockner Graham Witt
Fall Focus	"Better Than One" www.rightnowmedia.org/ Content/Series/213746	"Jesus Is _____" by Judah Smith store.faithgateway.com/jesus-is

Classes for Children

Class	Preschool	Middle Elementary	Upper Elementary
Ages/ Grades	Ages 3 to 6	Kindergarten, Grades 1 & 2	Grades 3, 4 and 5
Room	11	14	12
Teachers	Lolly Miller	Betsy Hedrick Kim Nieder	Donna Kenney Katrina Eberly
Fall Theme	Joseph's Journey	Judges & Kings: Samuel, Saul & David	Judges & Kings: Samuel, Saul & David

Drop In Bible Study: "What Did Jesus Say....?"

Introducing...



Remember the popular wristband: What Would Jesus Do? Well, the answer to that question is found in very words of Jesus. Would you like to know what Jesus said - and does say - to all of life's circumstances? Well, Jesus does provide a complete summary of His life's message to all humanity in just three chapters in the Bible: Matthew 5, 6, and 7. The application of these principles and truths to our everyday lives will enable us to live more fully the abundant life that God promises to all.

So come, **drop in** to a true Bible Study – no book, just *the* Book – Wednesdays at either 10:00 a.m. or 7:00 p.m.

-Pastor Bruce

Sunday Morning Volunteers



Nursery Workers (9:00)

3 Tracey Simmers
10 Kelly Bowman
17 Denise Lough
24 Mary Ryder

Greeters (9:00)

3 Jim & Norma Snyder
10 Irene Rebholtz & Nancy Byrd
17 Nancy Harper & Libby Lambert
24 Tina Shipe & Linda Covington

Pew Stewards (9:00)

3 Connie Gilmer
10 Linda Covington
17 Stacie Jackson
24 Mary Nieswander

Flowers

3 Communion
10 available
17 Joan Leffel
24 Hedrick

Coffee Social Providers

During our 'town hall' meeting we heard how popular the Coffee Social fellowship time has become. It will return on September 10th and be available from 10:00 – 10:15. We need volunteers to provide some cookies and a "calorie friendly" item, prepare the drinks, setup and cleanup. The coffee, lemonade, plates, cups, and napkins are provided.

If you have questions, please contact Lena Osborne
433-2094 / LenaRO@aol.com.
There is a sign up poster in the Coffee Social Area!

Open/Close: Don Huffman

Ushers: Chris & Whitney Cofer

Mowing: Doug Wine &
Joe Simmons

Sunday Morning Music



»**The Children's Choir** will get started soon (Sept. 10?).

Join director Dianne Pennington in the downstairs library from 10:00 to 10:15. Snacks provided! The Children will sing during worship on the 4th Sunday each month.

»**The Handbell Choir** is directed by Ramona Evans. They practice Thursdays at 6:15 p.m. in the sanctuary and play on the 2nd Sunday of each month at 9:00. New ringers welcome!

»**The Chancel Choir** will begin rehearsals on Thursday, September 7th at 7:00 p.m. They will begin singing for the 9:00 am service on Sept. 17th. If you are interested in joining us this year please feel free to contact director Jessica Rodriguez (915-249-9541; jess03rod@gmail.com) - or just show up, we really don't mind! If you are unsure if you want to commit to the choir, please feel free to stop by sometime and check it out. No previous experience or music reading ability required!

»**DUMC's praise band, Joyful Noise**, will be providing music for the 11:15 service. If you play an instrument or love to sing contemporary music, we are extending an invitation to anyone that would like to join the band! Rehearsals are Thursdays from 8:00-9:00 p.m. This service will include traditional hymns on piano along with contemporary worship songs played by the band, also led by Jess Rodriguez. We hope that you stop by sometime and check out the great things our church is doing.

