

November 2016

Special points of interest:

Nov 2 Choir UMW

Nov 3 Keenagers

Nov 5 Hall Closet Thrift Memorial Service

Nov 6 Communion

Nov 8 Sarah Circle

Nov 9 Choir

Nov 10 Lunch Bunch

 $Nov\ 13$ Sunday School & Worship

Nov 16 Choir

Nov 17 MOO Nov. 18 OCC Shoebox packing party Nov 19 Sunday School Vendor Sale Nov 20 Sunday School & Worship Nov 21 Rachel Circle Nov 22 Thanksgiving Service Nov 24 Office Closed Nov 25 Office Closed Nov 25 Office Closed Nov 27 No Sunday School Nov 28 Trumpet/Organ recital Nov 29 Ladies Fellowship Nov 30 choir

Sunday school 8:45 a.m.

Sunday Worship Service 10 a.m.

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Orems United Methodist Church

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

SHOE BOX PACKING PARTY

Friday, November 18th

5:00-8:00 p.m.

(includes Pizza, salad and drinks for dinner). Thanks for all your help! We really need donations toward the shipping of the Packing party boxes. Each box cost \$7 to ship. Please consider donating the this cost. Our goal is to pack 75 boxes. Help us reach our goal!



Saturday, November 19th 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. VENDOR SALE HOSTED BY OREMS SUNDAY SCHOOL

This is a sale that includes members of our community that have a home based business. This is a great way to support local small businesses. The vendors scheduled to participate are: Avon, Keep Collective, Papparazzi, It Works, 31 Bags, Oragami Owl, Jamberry, Younique, Whiskey Mermaid, Scentsy and LuLaRoe.

Veteran's Day Recognition November 13th

Orems Church would like to honor all those who are serving in the military or who have served in the military on Sunday Nov. 13th in our Worship bulletin. Please drop a note in the offering plate or call the church office (410-687-9483) before November 9th. Please include Name, rank, years, and service information.

Veteran's Day is observed by our Nation on November 11th. Take time to Honor those who have served our Country.

Please keep our active service men and women in your prayers as they continue to work to bring peace and freedom to our world. Dear Church- Music is in full swing here at Orems. Chancel Choir meets on Wednesday nights from 7-8:15. We sing most every Sunday, Holy day, Christmas Eve, Easter and more. Music reading is NOT NESSECARY but helpful. Anyone 18 and older is welcome to join us. Music and learning cds are provided. NEW MEM-BERS ALWAYS WELCOME.



Sanctuary choir is for those who do not want to make the weekly commitment but like to sing for special occasions, holy days and most of all our 2 yearly cantatas. WITHOUT YOU these things CAN'T happen. Learning CDs and music are provided. Rehearsals are generally on Wednesday evening with the chancel choir beginning at 7:35. We have a great time- come check us out.

Special Concert opportunity at Orems on Monday evening, November 28th at 7:30 p.m. Trumpet and Organ Recital.

On Sunday December 11 at the 10 a.m. Worship service, we will present the Christmas Cantata " Light of Bethlehem" We hope you will enjoy this delightful addition to the Advent season. Dress Rehearsal for the cantata will take place Sat. Dec 10th at 9 a.m.

As always I am looking forward to a great season of making a joyful noise unto the lord, Best always, Ben Director of Music and Organist



Good people of Orems-

I want to thank you from the bottom of my heart for your prayers, cards, and concern. The cards are on my mantel to remind me of you. It's been a hard couple of months and I still have a ways to go, but your caring has made it easier. Orems is a loving and caring church and I am glad to be a part of it! Thanks again!

In God's love, Leona Egner P.S. I would like to Thank all the veterans who served our country so willingly and honorably.

Dear Orems Church Family, I want to thank you for your love and support before and after Bob's passing. Your prayers, beautiful flowers and cards gave me great comfort. Thank you for all your kindness during this difficult time. God Bless you, Ruth Shifflett

Thank you so much Little Feet Mission for the School Supplies that you gave to our school. Our students really appreciate the help. God Bless, Victory Villa Elementary School Greetings Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

When I think about Orems United Methodist Church I think about a lot of things. Of course I think about the people who attend worship regularly, all of its members, the missions it supports, and in particular all of its storied history that goes way back to 1773. I've been thinking about the blessings and hard work of the foremothers and forefathers of this church; those who brought Orems to this point in its storied history.



Orems certainly has a storied history. But I wonder, and here is the question I have been asking myself a lot lately, what would God have us do *now*? We have a storied past. We have stood on the shoulders of giants like Francis Asbury, Nora Hall, Milt Durham, and countless others but what would God do with us *now*?

Certainly, friends, we must always be thankful for our past, but we must not remain *there*. We must move forward trusting God will do something new *in* us and *with* us. Something powerful. Something transformational. Something that future generations, Lord willing, could look back to and say that God really moved in *their* church during that time.

God is still moving and God is still with us. Let us give thanks for this Truth during this November and always. Let us also be thankful for our past, our history, as we ask God to give us the vision, the wisdom, and the strength to act in God's will for the present and a future that would ever be more in connection with Christ, Himself.

