

# 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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***When I Was a Stranger You Welcomed Me*** ☐ The Dayton UMC family has been a joyful partner with the local cold-weather homeless shelter, Open Doors, for more than three years! It is certainly an opportunity to put "flesh on the gospel", especially when we consider Jesus' call to service in Matthew 25: 34 - 46. **We are hosting the guests of Open Doors during Holy Week, March 26<sup>th</sup> to April 2<sup>nd</sup>.**

***A Variety of Needs*** ☐ There are many different roles to fill and tasks that need to be performed - none too small or too large - to bring God's glory and success to this ministry. We will need dinners & breakfasts prepared, bathrooms cleaned, compassionate listeners, floors swept, buses driven, towels washed, food items donated, etc. God can find a place for you during this service event if you feel called and are willing. Our biggest needs as of today are volunteer groups for dinners on Thursday (3/29) and Friday (3/30), as well as breakfasts Thursday through Monday.

***How to Volunteer*** ☐ Starting Sunday, March 11<sup>th</sup>, there will be a sign-up display in the Coffee Social Area. It will list our most pressing needs and positions that need filling, as well as information concerning volunteer details. Graham Witt (383-8420; [hoowitts@comcast.net](mailto:hoowitts@comcast.net)) is the lead volunteer for this effort. If you feel called in any way to support this awesome effort to assist those experiencing homelessness, or have specific questions, please give Graham a call.

***Get Behind the Wheel*** ☐ We are always looking to add potential bus drivers to our transportation list for Open Doors. Just as we require extra transportation help when Dayton UMC hosts the shelter, we have offered our bus service to other churches for support. Each day requires a pick-up and drop-off: Morning drop-off shift is 6:30 – 8:00 AM; Evening pick-up shift is 5:45 – 7:30 PM. Our dates to help transport Open Doors guests are: March 19- 26 to/from Bridgewater UMC and the week we host, March 26 to April 1.

***When you did it for these, you did it for me. -Matthew 25:40 (paraphrased)***

The Easter Basket Project is celebrating 21 years of touching at-risk youth in our community. With your help, approximately 900 baskets are made and distributed to youth who need them by local agencies. If you would like to donate, items are needed for children aged 2-12. Thank you for your faithful support.

Suggestions are:

- small games & toys
- books
- snack cakes
- box drinks
- individually wrapped candy
- crayons & other school supplies
- toiletries (toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo, etc.)
- and baskets/buckets to hold the items.



Cash donations will be used to buy additional items for specific age groups. There is a collection box in the Narthex, downstairs back entrance, and in the foyer of the Fellowship Hall. **Donations will be accepted through Friday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>, and baskets will be assembled Sunday, March 25<sup>th</sup>.** For more information or to help with assembly, contact Debbey Roadcap (478-3114; [debbey\\_r@yahoo.com](mailto:debbey_r@yahoo.com)) or Kim Guyer (830-3242; [kimrodneyguyer@yahoo.com](mailto:kimrodneyguyer@yahoo.com)).



## Sunday Morning

### Schedule

10:00 Worship  
11:00 Coffee Social  
11:15 Sunday School

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### 40 Day of Community - We Worship Together

March 4 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent -

We Fellowship BETTER TOGETHER

*"What destroys relationships, and what builds them"*

Proverbs: selected; I John 4: 15-18

March 11 – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent

We Grow BETTER TOGETHER

*"How we help each other grow"*

Psalm 112: 1-6, 9; James 5: 13-20

March 18 – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent

We Serve BETTER TOGETHER

*"T.E.A.M.: Together Experiencing a Ministry"*

Ezekiel 37: 7-10; I Corinthians 12: 12-26

### Holy Week Services

March 25 – Palm Sunday/ Confirmation Sunday

We Worship BETTER TOGETHER

*"Living a Generous Life"*

Deuteronomy 15: 7-11; II Corinthians 9: 6-15

March 29 – Maundy Thursday – 7:00 pm

We gather as did the disciples with Jesus at the table in anticipation of His impending sacrifice on the cross for humanity's sin on Good Friday.

