

July & August 2018

Special points of interest:

July 1 —Communion

July 4—Office Closed

July 7 -Hall Closet Thrift

Shop and Pit beef

July 8 Worship

July 10 NeedleBees

July 11 Worship Committee

July 12—Lunch bunch

July 15 Worship

July 19 Keenagers

Admin Board meeting

July 24 Needle Bees

July 26 MOO

July 29 Worship

Aug 2 Keenagers

Aug 4 Hall Closet Thrift and

Pit beef sale

Aug 5 Communion

Aug 9 - Lunch Bunch

Aug 11 Children's Tea Party

Aug 12 Worship

Aug 14 Needlebees

Aug 19 Worship

Aug 23 Pit Beef picnic

Aug 26 Worship

Aug 28 Needlebees

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OREMS BEACON

Orems United Methodist Church

Welcome Pastor Gail Button

We welcome our new pastor in a special service on Sunday July 1st. Please take a name tag for the next several weeks so that Pastor Gail can get to know us. Introduce yourself and those worshipping with you.



Our Scripture Theme for 2018 is ""Love God and love our neighbors as ourselves."

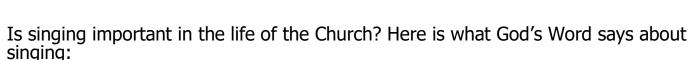
Think about our theme, pray about our theme, strive to live our theme in 2018.

DEAR MEMBERS OF OREMS

Where is the summer going? I can't believe I am writing my summer article! Have you ever considered joining a choir? Well-it's time to try new things and to prepare for the Fall and Winter schedule.

We have many exciting plans musically for Orems Church. If you have been thinking about joining our choir either the Chancel Choir that sings throughout the year at worship or the Sanctuary Choir

that sings our Christmas Cantata and other holy days, now is the time to take the chance and give singing with us a try.



<u>Psalm 100:1-2</u> Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth! Serve the LORD with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!

<u>Psalm 95:1-2</u> Oh come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

<u>Psalm 147:1</u> Praise the LORD! For it is good to sing praises to our God; for it is pleasant, and a song of praise is fitting.

If you even have a remote thought about joining, September is your chance. We are just heating back up for the season. We are a relaxed fun group. We rehearse Wednesday nights from 7-8:30 in the sanctuary. All I ask is that you are 16 or older and come with a positive attitude. We supply the rest.

If you enjoy the instrumentalists and guest musicians, you should know that it costs more than our music budget allows. There are many special musical opportunities available to us, provided we can support them. Please see myself or the church office on how to donate to this specific funding. Your contribution makes a difference no matter what the size.

Please stay tuned for the September newsletter for the upcoming concert series schedule and more.

Best always and GO O's

Ben (Bboellner1992@gmail.com)

A Word From Our Pastor

Anticipating Our Journey Together

God is full of surprises, and one of those wonderful surprises is my appointment to serve as your pastor. My heart is filled with joy and excitement as I anticipate serving as your pastor and serving Christ, along side of you, through the numerous, awesome ministries of Orems UMC. I look forward to hearing your stories, your hopes, and your dreams as we get to know each other in the months ahead. And I know that God will continue to do amazing and surprising things through the congregation of Orems UMC as we journey forward in the service of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

God can do anything, you know—far more than you could ever imagine or guess or request in your wildest dreams! He does it not by pushing us around but by working within us, his Spirit deeply and gently within us.

Glory to God in the church! Glory to God in the Messiah, in Jesus! Glory down all the generations! Glory through all millennia! Oh, yes!

Ephesians 3:20-21 The Message (MSG)

My contact information is as follows:

Home phone: 410-636-1757

Cell phone: 410-913-7571 (text enabled)

Email: glbutton@gmail.com

Both phones have passwordprotected voicemail. So, if I don't answer, please leave a message and I will return your call as soon as possible.