Meet Our New Pianist



We are excited to welcome **Jenny Jiang** to DUMC and our music staff. A native of China, Jenny began her piano learning at the age of six. She obtained her Bachelor's degree from Xinghai Conservatory of Music in China in 2010; received her Master's degree and Artist Diploma in piano performance from University of Tennessee in 2013. Currently, she is pursuing her Doctor of Musical Arts degree at James Madison University under Eric Ruple. Jenny has served as the pianist at Mt. Clinton UMC and as a substitute at other local churches.

In her spare time, she enjoys chatting with her family via Facetime, watching movies, cooking and reading. Jenny has really enjoyed living in the valley and plans to live and work here teaching on the collegiate level after graduation.

Sunday Morning Schedule

9:00 First Service in the sanctuary
10:00 Coffee Social in the Coffee Social area
10:00 Children's Choir in the downstairs library
10:15 Sunday School in rooms noted on page 1
11:15 Second Service in the sanctuary

CONGREGATIONAL CARE



Birthdays

- 1 Maris Lough
- 2 Donald Fravel
- 5 Perry Suter
- 6 Don Bowers
- 6 Mary Nieswander
- 9 Ginny Deeds
- 11 Barry Lambert
- 12 Mike Click
- 13 Don Huffman
- 13 Diane Pennington
- 13 Sterling Rose Slayton
- 14 Ann Gerads
- 14 Samuel Groseclose
- 15 Melinda Shiflet
- 16 Ron Kinhead
- 17 Hugh Robinson
- 20 Lee Dellinger
- 20 Chris Furry
- 20 Lena Osborne
- 20 Mary Ryder
- 29 Lois Lineberry
- 30 Betsy Gentry
- 30 Colton Mitchell
- 30 Phyllis Ward

September

Anniversaries

- 6 Mike & Jean Click ('80)
- 6 Kevin & Gail Mitchell ('86)
- 18 Joe & Amy Simmons ('99)
- 20 Steve & Pat Ruminski ('80)
- 21 Terry & Nancy Stockner ('12)
- 22 Dave & Mary Jane McCoy ('04)
- 28 Barry & Jan Lambert ('96)



We express our sympathy to
Alda Gunn on the death of
her son, Albert (age 47).

We joyfully welcomed **Tina Shipe** into
membership of DUMC on July 30th.
Regretfully, her name is incorrect in
the new directory. I'm so sorry, Tina!

-SES

CARE FOR EACH OTHER

Some years ago a saintly member of our church, and also a retired nurse, Mary Ellen Stanley, made it her personal mission to remember our church family with cards on their birthdays and other special occasions or in times of need.

Even more lovingly, she kept up with us in times of illness, hospitalization, and grief. She was at the hospital when many of us had surgeries, and then ministered to us through visits, home care, and food offerings to lighten our load. As a lifetime resident of Dayton she was aware when folks here could use an act of love and kindness and she provided it bearing all the expenses personally.

After her untimely death, there was a period of time when only members "in the know" of church or community needs would minister on behalf of the church.

Four or more years ago our pastor called a meeting of a few of us who had been assisting Mary Ellen with her ministry. He approached us with an idea from one of his previous pastorates: CARE teams for each month to minister to those in our congregation who might need assistance of some kind, or perhaps just a card or visit to brighten their day.

So based on this concept, our church established monthly CARE teams. Each team has a leader who is notified by our pastor or members when a congregant or family member is ill, hospitalized, returning home, has specific needs, etc. These teams work among themselves to make visits, send cards, take flowers, or provide a meal, or other services if needed, as a way to show caring and love to our members.

The intended format was to have a different CARE team for each month. Presently we have only seven teams who cover nine months--two teams graciously volunteered to serve two months. There are five ladies, called Floaters, who are not on teams but are willing to help if called on by any team. Also, seven of the 27 team members additionally serve as Volunteers—they assist when called on by any team for any month.

Sadly, we have no teams to cover October, November, and December, three very important months. Floaters and Volunteers have to step up if there are needs. If you feel you could serve in this ministry of our church, we would be most grateful to welcome you as a team member. Please give it your prayerful consideration.