Be thankful and be blessed!

Pastor Chris



KEENAGERS (fellowship group for those 55 and over)

Keenagers will meet at Bob Evans for our November meeting on November 3rd at 11:30 a.m. We are busy making plans for the winter. Our Christmas lunch will be at a restaurant on December 1st. More details in Dec. news. Hope to see you there! Butch Frank



FUEL 2016 Faith Undertaken in Everyday Life

The event is over but the dedication to serve the homeless is just beginning. We are going

to serve together in action and truth at <u>Streets of Hope (SOH) Men's Shel-</u> <u>ter on Sunday November 13th from 3-8pm</u>. There will be various jobs to do moving into their shelter location at Zion UCC in Middle River. Some folks will assist in moving equipment from a storage unit off site to the location, while others will be working to get everything set up. We are all gifted for service and we can't do it without you.

Date: 11/13/2016 (Sun.) **Time:** 3:00pm - 8:00pm EDT **Location:** Zion UCC-7146 Golden Ring Rd. Essex, MD 21221 ***To sign up** go to **Signupgeni-us.com** and click on "Find a Sign Up" at the right top of the page. Then use the "search by email" function and type in: <u>chrisdembeck@gmail.com</u> and you will be taken to the sign up page where you can register or call the church office at 410-687-9483.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

Fall is in the air and it is time for us to start meeting again! United Methodist Women (UMW) is a group for women in our church. We meet once a month and every woman is invited to attend (you do not need to be a member of the church).

We will meet on Wednesday, November 2nd at 7 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We will be talking about events that we are planning. Donations of Body Wash for Boys and girls will be collected for Christmas and will be gifted directly to the children who live at the Board of Child Care. Each year we collect these items as an outreach of Orems United Methodist Church and your donations are a blessing to these children in need. Questions? Please see Margaret Eney or Charlotte West. Hope to see you at the meeting!

The Ladies Fellowship Luncheon will be held at Double T Diner on Tues, November 29th at Noon. Be sure to let Gloria Asbury know if you are attending so we can have enough seats. This is a great time of fellowship for our women. Please join us.



Poinsettia Orders Call in your Flower order to the office 410-687-9483

Or email at oremsumc@verizon .net.

Order due by Sunday, Dec 11th, Cost \$7.00, Payment due with order.

Please state

Red or White Poinsettias

Please state the wording you would like (in memory, honor, thanks, to the Glory of God, etc.)

Thank you for allowing Orems to borrow your plant to beautify our altar during the Christmas season.

You may take your poinsettia home after the candlelight worship service on Christmas Eve.

Stewardship moment

So, when did the concept of stewardship actually begin. At the beginning, of course! Genesis 1:1-31 – When you have a moment, read the first 31 verses of Chapter 1. God is pretty clear about stewardship and what it means.

Vs. 26 is most interesting. The common English bible (also known as CEB) reads: *then God said " let <u>us</u> make humanity in <u>our</u> image to resemble <u>us</u> so that they may take charge of the fish of the <i>sea...etc"* us? Wesley, like most theologians of the day assumed this to be Father, Son and Holy Ghost--the trinity. Most translations read pretty much the same way.

So, humanity was charged with taking care of the earth and all that dwells therein. How that has developed into today's concept of stewardship is a matter of great discussion. The fact is God put us in charge and it's up to us to take care of the planet.

The idea of our time, talent and gifts isn't far behind, because it's up to us to be good stewards of all three as regards our church. We'll get into each of those three items as we move forward in discovering our stewardship opportunities.

For the moment though, take the time to reread the creation story in Genesis again for the first time! It will set up our future discussions!

Norris Tingle, Jr. Stewardship Chair



Angel Tree Mission

The tree will be up on Nov 20th with the names of Children and their list of Christmas Wishes. If you prefer, you may donate money and we will shop for you. Adopt a child for the season by filling out the Angel Log with your name, the Child's name and code written on the Angel. Please remember

that this is the only Christmas gifts this child will receive. <u>Team up with a friend and expand your shopping money</u>. Please Help us provide a good Christmas for children from the Middle River area. Gifts must be returned to the Church by December 11th. Thank you for supporting this mission.

Food Pantry News

Our pantry frequently receives requests for food. When you are out grocery shopping think of our Food Pantry.

Here is the list of needed items: Canned Chicken, canned hams, Cereals, canned potatoes, turkey gravy, canned mixed fruit, applesauce, corn bread mix, cranberry sauce, and juices. We will also gladly accept gift cards to area Food stores so that folks can purchase Milk, eggs and bread.

Thank you for all you do to help keep this mission working.

Pixie Faulkner

Help Our Mission!

The United Methodist Women continue to support *The Center for Pregnancy Concerns. This Center is*

reaching out to women who are in a time of their lives when they are vulnerable and in great need of support. The Center is accepting do-



nations of Maternity Clothing, Baby clothes up to size 4 T, and other items a mother to be may need. You may drop off the donations at the Center at 442 Eastern Avenue or bring your donations to the Church (**Please have them marked For CPC or Center for Pregnancy**) and we will see that they are delivered to the Center. Thank you for helping with this worthwhile mission.