Blessings,

Pastor Gail



Our One Call Now system sends out reminders of activities, meetings, and other announcements we need to communicate to the congregation. If you miss the message from our One Call you can replay the message by calling the toll free number 1-877-698-3261 and press option "1" to hear the group message.

Cell Phones are still collected as a fundraising mission through GRC recycling. There is a box in the connecting hallway to collect unwanted cell phones.



MEMORIAL FUND

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

In memory of:

Leona Egner given by: Kathy and Dennis Egner, Diane and Ron Fink

Thank you for your thoughtfulness.

Yours in Christ, Madeline Kikola Memorial Fund Treasurer FOOD PANTRY NEEDS Here is the list of needed items: Canned Chicken, Ham, or Tuna, Rice, Jello and pudding, Cereals, Cans of Juice, Beef stew, and other soups, canned fruits, pancake mix and syrup, baked beans, peanut butter and jelly, and spaghetti noodles. We do not need canned green beans at this time!

We will 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.

Disciples of Yarn

The Prayer Shawl Mission at Orems continues through the summer months. We appreciate all of our workers who contribute prayer shawls to our mission. If you are in need of a prayer shawl you can contact me, ask an Usher or call the church office.

Blessings and Grace to all Dottie Daiger

NEEDLEBEES If you are interested in learning to knit or crochet, join our group. If you enjoy a craft, join us for fellowship while you craft. Our meetings this Summer: July 10th and 24th and August 14th and 28th at 6:30 p.m. in room 100. Hope to see you there!

Labels for Education

Campbells

Don't forget to collect those labels from Campbells Soup and other food products. Look for the Campbells Soup label collection bin in the hallway. The Box Tops will be donated to the Board of Childcare mission.

<u>STEWARDSHIP – SUMMER 2018 – BEACON</u> <u>COMMITMENT OF TIME</u>

Time. There's only so much of it.

Benjamin Franklin on Time: "Do you love life? Then do not squander time, for that's the stuff life is made of."



Ecclesiastes (presumable by Solomon) on Time: Chapter 3, Verse 1 says "There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under heaven." For the next seven verses, the author lists all the times' purposes. For example, "a time to be born and a time to die" is verse 2. Please feel free to read the rest of them. Any Bible will do.

In joining the United Methodist Church, our commitment is one of time, talent, gifts and our presence. Let's just consider the time part for the moment.

Some folks work. Some go to school. (some do both). Some are retired. We all have the same minutes with which to work. We are blessed here at Orems, because we have folks who always step up to serve the meals, clean up after events, fix a door here or there, install wiring, and some folks who make the time to visit and just listen. All who serve make the time to do so, unhesitatingly. Some folks need to be asked to help. Some folks just appear when they're needed. It's the way of things...sometimes. But what a blessing it would be if our ranks could be increased by more helpers.

If a 200 pound log needs to be moved and two people step up, that's 100 pounds apiece. If twenty people step up, the weight per person drops to 10 pounds each. Very doable!

If you're available and haven't served recently, we welcome you to the opportunity of service. Whether it be to chair a committee, join a committee, be an usher, or visitation to those who need to be seen, be with us. It's part of our commitment to use our time and talents for our church and ultimately the good of the order and the body of Christ.

Blessings!

Norris Tingle - Stewardship

Churches for

Streets of Hope

This summer there are three Dinner nights out Fundraisers for Streets of Hope. Please support these events. Flyers will be available at the Church office, or online at

http://www.churchesforsoh.org/events

Chic Fil A Night

Monday, July 16 - 5:00pm-8:00pm Martin's Plaza

It's hard to beat those milkshakes and 20% toward Streets of Hope!

Boulevard Diner

Sunday, August 5 - 11:00am-9:00pm Brunch, lunch, and dinner! We love the food and family at Boulevard, and we hope you do too. Streets of Hope receives 15% of the proceeds.

Pizza John's

Tuesday, August 28 - 5:00-8:00pm

113 Back River Neck Rd

An Essex classic. Come and get your favorite and give Streets of Hope 15%.

