

# 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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**DUMC is to provide meals for the homeless  
February 28 through March 6.  
Here is how you can help!**

Open Doors, which is located at Red Front Supermarket, is asking local churches to 'sponsor' a week of meals, very similar to our scheduling over the years. The minimum needs during this week are straightforward: provide a meal to feed 60 individuals. This includes guests, staff and volunteers. The meal is served at 7:00 PM each evening. Ideally, we would also send three volunteers each evening to plate and serve the meal in the Red Front kitchen, behind Plexiglas, without person-to-person interaction. If serving isn't possible, don't let this stop you from food preparations – Open Doors will solicit volunteers from the broader community to be food servers if necessary.

Please consider one or more of the following ways to support this mission:

- o Provide/prepare a meal in its entirety. Maybe as a small group, Sunday School class or other neighbors can prepare each piece. If you need assistance transporting the meal to the shelter, we can do that! If you need some assistance purchasing ingredients, DUMC has a budget line for that. If you need access to the amazing DUMC kitchen, we can do that.
- o Contact any of our local restaurants or other small businesses and pay for them to deliver a meal to the shelter. They are struggling through the COVID restrictions as well.
- o Send in a contribution to the church indicating it is for Open Doors. We can arrange a meal to be prepared.
- o If you are not a cook, sign-up as a volunteer to come package and serve the meal at the shelter that evening.

The sign up for these meals will be online at <https://signup.com/go/XbEgink>

The Point of Contact for this effort is Graham Witt. If you need assistance in any way or questions about how you can support this mission, please don't hesitate to contact him. (540-383-8420; [hoowitts@comcast.net](mailto:hoowitts@comcast.net)).



## **Lenten Food Drive to benefit West Rockingham Food Pantry**

Please consider sharing with your neighbors in need during Lent. Beginning the first Sunday in March and continuing until Easter on April 17<sup>th</sup>, there will be

bins in the narthex and outside the front doors to receive canned goods and other non-perishables. A list of the items most requested will be posted in the narthex, on the collection bins and in this newsletter on page 3.

**February  
2022**



**Join in  
WORSHIP  
Sundays at  
10:00 AM  
in the  
Sanctuary  
or view it  
Live-stream  
on YouTube**



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**Serve.**

**Connect.**

**Love.**

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2 Juanita Wagner  
 3 Reed Bowman  
 8 Kristin Chapman  
 9 Bonnie Lough  
 9 Terry Stockner  
 10 Dennis Barnhart  
 10 Deborah Barnhart  
 10 Mary Frances Koontz  
 11 Courtney B. Windsor  
 12 Devan Cockrell  
 13 Keith Ryder  
 14 Jeff Lineberry  
 15 Clay Guyer  
 17 Zac Cunningham  
 17 Joe Simmons  
 17 Jeanne May  
 20 Brayden Gordan  
 21 Tracey Simmers  
 22 Darlene Newman  
 22 Graham Witt  
 22 Wanda Wampler  
 24 Wanda Gault  
 24 Nicholas Reeves  
 25 Nancy Harper  
 28 Gracie Ryder

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10 Dennis & Deborah Barnhart ('15)  
 16 Keith & Glenda Ryder ('75)

Sharing Altar Flowers

is a great way to remember or honor someone and enhance our worship experience at the same time. You will find a sign-up chart on the bulletin board in the narthex. All Sundays in February are open.



Thanks to our DUMC family for the beautiful and delicious fruit basket.

**-Hugh and Betty Robinson**

Thanks, all of you. The bowl of goodies was wonderful. I have been enjoying it so much.

**-Nancy Byrd**

Dear DUMC, I wish to thank you for the beautiful snowman bowl of goodies. Enjoyed everything and the thoughtfulness. Miss being with you on Sunday mornings. Thanks for all the cards and acts of kindness I have received from my Church family. Have a Bless year.

**-Flo Byrd**

A surprise was left at my apartment door in December.

Thank you for the delicious fruit and other goodies. I wish you all a very Happy New year.

**-Irene Rebholtz**

What a surprise when Mary Jane arrived with the beautifully wrapped fruit and snack bowl! Thank you so much for this unexpected and much appreciated gift!! I'm grateful for this lovely blessing! Wishing you all a Happy New Year!

**-Elsie Cox**

I want to say thank you to everyone for their thoughts, prayers and cards during my mother's illness and death.

