

OREMS BEACON DEC. 2019

Orems United Methodist Church

Special points of interest: Dec

- 1 Communion Service
- 4 United Methodist Women
- 5 Keenagers at Bob Evans
- 7 Hall Closet Thrift
- 8 Pot Luck Dinner
- 9 Last day for Poinsettia orders
- 10 Sarah Circle Needlebees
- 11 Faith Boost Choir rehearsal
- 12 Lunch Bunch
- 14 UMW Christmas Tea
- 15 last day for Gift Card orders
- 16 Angel Tree Gifts DUE
- 18 Faith Boost Choir
- 24 Family service Candlelight
- 25 Happy Birthday Jesus
- Office closed till Jan 2
- 29 Worship at 10
- No Sunday school

Please see calendar page for all events:

Sunday School

Pre K to Adults 8:45 a.m.

Sunday Worship Service 10 a.m.

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**The Sunday school
would like to invite all
of you to a Pot Luck
dinner and Tree Dedica-
tion on December 8th at
4:30 p.m.**



Join us for a time of fellowship and food and welcome special guest Rev. Leo Yates who will teach the children (and adults) some Christmas carols in American Sign Language and we will top off our evening with the dedication of the Sunday school tree and tree lighting. This will be a wonderful evening with your church family. Please mark your calendar for this event.



CHRISTMAS EVE SCHEDULE

Tuesday Evening 6:30 p.m. Family Christmas Eve Service.
Our service is Children friendly and made for families to worship
together to welcome the Christ Child

11:00 p.m. Traditional Candlelight Service



We are looking for choir members to join our Choir. We rehearse on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

You do not need to be able to read music, just have a desire to sing to the Lord!

If you have any questions, contact Director of Music: Greg Arment

Perry Hall UMC at 9515 Belair Road, has invited us to “**We Believe in Christmas**” presented by the Voices of Faith Chorale under the direction of Don Appel on December 20, 2019 at 7 pm. Free Will offering will be taken for the Church. This will be a great way to celebrate this beautiful season.

WINTER WEATHER POLICY

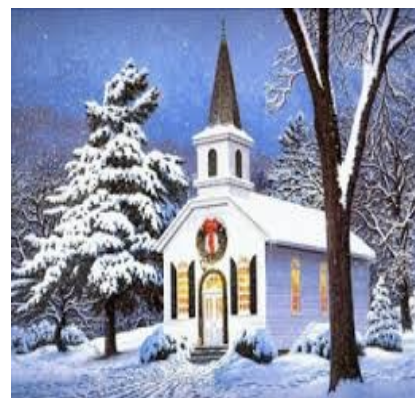


If Schools are closed during the week, we will cancel activities at Orem's church. On Sunday morning, we will send out a ONE CALL if we are going to cancel worship service. But in all circumstances, please use your own judgement for traveling in the winter weather.

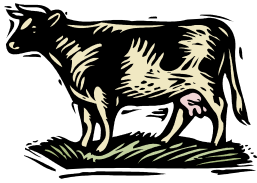
KEENAGERS (fellowship group for those 55 and over)

Keenagers will meet December 5th at the Bob Evans on Belair Road at 11:30 a.m. for lunch. Our January meeting will be in the fellowship hall, weather permitting, on Jan. 2, 2020. It will be our New Year's Party. Have a blessed Christmas and safe and happy New Year.

Judy Tolbert



MOO NEWS



The MEN OF OREMS will meet on January 23rd.

The Spaghetti Dinner sponsored by the MOO to raise money for the care of Orem's Cemetery will take place in April. Tickets will be available the end of February.

The MOO will be meeting the fourth Thursday of each month.

Lunch Bunch is held on Thursday December 12th at 12 noon at Endies restaurant in Middlessex Shopping center. If you plan to attend, please call the Church office by Tuesday Dec 11th. Thank you!



Food Pantry News

We were able to provide 11 families with a Happy Thanksgiving, thanks to the generous donations of this congregation.

Our food pantry will be stocking up for Christmas baskets. If you are able to help us, Here is the list of needed items: Canned Chicken, canned potatoes, canned yams, Rice, Jello and pudding, soups, Beef stew, cookies, and Spaghetti noodles. We will also gladly accept gift cards of \$15 to area Food stores so that folks can purchase Milk, eggs and bread. We will be purchasing Turkeys or Hams for the Christmas baskets. Your monetary donations, help us shop for these items. Thank you for all you do to help keep this mission working.

