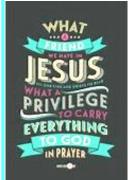
# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**WELCOME!** If you are a visitor or new to Mt. Lebanon United Methodist Church—



we're glad you're here. Please sign the attendance sheet in the chair row. Worship at our church is a joyful, prayerful, music-filled, traditional experience. We worship to glorify God and build up the community of believers to live in this world as followers of Jesus Christ. The 8:30 am service meets in Sanner Chapel, immediately inside the front entrance of the church. During the summer, the 10:45 service is in our air conditioned Asbury Center. Kids Praise, a special worship service for ages 3-3rd grade, takes place during our 10:45 service.

For more information: www.mlumc.org 412-531-7131



Faith for Today Summer Speaker Series Sundays, 9:30-10:30 am Asbury

### **TODAY** Family Friendly



Vacation Bible School provided stories of God's heroes, now it is our turn to put on hero capes. Adults and children are invited to participate in our church's mission projects and interactively help others in our community and around the world.

### Aug. 13 MLUMC Youth

Mission Work in Virginia

This year, the youth mission team worked with Project Crossroads to provide home renovations for a family in



Atkins, VA. Come and hear about their experiences during the mission trip week.

### Aug. 20 MLUMC Ministries

Celebration Sunday

# Mt. Lebanon United Methodist Church

OPEN MINDS OPEN DOORS OPEN HEARTS 3319 W. Liberty Ave. Pittsburgh, PA 15216 412-531-7131 mlumc.org Reverend Thomas Q. Strandburg, Pastor tstrandburg@mlumc.org



### September 10 & 17: New Member Orientation

Our next round of new member orientation sessions will be held over two Sundays, September 10<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>, 2017 during the Sunday School hour (9:30 – 10:30 am). Each session will begin with a time of refreshment and fellowship at Coffee Café in Brookline Parlor. We will then move to the Schultz Conference Room for the remainder of our time.

If you are interested in becoming a member of the Mt Lebanon United Methodist Church community, call the office to register: 412-531-7131 or email <a href="mailto:churchsecretary@mlumc.org">churchsecretary@mlumc.org</a>.





# School Kit Bags for UMCOR

The **Hands and Hearts in Mission** sewing group is making bags for UMCOR

school kits and plans to pack them in September. Please help by donating school supplies and placing them in the dropoff container outside the church's main office. Here are the items needed for each bag:

- **1 pair blunt scissors**—Rounded tip only; No plastic scissors, please.
- 3 pads of paper—Spiral or top-bound pads;150 sheets or less of loose-leaf paper can be substituted for 1 pad; Combination of spiral, top-bound, side -bound, or loose-leaf paper is acceptable; No composition books
- 1 hand-held pencil sharpener—at least
  1 inch long; Remove from packaging.
- 1 30-centimeter ruler—Hard or flexible;
  Cartoon characters are acceptable; No advertisements.
- 6 unsharpened pencils—No advertisements, religious, patriotic, military, or camouflage symbols, please; Cartoon characters are acceptable.
- 1 2-inch or larger-size eraser No ads, religious, patriotic, military, or camouflage symbols. Cartoon characters are acceptable.
- 1 24-count box of crayons



#### PITTSBURGH "SEWING PARTY"

#### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2017 3-6 PM ASBURY CENTER

Mt. Lebanon United Methodist Church, 3319 West Liberty Ave., Pittsburgh, PA 15216 Helping girls in Zimbabwe make their own reusable sanitary napkins (Girl Empowerment Pads)

No experience necessary to cut fabric and assemble kits. Bring scissors and a friend! Come for coffee, fellowship & fun. *RSVP*:

Bonnie Lawson: <u>bonnielawson58@comcast.net</u> or (412) 343-3498



At left: November 2013: Girls in Nyadire, Zimbabwe, sew their own sanitary napkins so that they do not have to miss school for lack of protection.

FOUNDATION

To avoid lack of scissors being an issue in Zimbabwe, we will cut material in a pattern that was chosen by Zimbabwean women. We will assemble cut material, needles, and thread into kits for shipment to Zimbabwe. Local women will teach girls how to make their own pads at schools near Nyadire and a medical clinic that hosts 3000 visits a month.

**NEXT STEPS:** Volunteers from The Nyadire Connection (TNC) will bring the sewing party items to Zimbabwe (or arrange for their shipment). TNC, organized by Christ United Methodist Church in Bethel Park, is a multi-church, faith-based, Pittsburgh non-profit and the program sponsor. (*See link below*.) The eventual goal of the program is to establish a locally run enterprise sustainably sourced with local materials.

MORE INFORMATION: Photos of TNC activities are at TNC's Facebook page: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/2369547983/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/2369547983/</a> SEE YOU ON SEPTEMBER 10!

# SAVE THE DATE

### The Nyadire Connection "Friend" Raising Event Thursday, September 21 4-8 pm

The Nyadire Connection (TNC) is the all volunteer non-profit, faith based organization that supports the Nyadire United Methodist Mission in Zimbabwe. Come to TNC's "friend"-raising event on Thursday Sept. 21 from 4 to 8 pm at Calvary United Methodist Church and Brother's Brother Foundation (BBF).

Brother's Brother (<a href="http://www.brothersbrother.org">http://www.brothersbrother.org</a>) has been recognized by Forbes as one of the Top 100 U.S. Charities, one of ten charities with 100% fundraising efficiency. BBF operates warehouses on the North Side to collect, sort, and ship scavenged medical and educational supplies to impoverished countries throughout the world. TNC is proud to partner with BBF to send ocean container shipments to Nyadire.

Calvary is a beautiful, historic church known for its Tiffany stained glass windows. Appetizers and desserts will be at both locations and guests will move from one location to the other mid-evening.

Plan to attend to learn more about TNC's programs and how you can get involved with international ministry. Tickets are \$25 on TNC's website <a href="www.nyadire.org">www.nyadire.org</a>. Questions? Contact Debbie Little at <a href="deborah.little@bipc.com">deborah.little@bipc.com</a>.

## Help the Food Pantry During Picnic Season

It's that time of year when adult Sunday school classes, the choir, the finance, trustees and community outreach committees have picnics. If your group has a picnic or meeting this month, consider charging admission. Ask members to bring a box of crackers or cookies to help stock the food pantry. The packages can be placed on the shelves right inside the food pantry entry door or in a drop-off box near the entry. Help the pantry keep the shelves stocked during these very challenging times for our food pantry members.

