

October 1, 2017

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 pew. 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, and the **10:45 am** service is in our beautiful sanctuary. Kidz Praise, a special worship service for ages 3 through 3rd grade, takes place during our 10:45 Sunday service.

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

Mt. Lebanon United Methodist Church

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TERRIFIC TUESDAY

6 pm - Dinner in Asbury Center
6:30 pm - Activity for all ages:
Children's Choir, Youth Discussion Groups,
Adult Study and Discussion

Church family and community members of all ages are invited to Terrific Tuesday, from 6 to 7:30 pm on Tuesdays in Asbury Center.

This Terrific Tuesday session continues through December 12. There will be no Terrific Tuesday on Halloween (October 31), Election Day (November 7), or during Thanksgiving week (November 21).



This Tuesday, October 3
Following Terrific Tuesday
7:30 in the Sanctuary
In Concert:
The Butterflies
German Youth Choir



Tuesday, October 24 Terrific Tuesday Speaker:

Bishop Cynthia Moore-Koikoi

Western PA Conference
The United Methodist Church

Blood Pressure Screenings Today

Stop in Brookline Parlor after the 10:45 service for a blood pressure check from the MLUMC Health Ministry (WHOM) The ministry team nurses offer screenings the first Sunday of every month.

Church Council Meeting

Monday, October 2 at 7 pm, Wesley Hall

The discussion will center on the 20 recommendations from Horizon Stewardship representative Dr. Scott McKenzie and how they are being implemented. All are welcome.

Blessing of the Animals Service

October 7, 2017 10:00 a.m.

Church Place Park*



St Francis of Assisi was a lover of all God's creatures, and in remembrance of him churches often have a special service called The Blessing of the Animals near his feast day in early October. Mt Lebanon United Methodist Church invites you to participate in such a service with your leashed or crated pet. Those from all faith traditions are welcome. Please bring a blanket or folding chair for seating on the grass.

*Church Place Park is located on Church Place behind Laughlin's Funeral Home. Please park in MLUMC's lot (3319 West Liberty Ave.) across from the funeral home. Cross West Liberty and access the park from Laughlin's parking lot.

Please contact Kim Rhoton at krhoton@mlumc.org with questions.

**KIDS AND
ADULT
ACTIVITIES**

**FAMILY
FALL FESTIVAL
@ MLUMC**

**BOUNCE
HOUSE**

**FREE WILL
OFFERING
MEAL**



**SATURDAY, OCT. 21
4 - 7 PM
PARKING LOT &
ASBURY CENTER**



**Food Pantry
Donation of the
Month Program**

October

**Please
donate
Thanksgiving
meal products**



(non-perishables)

**Drop-off box near
entrance to Food Pantry**





Chicken BBQ Benefitting TNC

The annual Rotary Chicken BBQ dinner is on October 7, 11 am - 7 pm, hosted at Westminster Presbyterian Church. The dinner gives all proceeds to non-profit organizations, including The Nyadire Connection (TNC). TNC is Pittsburgh-based, supporting the Methodist mission in Nyadire, Zimbabwe, including a school, teacher's college, hospital, farm, and orphanage. The BBQ dinner money that TNC raises will be used for "O-Level" exams, the graduation exams high school students must pass before receiving a diploma or going on to higher education. .

For the last 2 years, TNC has sold the most tickets of all the benefitting organizations, earning them about \$4,000 each year. Help reach this goal again, contact Kim Rhoton, krhoton@mlumc.org for tickets.

Advance tickets must be purchased for TNC to be credited. The \$10 ticket includes 1/2 of a BBQ chicken, sides, dessert, and a drink. Eat your meal at Westminster, or take advantage of the convenient drive-through! You can also donate the cost of a ticket to be given to a family served by the South Hills Interfaith Movement food pantry.

UMW Meeting
Thurs. Oct. 12
11 am Wesley Hall



Learn how over 1,500 patients in Zimbabwe have been helped by donation of your old eyeglasses.

Our speaker is Don Zeigler who'll be telling us about some of his more memorable patients who are benefitting from your generosity.

Lunch will follow the presentation at noon. Please bring any old prescription or reading glasses you no longer use.



Save the Date!

***UMW annual Christmas Cookie, Gift
Bazaar & British Tea Room***

Saturday, December 9 9 am to 2 pm

One stress-free location for all your holiday shopping and baking needs. And don't forget to stop by the British tea room for delicious homemade scones and a cuppa, as well as lunch-time hot soup.

More details to come . . .





Dear Friends and Colleagues,

Thank you so much for your participation at the sewing party at Mt. Lebanon United Methodist Church on Sunday, September 10, 2017. Because of you and others in attendance, more than 500 Girl Empowerment Pad (GEP) kits were assembled at the party. Added with previously made kits, the total packed for the September 13 shipment to Zimbabwe for 2017 was 1422 to the school complex and 419 to the hospital in Nyadire. In addition, 17 sewing machines were sent this year (14 to schools and three to affiliated clinics).

This impressive achievement would not have been possible without your support. You have made a difference in the lives of girls, who often miss school every month for lack of protection. Your gift will help encourage them to stay in school this year!

On behalf of The Nyadire Connection (TNC) and the GEP program team, please accept our gratitude for your work. And please also help us thank those who came to the sewing party who may not have provided us with an e-mail address.

We appreciate the help of all our partners in this effort, including our host, Mt. Lebanon United Methodist Church. As there are so many individual volunteers and helpers to thank, please forgive any omissions.

We look forward to sharing progress about education efforts we plan to expand in tandem with kit distribution, and news about next year's sewing party!