Pixie Faulkner, Food Pantry Coordinator



Don't forget our Little Feet Mission through the year! Little Feet supplies the 4 local schools with socks, and underwear sizes 6 to 14 for boys and girls, elastic waist pants sizes small through extra large. Also new or gently used shoes are always welcome. And Winter coats and jackets. **Look for a box in the Connecting Hallway by the Church offices. These items are needed all year long. Thank you for your generosity. Kathy Cunningham**



Angel Tree Mission

The tree with the names of Children and their list of Christmas Wishes is up and waiting for you.

If you prefer not to shop, you may donate money and we will shop for you. Use the envelope near the tree to donate .

Adopt a child for the season by filling out the Angel Log with your name, the Child's name and code written on the Angel.

Team up with a friend and expand your shopping money. Please Help us provide a good Christmas for children from the Middle River area. Gifts must be returned to the Church by December 15th. Thank you for supporting this mission.

Orems UMC 2020 Lay Leadership Development Report

Council

Council Chair:	Pat Collins
Recording Secretary:	Linda Tingle
Lay Leaders:	Merlyn Campbell, Nikki Hart
Lay Member to Annual Conference:	Nikki Hart
Pastor:	Rev. Gail Button
Certified Lay Servants	Norris Tingle, Pixie Faulkner
Finance Chair:	Linda Hall
Treasurer:	Jim McVicker
Assistant Treasurer:	Charlotte West
Financial Secretary:	Linda Hall
Staff Parish Relations:	Norris Tingle
Trustee Chair (elected):	Bob Collins
Church History Chair:	Karen Dull
Christian Education Chair/Sunday School Superintendent:	Robin Hoch (Effective Aug. 2019)
Congregational Care Team Leader	Pixie Faulkner
Evangelism Team Leader	Terry Alexander
Health Ministry Team Leader	Kathy Egner
Missions/Outreach Team	Pat Collins
Worship:	Clint Miller
UMW President (elected by UMW):	Margaret Eney & Mary Eisely
Men of Orems (MOO):	Butch Frank
Keenagers	Judy Tolbert
Youth Coordinators:	_____
Additional Members	Jeff Eney

Ministry Teams

Christian Education	Team Leader	Robin Hoch
Teachers:	Joyce Scarcella, Laurel McNeal, Sara Hoch, Terry Alexander	
Music Leader:	Dawn Wallingford	
Seekers (Adult):	Karen Dull	
Confirmation Classes	Rev. Gail Button, Terry Alexander, & Confirmation Mentors	
Adult Small Groups:		
Pastor:	Rev. Gail Button	
Certified Lay Servant:	Norris Tingle	

Alpha Coordinator: Sara-Beth Dulina

Communications Team

Church Administrator: Vicki Borreson (Staff)

Facebook Page: Nita Hatcher

Live Streaming: Mike Walters

Website: Rachel Morgan

Congregational Care Team Team leader Pixie Faulkner

Membership Secretary: Kathy Cunningham

Lay Visitation: Terry Alexander, Don Egner, Pixie Faulkner, Al Martins, Norris Tingle

Bereavement Ministry: Merle Vickers

Greeting Card Ministry: Sarah Circle

Home Touch (ministry to Home bound): Ruth Shifflett

Prayer Shawls: Dottie Daiger

Evangelism Team Leader: Terry Alexander

Team Members: Jeff Eney, Pat Pinning

Health Ministry Team Team Leader Kathy Egner

Pastor & Health Minister: Rev. Gail Button

UMW President: Margaret Eney (Health Education Lunches)

Additional Team members: Carolyn Luttrell

Missions and Outreach Team Leader: Pat Collins

Angel Tree: Vicki Borreson (Church Staff)

Board of Child Care: Gloria Asbury & Joyce Scarcella

Center for Pregnancy Concerns (UMW mission): Linda Hall

Disciples of Yarn/Prayer Shawl: Dottie Daiger

Food Pantry: Pixie Faulkner

Little Feet (Local Schools): Kathy Cunningham

Homeless Ministry: Madeline Kikola

Samaritan's Purse: Michelle McNeal

Scouting Liason: Pat Collins

Thrift Store: Linda Hall & Sara-Beth Dulina

Worship Team Leader: Clint Miller

Pastor: Rev. Gail Button

Music Director & Organist: Gregory Arment (Staff)

