

“Reaching people with the love and teachings of Jesus Christ”

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# grace notes

## Hello Friends,

On February 23 to 26, the United Methodist Church is holding a Special General Conference to examine paragraphs in The Book of Discipline concerning human sexuality and exploring options to strengthen the unity of the church. The results will have an impact on the church as a whole and local churches and clergy as well. In 2018, Bishop Bard held several Q/A listening sessions throughout the state to present the options recommended by the Commission on a Way Forward. You can learn more from the link below:

<https://michiganumc.org/resources/a-way-forward-toolbox/>

As Bishop David Bard stated recently, "While most of us like to think of the opinions we hold as well-supported, well-considered and well-argued, we would also do

well to acknowledge that in many of the most important things we think about, there is always room for growth and new learning. Often well-considered, well-supported and well-argued opinions become so through shared conversation and dialogue. We should, then, be people who are open to new ideas, to new ways of looking at our lives and our faith, open to conversation and dialogue."

On **February 10 at 12:30pm**, following a lunch in the fellowship hall, we will have a church-wide information and Q/A session about the special General Conference and the options presented by the Commission on a Way Forward. Nursery/childcare will be provided.

If you have any thoughts or questions feel free to contact me.

**Grace and Peace,**  
Pastor Paul



**Commission on a Way Forward**  
Council of Bishops



THE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

## OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES:

Volunteers are needed for serving evening meals at the Rescue Mission Family Center on South Cedar. Several of our volunteers have had to stop. We need the following:

*Subs are always needed for Southside Kitchen, during the day, and Rescue Mission Family Center, evenings. Contact Mona at 323-3779 or [mmorgan1226@yahoo.com](mailto:mmorgan1226@yahoo.com) if you can help!*

## MEALS FOR MISSION

The missions team will be starting a quarterly fundraiser dinner.

### M4M: FIRST QUARTER

Date: Friday, January 25th from 4:30 until 7:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. Come and beat the winter blues with nice a warm bowl of chili (*Traditional, White Chicken or Vegetarian*).

Proceeds will go to the ENERGIZE! Youth Ministry Program to help them fund their Youth2019 Conference trip to Kansas City, Missouri.

Each ticket covers 1 person and up to 2 bowls of chili, cornbread, and select beverages (milk, tea or water).

*Cost is: \$8 for adults, \$4 for children and \$20 for a family. Ala Carte items (grilled hot dogs & pop) will be available for an additional cost.*



### M4M: SECOND QUARTER

Save the date for the Annual Pancake Supper to benefit the Mansfield Mission Trip Team. This will be the second quarter Meals 4 Missions opportunity.

Date: Friday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019 from 4:30-7:00pm  
Questions? See Jim Kleiver

### 5<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL MANSFIELD MISSION TRIP

Dates: July 14 – July 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019. If interested, attend the meeting on 4/7/19 at 10:30am. Contact Jim Kleiver: 517-282-6157 or [kleiver@sbcglobal.net](mailto:kleiver@sbcglobal.net) if interested and/or have questions. The deadline to commit is 5/5/19.

## GIVING TREE

### *COLLECTING JANUARY and FEBRUARY*

Approximately each quarter we focus our collections on one ministry or organization that is making a difference in our community.

The first collection of the 2019 Giving Tree will be for donations of small house hold needs. These can include small appliances, pots and pans, kitchen utensils, sheets and pillowcases! Small Household Needs Bank (housed at Mt. Hope UMC) distributes these items to low income families in need.

## MAKE THE CHANGE OFFERING

Beginning in 2019, the **Make the “CHANGE” Offering**, formerly known as the Noisy Can Collection, will be collected the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month

### FEBRUARY

February’s collection will go to **UMCOR Sunday** (formerly “One Great Hour of Sharing”) which allows us (United Methodist Committee on Relief) to act as the arms and legs of Christ’s church in areas impacted by chronic need or crisis. The offering is used for a variety of relief programs



*Give generously and...*

## Make the CHANGE!



# SPIRITUAL GROWTH OPPORTUNITIES

-explore the resources to grow and mature in faith-  
"But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ." - 2 Peter 3:18

## NURSERY NEWS

We offer care in our nursery for infants through 3 year olds. Our staff people Miss Emma and Miss Lisa care for our kids in addition to our rotating Grace volunteers.

