

October 2019

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OREMS BEACON Orems United Methodist Church

All Saints Day invite

We will be remembering and honoring those who have died since last All Saints day November 2018 in our worship service on November 3rd 2019. We will have a luncheon following the service so that we can have a chance to



share stories and thoughts about our loved one who have gone on before us. If you have a name for the All Saints Day list, please call the church office. We will honor all those we have lost this past year at our All Saints Day service.

From Orems Office: You may not know this **BUT: There is not a working Crystal ball that tells**



the office what is going on in the life of the congregation.

If you have an illness, accident, or have other need of prayer or pastoral care, please contact the office. It is disheartening when word reaches the church office that a member has been hospitalized or suffered a death in the

family or other problem and the church is the last to know. How can we pray for you or visit you or be a caring support for you, if we are kept in the dark? HELP US HELP YOU! Help us love you as Christ commands and as we desire to do. Church office 410-687-9483. Email oremsumc@verizon.net.

Keep the lines of communication open.

Vicki Borreson, Administrative Assistant

PINK BAG LUNCHEON CANCELLED



Due to unforeseen circumstances the UMW will not be hosting The Pink Bag Lunch this year. But we look forward to seeing you next year!





"Many Hands Make Light Work!"

The first time I heard the phrase "many hands make light work" was during my first full-time pastoral appointment, at the completion of a huge UMW sewing project. We had just completed **32 red superhero capes** for our preschool Vacation Bible School, and that project required a lot of teamwork.

I got the ball rolling by recruiting a dear friend to lead the project. (Her expertise was crucial!) We found a pattern and I went to numerous Jo Ann's Fabric stores in order to purchase enough red fabric.

A few weeks later we all met at the parsonage for the first of many workdays. My friend did the actual sewing while the rest of us pinned, cut, and ironed, all under my friend's direction. And, when those 32 superhero capes were finally complete, our oldest UMW member proclaimed: "Many hands make light work!"

It should have been impossible for a small UMW group to complete such a big project. But, together, we did it! And the joy and excitement on the faces of 32 preschoolers running around in their red superhero capes during Vacation Bible School was the only reward we needed!

Projects often seem intimidating (or even impossible) when we overlook the power of teamwork and try to tackle them alone. But when we work together as one, using our Spirit-breathed gifts, God-given resources, and life experiences, we can truly accomplish amazing things through Christ who strengthens us!

Here's how the author of Ephesians describes and encourages Christian teamwork:

We must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knitted together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

Ephesians 4:15b-16 NRSV

I am honored to share in the work of **TEAM OREMS** as we unite our hands and our hearts in the service of Christ!

Pastor Gaíl

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.

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 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 Powerfulspread the power!

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 October 8th and 22nd.

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. <u>Thank you for your dona-</u><u>tions.</u>

Disciples of Yarn

The recent passing of our major contributor, Mildred Shephard, has had a profound effect on the Disci-



ples of Yarn. The wisdom, encouragement, and giving spirit of our departed member cannot be replaced. We continue to move forward as we know we should and ask that anyone who can knit or crochet or

would like to learn these skills join us at the Needlebees meetings that are posted in your Sunday bulletin.

A recent note from a prayer shawl recipient confirms our need to continue. It reads:

Dear Disciples of Yarn and Congregation of Orems United Methodist Church, I find comfort in knowing the meaning of my beautiful prayer shawl. Your gift of kindness and your prayers are deeply appreciated.

Please keep our mission in your prayers as we continue to honor the memory of past members and look forward to new ones. Our next Prayer Shawl blessing is Oct. 13th. Blessings to all, Dottie Daiger



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.



Learning Together: The Day You Were Born

The Sunday School and Confirmation students together with their parents and grandparents will be holding a multigenerational event on Sunday October 13th at 8:45 a.m. in the Fellowship hall. Students are asked to bring photos and memorabilia from their birth and early days. We will share a continental breakfast (donuts and juice) while we share stories of the children's birth and learn biblical stories of Isaac's birth and Jesus' birth. Contact Pastor Gail or Robin Hoch for more information.

Sunday School classes are held for pre-school to Adult on Sundays from 8:45 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. Children meet in the classrooms in our Education building. Adults meet in room 100 in our connecting hallway. All our welcome to join us on Sunday morning. Confirmation classes are held during the Sunday school hour in the Education building. Our Church Conference date is October 12 from 3:00 p.m. and will be held at Back River United Methodist Church. All Administrative Board members and Congregation members are encouraged to attend.