I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of....these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me. (Matt. 25:40, NIV, NLT)



-Elsie Cox

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GROUPS



UMMen will meet for breakfast on Sunday, Sept. 10th at 7:30 a.m. in the Activities Building. All men invited!



The UMWomen meet Saturday, Sept. 2nd at 9:00 a.m. in the Coffee Social area. The District Prayer Breakfast is Saturday, Sept. 9th at 9:00 a.m. at Bridgewater UMC. All women are invited!



The Youth had a very busy summer and they are not slowing down for fall!

- ~ Sep. 8-10 (Fri.-Sun.) - Camp Overlook Retreat
- ~ Sep. 23 (Sat.) - Dayton Yardwork Day, 8:30—Noon
- ~ Oct. 6 (Fri.) - Soup Preparation, 5:00 - 9:00 p.m.
- ~ Oct. 7 (Sat.) - Soup Sales at Dayton Days, 7:00-1:00

Help us create the “Best Soup on the Block!” Share cans of vegetables or pre-made vegetable soup (no meat) for us to serve from our giant kettle. Bring donations to the big kitchen by 5:00 on Friday, Oct. 6, please. We also need pint or quart jars with lids. Thank you for your generous support of this DUMC Youth tradition!



Grades K—5

Introducing YFF!

Our First Followers & Young Followers are combining this fall to become the “DUMC YFF.” All students in Kindergarten through Grade 5 are invited (bring friends!) Jessica Tatro and Betsy Hedrick are providing leadership and have planned the following activities:

- ~ Friday, Sept. 8th – Picnic at 5:45 at DUMC
- ~ Sunday, Sept. 24th – Fun & Faith Stuff at church, 3:00 to 5:00
- ~ Sunday, October 8th – Harvest Party at church, 3:00 to 5:00 Party

Come get in on the action!



Have you ever wondered how those traffic cameras work? Join the JOY group on Tuesday, Sept. 19th to visit the Staunton District VDOT Traffic Operations Center. We will enjoy lunch following the tour at a place to be determined. The bus will leave the church at 9:15 a.m. Contact Jack Osborne at 433-2094 or wjacko@aol.com to sign up or for more information.



Women's Bible Study will meet Tuesday, Sept. 12th in the home of Linda Jacobs (2271 Silver Lake Road). We will continue "The Grave Robber" by Mark Batterson, chapters 4, 5, and 6. This is a study that examines the seven miracles or signs of Jesus as is recorded in the Gospel of John. All women are invited!



Dayton Days” is Saturday, October 7

ITEMS NEEDED by 5:00 on Friday the 6th:

- ~ CRAFTS: woodworking, sewing/fabric, yarn creations, that thing you saw on Pinterest, etc.;
- ~ FOOD: home canned goodies like pickles and jellies; homemade baked goods are always a hit;
- ~ JARS: for the Youth Soup Sale;
- ~ VEGGIES: to make the soup; *and most importantly...*
- ~ VOLUNTEERS! Watch for sign up sheets in the narthex to help in the booth. It is a fun time! Contact Gail Mitchell (540-810-2983) for info.



Thanks to everyone who helped provide a cool cup of water to the participants during the Dayton Muddler. The runners were most appreciative.





Dear Friends,
The West Rock-
ingham Food
Pantry relies on
the generosity of
donors such as
yourself and is
grateful for your
donation. Thank
you for your care
and support of
others in our
community.

-WRFP

The Allen family from Wales, my cousins, were overwhelmed by your welcome on Sunday. They told me that they never received such warmth and friendship from a church before. It was worshipful and wonderful to hear Davydd sing and I wanted to thank Patty Bird for accompanying him. Thanks, too, to Jess, Graham, Nick, and Jeff for “carrying on” in spite of all of the “busy-ness” at the front of the church. I was so glad you all got to meet the Allens and equally glad that they got to you – my very special church family!

