



## June 2013

### Special points of interest:

- June 1 -Hall Closet Thrift Shop open 8:30 a.m. to Noon
- June 2—Communion
- June 4 - Esther Circle  
Needle Bees
- June 5—United Methodist Women
- June 6 – Keenagers
- June 8 - Wedding
- June 11 - Sarah Circle
- June 13 - Lunch Bunch
- June 17—Rachel Circle
- June 18—Web Site meeting
- June 23 Prayer Shawl Blessing
- June 25—Needle Bees
- June 27—MOO
- June 24-July 5th Fellowship Hall Floor installation

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# OREMS BEACON

## Orems United Methodist Church

### NEW MEMBER FELLOWSHIP CLASS

A fellowship class for people who are interested in joining the church will begin on Sunday June 2, 2013. There will be three classes. The Class dates are Sunday, June 2, June 9, June 16 from 12 Noon to 2:00 p.m. PLEASE PLAN TO BRING A BAG LUNCH. The church will provide the drinks. A sign-up sheet will be circulating for you to put your name on, if you wish to join Orems Church.

We will receive new members into our church on Sunday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> during worship. There will be a fellowship luncheon on June 23<sup>rd</sup> in the fellowship hall immediately after worship that day to meet and greet our new members. Please put this on your calendar and celebrate with us.

### United Methodist respond to Oklahoma tornado

On May 20, a devastating tornado hit Moore, Okla. The United Methodist Church responded immediately with prayers and resources. The United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to alleviating human suffering around the globe. They provide humanitarian relief when war, conflict, or natural disaster disrupt life to such an extent that communities are unable to recover on their own. UMCOR is accepting online donations at [www.umcor.org](http://www.umcor.org); Or by phone just call 1-800-554-8543; To make an immediate \$10 donation, text the word RESPONSE to 80888. When you donate to UMCOR you know that 100 percent of your donation goes to disaster relief efforts. Checks can be made to UMCOR or Orems United Methodist Church with the notation "United States Disaster Response #901670." Learn more about the how the church is dealing with disaster and read about how people are experiencing God's presence in the tragic aftermath of the storm by going to <http://umcconversations.org/>. "This is not a one-day or two-day headline event," said Oklahoma Area Bishop Robert E. Hayes, Jr. "This will affect people's lives for the rest of their lives. We are prepared for the long-haul."

Relief kits will also be needed, especially health kits and school kits. For information about how to assemble these, visit UMCOR Relief Supplies page on the UMCOR website. Kits can be sent to any of the depots in the UMCOR Relief-Supply Network

Rev. Ann is going to Kenya in July. Below is a list of items you may like to donate to help the Mission team working with the Deaf school.

### WISH LIST FOR DEAF MINISTRY GIFTS FOR KENYA

20 LARGE suitcases (with wheels please) to take gifts to Kenya (suitcases will be left in Kenya)

Educational toys (not heavy in weight)

Educational books that are culturally appropriate for African kids in a rural area

School supplies (NOT loose leaf paper)

Pencils, pens, kids scissors, glue, scotch tape, small boxes of crayons

Underwear for kids age 4 to adult, any size, for boys and girls. And bras for girls.

(Not socks and undershirts)

MONEY, MONEY, MONEY for -

Educational supplies for teachers

for making crafts for Vacation Bible School

for sports equipment

for the many needs of the kids and the schools.

To buy beds, mattress and bedding so that Njia can admit more students in their new dorm.

For each new student they need \$40 to get each Deaf kid into school and give him/her a "life."

I, personally, thank you for your support of this mission effort. I am not asking for money to send me there. I am paying my own way. Any money you give will go directly to our mission there. If you want to write a tax-deductible check, make it out to United Methodist Congress of the deaf (UMCD)

Blessings, *Rev. Ann*



**Scholarships** The Scholarship Committee will present the scholarships to our Recipient at the worship service on June 9th. Congratulations to Rachel Walters.

***If you have a graduate in your family, please share the good news with your Church family. Elementary through Graduate School—we want to share the joy of your accomplishments. You can drop a note to the office or email the office at [oremsumc@verizon.net](mailto:oremsumc@verizon.net) We will need the School name, student name, and details of awards, degree earned, next step in education or job offer and any other future plans. There will be a special section devoted to Graduates in our Summer Newsletter.***



## MEMORIAL FUND

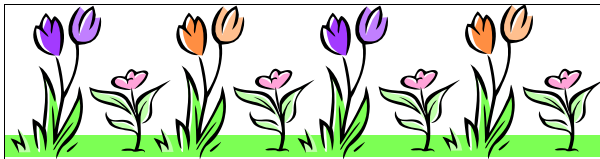
The following memorials have been given in memory and in honor of loved ones:

### In memory of:

**Nora Hall** given by United Methodist Women

**Johanna Dawson** by Sue Rose  
Thank you for your thoughtfulness.

Yours in Christ  
Donna Winner,  
Memorial Fund Treasurer



The Thrift Shop will be open on June 1st, July 13th, and August 3rd. Remind your friends and neighbors that our Thrift shop has two full rooms of shopping for bargains. IF you haven't seen the new room stop by. We have plenty of summer items available for sale.