DISCIPLES OF YARN

The month of September continues to be busy for the members of the Disciples of Yarn. As we meet for Needlebees



and work on prayer shawls at home, it is apparent that the commitment to this mission remains strong in our church.

There were several prayer shawls given out in September and early October. It is our hope that these shawls continue to bless the people who receive them.

If you crochet or knit, or would like to learn, please join us at the next Needlebees meeting. The dates and times are in your Church bulletin.



Blessings, Dottie Daiger

The Disciples of Yarn continue to crochet and knit these lovely shawls that are given in prayer and hope of healing for each recipient.

If you crochet or knit, or would like to learn, please join us at the next Needlebees meeting. The dates and times are November 8th and 22nd

> **DECEMBER Newsletter Deadline** is Sunday, November 13th. Please have articles turned in to the office by that date.



IT'S SHOE BOX TIME!!! We have had a long tradition at Orems Church of

participating in Franklin Graham's Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child campaign.. If you would like to fill a shoe box. The shoe boxes may be filled with small toys (no war toys or guns please), crayons, small books, school supplies, sun glasses, flashlights and batteries, band aids and pocket size Kleenex, chap stick and gum, tooth brush and hair brush or comb, wash cloth and soap, jump ropes, socks and t shirts. Don't forget your shipping payment and labels. If you pay online for shipping you can print off a shipping label that allows your box to be tracked and after Christmas you will receive an email telling you where your boxes was sent. You can also include a Christmas card with a note from your family to the recipient of your shoe box.

Friday November 18th we will have a packing party 5:00-8:00 p.m. (includes Pizza, salad and drinks for dinner). November 20th will be the blessing of the boxes. So please have your boxes back to Church by that date. Let's make this year our biggest yet!! Please consider donating toward the shipping cost of the boxes for our packing party. Each box cost \$7 to ship.

Thanks for all your help! Michele McNeal

DID YOU KNOW?

If you miss a Sunday Service or would like to hear that great sermon again during the week, you can go to Orems website and listen to Pastor Chris preach his sermon again. It is fun to go back a few weeks and listen or even a few months back.

To access these sermons, go to the website at www.oremsumc.org at the home page click on STAY INFORMED and the word Sermons will pop up. Click on that and a list of sermons will be available by date. Just click on the one you want to hear.

MOO NEWS

The MEN OF OREMS was formed 5 years ago as a group for fellowship of men in the church. The men decided their pur-



pose would be to "Get Things Done" around the church. And in 5 years they have accomplished a good many things. Each year they raise money to pay for the mowing of our cemetery and church lawns with a spaghetti dinner. Look for that event in March.

This group usually meets the fourth Thursday of the month but they skip November and will be meeting December 8th for their November/December meeting night.

Group leaders and Individuals:



If you are planning a meeting or event, please notify the office so that it can be added to our calendar. This is important for insurance purposes as well as avoiding conflicts with room usages. Thank you

Sunday School News

We are happy to tell to you that we have 20 children enrolled in Sunday school this year. We have some exciting things planned.

Sunday, Nov.13th we will celebrate Children's Day in church. The children will be participating in the service and singing for you. We hope you will be there!

Saturday, Nov 19th, from 10 to 1, we will hosting a Vendor Sale.

Sunday, Dec. 4th - Christmas Play and Covered Dish dinner.

We will not be having Sunday school on Sunday, Nov. 27th (Thanksgiving weekend).

Blessings,

The Sunday school Staff



Christmas Bazaar at Chesaco United Methodist Church

November 5, 2016

9 am to 2 pm

Handmade crafts, Belgian Waffles, Polish Hot Dogs and Reg Hot dogs, Bake table, Fun for everyone! Chesaco UMC, 901 Chesaco Ave, Rosedale. 410-687-0250 for more information.

Craft Fair was Awesome!

The OUMC Craft Fair was an enormous success! We would like to thank the Moo (and Chef Wes) for the amazing pit beef and ham that was enjoyed by all. The MOO sold out of meat around noon and netted the most money ever in selling pit beef and ham.

Also a big thanks to the Women's Group for their assistance for providing excellent food choices and beverages to the vendors and shoppers. Their proceeds went to the Ruth Burddick Scholarship fund.

Thanks to the great signs on the church lawn, crafted by John Warrander (made in the 100 degree heat), we had approximately 200+ people attend this event based on the monetary donations and canned goods collected. Thanks to Nikki Hart and Linda Hall for their help in collecting the donations for the food pantry and seeing that everyone received a ticket for the door prize drawings and for Linda handling all the money.

Kudo's to John W. and Wes (jack of all trades) for assisting us with table set ups using a very crude drawing of the fellowship hall layout.

A shout out to Vicki Borreson for fielding calls and emails, and mailing registration forms to vendors throughout the planning of this event. We gave out 20 door prizes to lucky shoppers throughout the event.

Based on the feedback from the vendor surveys, positive feedback was provided, along with hints to improve this event for next year. We look forward to making this an annual event for OUMC.

Thanks a million,

Joyce Serio & Trish Alvey