--Anne Hill

Church Family,

I want to express my sincere thanks and appreciation for the phone calls, cards, visits and prayers for me during my recent hospitalization and recovery from surgery. While the first two weeks after surgery were very difficult, I was carried by God and your prayers and well wishes on my behalf. I am thankfully progressing well at this point and will be returning to work in early September. I am finishing the first phase of my recovery and will have another surgery in late October. I look forward to returning to Sunday worship and being with my church family again soon. God is truly good, ALL the time.

Blessings and thanks to all, --James Shiftlet



VBS Recap: We had a fabulous week learning about Jesus in our Deep Sea Discovery. Thank you to all our faithful, enthusiastic and talented volunteers! The kids raised money for our World Vision child and – on the local level - collected items for the UM Mission Central Clothes Closet. It was amazing the amount of clothes, diapers and wipes you donated! Your gifts are making a huge difference in the lives of many right in our own community. Thanks to Graham and our Youth for transporting and unloading the much appreciated donations. We will continue to collect diapers, wipes, and gently used and new clothing for children through teen sizes. Please place them in the crib in the narthex.

And we received this note from Artie Frederick of Mission Central:

To all at DUMC who supported the wonderful clothing drive that was done on behalf of Mission Central. We have sorted everything and are ready to distribute them to those in need. The diapers and wipes are greatly appreciated. This past week we served 97 families and 233 children. This could not be done without the help of our District churches. Thank you for designating your VBS Mission Outreach to Mission Central Clothes Closet.

The Directory is DONE! Thank you to all who helped in any way with this project. A special shout-out to **Debbey Roadcap** for her leadership and keen editing eye and **Tom Legg** for his printing expertise and speed. Our photographers were so faithful and we appreciate their willingness and ability to make you smile - **Amy Simmons, Nancy Showalter & Susie Dinsmore**. And thanks to **Ginny Deeds** for painting the backdrops.

We are offering one directory per family at this time. This project was not a budgeted item so any donations toward the cost are appreciated.

There is a disclaimer on the last page: We know that not all members are listed and we need your help to locate them - especially those who have moved from the area. I humbly apologize for any errors. If you have a correction or change, please, contact Mary Beth in the church office. She needs them. --Sally Smith



Directory
Corrections:

Connie
Gilmer's
cell phone #
is 246-6533.

And, it is
Tina
SHIPE,
not Shire.



Electronic Giving

Tithing in the Technology Age

Did you know it's possible to give electronically at Dayton United Methodist Church? It's simple, fast and secure! So many reasons to get started...

- Use your checking account, savings account, debit or credit card to easily make your secure one-time or recurring (weekly or monthly) donation.
- Check writing or carrying cash is no longer necessary!
- Automating your donations permits uninterrupted giving in the event of vacations, illness or inclement weather closure.

Just visit our website at www.daytonumc.net or call Mary Beth in the church office for more information.

Treasurer's Report - January through July 2017 Budget	
Contributions/Income	\$194,350.44
Expenditures	\$207,237.42
Year-to-date Budget	\$202,060.83
Designated Contributions	\$43,987.80
Mortgage Report as of June 1, 2017	
Loan Amount (2/1/2010)	\$1,500,000.00
Principal payments	\$345,028.91
Loan Balance	\$1,154,971.09
Extra payments on principal	\$28,288.71

NOTE Change of Date: **Church Council** meeting is now Sunday, Sept. 17th at 7:00 PM.

Help for Hurricane Harvey Victims: [Click Here](#)

This is a link to the Virginia United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) page that gives information on the following:



~ Making a donation. Give online OR

You can write a check to Dayton UMC, memo Hurricane Harvey, and we will get your gift to **UMCOR - the ONLY organization that will use 100% of your donation is used for disaster relief** - nothing goes to administrative costs, etc.

