



September 2018

Special points of interest:

- Sept. 1—Communion
- Sept 2—Office Closed
- Sept 4 United Methodist Women
- Sept 5 Keenagers
- Sept 7-Hall Closet Thrift
Shop and Pit beef
- Sept 8 Rally Day, Grandparents
day & Worship
- Sept 10 Sarah Circle
NeedleBees
- Sept 11 Finance Meeting
Worship Meeting
- Sept 12—Lunch bunch
- Sept 15 Sunday school &
Worship
- Sept 16 Rachel Circle
- Sept 19 Admin Board meeting
- Sept 22 Worship
- Sept 24 Needle Bees
- Sept 26 MOO
- Sept 29 Worship

Please see calendar page for all events:

Adult Seekers Sun 8:45 a.m.
Sunday School for Children
Begins in September

Sunday Worship Service 10 a.m.

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OREMS BEACON

Orem United Methodist Church

**COME TO OUR
SUNDAY SCHOOL
REGISTRATION BREAK-
FAST AND SEE WHAT
EVENTS ARE PLANNED
FOR THIS YEAR!
SEPTEMBER 8TH 8:45 a.m.**



The first day of Sunday School classes will be Sunday, September 15th. We begin at 8:45 and end at 9:45 a.m. We have classes starting from age 4 to adults. For More info. call the Church office 410-687-9483

School can be a difficult time for both children, teachers, parents and their care givers, please keep them in your prayers.



**Join us for Grandparents
day on September 8th at
8:45 a.m.!**

**We will have a story time
and special craft follow-
ing the Rally Day break-
fast.**

Our Scripture Theme for 2019 is “**Love God and love our neighbors as ourselves.**”

Think about our theme, pray about our theme, strive to live our theme in 2019.



September 1st we will be welcoming our new Director of Music and Organist:

Gregory Arment.

We are excited to have him here to share his talent in our worship services. Please welcome him at our morning worship. We will have more information about choir in the future newsletters.



We missed some graduation announcements in July. Here are a few more students we wish to recognize.

Briana Feldman graduated with her Masters in Nursing from Johns Hopkins School with honors.

She is the niece of Joyce Serio.

Ryan Busch graduated from Perry Hall High School. He is the grandson of Dave and Dianne Busch.

Bella Busch graduated from Eastern Tech High school. She is the granddaughter of Dave and Dianne Busch.

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. Leaders who have reports for the Church Conference must turn these into the office before September 25th. Please mark the date on your calendar for the report deadline AND the Conference Meeting. If you need a copy of last years report to help you fill out this years form, contact the church office (410) 687-9483.



“Grandparents” Day

Sunday, September 8

*You don't have to be a biological grandparent to participate!
This multi-generational celebration is for
all grandparents (with however many “greats” apply)
and for any adults who serve in a “grand-parenting” capacity,
along with any and all children whom you claim as your “grandchildren.”
It truly takes a village to pass down our faith and grow Christian disciples!*

Join us for Breakfast & Multi-Generational Activities at 8:45 AM in Fellowship Hall

Grandparents & Grandchildren work together to create a keep-sake memory book
Brief discussion of John 3:16 and the story of the Cross
(the story “grandparents” at Orem's identified as the most important story
to pass down to younger generations)

Join us for Worship at 10 AM

Worship Theme: Passing Down The Faith – “Grandparents” Really Matter!

Worship Scriptures:

Deuteronomy 6:4-9

(Our biblical mandate to pass down our faith through story)

Genesis 48:8-16 *(Jacob blesses his grandsons)*

Ruth 4:13-17 *(Naomi & her grandson Obed)*

2 Timothy 1:3-7 *(The impact of Timothy's grandmother Lois on his faith)*

We have a special “Forget-me-not” gift for all “grandparents.”

*Forget-me-nots were the original flower associated with Grandparents Day.
However, since they are not in bloom in September, other types of flowers are often used.
Our forget-me-not gifts were made by the Needlebees.*



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 Powerful-spread 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 September are Tuesday 10th and 24th.

