



# OREMS BEACON

## OREMS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

April/May 2020

### TUNE IN– to Worship and Prayer

It appears that we will not be able to gather in our sanctuary for worship any time soon but we can still worship and gather via the internet.

Orems is providing Sunday Worship on our Facebook page and also on youtube. You can connect to the Youtube link from our website [www.oremsumc.org](http://www.oremsumc.org) or to our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/OremsUMC/>

Also we have prayer time through Zoom on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 2 pm. We will also be starting a Tuesday evening prayer time at 7 pm. To receive the Zoom log in information, send an email to the church office or Pastor Gail.

Starting soon we will also be offering Devotional visits on Facebook on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. These will be 4-5 mins in length and feature laity offering devotions.



to Laurel McNeal  
on her acceptance  
to Wesley Theological  
Seminary

### 7 Prayers for

# SPRING

1. May your health improve ..
  2. May your friends be blessed.
  3. May your family be loved.
  4. May your finance multiply .
  5. May your pains be less .
  6. May your worries disappear .
  7. May you be blessed .
- God Bless You

Amen

## **LILY DEDICATIONS**

In memory of **Philomena Lambert** from Pat and Bob Collins.

To the Glory of God in loving memory of **Leona Egner** by Don Egner.

In memory of **John H. Kelly** with love from Rita Kelly.

## **YELLOW TULIPS DEDICATIONS**

In loving memory of parents **Dottie and Bob Glenn Sr.** from Vicki Borreson.

In loving memory of **Ernest DeYoung-** Love Always Ann and Orvel Watts.

## **PURPLE CALLA LILIES DEDICATIONS**

In memory of **Gladys and Charles Bennett** from their daughter Kathy Cunningham

In loving memory of **Irene & Lavern Borreson** from Larry and Vicki Borreson

In memory of **Liela M. Button** from Pastor Gail.

## **YELLOW CALLA LILIES DEDICATIONS**

In loving memory of **Neil Cunningham** from Kathy.

In memory of **Mr. and Mrs. John J. Weipert** from Charlotta Turner.

In memory of **Candace Naegel and Bryan Weipert** from Charlotta Turner.

In loving memory of **Orvel & Violet Watts** - Love Always Orvel and Ann Watts.

## **PINK HYACINTHS DEDICATIONS**

In memory of my husband **Richard Daiger** from Dottie.

In honor of Bud and Elaine Masson from Sharon Hermani.

In honor of **Phyllis DeYoung** with love always Orvel and Ann Watts

## **PURPLE HYACINTHS DEDICATIONS**

In honor of my grandchildren from Sharon Hermani.

In loving memory of **Michael R. Brogley** from Kathy Brogley.

In honor of **Orems Church family** from Pastor Gail.



Thank you for ordering your Easter flowers to beautify our sanctuary even though this year that did not happen. We wish you all the best and though our Worship this year was different we still held a Glorious Celebration of our Risen Lord.

## Giving your Tithes / Offerings

It is now possible to give your offering on a recurring basis or a single donation to Orem's Church through ShelbyNext systems.

You may do this with a credit or debit card or ACH (withdrawal) or an echeck. The system charges 2.7% of your donation as a convenience fee. You do not have to pay this fee. There is a box to check if you wish to include this. If you use echeck or ACH the fee charged to the church is smaller but the online system does not differentiate between the Credit/debit convenience fee and lesser fees. If you want to use echeck or ACH do not check off that you will cover the convenience fee. For these types of donations the fee is less than 1% of your donation. It would be better for you to make a cash donation to the church at a later time in person for that small amount then to be charged 2.7%.

To donate online follow this link

<https://www.shelbygiving.com/app/giving/orem1020156>

To text your donations: Text the word **Give** to **1-410-873-1957** then follow the prompts.

Your information will be encrypted so that it is safe. We hope that this will offer you another option for giving your tithing and more to Orem's United Methodist Church. You can also give to specific missions or programs. If you have any questions, I will be happy to help you. Contact the church at 410-687-9483 or email me and we can work through the form. Vicki Borreson.

