

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 Roger Miller is at Mercy Western Hills, Ginny Chizer is at Hospice Mercy Western Hills, Betty Jo Lilly is at Christ.

OUR PRAYERS AND CONDOLENCES go to Gordon Hone and family on the death of his mother, Midred Hone, October 14th.

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

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.

TWIN TOWERS Schedule a tour to see our patio homes, apartments, assisted living, adult day stay or one of the other many services we offer. Call Miriam at 853-2001 and see how we can enrich your life with our wonderful community.

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.

WANT TO HELP SOMEONE IN NEED Do you have a gas stove in working condition that someone could have? If so please call the church office at 661-3139 and let us know.

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.

THANKS to a group of cleanup volunteers, who worked last Saturday both inside and outside. This group "The Fellowship" is greatly appreciated for their ministry in the church.

SECRET SANTA'S WORKSHOP the Christmas craft fair is in need of jewelry, figurines, stationery, candles, etc.-anything a child could purchase for mom and dad. You can place your items in the basket in the Welcome Center.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD If you haven't picked up your box to fill for that special child remember to get it today! It will need to be back by November 15th so it can be included in the dedication of all of the boxes before they are shipped out.

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. Be sure to get your spot! Sign up on your Connection Card 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 could a loving God 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.
- 11.08.09 Reliving Woodstock

UPWARD BASKETBALL

If you are interested in helping or just finding out more about Upward Basketball come join us at the meeting Sunday, November 1st, following the 11:00 service in the youth room. Upward is a great experience and a wonderful opportunity for our church to reach out into the neighborhood.

CIRCLE MEETINGS

<i>The Knitting Circle</i>	October 26th	Rev. Kisner's home	7:00 pm
<i>Powers/Wright</i>	November 12th	Saints Room	7:00 pm
<i>Brandt/Freeman Circle</i>	November 17th	V. Marker's home	9:30 am
<i>Anger Circle</i>	November 17th	Church Library	10:00 am
<i>Coleman/Hearn Circle</i>	November 17th	J. Hearn's home	9:30 am
<i>Tritschler</i>	November 18th	Parlor	7:00 pm
<i>Montfort/Vath Circle</i>	November 19th	Parlor	9:30 am
<i>The Knitting Circle</i>	November 23rd	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 Otterbein 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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