PRAYER CHAIN

Prayer plays a very important part in all of our lives. If you would like to be a part of our prayer chain; please call Vicki at the church office at 410-687-9483 or after hours for an emergency call 410-335-1870 and leave a message. With our One Call system, we can send out the prayer to everyone on our prayer chain at the same time so all can pray as a unit as we get the information. Prayer is Powerful-spread the power!

MOO — MEN OF OREMS

The Men of Orems started our Pit Beef sandwich sales in April— and will continue weather permitting on Thrift Shop day till October.

We will meet on Thursday July 26th to plan our Pit Beef Picnic. This has become an Annual tradition for the entire congregation.



We are looking forward to our Pit Beef picnic on August 23rd. We will gather at 6 p.m. for a pot luck picnic. As usual, the MOO will furnish the Pit beef and Pit Ham. We ask you to bring a side salad or dessert. All are welcome to attend this fun, and delicious fellowship night.

CPC Mission!

The Center for Pregnancy Concerns is reaching out to women who are in a time of their lives when they are vulnerable and in great need of support.



Linda Hall has baby bottles that can be filled with spare change and then returned to her to donate to the center. The Center accepts donations of Maternity Clothing, Baby clothes up to size 4 T, and other items a mother to be may need. They are in desperate need of Similac Advance formula (12.5 oz cans) You may drop off donations at the Center at 442 Eastern Avenue or bring your donations to the Church (Please mark 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.

St. John's Lutheran Church Autumn Festival!

8808 Harford Road ~ Parkville, MD

Saturday, September 15, 2018 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. Vendors Needed!

Vendors (Deadline 9/1/18):

- *Outdoor Full Space (16'x16' w/space for 1 car)-\$40
- *Outdoor ½ Space (8'x16' w/ no car space)- \$25
- *Indoor Space w/o table- \$30 w/ table- \$35 Visit stjohnsparkville.org/autumn-festival or contact the church office at

410-665-1234 or office@stjohnsparkville.org for applications and details.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

Our next meeting is Wednesday, September 5th at 7:00 p.m. Please join us as we continue to plan for our missions and ministries.

"You don't have to be a member of The United Methodist Church to join. Our membership is diverse, women of many races, cultures, languages, young and old. There is no minimum age requirement" (new.gbgm-umc.org)

OUR PURPOSE:

"United Methodist Women is a community of women whose purpose is: To know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ, to develop a creative supportive fellowship and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church."

Ladies Fellowship Luncheon will be held at Double T Diner on the last Tuesday in July and August at Noon. Be sure to let Gloria Asbury know if you are attending. Join us for a great time of fellowship for our women.

Pink Bag Lunch is scheduled for Saturday, October 20th. More information will be in the bulletin. Hope to see you there!

Save the Date: We are planning a Christmas Tea on Saturday, December 8th. More information will be posted at a later date.



Our Elite Group (90 and over) has two special birthdays this month.

Dale Ledwell will be 97 on July 5th and Bud Masson will celebrate a birthday on July 31st. We wish them a year of good health and all the joys that make a happy heart.

Happy Birthday Dale and Bud.

If you know of someone that should be included in our "Elite 90 and over group" please let the office or Mildred Shephard know about them.

Love from your Church Family

SUMMER'S HERE - IT'S VACATION TIME! But what about your weekly giving? Enjoy this wonderful warm weather but please don't put your Sunday offerings on vacation! Even though you are away, the church is not on vacation and neither are our bills. We appreciate your continued support of your church and it is important! Don't forget us!



Please don't forget our Capital Improvements when you plan your giving to the church. There is a blue envelope in the pews for Capital Improvement donations. Also our Missions continue to need funds in the summer months.



Orems UMC has two Scholarships available for those seeking help in furthering their education. The Ruth Brundick Memorial Scholarship and the Willard Ray scholarship are awarded to members of Orems UMC who have been accepted into a school of higher education that is in harmony with the moral and ethical positions and teachings of the Methodist church and who show evidence of financial need. We

congratulate our 2018 recipients of the Orems Scholarships: **Hannah Eney** and Laurel McNeal who were awarded their scholarships at our worship service on June 10th.