Thank You

Rev Gail and Orem's Church

Thank you so much for your love and support at this very hard time. The flowers were beautiful! And the luncheon hosted by the UMW was amazing! Dad loved his church and church family so!

Love the Ledwell family

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. **Thank you for your donations.**

Disciples of Yarn

There were 7 prayer shawls provided for members and friends of the Orem's congregation during the second quarter of the year. As we continue this mission, members of the Needlebees have provided a variety of shawls for our use.



Notes and news of the comfort provided by the prayer shawls is always encouraging to hear. Please continue to keep our mission in your prayers as the next group of prayer shawls is being created.

If you crochet or knit, or would like to learn, please join us at the next Needlebees meeting. If you crochet or knit, or would like to learn, please join us at the next Needlebees meeting Tuesday Sept 11th and 25th. Blessings to all, Dottie Daiger



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



Dear Members and
Friends of Orem
United Methodist
Church,

The family of
Mildred Shephard
would like to thank you for the support
and expressions of sympathy during this
difficult time. Your cards, prayers,
phone calls, and hospital visits bought us
great comfort.

Pastor Gail we wish to express our
sincere appreciation for giving a beauti-
ful service to honor our Mom. Your
words truly captured the spirit of our
mother. We know that she would have
been humbled by your kind words.
Thank you also for your prayers and
support during our time of grief.

Our family was very grateful for
the luncheon that was provided by the
United Methodist Women. The food was
delicious and we know that it was pre-
pared with love.

We would also like to thank Vicki
for her assistance in making the funeral
arrangements.

There are not enough words to tru-
ly express how much our mother loved
Orem Church and all of you. Thank
you once again.

Sincerely,
Mildred Shephard's Family

As most of you know,
Mildred Shepherd made most
of the baby blankets given to
the babies baptized at
Orem. She also crocheted
prayer shawls. We need your
help if you can knit or cro-
chet. We would like to con-
tinue giving handmade baby
blankets to our new babies.
Needlebees needs additional
members so we can do
this. If you can't come on
our meeting night, but are
willing to work on them at
home, that would be wonder-
ful. Please speak to Dottie
Daiger or Karen Dull. Thanks
for caring about our babies.

Karen



Our Elite Group (90 and over) has two special birthdays this month. Maxine Young will be 93 on September 3rd. Bill Myers will

be 92 on September 24th. We wish them both a year of good health and many blessings. Happy Birthday Maxine and Bill.

We will miss our Mildred Shephard who was so very good at remembering the folks who were in our "Elite Group" 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.



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. As you know our building is aging and there is always a need for maintenance upkeep.



NEW FALL STUDY! **CHRISTIANITY'S FAMILY TREE**

BY Adam Hamilton

BRAND NEW STUDY COMING
THIS SEPTEMBER!

Ever wonder what other Christians believe? What do we have in common with our other Christian brothers and sisters? Where are our differences and what are our similarities? Christianity's Family Tree by Adam Hamilton answers those questions in videos, comments from other denominational clergy and group discussion. Some of the comments will surprise you!

We will cover Orthodoxy, Catholicism, Lutheranism, Presbyterianism, Anglicanism, Baptists, Pentacostalism and Methodism.

This course will begin on Wednesday, September 25, 7 PM in Room 100 for eight one-hour sessions. For those preferring a daytime session, it will be offered again in January, 2020 in the morning, dates and time will be announced in December.

THIS COURSE IS COMPLETELY FREE. WE MUST, HOWEVER, HAVE REGISTRATION WITH EITHER VICKI OR NORRIS TINGLE (410-440-3764) IN ORDER TO HAVE SUFFICIENT MATERIALS AVAILABLE. PLEASE REGISTER NO LATER THAN MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16.

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 26th of September 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.gb-gm-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.”

Summer is almost over and that means we will begin meeting again! Our first meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 4th at 7 pm in the Fellowship Hall. All women are invited to attend.

We are so excited to be planning the Annual Pink Bag Lunch. The Pink Bag lunch will be help on Saturday, October 19th . More information will be available in the next coming weeks.