If you prefer to mail your donation or drop off your offering, we now have a locked mailbox to keep your donations secure. It is located outside the center entrance to the connecting hallway. Or you can drop off donations on Tuesday and Thursday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

**“We Are Still The Church”** Calling all members to consider submitting a brief video (a minute or two) on how you are dealing with the Quarantine. Perhaps show us the simple pleasures you have discovered, or how you are serving in new ways, or where God has shown up to you in this time of Pandemic. Send the videos to the church email or to Mike Walters. If you would like to come to the office on a Tuesday or Thursday Vicki Borreson can film you as you share your comments. In the coming weeks, Pastor Gail will be preaching about the Church being “the church” when you don’t have a church box. We are all working OUTSIDE the Box these days.

**The Prayer Shawl Mission** continues to flourish at Orem. There were several Shawls provided to friends and family in January and February. Also, we will soon be blessing shawls for our online service. Our faithful donors of money and materials are truly appreciated as well as the efforts of the members of Needlebees. New members who would like to learn to knit or crochet the shawls would also be welcomed once we can gather again.

Blessings, Dottie Daiger

Bishop LaTrelle Easterling has requested that we pause each day at Noon to say the Lord’s Prayer. This moment in unity can help serve as a reminder that we are all together in Christ and that even in this Pandemic— God is Good!

DON’T HAVE THE INTERNET but want to see Orem’s worship service. You can call the office to make an appointment to view the service in Room 100 on Tuesday or Thursday. Vicki can set up the service for you to watch while observing the social distance and mask requirement.





### **In Memory of:**

The church has received news of the passing of Orem's Church member Virginia Dick. She passed from this life on February 26, 2020. Condolences may be sent to her daughter Mary Jane Collier at 7608

Tamsin Court, Rosedale, MD 21237

Orem's Congregation was deeply saddened to hear that our beloved life long member, Ralph Campbell passed away on May 10, 2020. Please keep Merlyn, Sara Beth and Jeff in prayer at this time.

We are beginning to collect photos of folks listed on our All Saints List. IF you have lost a loved one since November 1, 2019 and would like them listed in the All Saints list this year, we would appreciate a photo to include in our listing. Please email these to [oremsumc@verizon.net](mailto:oremsumc@verizon.net)

### **Little Feet has responded to a call from Orem's Elementary School. There are some students that need supplies to**



**work from home on their packets. The school counselor has requested a number of supplies. Due to your continued support of this mission we were able and we were happy to fill those requests.**

**Thank you for your help and support of this mission.**

**Kathy Cunningham**

**Little Feet Mission Chair**

## **The Task to Re- Open Orem's Church**

We have been directed by the Bishop to form a "Re-Entering Well Task Force" to plan for a phased-in reopening of our building(s) for church gatherings. This Team includes the Pastor Gail, Members of the Board of Trustees, Pastor/Staff-Parish Relations Committee Chair, Media Presentation Representative, our Administrative Assistant, Worship Chair and our Health team chair. This team is meeting frequently by Zoom remotely to review updated information regarding reopening. Their work will be informed by the local health department and CDC guidelines.

Before congregations gather, each church must be able to do the following:

- Obtain adequate amounts of cleaning and sanitization products. Alcohol-based surface cleaners are adequate to kill this virus as long as they are 60% or higher in alcohol content. All surfaces (door knobs, light switches, walls, railings, pews, floors, etc.) with a possible risk of touch must be sanitized. And be able to adhere to all CDC and local health guidelines to mitigate risk.
- Obtain an adequate number of masks for anyone who does not arrive wearing their own. People refusing to wear a mask must be asked to leave and join the service virtually.
- Provide hand sanitizer for those who do not have it and/or install touchless hand sanitizer dispensers at entrances/exits.
- Address the fact that microphones, keyboards, handheld electronic devices, and other surfaces may be difficult to clean or disinfect because they could be damaged if they became wet. A cleanable cover/skin (e.g., keyboard skin) could be used on the item to allow for cleaning while protecting the item. We must ensure that each microphone will be used by one person during a gathering; they may not be passed from person to person. Sanitize the microphones after each gathering.
- Create signage that assists in communicating core safety messages in a way that is hospitable and caring.

- Consider that nothing can be passed from person to person. Offering plate must be stationary so that donations can be dropped into the plate. No bulletins or Hymnals will be used as they can not be sanitized.

