

WELCOME

TO WESTWOOD UMC

We welcome you in genuine fellowship as we worship together this morning. If you need assistance locating the Nursery or a Sunday School class (for adults or children), please don't hesitate to ask an usher! Our prayer is that this will be a time of spiritual renewal for you and the body of Christ. Please visit our Welcome Center to find more information on our programs, services, and study opportunities.

Please register babies, birth—2 year olds at their room in the nursery located on the first floor. If you need assistance please ask an usher!

Please register your children at the Welcome Center entrance and keep them with you until they are dismissed at which time they will go to their classrooms. Preschool classes will be located downstairs and elementary classes will be on the same level as the Sanctuary.

Parents, during the 9:30 service, please feel free to use the Heritage Room if you need to walk a fussy child. An usher will be glad to show you this room which has speaker broadcasting.

NEWS & NOTES

HOSPITAL NEWS Ginny Chizer is at Hospice Mercy Western Hills, Betty Jo Lilly is at Wellspring and Ruth Trennepohl is at Mercy Western Hills Rehab.

CONGRATULATIONS Tracy & Craig Lattarulo on the birth of their daughter Carly Elizabeth, born October 9th, weighing 8 lbs. Her proud big brother is Ryan and her grandmother is Chris Hetz. Congratulations also goes to Laura & Joe Schutte on the birth of their daughter Lucille, born October 6th, Anne & Rick Miller are the proud grandparents.

REVELATION STUDY WITH REV. SCHNEIDER will not be meeting October 21st or October 28th. Everyone is invited to attend Dr. Lee's study on Messy Christianity in Epworth Hall.

COOKIE MAKERS: Please bring your cookies for the Twin Towers Tea to the WUMC Church office by 2:00 pm on Monday October 26. They will be picked up and delivered to Twin Towers that afternoon. The Twin Towers Tea is Tuesday, October 27th.

GALLERY OF ARTIST We are looking for talents of all kinds to join our exhibit of art!! Anything your hands were blessed to make, we are interested in!! Just check the box on the Connection Card or call Sinda @ (513) 481-4673.

LAROSA PEELERS are now available for purchase in the Trolley Room. This is an annual fundraiser for the WUMC Preschool. We receive \$4 for every \$10 peeler purchased. LaRosa is an active supporter of our Preschool program, granting us 2 scholarships for the school year. **PANERA BREAD PEELERS** are also available on the Preschool line-up of fund raisers. This is a great way for us to support our preschool. Be sure to stop by and pick up your peeler soon. Call 661-1166 for more information.

WANT TO HELP SOMEONE IN NEED Do you have an electric or gas stove in working condition that someone could have? If so please call the church office at 661-3139 and let us know. The youth group is also looking for a refrigerator if you have one they could have please let Josh know by contacting him at josh@wumc.cc or 661-3139.

All Aboard! The Westwood UMC Express is pulling into the station on November 22nd and we want every one aboard for the ride! Keep an eye out for the train schedule to arrive the end of October or in the mail the beginning of November. Then you can review the journey that you and your Heavenly Conductor decide works best for you. Our coaches have plenty of seating so don't be left at the station, more information to come.

THE SERMON SERIES IN NOVEMBER will explore four of the *Five Practices of Fruitful Congregations*, by Robert Schnase. Small Groups and Sunday School classes will look at this study for one session. If you are not in a small group or Sunday school, consider yourself invited to join one. We are also planning for several groups to meet one time for the sole purpose of discussing this vital study. For more information about when groups will be having their discussion, please mark your Connection Card, or call the church office, 661-3139.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22 Jim Wallis will be speaking at the Christian Community Development Association Annual conference. Jim will present on the topic of "Synergy: Pursuing a New Commitment to Partnerships". Jim is the author of the New York Times best-seller, *The Great Awakening: Reviving Faith and Politics in a Post-Religious Right America*. CCDA Annual conference will be at the Duke Energy Center at 7:00 pm.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT WESTWOOD UMC

FAMILY MINISTRIES AND SMALL GROUPS

ARE YOU FANATICAL ABOUT FITNESS? Crazy about nutrition? Want to help others feel their best both physically and spiritually? The new Health and Wellness team is looking for person interesting in enhancing the well-being of the congregation and the community. Medical and non-medical personnel are welcome in this exciting ministry. For more information, contact Sarah Freeman, Pastor Kathleen Kisner or mark the Connection Card.



TRUNK OR TREAT is coming soon! The goal of this event is to meet new folks living around the church and help them feel welcome. This will be a fun time on October 31st for our church and community. We are looking for people to come and pass out candy. We want 25 cars or more to come to this time of neighborhood hospitality and fun. This is going to be a fun and exciting time. There will be music, bond fire, marshmallows to roast, hot chocolate, cider and fun activities. Be sure to get your spot! Sign up on your Connection Card or in the gym today.

WORSHIP AND ARTS

Our Worship and Arts ministry is always looking for singers, instrumentalists, technicians, ushers, greeters, organizers, and more to praise the Lord and to grow as His disciples--no experience necessary!

STUDENT MINISTRIES

Youth Group meets on Sunday night from 6:00 pm—8:00 pm in the gym
Middle School (Grades 7-8) meets in the back of Epworth Hall at 9:30 am, Sunday mornings
High School (Grades 9-12) meets in the Youth Room at 9:30 am, Sunday mornings

Come join us this week as we talk about Theodicy. Theodicy is a \$10 word that really asks How a loving God could allow evil to happen in the world.

Here's a quick look of the next couple of weeks at Youth Group:

- 10.25.09 You can dance if you want to....
- 11.01.09 But mom...everyone else is doing it.
- 11.18.09 Reliving Woodstock

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

You can get your box today to fill and bring back for this wonderful ministry our church is a part of. The filled boxes are due back November 15th. This is Operation Christmas Child Dedication Sunday and each box will be prayed over. God already knows who will receive each box and we trust Him to bless each child in a special way. Prayerfully consider how you can be a part of this exciting ministry.

WALKERS TO DISTRIBUTE DOOR HANGERS

The evangelism committee is looking for help. We need people who can walk our neighborhood and put fliers or door hangers on each house or apartment to invite the community to some upcoming events. We will be having our fun and exciting trunk or treat. So, if you can help by getting this information to our neighbors, please sign up on your Connection Card.

CIRCLE MEETINGS

<i>Coleman/Hearn Circle</i>	Oct. 20th	Dona McMahan's home	9:30 am
<i>Montfort/Vath Circle</i>	Oct. 20th	Parlor	9:30 am
<i>The Knitting Circle</i>	Oct. 26th	Rev. Kisner's home	7:00 pm

UMW UNIT MEETING

UMW November Unit Meeting Theme is "Room at the Table", the meeting demonstrates "Room for Supportive Community", when a representative from Ottervein Retirement Center presents an overview of the programs and facilities of that community. The program and meeting will be in the Sanctuary at 10:30, November 5th, followed by lunch in the gym at 12:15. There's always room at the UMW table for you. Hope to see you there. Call Sue Lunsford for reservations at 941-2822. Remember your food pantry item.

MESSY CHRISTIANITY This week we'll talk about the *Five Practices of Fruitful Congregations* which are: radical hospitality, intentional faith development, risk taking mission, passionate worship and generous giving and place this in the context of poverty, homelessness, urban missions and our lives. Join us in Epworth Hall at 6:30, Wednesday night.

DATE TO REMEMBER— 07/10/2010—Travel to Oberammergau Passion Play with Pastor Lee and Beth. For more information, brochures are in the Welcome Center.

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