Certified Lay Servants: Norris Tingle; Pixie Faulkner

Worship	continued	Team Leader: Clint Miller
Choir Representative		Judy Tolbert
Projection Coordinators:		Mike Walters; Mike Bell
Live Streaming		Mike Walters
Altar Guild	Merlyn Campbell, Sara Beth Dulina, Lisa Hoerger, and Joyce Serio	
Communion Stewards	Nita Hatcher, Joyce Serio, Merle Vickers	
Worship Servant Coordinator		Linda Hall
Sunday School Representative		Robin Hoch
Wedding Coordinators:		Merlyn Campbell; Annette Falkenhan
Lay Leaders:		Merlyn Campbell; Nikki Hart
Additional member		Laurel McNeal

Administrative Committees

Finance	Chair :	Linda Hall
Treasurer:		Jim McVicker
Assistant Treasurer:		Charlotte West
Council Chair:		Pat Collins
Lay Leaders:		Merlyn Campbell; Nikki Hart
Lay Member to Annual Conference:		Nikki Hart
Memorial Fund Secretary:		Madeline Kikola
Financial Secretary:		Linda Hall
Trustee Chair (elected):		Bob Collins
SPRC Chair:		Norris Tingle
Additional Members:		Carl Horst

Nominations and Lay Leadership Development

Chair: Rev. Gail Button (Pastor) , Lay Leaders: Merlyn Campbell & Nikki Hart

<u>Class of 2020</u>	<u>Class of 2021</u>	<u>Class of 2022</u>
Dennis Asbury	Mary Eisely	Carl Horst
		Norris Tingle
		Judy Tolbert

Scholarship Committee Chair / Pastor: Rev. Gail Button

Memorial Fund Treasurer:	Madeline Kikola
UMW President (elected):	Margaret Eney
Education Chair	Robin Hoch
Lay Leaders	Merlyn Campbell; Nikki Hart

Staff Parish Relations

Chair: Norris Tingle

Lay Member to Conference: Nikki Hart

Lay Leaders: Merlyn Campbell; Nikki Hart

Pastor Rev. Gail Button

Class of 2020

Tom Vinck

Terry Alexander

Laurel McNeal (Young Adult)

Class of 2021

Norris Tingle

Robin Hoch

Carl Horst

Class of 2022

Linda Rampolla

Joyce Scarcella

Board of Trustees

Chair: Bob Collins (elected)

Vice Chair: (elected)

Secretary: Pat Foard (elected)

Treasurer: Jim McVickers (Church Treasurer)

Class of 2020

Al Martins

Elaine Masson

Kenny Keys

Class of 2021

Terry Alexander

Pat Foard

Bob Collins

Class of 2022

Chuck Frank

Wes Hart

Jeff Dulina

Charlotta Turner

Ex-officio Members

Church Kitchen Charlotte West

UMW President: Margaret Eney

MOO Representative Butch Frank

Lay Leaders: Merlyn Campbell; Nikki Hart

Pastor: Rev. Gail Button

Cemetery Committee (sub-committee of Trustees until cemetery is separately incorporated)

Incorporation Transition Leader Sallie Tyner

Chair: Carl Horst

Vice Chair

Secretary & Historian: Karen Dull

Treasurer Charlotte West (Trust Fund Treasurer)

Additional members Elaine Masson, _____ (Moo Rep)

Resident Agent (once incorporated) _____

Note: Approved by Church Council on September 19, 2019



Operations Christmas Child

—We were able to ship 68 boxes to this year. Thank you to everyone who helped at the pack-

ing party and who brought their own boxes and who donated through the year to make the packing party a huge success. Special thanks to Michele McNeal for being such a great coordinator of this event. A job well done by everyone!

Disciples of Yarn

Please continue to keep our mission in your prayers as a new 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. Blessings to all,

Dottie Daiger

If you crochet or knit, please join us at the next **Needlebees** meeting. We have supplies to help you learn to knit or crochet. Also there is yarn for those who want to help supply our mission with shawls. The dates and times of our next Needlebees meeting is December 10th at 6:30 p.m.



2020 Offering envelopes will be available December 15th. If you would like offering envelopes and you are not on our list, please notify the church office at 410-687-9483 and we can have envelopes available for you.