April 1 – Community Easter Sunrise Service

at Dayton Church of the Brethren, 7:00 a.m.

Breakfast follows

April 1 – Easter Resurrection Celebration

at 10:00 a.m. (*I'm so excited about the music!*)

## Sunday Morning Volunteers



### Nursery

4 Libi Herr  
11 Denise Lough  
18 Kelly Bowman  
25 Mary Ryder

### Pew Stewards

4 Linda Covington  
11 Margaret Thornton  
18 Mary Nieswander  
25 Connie Gilmer

### Coffee Social

4 UMMen  
11 On the Move Class  
18 host(s) needed  
25 Confirmation Reception

### Greeters

4 Ed & Flo Byrd  
11 Lolly & Dennis Miller  
18 Loretta & Nelson Moyers  
25 Connie & Vince Gilmer

### Flowers

To share flowers, check the poster in the narthex or contact Linda Wine.

We are grateful to these recent hosts: On the Move Class, the UMMen, Debbey Roadcap (twice!), Judy Austin, and Kim & Rodney Guyer.

### Acolytes

4 Evan Lilly  
11 Emma Jackson  
18 Carter Alley  
25 Brad Moseley

Usher: Lee Dellinger

Open/Close: Paige Will

**The Coffee Socials** are a time of fellowship, while enjoying light refreshments, between the worship service and Sunday School. **Please consider hosting** a social. It doesn't need to be a "buffet" – in fact we prefer not having too much - cookies, something for those watching their sugar intake and drinks are sufficient. Coffee, lemonade, creamer and paper supplies are provided. Please contact Lena Osborne (LenaRO@aol.com) if you have questions. The signup sheet is in the Coffee Social area.

## Faith & Christian Education Opportunities



~ There are 8 students in the **2018 Confirmation Class**. They will be welcomed into membership on Palm Sunday, March 25<sup>th</sup>. A reception in their honor will follow worship.

~ **Suter's Class** continues with the small group study "40 Days of Community - What on Earth Are We Here For?" through March. They meet in room #6 downstairs at **9:00 a.m.**

~ **On the Move** is studying "Follow" by Andy Stanley: what it means to be a disciple of Jesus. They meet in the Conference Room of the Activities Building.

~ **Women's Bible Study** will meet March 13<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm in Suter's classroom (#6 downstairs) at the church with Libby Lambert serving as hostess. We will continue in the book, "The Grave Robber" by studying the fifth sign or miracle as recorded in the Gospel of John, "Walking on the Water", chapters 16-18 in the study book.

~ There are several **Small Groups** meeting on different days of the week in the evening to watch the video lessons of "40 Days of Community - Better Together." It is not too late to get in on the action! Contact the church office for a list.

*Be who God meant you to be and you will set the world on fire." –St. Catherine of Siena*



**UMMen** – Breakfast meeting Sunday March 4 at 7:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Mark your calendars - we are hosting *the District UMM Spring Rally* on April 24. Retiring DS Rev. Tommy Herndon speak and we will enjoy a great time of worship and fellowship.



**UMWomen**- meet Saturday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 9:00 a.m. in the Coffee Social Area. Bring Pledges-Self Denial and ADM Funds. *All women are invited to the District Spiritual Life Retreat* on Saturday, March 17<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 - 1:30 at Manor Memorial UMC in New Market. The cost of \$10 covers lunch and registration. Our presenter will be Louise Miller who is currently serving as archivist for the VA Conference UMW. Louise is from the Roanoke District and has provided music for many years for UMW events at Blackstone. Please join us as she shares her musical talent in presenting her program "Come Join The Song". We are taking the church bus, so let Glenda Ryder know if you plan to attend. Registration deadline is March 10.