If you feel God calling you to work with our infants and toddlers, contact Opal at: 517-490-3218. Once your application is complete (including background check), she will be able to add you to the schedule.

Willing hands and hearts make this ministry possible!

## ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

This class will be exploring the book of Romans.

Join us Sundays in the green room from 11:00-12:00am

Led by: Sallie Franks.

## ENERGIZE!

E! Jr. – Grades 4<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup>      E! Sr.– Grades 8<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>

### **WE ARE ALL ABOUT:**

Relationships... with Christ & Each other  
Authenticity... Being Real  
Service... Giving Back  
Faith... Understanding & Sharing  
Excellence... Doing & Being Our Best **and.... FUN!!!**

Contact Jamie Young for more information –  
[eymprog@gmail.com](mailto:eymprog@gmail.com)

## MID-WEEK DINNER & CLASSES

Our Winter Mid-Week Dinner & Classes will kick off Wednesday, January 23<sup>rd</sup> and go through February 27<sup>th</sup>. Dinner begins at 6:00pm - classes go from 6:30-7:30pm

### CLASS OPTIONS

"Reading Revelation Responsibly" led by Rev. Paul Hahm  
"Present Over Perfect" led by Jennifer Hahm  
"The Shack" – led by Cynthia Paul  
"Soul, Spirit & Body" led by Mark Handzlik  
"Bible Science" led by Miss Jamie



Come with us to have fun learning! We begin in the 11:30 worship service and leave for Kids on the Move at 11:45.

**ORANGE ROOM: Kids on the Move Jr.**  
Preschool children 4 years old thru 2nd graders

**BLUE ROOM: Kids on the Move**  
3rd graders through 6th graders

**SEE YOU SOON!**

### TEACHERS

We delight in teaching and serving the next generation of leaders. Please join us as a teacher of Kids on the Move this summer! Contact Stephani Davis – our new Teacher Scheduler ([stephanidavis65@comcast.net](mailto:stephanidavis65@comcast.net)) for more information and to sign-up. We can't wait to hear from you!

## UNITED METHODIST WOMEN



During 2018 the UMW circle at Grace UMC gave \$2,440.61 to support United Methodist Women's programs ministering with and advocating for the oppressed and dispossessed, with special attention to the needs of women, children and youth. Thank you for supporting our vision of turning faith, hope and love into action around the world.

United Methodist Women meet at 7:00pm in the Fellowship Hall on the third Tuesday of each month. The next meeting will be February 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm, weather permitting. Judy VanKleet who will share with us on her Mission work.

## BIRTHDAY LIST

FEBRUARY

Helen Seibert – 2/1  
Emma Bush – 2/4  
Cathy Binder – 2/5  
Mike Chubb – 2/7  
Dimitri Shelton – 2/8  
Allison Morgan – 2/9  
Hannah Jansen – 2/10  
Bob Szalankiewicz – 2/11  
Clem Nicholson – 2/14  
Randy McDaniel – 2/17  
Bob Risner – 2/17  
Jared Geller – 2/19  
Earl Shirtum – 2/20  
John Burley – 2/21  
Dallas Davis – 2/22  
Randy Williams – 2/22  
Dan Lemons – 2/23  
Jon Bauer – 2/24  
Jason Allen – 2/24  
Dan Glossop – 2/26  
Albert Ware – 2/26

## ANNIVERSARY LIST

FEBRUARY

February 2  
Randy & Suzanne Williams  
February 7  
Al & Margaret Brown  
February 14  
Mark & Joanne Kivela  
February 23  
Rodney & Danielle Kleiver

# LOVE WELL

## YOUTH 2019

YOUTH 2019 IS FOR ALL UNITED  
METHODIST YOUTH, GRADES 6-12, AND  
THEIR LEADERS FROM JULY 10-14<sup>th</sup> 2019.

**What is Youth2019?** Its 4 days of discipleship, worship, Bible study, service opportunities, and life-changing fun! Expect inspiration, support, and challenges to grow authentically as a world-changing disciple of Jesus Christ.