CHRISTIANITY'S FAMILY TREE

Study BY Adam Hamilton Not too late to join us on Wed nights at 7 pm. in Room 100. Norris Tingle is leading this study.



Our Elite Group (90 and over) Be sure to make the

office aware of any new names we can honor. If you know of

someone that should be included in our "Elite 90 and over group" please let the office. It is a joy to honor our Silver Church members.

Faith Boost still meets on Wednesdays at 11:45 a.m. This is an opportunity for a Worship Boost in the middle of the week. We gather for Lunch and then have a half hour worship time. Come join us any Wednesday



Pharmacy will be coming to Orems to give flu shots after worship service. Sign up in the Entryway. Please be sure to pick up the forms, when you sign up. For more information call the church office 410-687-9483.

NEWS from Sister Churches

Back River UMC will hold two Gospel Concerts in October: October 11th at 7 p.m. the Woodsmen Quartet will be presenting a Concert and on October 26th at 6 p.m. David Stanton will bring his musical talents to our area. Doors open 30 mins before the performance and a Free Will offering is taken.

Perry Hall UMC at 9515 Belair Road, has invited us to several events. November 3rd at 3 p.m. a Rededication of the Organ with Don Appel, Master Organist. Classical and Contemporary Organ Pieces, There will also be Choral and Guest Performances. Free Will offering taken for the Church. Then on November 29th, Voices of Faith Chorale at Perry Hall UMC will Present a Concert of Reaffirmation of our Faith "We Believe in God" Friday, Nov 29that 7:00 P.M. Free Will Offering Will Be Taken to Benefit the Church. And on December 20, 2019 at 7 pm the Chorale will present "We Believe in Christmas"

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.

MOO — MEN OF OREMS

The Men of Orems will be meeting 24th of October at



7 p.m. in Room 100. They have had a successful summer of Pit Beef sales and sponsored the Church Picnic in August. We appreciate all that this group does to help around the Church complex.

UNITED METHODIST

WOMEN

"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 next meeting is October 2nd at 7 p,m. in the Fellowship hall. Hope to see you at the meeting!

BODY AND SOUL October 10th at 10 a.m.

Join us for a demonstration of Body and Soul- a fitness program that focuses on the health of body and spiritual health as well. This program is tailored for 65+ crowd. So don't feel that you are not "fit" enough to come try it. This demo is free of charge. We hope to be able to form a class. Cost would then be about \$5.50 per class per person (8-10 weeks.) The instructor will be here October 10th so come give Body and Soul a try!



Sunday School Halloween Party

Sunday, October 27 at 8:45 AM

Join our Sunday School & Confirmation Classes for:

Halloween Snacks Faith-Based Halloween Crafts Lots Of Fun

Wear your Halloween costumes for the party & also for our costume parade during the first 10 minutes of worship at 10 AM!





KEENAGERS (fellowship group for those 50 and over) Greetings fel-

low Keenagers,

It's October so start thinking about treats for our Trick or Treat October. Costumes are not required.

If you are over 50, and haven't come out to see what a good time we old folks have, this is the best month to try us out.

Bring your lunch and a drink. We will provide water, coffee and tea throughout the winter months.

For those who don't know, on November 8th and December 5th we will go to Bob Evans Restaurant for Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners We each pay for own meal, and have a great time. At our Christmas Dinner we will take a collection of \$10.00 per person to donate to a worthwhile cause, such as our own Food Pantry, in lieu of exchanging gifts with each other.

Hope to see some new faces. (Not that there is anything wrong with our current faces. LOL) Judy Tolbert

The Newsletter Deadline for November NEWS is <u>Oc-</u> <u>tober 15th</u>, if you have an article or information for our newsletter, please drop it off to the Church office or email at

oremsumc@verizon.net for inclusion in the October edition of the Beacon.



Samaritans Purse Operations Christmas Child—

Our Kick Off will be early October with a video and shoe boxes to hand out.

We have collected some items over the summer for our packing party. We still need socks, sunglasses, small toys, combs, hair barrettes, flashlights and batteries, jump ropes, and wash cloths.

Packing party date is November 15th 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. and the shoe box blessing with be Sunday November 17th. All shoe boxes must be returned to the church by the 17th of November.