As the Christmas break led into the start of a new year, a very cold new year, the **DUMC Youth** mostly fellowshiped indoors. The exception was a wonderful combined youth event with the BUMC Youth at the Bridgewater Generations Park ice skating rink. We couldn't have picked a better day during our brutal cold stretch, as God blessed us with a sunny day that didn't even require jackets. We had about 25 youth in total enjoy the ice skating. In mid-February the Youth headed to Charlottesville for an outstanding Christian concert: The Roadshow Tour (6 bands in all) including Matthew West, Zach Williams and King & Country. It was an incredible event that will not be forgotten any time soon and will become a regular addition to our calendar in the future. We finished up the month of February by hosting the Wednesday Night meal. We served our vegetable-beef soup, now 'world famous' thanks to its annual appearance at Dayton Days, and finished the social night with several rounds of bingo.

Mar. 9 (Friday) – Overnight Lock-in @ DUMC

Mar. 17 (Saturday) – Youth Service Project

Mar. 30 (Friday) – 7-10PM – Loads of Love (homeless shelter laundry)

Apr. 7 (Saturday) – Charlottesville Jump Live Trampoline Park

Apr. 13-15 (Fri-Sun) – Lake Junaluska CONFIRMATION retreat for parents & youth

Apr. 20 (Friday) – Youth Devotional & Movie Night @ Graham's house

Apr. 21 (Saturday) - 4PM- Youth Service: Open Doors Food Truck Festival Clean-up

Our Summer Mission Trips:

JR HIGH  
VA Beach  
July 8-14  
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SR HIGH  
Atlanta M25  
July 29 - Aug 4

## Activities Calendar



Grades K-5

### Upcoming Activities are:

**Sunday, March 4<sup>th</sup>** – 2:00 to 4:00 - taking the church bus to enjoy a round of mini golf at Harrisonburg's indoor putt-putt course followed by shopping at Big Lots for items to donate to the Easter Basket Project.

**Sunday, March 25<sup>th</sup>** – 2:00 – 4:00 – Easter party including an egg hunt!



The YFF's made a card for Miquel (the child DUMC sponsors through World Vision), Valentines for our shut-in friends, winter centerpieces for the Wednesday night community dinners and blessing bags for our homeless guests when DUMC hosts Open Doors.



The YFF's decorated heart shaped cookies, played games and learned about 1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 13, Love is Patient, Love is Kind...



Don't Forget! 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays are Children's Choir and Noisy Can Day!

## CONGREGATIONAL CARE

### 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  
15 Jamie Eberly  
15 Glenda Ryder  
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



### Anniversaries

8 David & Ruth Culver ('97)  
12 Ed & Judy Powell ('99)  
21 Jeff & Sally Smith ('81)



Wednesday Night  
Community Dinners are  
**served at**  
**6:00 p.m.**  
Invite a friend!

There will be Special Music  
Programs presented on these dates:  
March 7 – ABIDE from Toms Brook UMC  
March 14 – JOYFUL NOISE from DUMC  
March 21 – Blue Ridge Christian High School  
Chorus (final meal of the season)

### *Remember these folks in prayer, please*

~ **Roger Davis** fell and spent several days at UVA and MCV as a result. He is now at Bridgewater Home Room 278 of Wellness House. He and Carolyn appreciate your prayers as he has started daily radiation treatments for brain tumors

~ **Jan Lambert** is recovering from surgery

~ **Denise Lough** and family as they mourn the death of her grandmother, Catherine Wampler.

~ **Jess Rodriguez** as she completes her studies at JMU and mourns the death of her great-grandfather.

### *Notes of Appreciation*

To the Beautiful Ladies of the CARE Committee,

Words alone cannot express how much I appreciate all your prayers and my precious shawl. I'm going thru the scariest times of my life right now, however, my faith in Jesus and wonderful people like yourselves is what gets me through. I adore my shawl and I can feel the love and prayers it contains. Thank you from the bottom of my heart for all your prayers and of course my shawl.

Love,

- **Nicole Marshall**

(daughter of Pastor Bruce & Debby)

Thanks for all the positive thoughts, prayers and cards that I received during my recent knee surgery and recuperation. They really touched me and meant so much!