Thank you to all who support our thrift shop with donations through the year.

The Men of Orem's will be offering Pit Beef sandwiches, chips and sodas through the Summer months on our Thrift Shop Sale days. Remember to come out and support both activities.

## Disciples of Yarn

I will have a blessing of our prayer shawls on June 23rd. Finish your project in time to have them blessed. I have plenty of shawls to meet your needs. Please ask for them. I keep some in the narthex. The ushers can always help you if I am not available.

In May, Judi Maynor and I attended a Luncheon at Franklin Square Hospital for a Blessing of Prayer Shawls. We heard several people speak about the true blessing that the Prayer shawls give to patients in crisis. One of the nurses told us while the Hospital can heal the physical body, it is the prayer shawls that help to heal the soul. What a wonderful thing it is to hear that our handiwork can do the work of God beyond our understanding. We pray as we crochet and we hope that our shawl will bring comfort and love. But we now know that our shawls perform a much more important role for the recipient. The personal stories from recipients were heartwarming and they were so appreciative. The luncheon became a Blessing for those of us who make the shawls.



Thank you to everyone who participates in this mission. I hope you can now understand the depth of what we offer to those in need. If you would like to donate yarn or money to purchase yarn to the Disciples of Yarn, please see me or contact the church office.

Watch your bulletin for meeting dates of our Needle Bees knitting group. Come and join us for an evening of fellowship and craft work.

Thank you to all of our dedicated crocheters for the love they give this mission.

God's Blessings

Mildred Shephard



## Orem United Methodist Women

The Orem United Methodist Women invites you to join us at our meeting on June 5, 2013 in the Fellowship Hall. The United Methodist Women meets the first Wednesday of each month (except July & August). The UMW is comprised of 4 Circles. Rachel Circle, Sarah Circle, Esther Circle & Mary Circle. Each group meets in fellowship once a month. It is a wonderful way to grow in friendship and share God's love.

In today's busy life it is hard to find time to be in fellowship with one another. The UMW provides time to for women to grow in fellowship with one another as they work together in mission.

Thank you to everyone who helped with the Easter Egg Hunt in March (especially those who hid the 460 eggs!). There were 26 very excited children who made crafts, heard the Easter Story, hunted eggs, ate Easter Snacks and had their picture taken with the Easter Bunny

We still collecting eye glasses for the New Eyes for the Needy Program. Look for the specially marked box.

The UMW Go Green/Recycle — We are collecting old Cell phones (no chargers or accessories please) in the specially marked box for the cell phones. This project not only helps the environment, gives you a place to discard unwanted cell phones but it also is a fundraiser for the UMW.

Last summer, We began a mission to make Pillowcase Dresses to Stop Human Trafficking. We blessed 63 dresses on Sunday May 12th. The longer dresses will be shipped to Cameroon West Africa.

Margaret Eney, President, Orem U.M.W.

Human Trafficking is a real problem in our country. In fact Baltimore and Washington D.C. are a huge area for importing and exporting HUMANS. The port of Baltimore and the accessibility due to Interstate 95 makes our area a perfect location. So we are asking you to be on the watch for unusual behavior. \*Be WATCHFUL and\* \*ALERT!\* \*If you suspect something make the call, you could save a life. National Human Trafficking Resource Center at \*1-888-3737-888\* A National, toll-free hotline, available to answer calls from anywhere in the country, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, everyday of the year.



We currently have two big projects under construction. Mike Walters has begun running cables and wiring for our Projection system. The Administrative Council approved a plan to add a Sound/Video system to our Sanctuary. There will be a cabinet in the back of the Sanctuary that will be command central for sound and video. This is an exciting addition to our worship experience. We look forward to watching each step as our system gets installed.

Our second construction site is the Fellowship Hall. New Tile will be installed beginning June 24th. We will need help clearing the hall after the New Member reception on June 23rd to prepare for this work. We thank everyone in advance for stepping up to help on June 23rd. And we look forward to the new flooring being installed.

## Orems From the Past to the Present

**CROSS TRAINING FOR ELEMENTARY AGE CHILDREN** is combined with JAM during Worship time. Our children attend worship then leave after the Children's message to attend JAM. Youth meet for classes at 9 am. Seekers meet at 8:45 am

### Food Pantry

.Here is the list of items needed: stews, instant potatoes, Canned Hams, canned Chicken, Boxed Juices, canned fruits of all kinds, oatmeal, biscuit mixes, Jello and pudding, jelly and saltine crackers, rice, powdered milk.



Newsletter Deadline for June News is June 15th. Please have material into the Office for that publication by that date.

240th Anniversary Bonfire on September 21st and Worship Service September 22nd. To celebrate 240 years of serving God in our Community, we will have hot dogs, chips and sodas. And S'mores for dessert! We will need donations of Hershey Bars, Graham Crackers and Marshmallows. If you can help with this donation please contact the church office. We won't need them brought to the church until September.

There are lots of special activities planned for the celebration. Fun for adults and Children. Music and games and great fellowship. Invite your neighbors and friends to join us for our great celebration!