THANK YOU OREMS

I wanted to take time to say Thank You to the Congregation of Orems for all of your help and support in the planning and participation in Pastor Chris's last Sunday here at Orems.

We had about 150 people attending. The Love Gift totaled \$2,040. The food was delicious and those who helped with setting up and cleaning up were wonderful. I appreciated Vicki's help with the commemorative bulletin, the special music that Ben prepared of Pastor Chris's favorite hymns and the power point of pictures of his activities here at Orems which were shown during the luncheon. Then we have the Moo, the UMW, the Trustees and the congregation who came through with flying colors with food and/or money for the extra things we needed to buy and to help where ever it was needed. Your generosity meant that we did not have to go to the Finance Committee for anything for this event.

Last, but far from least are the people who work with me on Staff Parrish. They were right there every step of the way and I am very grateful for their help and support.

The congregation at Orems is one of the nicest group of people I have ever worked with.

Blessings, Pat Pinning

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 the 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. And Enjoy!



The Newsletter Deadline for September NEWS is <u>FRIDAY August 10th</u>, if you have an article or information for our newsletter, please drop it off to the Church office or email at <u>oremsumc@verizon.net</u> for inclusion in the September edition of the Beacon.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

As you shop for back to school items, why not purchase a few



extras for a needy child in one of our area schools? If you can purchase an inexpensive backpack and load it or just pick up a few items---all is appreciated! School supplies needed:

Pens, pencils, colored pencils, markers, highlighters, boxes of Kleenex, safety scissors, erasers, glue sticks, quart size and sandwich size zip lock bags, Marble composition books, 3 x 5 index cards. Wide Ruled paper, (not college ruled paper please) large crayons, calculators, folders with brads, hand sanitizers, Nurses Offices needs socks, and underwear sizes 6 to 14 for boys and girls, elastic waist pants sizes small through extra large. What a great way to start a child in a new school year. Look for a box in the Hallway of the church by the offices. Deadline for items is Aug 26th.

Thank you in advance for your help.

Kathy Cunningham
Little Feet Mission Chair

VACATION TIME!



During the summer months, the office will on occasion, have light coverage with the help of volunteers. So if you plan to stop by the Church, please call ahead to be sure that someone will be there to assist you. Phone messages will be attended to as quickly as possible. Have a safe and relaxing Summer!



Samaritans Purse Operations Christmas Child— we are collecting

items for our packing party to be held in November. This month we will collect flashlights and batteries, socks, Small dolls, small cars and trucks, crayons, small notebooks, jump ropes, baseball hats, socks, tee shirts and sunglasses. Bring the items to the box in the Narthex or to the church office.



KEENAGERS (fellowship group for those 50 and over) Please join us for lunch and devotions on July 19th (please note special day) at 11:30 a.m. Watermellon Month And August 2nd at 11:30 a.m. for ICE CREAM! Bring your lunch and we will supply drinks. Come enjoy the fellowship of our Christian brothers and sisters.

Hope to see you there! Judy Tolbert







News from our Sister Church

Back River UMC will be hosting Gospel Concerts this summer. There are four opportunities to hear Gospel Music in July and August. The Church is located at 544 Back River Neck Road in Essex Maryland.

The first concert in July will be on Friday July 13th with **The Anchormen** starting at 7 p.m. Then on July 27th at 7 pm **Master's Voice** will perform. On Friday, August 10th, **the ever popular group** — **Soul'd Out Quartet** will be performing at 7pm and then on Saturday at 7 p.m. **Steve Hess and the Southern Salvation** will be giving a concert. Doors will open at 6:30. A love offering is taken at these events.

Mark your calendars for summer evening fun and enjoy Southern Gospel music this summer! And more good news— Back River UMC has a Fall line up of music as well. More information on those groups in our next newsletter.