- **Diane Helmick**

Dear Friends,

Just a note to thank you for your concern and your prayers for me during the past few weeks. I am recovering nicely and expect to be back to full speed in the next few weeks. Elsie will keep you posted (I am sure!) Thanks again,

- **Sonny Melton**

(brother of Elsie Cox)

Dear DUMC Care & Nurture Committee,

Thank you for the pink carnations! They are still bringing us great joy everyday. Thank everyone at church for remembering us in so many ways. I miss coming and participating in the choir every Sunday. Love and blessings,

- **Chris Simmons & her mom, Margaret Pappas**

We want to thank everyone for the many cards, gifts and good wishes we received to celebrate our milestone wedding anniversary and birthdays. We appreciate all who attended our party - we had a great time and were very, very blessed.

- **Wanda & Don Gault**

Dear DUMChurch Members,

The West Rockingham Food Pantry is grateful for your generous donation of gloves and toboggans for the children in the food pantry families. Your support is a blessing to our community. Thank you for caring! - **WRFP**



**24 to Double Class** – this District training is open to everyone. Examination of a church growth model. Make plans to attend if you can on Wednesday, March 21<sup>st</sup>, 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. in Coffee Social Area.

### **UMCOR Sunday - March 11, 2018**

Since 1940, when UMCOR's forerunner was established to meet the needs of those suffering overseas at the onset of World War II, we've continued to respond to those in desperate need—today throughout more than eighty countries around the world.

#### **The response of UMCOR isn't something "they" do, it's something "we" do.**

When You Give You Equip Christ's Body to Serve in His Name

That's because your generous giving to UMCOR Sunday (formerly One Great Hour of Sharing) is what allows UMCOR to act as the arms and legs of Christ's church, moving toward the most vulnerable in their darkest days. Convinced that all people have God-given worth and dignity—without regard to race, religion or gender—together we are assisting those impacted by crisis or chronic need.

Because you give, the United Methodist Church's compassionate response to human suffering continues today:

When tornadoes ripped through Oklahoma, we responded

When children in Zimbabwe lost parents to AIDS, we responded

When a massive tsunami devastated lives in Japan, we responded

And when the next mass crisis occurs, we will be prepared to respond

UMCOR will be able to offer aid in Jesus' name to those who suffer. It's your generous giving that allows us to respond when disaster strikes.

Not "they."

We.



### **Camp Overlook 2018 - Journey Through the Life of Christ**

This year at the Overlook Summer Camp program, the most familiar stories of the New Testament come to life as we follow Christ from his humble birth to his kingly ascension. The books of Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John will be presented in true Overlook fashion – through drama, music, simulation games, and creative worship. Campers will encounter angels, find a young family in a stable, dance at the wedding at Cana, be present for Christ's first miracle, see Jesus walk on water, be in the crowd when Lazarus is raised from the dead, gather with the disciples in the upper room, witness the arrest of Jesus in the garden, and watch helplessly as Christ pays the ultimate price for our sins. But, after "three days", Mary Magdalene will take them to the empty tomb and they'll celebrate the resurrection of Christ with other believers.

All of this will be coupled with the care of skilled counselors and the joy of living in Christian community with their peers. **Again this year the cost of attending Overlook Summer Camp for all Dayton UMC children/youth will be generously provided by our United Methodist Women!** You are asked to register your child(ren) as soon as possible to:

- 1) make sure you secure a place at the particular camp you desire and
- 2) take advantage of the many discounts: early registration, multiple child, and same camp group of 5 – discounts good until MAY 1.

The church has some Overlook Camp brochures. Find full information at [www.CampOverlook.org](http://www.CampOverlook.org) and you can even register online – the Dayton UMC payment code is DUMC18.

### **Read Through the Bible 2018**

#### **Same Best Seller - Different Approach**

Bishop Sharma Lewis invites us to join her in reading through the Bible – again - **this time in Chronological Order**. Copies of the daily reading outline are in the narthex or at [www.vaumc.org](http://www.vaumc.org). She suggests you invite others and choose your favorite translation. No Bible? No problem! Use this link to locate the passage of the day: <http://backtothebible.org/reading-guide/12>