Sincerely,

Bonnie Lawson and Linda Ambroso

P.S. If you or anyone you know would like to offer additional help throughout the year; donate materials such as soap, underwear, a sewing machine or cotton fabric; please contact Bonnie Lawson at BonnieLawson58@comcast.net or 412-343-3498. Also, please feel free to share your ideas about how we can fundraise to secure reprints of an age-appropriate, culturally sensitive book on menstrual management that would accompany the kit distribution.

Checks are welcome, and should be made payable to Christ United Methodist Church, with "TNC GEP program" in the note line; please mail to Christ United Methodist Church, 44 Highland Road, Bethel Park, PA 15102.

Adult Sunday School

Sundays 9:30 – 10:30 am

Homebuilders

Wesley Hall

- 10/1 The Galapagos Islands, Lynda Serene
- 10/8 Bible Study, Pastor Tom Strandburg
- 10/15 Reconstruction and Reconciliation?, Franci Robb
- 10/22 Reconstruction and Reconciliation?, Part 2
- 10/29 Bible Study, Bishop Bashore

Kerygma

The Library

- 10/1 Thessalonians, Bishop Bashore
- 10/8 Acts Part 2, Clark Remington
- 10/15 The Gnostic Gospel of Mary, Deanna Baird
- 10/22 The Gnostic Gospel of Mary, Part 2
- 10/29 Hell, Rob Bellamy

Mixers

Balcony Classroom

- 10/1 West Virginia Project, John Esaias
- 10/8 Apple Butter Weekend, Fri., Sat., and Sun.
- 10/15 Study, Betsy Harkins
- 10/22 North Side Feeding Program, Bishop Bashore
- 10/29 Psalms, Rev. Kimberly Greway

Youth Group Events

- 10/1 Youth Choir, 4:30 pm, Choir Room
- 10/1 Youth Group, 5-7 pm, Game Night
- 10/7 Apple Butter Project, 10 am – 2 pm; Blessing of the Animals Service, 10 am, Church Place Park
- 10/8 No Youth Group
- 10/15 Cooking With Caryl, 5-7 pm



Confirmation Class

Forming

All youth entering eighth grade or older are eligible to join this year's confirmation class. The class will meet Sunday mornings 9:30-10:30 from September through May, as well as participate in several field trips and retreats. The purpose of this class is faith formation culminating in a decision on joining the UM church as a full member. Please contact Kim Rhoton to join or with questions – krhoton@mlumc.org.

Acolytes Needed—We'd love to have you!

Acolytes provide a wonderful ministry to Mt. Lebanon United Methodist Church by being worship leaders and helping the pastors. Acolyting involves lighting the altar candles, pew candles at Christmas, cross bearing at Easter, helping with baptisms and generally assisting with church services as needed.

Any fifth through 12th grade students interested in joining the Acolyte team will be provided training and supplied with an Acolyte manual for reference. Please contact Lynne Young at lynne.young@proforma.com or 412/854-1954 if you'd like to join the group or have any questions. New Acolytes will be added to the schedule starting in February 2018 for the remainder of the school year.

Caregivers Needed!

Do you like to rock babies, read stories to preschoolers, or make crafts with school age children? If so, you are needed on Sunday mornings! Volunteer as a substitute teacher 9:30-10:30, or as a nursery, preschool, or Kids Praise helper during the 10:45 service. Your commitment is once per month or less, and no special skills are required. Please contact Kim Rhoton to volunteer or with questions – krhoton@mlumc.org.

The Aftermath of Hurricanes Harvey, Irma and Maria: Helping with Cleaning Bucket Supplies

Our church is collecting cleaning buckets and supplies to donate to UMCOR's W PA Conference Eastbrook Mission Barn. You can see an example of a cleaning bucket in the church narthex. Supplies needed for the buckets are on a list available in the office or online. Drop off your donated supplies in the box outside of the church office. For more information on how you can help with the buckets, contact Barbara Watson: barbara-w1933@gmail.com .

Thank you, Peg Smith In honor of **Peg Smith** and her many years of devoted and dedicated service to the church, the United Methodist Women are donating \$1,000 to UMCOR for flood relief efforts on behalf of victims of hurricanes Harvey and Irma. A beloved member of the UMW, Peg is moving to Erie, Pa., in October to be closer to her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Her new address will be 1679 W. 45th Street, APT 221, Erie, PA 16509. We will miss Peg dearly, but wish her all the best.

CALENDAR – SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1 THRU SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7

SUNDAY 10/1

8:30 am	Worship	Sanner Chapel
9:30 am	Sunday School for All Ages/Coffee Café	Various/Brookline Parlor
10:45 am	Worship	Sanctuary
	Kids Praise	Welcome Center
12 pm	Blood Pressure Screening	Brookline Parlor
2 pm	Korean Worship	Sanner Chapel
4:30 pm	Youth Choir	Choir Room
5 pm	Youth Group	Asbury Center

MONDAY 10/2

6:30 pm	Tiger Cub Scouts	Epworth Chapel
7 pm	Chapel Bells Rehearsal	Bell Room
7 pm	Church Council	Wesley Hall

TUESDAY 10/3

6 pm	Terrific Tuesday	Asbury Center
7 pm	Boy Scout Troop #23	Wesley Hall
7:30 pm	The Butterflies Youth Choir Concert	Sanctuary

WEDNESDAY 10/4

6:30 am	Northside Lunch Program Prep	Kitchen
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THURSDAY 10/5

8:30 am	Northside Lunch Program Prep	Kitchen
9:30 am	Hands and Hearts	Asbury Center
12 pm	TNT	Asbury Heights
6:30 pm	Promise Bells Rehearsal	Bell Room
7:30 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room

FRIDAY 10/6

9:30 am	Women's Bible Study	Room 102
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SATURDAY 10/7

10 am	Food Distribution	Pantry
10 am	Blessing of the Animals Service	Church Place Park