~ Creating Cleaning Buckets (very specific instructions)

~ Being part of an Early Response Team. United Methodists are traditionally the last to leave a disaster zone, often staying years to help.

EDITORS CORNER:

Many of you know I have been involved with the Junior Homemaking Department of the Rockingham County Fair for several years. I ended up there quite by accident (or divine design?) when the girls no longer needed my help in the lamb barn.



Every year I am amazed at the talent and creativity of the youth of our community. I was thrilled when one of our DUMC own took home a sweepstakes ribbon this year! **Mailee Finley** was a busy girl. She entered a total of 26 items in ceramics, baked goods and crafts. She earned 18 blue ribbons, 5 red ribbons and she was awarded the Ceramics sweepstakes *and* Overall sweepstakes for her age group, 9-13.

Mailee also showed two market lambs, which required daily care all summer long. Each one placed 6th in its class (middle of the pack). She then sold them at the auction at the end of the week - the marketing part of the livestock/farming experience. She made a profit; not all exhibitors do.

So, congratulations to Mailee and anyone else in our church family who entered anything in the Fair.

One of the things that makes the Rockingham County Fair unique is that it is 'volunteer-driven' and all the food booths are operated by non-profit organizations. **Thank you to everyone** who helped in the mini 4H food booth on behalf of DUMC and thanks to everyone who volunteered anywhere during the week. And, if you want to help next year in the air-conditioned exhibit hall, talk to me!

-Sally Smith



Discovering Joy in Contentment & Simplicity

I invite you to discover with me Biblical truths – wisdom drawn from the scriptures – that will guide and be a source of inspiration in pursuing your purpose in life. True joy and contentment are found in simplicity and generosity. However, the world around us forcefully suggests the acquisition of wealth and material possessions are to be the source of our happiness and fulfillment. What then constitutes the “good life” we all desire?

Beginning Sunday, September 17th, we will share a series of messages that will help us see our money and possessions the way God would have us see and use them, and in doing so, will help us to overcome financial anxiety and fear and experience contentment, attaining our goals, and living a truly good life.

-Pastor Bruce

BISHOP SHARMA LEWIS'



SEPTEMBER

- 1 - Ezekiel 9-12
- 2 - Ezekiel 13-15
- 3 - Ezekiel 16-17
- 4 - Ezekiel 18-20
- 5 - Ezekiel 21-22
- 6 - Ezekiel 23-24
- 7 - Ezekiel 25-27
- 8 - Ezekiel 28-30
- 9 - Ezekiel 31-33
- 10 - Ezekiel 34-36
- 11 - Ezekiel 37-39
- 12 - Ezekiel 40-42
- 13 - Ezekiel 43-45
- 14 - Ezekiel 46-48
- 15 - Daniel 1-3
- 16 - Daniel 4-6
- 17 - Daniel 7-9
- 18 - Daniel 10-12
- 19 - Hosea 1-7
- 20 - Hosea 8-14
- 21 - Joel 1-3
- 22 - Amos 1-5
- 23 - Amos 6-9
- 24 – Obadiah & Jonah
- 25 - Micah 1-7
- 26 - Nahum 1-3
- 27 – Habakkuk & Zephaniah
- 28 - Haggai 1-2
- 29 - Zechariah 1-7
- 30 - Zechariah 8-14

UPPER ROOM **A Daily Devotional**

Written by laypeople just like you, the Upper Room has been in the homes of Methodists for decades. The September/October issue is available now in the church narthex. You can also read it online at UpperRoom.org.

I'm curious: Does anyone need it in large print?

5 Talent Academy – **How to Structure Your Church for** **Evangelism**

Where: Bridgewater UMC

When: Thursday, Oct. 19th

9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Cost: \$25 before 9/14;

\$35 before 10/7

Register: vaumc.org/5talent

Bring coins for
the Noisy Cans
on Sept. 24 to
provide hot
meals to chil-
dren in Haiti.

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, September 24

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