**-Jay Ralston**

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	6	Abby & Anna Simmons	Doug & Linda Wine	Elliana & Bridget Appleton	Stacie Jackson	No socials in February. Hopefully, we resume in March.
	13	Brenda Legg	Need a volunteer <i>Sign up in the narthex</i>	Kim Nieder	Linda Covington	
	20	Mary Ryder	Need a volunteer	Denise Lough	Margaret Thornton	
	27	Kim Nieder	Need a volunteer	Anna & Abby Simmons	Mary Nieswander	

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- ☐ Cereal -Medium Size (14 oz.), not highly sweetened
- ☐ Pancake Mix and Syrup
- ☐ Corn Muffin Mix
- ☐ Canned Corn - Medium Size (24 oz.)
- ☐ Canned Green Beans - Medium Size (24 oz.)
- ☐ Canned Peas - Medium Size (24 oz.)
- ☐ Canned Potatoes - Medium Size (24 oz.)
- ☐ Canned Fruit - Medium Size (24 oz.) Fruit Cocktail, Peaches, Pears
- ☐ Applesauce - Medium Size (24 oz.)
- ☐ Baked Beans/Pork and Beans - Medium Size (24 oz.)
- ☐ Dried Beans
- ☐ Rice - Plain and Flavored, Medium size box or bag
- ☐ Boxed Potato Dinners – Au Gratin, Scalloped Potatoes, etc.
- ☐ Instant Mashed Potatoes
- ☐ Boxed Mac & Cheese
- ☐ Spaghetti - 13.5 oz.
- ☐ Spaghetti Sauce - Medium Size (approx. 1 lb. 10 oz.)
- ☐ Spaghetti Products - Spaghetti's. Spaghetti & Meatballs, Ravioli
- ☐ Canned Meat – Tuna, Chicken
- ☐ Tuna Helper/Hamburger Helper, etc.
- ☐ Canned Manwich/Sloppy Joe, etc.
- ☐ Canned Beef Stew
- ☐ Soup – Chicken Noodle, Vegetable, Vegetable Beef, Tomato
- ☐ Chicken Broth
- ☐ Egg Noodles
- ☐ Peanut Butter and Jelly - Medium Size
- ☐ Crackers – Saltine
- ☐ Jello
- ☐ Cake Mix and Icing

**Tips & Requirements**

Sizes: avoid small individual size & very large size items. For larger families, two or more items can be given.

Whenever possible, choose items that are healthy, not highly sweetened or salted, low fat, etc.

Avoid items with an expired date, dented cans, etc.

Do not open boxes with individually packaged items. Do not donate just several of these packets from a box.

When buying several of the same kind of item such as soup, it is better to get all one flavor rather than a variety.

*Thank you for contributing to those in need. We appreciate your help in feeding our community.*



**The Dayton UMW** is meeting Saturday, **Feb. 5<sup>th</sup> at 9:00** a.m. in the Coffee Social Room. All ladies of the church are welcome! We missed last month therefore we will continue with the pledge offering.

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Grades K–5

**The next YFF** activity is Sunday, **Feb. 20<sup>th</sup> at 2:00** in the Coffee Social Room. Watch for details.

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Grades 6–12

**The Youth Group** Summer Mission Trip is still in the planning stage. Watch for details or contact Jennifer Appleton in the church office.

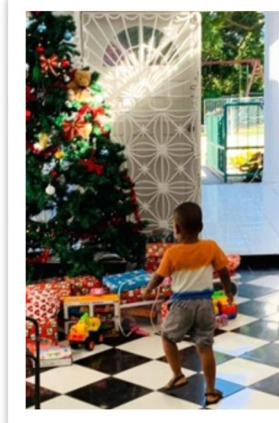
**CONFIRMATION CLASS**

DUMC will be holding Confirmation Classes again this spring. Confirmation is an opportunity to respond to the grace of God available to us, as acknowledged in baptism, and to promise to live as a person of faith. It marks the first time a baptized Christian publicly "confirms" their intention to live the vows made at their baptism and so becomes an official member of the church. Confirmation is open to youth 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade. Class dates will be chosen based on the schedules of the students who sign up. Please email Pastor Jenny by February 20<sup>th</sup> if your youth would like to attend. [Jenny.day@comcast.net](mailto:Jenny.day@comcast.net)

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Serve.

This morning, Mary Beth and I are preparing to make the four-hour drive from Montego Bay to the US Embassy in Kingston. This will be the final step in finalizing the adoption of Dwight, one of our older boys here at Robin's Nest. Dwight is twelve years old and has called Robin's Nest home for over ten years. In less than two weeks, he will experience his first airplane ride, cold weather and perhaps his first snowfall. Most importantly, for the first time in his life, Dwight will comprehend what it is like to have a family; the tender hugs and reassuring words of a mom and dad who love him.