It's time for the Christmas Card Box! The mailbox is in the entryway for your Christmas cards to your friends at



Orems Church. Sign your name inside the card and write their name on the envelope-NO STAMP REQUIRED. Place your card in the box by Dec 15th. Cards will be hand delivered after worship on Sunday December 22nd.

Peace and Love in Christ,
Gloria Asbury

Streets of Hope Mission - Feeding the Homeless: If you would like to help with food preparation contact the us. Items can be delivered to Boulevard Christian Church, 920 Essex Ave., Lower level at 6 pm.

Volunteers are needed to help serve dinner for The Streets of Hope Men's Cold Weather Shelter every third Sunday through March 15th at the Boulevard Christian Church located at 920 Essex Ave. If interested in helping to prepare food or serve, **contact the church office or Madeline Kikola** Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.' Matthew 25:40

"Orems Gift Card Fund-raiser" Christmas is almost here! Gift cards make a perfect Gift! Start your shopping now. **Pick up your order form and retailer's list in the Narthex or from the office.** Orders will be taken every Sunday until December 15th. If you have any questions please call Pat Collins at 410-687-2548 or call Norris Tingle at 410-440-3764. Let's make this a great Success!!

Back River UMC, 544 Back River Neck Rd. in Essex will be hosting a Winter Wonderland Holiday Bazaar on Saturday, Dec. 7 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. There will be local craft vendors, an area set up for pet photos taken with Santa, and breakfast and lunch items available for sale..



Poinsettia Orders

Call in your Flower order to the office 410-687-9483

Or email at oremsumc@verizon.net.

Order due by Sunday, Dec 8, Cost is \$7.00. Payment will be due with order. Please state

Red or White Poinsettias

Please state the wording you would like (in memory, honor, thanks, to the Glory of God, etc.)

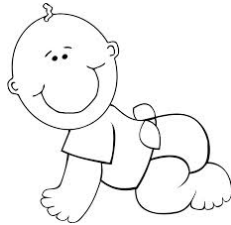
Thank you for allowing Orems to borrow your plant to beautify our altar during the Christmas season.

You may take your poinsettia home after the Candlelight worship service on Christmas Eve. Or pick it up on the following Sunday.



Help Our Mission!

The United Methodist Women continue to support *The Center for Pregnancy Concerns*. This Center is reaching out to women who are in a time of their lives when they are vulnerable and in need of support. The Center accepts donations of Maternity Clothing, Baby clothes up to size 4 T, and other items a mother to be may need. You may drop off the 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.



January Newsletter Deadline is December 12th, if you have an article or information for our

newsletter, please drop it off to the Church office or email at oremsmc@verizon.net

United Methodist Women

Our next meeting is Wednesday, December 4th at 7:00 p.m. And Wednesday January 8th at 7 p.m. to begin the new year.

Please join us as we continue to plan for our missions and ministries.

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDAR

January 26th

Soup and Salad Dinner

Ticket and information will be available soon.



Sunday School News

Sunday School will meet Dec 1, 8th, 15th, and Dec 22nd 8:45 a.m. On Dec 22nd join us for our "Happy Birthday Jesus" party in the Sunday School classrooms.



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.

Coming in January

Daytime Bible Study Christianity Family tree

Bible Study runs for 8 weeks starting on January 13th at 10 a.m. Sign up with the office.

BODY AND SOUL

Join us for Body and Soul- a fitness program that focuses on the health of body and spiritual health as well. This program builds strength and flexibility. It can be adapted for any level of ability, so don't feel that you are not "fit" enough to come try it. Class is Tuesdays at 2 pm starting a new session in January. Wear comfortable clothing, sturdy sneakers and bring a water bottle and weights if you have them. Cost would be about \$5.50 per class per person (sign up for the entire session) Registration information will be available soon.

Church Office CLOSED for Christmas.

The Church office will be closed from December 25th to January 1st. If you have a need for Pastoral care, you can contact Vicki Borreson at 410-335-1870.



A Christmas Prayer

*Lord,
You came upon
A Midnight Clear
to bring
Joy to the World
and draw us near.
It was a Holy Night,
when you came from above,
to fill our hearts with hope and love.
Thank you,
Sweet Jesus Boy,
for clothing us with
Comfort and Joy.*