One person must record each person attending and contact information for anyone who enters a service so that they can be traced if there is a virus breakout in your congregation.

Consider the percentage of congregants who are vulnerable to the virus, and take into account the high degree of discipline that will be necessary in order for the pastor and congregation to be vigilant about adhering to guidelines and helping others do the same.

Consider the size and configuration of your space(s) including parking lots, foyers, sanctuaries, bathrooms, elevators, classrooms, etc. and what that means in terms of meeting health guidelines.

### In need of medical insurance due to COVID-19?

Unfortunately, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we know that many people have lost their jobs, been laid off, or had their hours and benefits reduced. When that happens, most people have just two options available - pay for their healthcare through COBRA (which is incredibly expensive), or just go without coverage. Neither option seems like a good one. However, there is an alternative. Brian Hyde of Christian Insurance Partners, has found a **Short Term Medical Plan** that can provide great healthcare coverage at a reasonable cost for most people. If you, a family member, or someone at your church is in this predicament, it can make a real difference to someone in need. If you need immediate assistance in this regard, please call Brian at **(804) 496-1425**, or email him at [bhyde@cipnetworks.com](mailto:bhyde@cipnetworks.com).

REMEMBER THOSE WHO SERVED



**Arthur William LaMorte** Lance Corporal US Marine Corps, CAP ECHO-1, CACO ECHO, 2ND CAG, COMBINED ACTION, 3RD MAF Viet Nam 2-8-1968

**John Calvin Nines** US Navy Seaman Radar man Striker (Maryland RDSN) Viet Nam 7-30-1966

ALL GAVE SOME, SOME GAVE ALL

**George L. Pine** Sergeant 5 CO U.S. V. Signal Corps Cuba 1909

**Charles Aubrey Pulliam** PFC Army SEC group 3<sup>rd</sup> Radio Research Unit, Viet Nam 2-17-1962

**Frank C. Whitmore** Corporal World War I Died in France 9/19/1918

## DID YOU KNOW THAT OREMS HAS TWO SCHOLARSHIPS?

**Yes we do. Ruth Bundick and Willard Ray Scholarships are established from Memorials for two long time members of Orem's Church. Each Scholarship has its own qualifications.**

If you are a High School Graduate, college student or someone looking to further your education, Orem's has scholarships available. **DEADLINE FOR SCHOLARSHIPS: Orem's scholarship applications must be in by June 28th.** You may pick up an application from the office or call the office and we can mail one to you. The criteria for scholarships is enrollment as full time student, member of Orem's United Methodist Church, and accepted by a college, University or Trade school in harmony with the moral and ethical position and teachings of the Church. The Willard Ray Scholarship must have approval by Church council. The Scholarship Committee will present the candidates for Scholarship at the May Council meeting. We will present the scholarships to our Recipients at a later date this summer.

**Ruth Bundick Memorial Scholarship.** This scholarship was established by the United Methodist Women to honor a long time member. This fund is supported by the UMW and others who wish to donate to it. Recipients will:

Be a member of Orem's UMC

Be accepted by a college, University or full time school (post high school, trade, apprentice). The school must be in harmony with the moral and ethical position and teachings of the Church.

Show evidence of financial need and be enrolled as a full time student.

**Willard Ray Memorial Scholarship.** Established by the estate of long time Orem's member Willard Ray. Mr. Ray faithfully modeled strong Christian principles in his personal and professional life. The award is to further the good news of Jesus Christ so that Jesus' followers may go into the world to spread the news of salvation through Christ. It is the goal and focus of this scholarship to further the professional and personal lives of Christians so that they may better serve Jesus all the days of their lives. Those receiving this award are expected to give a high priority to honesty and ethical conduct, and the furthering of their understanding of biblical conduct for their lives.

Recipients will:

Profess Jesus Christ as their Lord and savior.

Live a Christian life as exemplified by the teachings of Jesus understood through biblical principles.

Courses of study should further higher education leading to improvement of employment opportunities, and not furthering recreational, hobbies, or similar activities.

First priority is given to members of Orem's who have demonstrated their love for the Lord as evidenced in all they do and say. If no qualified member is chosen, applications for children or grandchildren of members will be considered.

The Orem's Council has final approval of the selected recipient.