

June 3, 2018

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.

This Morning:

Church Endowment Informational Meeting

If you are attending the 8:30 am worship or are early for the 10:45, come on in to the meeting in the Welcome Center on "Growing Our Endowment" at 9:30 am.

Information on our various endowments will be offered along with ways that members can contribute to the endowment currently or by remembering our church

in your will. Sara Mercer, an experienced attorney in legacy giving, will offer suggestions and answer questions about ways to contribute to the church's endowment. Dr. Scott McKenzie, our consultant, will also be present to answer questions regarding legacy giving. We hope many members take this opportunity to learn ways to strengthen our church through legacy giving.

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Today's All Church Planning Meeting

Mt. Lebanon United Methodist Church

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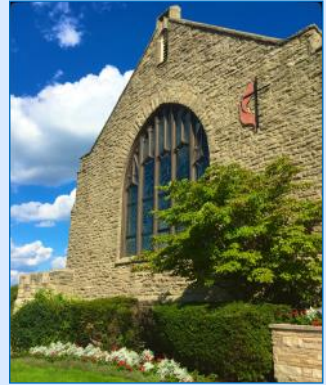
Reverend Thomas Q. Strandburg, Pastor tstrandburg@mlumc.org



All Church Planning Meeting Today

Today, following the 10:45 service, we will hold our 2nd All Church Planning Meeting. Our consultant, Dr. Scott McKenzie will review our progress and help lead us into higher expectations. A light lunch will be served in Asbury Center followed by the meeting which should conclude by 2:30.

At last year's meeting, 3 groups made recommendations that have been fully or partially implemented. You are encouraged to attend to help our church move forward. If you have not made reservations, you can still attend. Our light lunch can accommodate a few more attendees.



This Thursday: Hands and Hearts and Summer Schedule.

Hands and Hearts will meet in Epworth Chapel this Thursday, June 7th, from 9am to noon, and on July 12th and August 9th at the same time.

Join us as we work on various church and mission projects of all skill levels. One of the missions of Hands and Hearts are prayer quilts, if you or a loved one are in need of a quilt, please contact the church office.

For more information contact Caryl Drabick at 412-344-5312 or drabicks@verizon.net

UMW EVENING Meeting and Salad Supper



Tuesday, June 12 6: pm Asbury Center

Hosted by the Circle of Friends, the UMW's annual June salad supper and meeting features guest speaker **Francie Robb**. Francie will offer a spirited history of the UMW organization, including its founding and focus on social justice issues at a time when women were discouraged (and often barred) from participating in many areas of public life.

Please bring a salad to share; we'll provide drinks and dessert. Women of all ages are welcome — and encouraged — to attend this informative and celebratory event!

Office Volunteers Needed

Sara Miller is putting together a ministry team to help welcome visitors and prepare mailings in the church office. The biggest needs are for front-desk coverage during monthly staff meetings and extra hands on the Christmas and Easter letter, but there are opportunities for friendly faces and busy hands at other times, too. If you think you might be interested -- or to find out more:

give Sara a call in the church office, (412) 531-7131.

Work with the Children of Weekday Ministries

Weekday Ministries needs a staff person to work with one-year-olds from 3 pm to 6 pm every day. Please contact Mettelise at 412-531-5790 or email mziegler@mlumc.org today for more information!

Be a Prayer Partner for the Youth Mission Trip

On July 8-14, our youth mission trip team will be working in Marion, VA, providing home renovations for people in need. We need your prayers! To be a prayer partner email blockie@mlumc.org or sign up after church.

Upcoming *It's a Guy Thing* Gatherings:

6/9/18

7/14/18

8/11/18

9/8/18

10/13/18

12/8/18

at 8AM



Celebrate Summer



Community Barbecue

Saturday, June 23
4-7 pm Asbury Center

Free and Open to the Community

It's time to celebrate summer with our neighbors, community and church members at MLUMC's community barbecue. The menu includes fried chicken, pulled pork, fish sandwiches, French fries, pasta salad and summer dessert delights.

Saturday, June 23 4-7pm Asbury Center.
Free & Free Will Offering
Donations Benefit the Church Food Pantry

Food Pantry Donation Program for June

Please
donate
children's
snack items
(non-perishables)



Drop-off box near
entrance to Food Pantry

Food Pantry Help Wanted

Do you have a little spare time to support the Food Pantry once every three months? The Pantry needs volunteer shoppers to help keep the shelves stocked for the families. Contact Liz DiPietro for more information: 412-279-4592.

The Food Pantry "Donation of the Month" is a great way to help keep the pantry supplied. Each month, the pantry asks that people donate an item that is easy to deliver while attending church services or activities. These items can be placed on the shelves right inside the food pantry entry door or in a drop-off box near the entry. This month we're asking for donations of non-perishable children's snack items for the families.

Faith for Today

Beginning next Sunday, June 10, in air -conditioned Asbury Center:
9:30 am Faith for Today, followed by 10:45 Worship Service

June 10 Dennis Bowman

Family Friendly Retired TV weatherman



Dennis Bowman is an accomplished ventriloquist, performing corporate and private events, and visiting nearly 2,000 schools. With his buddy, Chester Drawers, Dennis entertains with

light hearted humor, appropriate for audiences of all ages.