If you aren't sure what UMW is all about, please talk to one of our members or attend our meeting. All women are invited to attend our meetings or to join. You can be as active as your schedule permits you to be.

Hope to see you at the meeting!

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 Orem's 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 October NEWS is September 16th, 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.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES

Little Feet will continue to collect new and gently used shoes and winter coats and new socks, and underwear sizes 6 to 14 for boys and girls, and elastic waist pants sizes small through extra large. What a great way to care for the students in our area schools. **Thank you in advance for your help.** **Kathy Cunningham, Little Feet Mission Chair**

CHURCH HISTORY— 245 YEARS OF WORSHIP

Our first worship service conducted by Francis Asbury was in the home of Mr. Joseph Armstrong at Middle River Neck "where there was a good prospect" in September 1773. "He was greatly blest while dispersing the word to a large congregation at Mr. Armstrong's in Middle River Neck" as he recorded on September 13, 1773 in his journal. He wrote on February 21, 1774 he "rode to Middle River and had the satisfaction of seeing our new house raised and covered." It stood until 1831 when it was destroyed by fire. This did not deter the faith of the people. They immediately built another on the same site. This new building was named Orams Meeting House after a trustee whose name was Henry Orams. The spelling of Orams to Orem's changed sometime between 1831 and 1859.



KEENAGERS (fellowship group for those 50 and over) Greetings fellow Keenagers,

Well, it's September already. Where did the summer go? We will meet on September 5th in the Fellowship Hall for our ice cream social. If you don't remember what you signed up to bring, ask me and I will let you know.

Keenagers will provide Strawberry, Chocolate and Vanilla Ice Cream, along with a few bananas for those who want them.

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 for those who want it. Starting next month we will start providing coffee and tea throughout the winter months. And since it will be October before we know it, remember to start thinking about treats for our Trick or Treat October. Costumes are not required.

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 our 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



Samaritans Purse Operations Christmas Child—

Our Kick Off is the end of September. We will have a video and hopefully the boxes should be in for us to hand out by that time.

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.

We will update you with a date for the packing party soon.

Mission of Mercy and Health is sponsoring a free Adult Dental Clinic on Friday September 13 and Saturday September 14th from 7 am to 5 pm at the XFINITY Center in University of Maryland College Park. The mobile Dental Clinic will have 100 dental chairs and provide free dental care to the underserved, uninsured and underinsured adults.

For more information go to the MOM page on Maryland Center for Health Equity

<http://sph.umd.edu/center/che/>

HELLO FROM THE EASTERN SHORE
OF MARYLAND!

Hello Church family,

We love it here! It is a great place to retire. We are right outside of Crisfield Maryland. It is so quiet and peaceful here and everyone is so friendly.

I really miss my church family. You all were always a comfort for me. But God knew what we needed and opened this door for us to this place. May God bless my church family.

Here is our address:

Steve and Jackie Miller

4741 Williams Drive

Marion MD 21838

millerjackie@charter.net

Jackie cell- 469-769-8228

Confirmation Class is set to begin on September 15th during the Sunday School hour.

If you have a youth interested in joining the Confirmation class contact the church office or speak to Pastor Gail.

A schedule of classes and activities will be available soon.

Our Sunday School classes will begin on September 15th for all ages at 8:45 a.m.

We are looking forward to a really good year with some fun things planned with students and parents.

Don't forget the kickoff Breakfast on Rally Day and the Grandparent day celebration all on September 8th at 8:45 a.m.

Sunday School is Cool





4th Annual Craft Fair/Fundraiser
Orems United Methodist Church

1020 Orems Rd., Middle River, MD 21220

410-687-9483

Saturday, September 28, 2019

9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Pit Beef/Ham - *hot off the grill*

Drinks, snacks, sweets, etc.

Halloween, Thanksgiving and Christmas Items

Shop from local crafters: Glass items, blankets, candy, pottery, jewelry, wreaths, paintings, wood items, holiday wreaths and crafts, scarves, so much more.

Admission: \$1.00 donation OR canned good for *Church Food Pantry*