In December, fifteen-year-old Abby who has a mild case of Downs Syndrome has those same experiences and has gone to her forever home and family in Minnesota. Over the past year and a half, Mary Beth has worked tirelessly to help facilitate adoptions, to find long term foster families here in Jamaica or, when possible, to reunite kids with family. Over the past several months, five additional children have been placed into long-term foster care with wonderful Christian families. The process of placing or getting these children adopted is often long, tedious, and rife with bureaucracy. But it seems that for every child that is blessed with reunification, adoption or foster care, there is another child in need to take their place. In past week five additional children, ranging from twelve years old to two years, have been placed in our care. There are times when it all seems overwhelming and, in those moments, we remember the words that Paul wrote to the Church in Philippi: *"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."* Philippians 4:13.

Connect.



One of the many ways that Christ has strengthened Mary Beth and I are through the prayers and the support of Dayton United Methodist Church. It was through your support that our children experienced another wonderful Robin's Nest Christmas. All the girls received their very own doll baby. Our older boys received Legos, science kits and cars. All the kids received a stocking full of sweets and small toys. For Christmas dinner, we enjoyed bun and cheese, home-made fruit cake and the traditional Christmas goat.

Love.

The Christmas seasons that Mary Beth and I have experienced at Robin's Nest have been different than any previous directors because of the pandemic. The Christmas season is typically a time when a lot of visitors, both tourist and locals, would come visit the children. Covid restrictions for children's homes in Jamaica has made it nearly impossible to receive visitors or to even take our children on trips down the mountain. Thankfully, this January, many of those restrictions have been eased. After nearly two years of home schooling, our kids have returned to school on hybrid schedule. There are no school busses in Jamaica and so all the kids have to be transported to school by us. We have kids who are in first grade through tenth grade and in true Jamaican fashion pick up time for our children are at different times. Much of my day during the week is centered around transporting kids to and from school.

In the coming months, Mary Beth and I ask that you continue to pray for us and for these children. Together we can make a difference in the life of each one of them. There are many times when I miss the comfort and beauty of the Shenandoah Valley. I miss watching football on television or ordering a Big Mac at McDonalds, but in those moments when I feel the most homesick, I get a reminder of why I am here from one of our kids. Timarie, who is twelve years old, came to Robin's Nest last week from a situation of extreme poverty. When she learned that she would have her own bed and three meals a day, she nearly cried. There isn't a moment when she doesn't express gratitude. Mary Beth and I want to extend that gratitude towards Dayton United Methodist Church. Continue to pray for us and the entire Robin's Nest Family. We love you!





Treasurer's Report: Jan - Dec 2021 Budget	
Contributions/Income	\$286,105.67
Expenditures	\$265,256.61
Year-to-Date Budget	\$312,268.00
Designated Contributions	\$33,820.85
Mortgage Report as of Dec. 31, 2021	
Loan Amount	\$650,000.00
Principal payments	\$160,900.31
Loan Balance	\$489,099.69
Extra payments on principal	\$ 591,655.57**
** Includes Original + Refinanced Mortgage	

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You should have received your 2021 year-end giving statement. Please, check it right away. It is much easier for Jennifer to make corrections now than in April!

### **THE TUBS** at the front door hold many items that are tools of the mission and ministries of our church:

For you to take: *Newsletters* to read or share. This one and the latest issue of the District newsletter.

*The Upper Room* daily devotionals for in both large and regular print.

*Communion elements* a few days before the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month

For you to leave: *Children's Clothes and other items* for Mission Central



### Mitten and Glove Tree Final Count

Thank you to everyone who brought mittens, gloves and caps for our Mitten Tree during Advent. We are able to send 54 pairs of mittens/gloves and 28 caps to West Rockingham Food Pantry for distribution in January. They were most appreciative!

***We continue to collect for Mission Central.*** All donations are appreciated but they continue to have a short-fall in boys winter pants (size 6, 7, and 8) and in size 5T girls clothes. Children's accessories such as shoes, small handbags, jewelry, and hair bows are also welcome (no toys though). You can leave them in the tubs by the front doors or in the crib in the narthex.

Church Council work session March 10 Church Council meeting March 29 Finance March 27	FEB	Theme	Scriptures
	6	"Wedding of the Century"	Psalm 36:5-10 & John 2:1-11
	13	Graham Witt leading worship	
	20	"Fear Factor"	1 Corinthians 15:45-50 & Psalm 27
	27	"Seeing Him in a Whole New Light"	Exodus 34:29-32 & Luke 9:28-36

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**Please remember** to contact the church office if you:

- Move
- Change your mailing address
- Change your email address
- Drop a land line
- Change a phone number

THANKS!

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, February 27