#### **MARCH**

- 1 Numbers 14-15;  
& Psalm 90
- 2 Numbers 16-17
- 3 Numbers 18-20
- 4 Numbers 21-22
- 5 Numbers 23-25
- 6 Numbers 26-27
- 7 Numbers 28-30
- 8 Numbers 31-32
- 9 Numbers 33-34
- 10 Numbers 35-36
- 11 Deuteronomy 1-2
- 12 Deuteronomy 3-4
- 13 Deuteronomy 5-7
- 14 Deuteronomy 8-10
- 15 Deuteronomy 11-13
- 16 Deuteronomy 14-16
- 17 Deuteronomy 17-20
- 18 Deuteronomy 21-23
- 19 Deuteronomy 24-27
- 20 Deuteronomy 28-29
- 21 Deuteronomy 30-31
- 22 Deuteronomy 32-34;  
& Psalm 91
- 23 Joshua 1-4
- 24 Joshua 5-8
- 25 Joshua 9-11
- 26 Joshua 12-15
- 27 Joshua 16-18
- 28 Joshua 19-21
- 29 Joshua 22-24
- 30 Judges 1-2
- 31 Judges 3-5

| Treasurer's Report: January 2018 Budget |                |
|-----------------------------------------|----------------|
| Contributions/Income                    | \$23,879.75    |
| Expenditures                            | \$31,303.49    |
| Year-to-Date Budget                     | \$29,888.58    |
| Designated Contributions                | \$1,523.00     |
|                                         |                |
| Mortgage Report as of Jan. 31, 2018     |                |
| Loan Amount (2/1/2010)                  | \$1,500,000.00 |
| Principal payments                      | \$380,022.45   |
| Loan Balance                            | \$1,119,977.55 |
| Extra payments on principal             | \$39,212.21    |

## Clothes Closet



### MISSION CENTRAL

of the Harrisonburg District is located at Cedar Grove UMC

(1712 Smithland Road, Harrisonburg). This unique ministry began over 20 years ago as a clothes closet at McGaheysville UMC and it is preparing to move again - but only a short distance! Their new building is taking shape and the volunteers can't wait to have all their clothing and equipment in one place!

There are two parts to Mission Central serving two very different groups of people:

- the **Children's Clothes Closet** is open four days each month. DUMC is always collecting new and gently used children's clothing for the Closet. Especially needed are teen's clothing, shoes, underwear and socks. Diapers and wipes are also most requested items. Please put your donations in the crib located near the front door and we will deliver them to Mission Central.
- the **Medical Equipment Loaner Program** has durable medical equipment available FREE of charge for anyone needing those in Harrisonburg and surrounding geographical areas. Equipment available includes walkers, wheelchairs, hospital beds, bedside commodes, and shower benches. They also have disposable adult diapers and pull-ups as well as wound care supplies. All donations are appreciated. They are in need of someone with some knowledge to diagnose issues and repair motorized wheelchairs. You can get contact info from the church office.

Direct questions and submissions for this publication to:  
Sally Smith, Editor  
DUMCNews@comcast.net  
I have a box in the Coffee Social Room, too!  
Next Deadline: Sunday, April 1

## Time Sensitive Reminders

- in order of appearance:

**VBS Planning Meeting** - Tuesday, March 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the Coffee Social Area. Anyone wanting to help with Vacation Bible School is invited to attend.

**Spring Ahead** Saturday, March 10<sup>th</sup>! Don't forget to set your clocks FORWARD one hour at bedtime that night or you'll be late for worship on Sunday.

**Finance** Committee meets Sunday, March 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the Cross Talk Room.

**Church Council** meets Monday, March 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the Cross Talk Room.

Save the Date!  
**Vacation Bible School**  
Sun., June 24 to  
Thur., June 28  
in the evening.  
**Closing Ceremony**  
during worship on July 1.



## You are Invited!

**WHO: Kingsway Prison & Family Outreach**

is celebrating 35 years!

**WHAT: Celebration & Concert by Southern Grace**

**WHEN: Saturday, March 10 at 6:00 p.m.**

**WHERE: Bethany UMC, 3700 Lee Highway (Rt. 11)**

4 miles south of Mt. Crawford

**OTHER: Food available at 5:00 p.m.**

For information, call 540-830-7000

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