Sunday morning Sept 22nd will be Church Pride Day in our worship service. We will visit the past in pictures and stories and look to the future of Orems Church. The United Methodist Women have offered to help us with a luncheon following the service and they will need food donations. Wear your Orems Shirts and celebrate 240 years. Pass The Word!



### Online Offering Payment

**If you pay most or all of your bills online, consider adding Orems United Methodist Church to your list.**

**Our mailing address is  
1020 Orems Road, Middle River, MD 21220.  
Save yourself the task of finding a stamp or writing a check.**



♪ Notes from the desk of Ben Boellner,  
Director of Music Ministries ♪

Dear Church family,

Wow time flies when you are having fun! I have now officially been with you for 2 months and counting. I am so thankful for everyone's warm welcome and well wishes. The music program we have is absolutely outstanding. Many thanks go out to the wonderful choir as well as Rev Ann. Working with them for the past 2 months has been a treat. I am very much looking forward to a new choir season in the fall.

Over the summer many things will be going on. I am establishing next year's choir music and plans, as well as organizing and practicing up a storm! I could use a few volunteers for a few small projects. If you would like to donate some free time to me please let me know.

Just a few reminders:

- \* If you sing or play an instrument PLEASE see me and sign up for summer music.

There are spots where the choir would sing as well as an offertory. I will be happy to arrange a practice time with you as well as accompany. WE still have several Sundays open so contact me ASAP.

- \* Choir season will end on Sunday May 26<sup>th</sup>. A choir party is in the works. Details to follow as plans are set.

- \* My summer office hours are M, W, and F from 9am till 2pm. (subject to change without notice.) If you are in the building please feel free to pop in and say hello. Or if you have any questions and or would like to get involved in our music program.

My contact information is as followed-

Cell# 443-691-7765 – Yes I do text feel free to text. Just tell me who you are.

Email: [Ben@ben-boellner.com](mailto:Ben@ben-boellner.com) I respond no later than 24 hours.

I am so Blessed and thankful to work within such a great faith community and staff.

If you have any questions or want to get involved. Contact me.

Happy summer and be well,  
Benjamin Boellner  
Director of Music and Organist.





Piney Grove United Methodist Church invites you to join them for a Flea Market on June 1st. From 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on the Church grounds. Piney Grove UMC is located at the corner of Bowleys Quarters Road and Carroll Island Road .

For more information call: 410-335-6927

St. Matthew Lutheran Church will also be holding a Flea Market on June 1st from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. to raise support for their mission trip to Ecuador. Food, and baked goods will be sold. If you have things to sell — Table space is available. Rental fee goes to support the Ecuador mission. Please Call 410-335-4210 to reserve a space. St Matthew Church is located at the

corner of Bowleys Quarters Road and Red Rose Farm Road —just about a mile down from Piney Grove

## **OFFICE NEWS**

Our new copier has arrived! We now have a Toshiba Copier in the Workroom. If you are the Chair of a Committee or in a Leadership position that requires you to occasionally use our copier, please contact the Church office for your user code. We are not limiting the amount of copies you make just keeping track of our usage.

If you would like to participate in our training session with ABS Business Systems, contact the church office as we are scheduling training days soon. Our copier can do many things and it is best to be trained by one of the Company representatives.

## **Dinner Out Fundraiser**

Who: Your Orem's Church Friends and Family  
(and anyone else you wish to invite)

Why: Why not?? Food, Friends, Fellowship and we make some money for Orem's Church. Any questions?

You have to eat, why not join friends from Orem's Church and eat together. We are currently planning another great Dinner Out night. We had many of you stop in to 5 Guys Burgers for our last Dinner Out. It was a fun night of great food and fellowship. Watch your church bulletin for the announcement of our next event. If you have any ideas of a place that offers this type of Fundraiser or would like to help set up a Dinner Out night, please contact the Church office at 410-687-9483.

KEENAGERS — Fellowship for folks 55 years and up.

The Keenagers will meet on June 6th for their picnic meeting. This is a pot luck picnic with everyone contributing to the meal. Join us for a fun day and great fellowship. Meeting begins at 11:30 a.m.

The group is sponsoring a trip to Rainbow Theatre on June 19th . Everyone enjoyed the last trip so much they booked this trip.

The group voted to not have any meetings in the months of July and August. They will start up with a meeting on September 5th. Details in the next newsletter.

**Our History Committee** is looking for old directories. If you have one you would like to donate to the Memorial Room it would be greatly appreciated. Or if you would like to loan it to us to copy and return to you, please call the office.

Also if you have photos of weddings, baptisms, special events at the church, we would love to have them (or copy and return to you) Please identify the event, date, and names of individuals on a separate paper (we don't want to harm the photo with writing)

If you would like to help in identifying photos and faces on old photos and are available during the day to help with this, contact the church office or Karen Dull . Anyone willing to come and help identify older photos is welcome. Organizing our history materials is a huge undertaking. We would like to have some things ready for the 240th Anniversary Celebration in September.



**Remember:**  
**Father's Day is**  
**June 16th.**

**Ephesians 6:4**  
*Fathers, do not exasperate your children; instead, bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord. (NIV)*