June 17 Denise Reichard

Love America

June 24 Brian Matous

Operation Safety Net

July 1 Penny Arcade

Family Friendly Children's Improv

July 8 Joel Thierstein

Trends in Higher Education

July 15 Make a Joyful Noise

Hymn Sing

July 22 Rev. Alyce Weaver Dunn

Connectional Ministries of the W. PA Conference

July 29 Pittsburgh Threshold Choir and Family Hospice Threshold Singers

Cindy Harris, Founder & Director

August 5 Family Friendly

Hands on Mission Projects

August 12 MLUMC Youth

Mission Work in Virginia

August 19 World War I:

The War That Did Not End All Wars

Hazel & Alan Cope, Barbara & David Watson

August 26 Hour of Joy

Contemporary Service

Do You Have A Favorite Hymn?

If so, you have the opportunity to request the singing of your favorite hymn during our July 15 Faith for Today program. On that date, we will hear many favorite hymns sung and performed by members of the congregation. Please submit your request to the church office by Monday, June 11. We will take your request and hopefully match it with an instrumentalist or vocalist. To date, we have Amazing Grace played by a jazz pianist, Majesty accompanied by a trumpet, a violinist playing a hymn solo as well as Gretchen Franz and Kathy Whittaker playing a piano four-hand hymn arrangement. Plan to attend this Faith for Today program to be inspired by the great hymns of the church.

The Little Free Library (thanks to Joseph Lowe for making it happen)



Come check out our new Little Free Library! It is located in the lower parking lot for the use of anyone in the community. Feel free to take a book or leave a book. We included a hook for anyone who is walking a dog. This project was spearheaded by Joseph Lowe after learning about the Little Free Libraries as part of a Cub Scout project.

The Women of a New Mission Connection Need Yarn



Donate your left-over and slightly used knitting and embroidery supplies to a good cause. Mary Garber will be sending yarn and supplies to Latvia, for women from the Methodist Church of Latvia and for residents of the Hope Center.

The picture to the right was taken three weeks ago in Lapia, Latvia at the Hope Center, a home and many times a safe place of last resort, for teenaged girls and their babies and toddlers. The picture shows a retired District Superintendent of the Latvian Methodist Church, Gita Mednis on the right, holding a child. Rev. Mednis is the Center's connection with the UMC Global Ministries. She also has a long relationship with Pittsburgh and the University of Pittsburgh. Contact Mary Garber to donate.





Email List for Church Communications



Not long ago, you probably received your copy of the church's newsletter, *The Window*, in the mail. Now there is another way to receive church communications. MLUMC has unveiled a new, faster, greener, and more frugal way of sending and receiving the newsletter and other communications. We have started by emailing PDFs of *The Window* newsletter. The PDFs in the emails and also on the church website (mlumc.org) are for members to read or download onto their computers, tablets or phones. The church is also sending "special emailings" such as advisories of deaths in the congregation and notices of schedule changes due to inclement weather.

The next step is exploring ways of emailing relevant and interesting announcements on a regular basis. We don't want to duplicate what is in the bulletin or overwhelm email inboxes, so we are taking care with the development of this method of communication. If you are not already on the email list, and you would like to be, you can opt in by filling out the form below and dropping it in the offering plate – or you can go to the website, and under "Contact Us," sign up for the emails online.

Would you like to stop receiving a paper copy of *The Window* in the mail? Opt out of the mailed paper edition of *The Window* newsletter by checking the box below, or by contacting the church office: 412-531-7131 or churchsecretary@mlumc.org.

Opt In or Out of Electronic Mailings:

Name _____ Email Address _____

I would like to receive by email (check all that apply)

- The Window* as a PDF once a quarter
- Special emailings (deaths, closures, major church events)
- Announcements
- I would NO LONGER like to receive the mailed paper version of *The Window*

CHOOSE YOUR ADVENTURE TODAY!!!

CONGREGATIONS OF THE WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA CONFERENCE KNOW THE IMPORTANCE OF BUILDING AND STRENGTHENING A SPIRITUAL FOUNDATION IN ALL FOLLOWERS OF CHRIST. ONE WAY TO DO THIS IS THROUGH THE PROGRAMS AND FACILITIES OF OUR THREE CAMPS AND OLMSTED MANOR RETREAT CENTER. CAMP ALLEGHENY, WESLEY WOODS AND JUMONVILLE ARE ALL DEDICATED TO SERVING THE DIVERSE POPULATION OF WESTERN PA BY OFFERING UNIQUE EXPERIENCES FOR CONNECTING WITH GOD, HAVING FUN AND DEVELOPING SPIRITUAL MATURITY IN A NATURAL SETTING.



We provide a safe, sacred space with excellent facilities, Christian hospitality, and disciple making programs. Our mission is to ignite and sustain a passionate, spiritual connection with Jesus through Christian community in a beautiful mountain setting.

P: 814-754-5122 Stoystown, PA
www.campallegheny.org



We are located about 50 miles south of Pittsburgh and we offer mini-camps & family camps for younger ages through adults, as well as week-long, co-ed, (arts, adventure, sports, samplers and special interest) camps for ages 8-18. Devotions, Bible study, and worship are an integral part of this lively growth experience. Events include sports camps, adventure camps, creative & performing arts camps, mini camps and all around camps... we've got something for everyone. *P: 724-439-4912 Hopwood, PA*

www.jumonville.org



Our mission is to serve alongside local churches in order to develop disciples and devoted followers of Jesus Christ through summer camp and year round retreat ministries. Adventure Camps include the high and low challenge course, rock climbing, rappelling, hiking, canoing, and challenge games. Each week's program is planned for the age group and experience of the campers. Other activities include Bible study, worship, swimming, campfires, crafts, and so much more.

P: 814-436-7802 Grand Valley, PA
www.wesleywoods.com

MORE INFORMATION ONLINE

VIEW THE FULL CALENDAR OR TO REGISTER FOR CAMP
VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT:

WPAUMC.ORG/CAMPING