The YOUTH Event is the National Gathering for United Methodist Youth. YOUTH 2019 will provide youth and their leaders with chances to connect with each other, denominational leaders, and connectional agencies to help them discover the wide variety of ministries of the United Methodist Church.

***Our ENERGIZE! Youth Ministry Program has a group of 14 committed to attending. The conference will be in Kansas City, Missouri. Four years ago we took a group to Youth2015 and they were greatly impacted by the experience – three teens came back and asked to be baptized! God is Good! We are excited to see how God works in this group. Please keep this group and all the young people attending in your prayers!***

### NEXT GOAL REACHING EVENT:

BAKE SALE AUCTION

Sunday, February 10<sup>th</sup>

10:30-11:15am (between services in Fellowship Hall)

Will you consider donating a specialty cake, pie, bread or plate of your world-famous cookies?

Not a baker? No worries! You can be one of our buyers! ☺

## Garden Club of Greater Lansing

Where: Grace UMC – Fellowship Hall

Date: Monday, February 11<sup>th</sup>

Time: 9:30am – 2:30pm

What: Jerrie Nichols from the Mid-Michigan Bonsai Club will present on “Getting Started in Bonsai”

Questions: Please see Joanne Bauer



# FEBRUARY

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>3 Communion</b> 9:30am – Worship 10:30am – Fellowship Time 11:30am – Worship 11:45am – KOM 5:00-7:00pm – E!YMP	<b>4</b> 4:30 – 6:00pm Prayer Shawl 6:30pm - Missions	<b>5</b> 7:00pm – UMW Executive Meeting	<b>6</b> 6:00pm – Mid-Week Dinner 6:30-7:30pm – Mid-Week Classes 7:00pm – AA, Y.C.	<b>7</b> 5:45-9:00pm Boy Scouts Round Table 6:00pm – Education Team Meeting 7:00pm Choir Practice	<b>8</b> 6:30pm – Ed. Team Fellowship Gathering at The Young's (if you have taught in 2017-18 or 2018-19 please reach out to Jamie Young for more information)	<b>9</b>
<b>10 "Make the CHANGE" Offering</b> 9:30am – Worship 10:30am – Fellowship Time 10:30-11:15am Bake Sale Auction 11:30am – Worship 11:45am – KOM 12:30pm – Q & A "Commission on a Way Forward" NO ENERGIZE!	<b>11</b> 9:30 – 2:30pm Garden Club of Greater Lansing 12:30-2:30pm Church Women United 4:30 – 6:00pm Prayer Shawl 7:00pm - Trustees	<b>12</b>	<b>13 *GN Deadline*</b> 6:00pm – Mid-Week Dinner 6:30-7:30pm – Mid-Week Classes 7:00pm – AA, Y.C.	<b>14</b> 5:45-9:00pm Boy Scouts Round Table 7:00pm Choir Practice  <b>Happy Valentine's Day!</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>17</b> 9:30am – Worship 10:30am – Fellowship Time 11:30am – Worship 11:45am – KOM 5:00-7:00pm – E!YMP	<b>18</b> 4:30 – 6:00pm Prayer Shawl 6:00pm – SPRC	<b>19</b> 7:00pm – UMW Circle Meeting	<b>20</b> 6:00pm – Mid-Week Dinner 6:30-7:30pm – Mid-Week Classes 7:00pm – AA, Y.C.	<b>21*GN Mailed*</b> 7:00pm Choir Practice	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b> 9:30am – Worship 10:30am – Fellowship Time 11:30am – Worship 11:45am – KOM 5:00-7:00pm – E!YMP	<b>25</b> 4:30 – 6:00pm Prayer Shawl 7:00pm – Ad Council	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> 6:00pm – Mid-Week Dinner 6:30-7:30pm – Mid-Week Classes 7:00pm – AA, Y.C.	<b>28</b> 7:00pm Choir Practice		

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Sunday Services

**9:30am** (*Traditional Worship*)

**11:30am** (*casual atmosphere - serious faith - praise music*)

Office Hours: 10:00 AM – 2:00 PM (*Monday, Tuesday & Thursday*)

12:00 PM – 4:00 PM (*Wednesday*)

**EDITION: FEBRUARY 2019**