

OREMS BEACON

Orems United Methodist Church

Soup and Salad Sunday, Jan. 26th



**Immediately following Church
Service (11:30am)**

\$7.00 for Adults

**\$4.00 Children 10 & under
Children 3 and under free**

Includes:

Choice of Soup , Garden Salad

Drink & Dessert

Sponsored by the United Methodist Women

Tickets available soon



A New Year's Prayer

May God make your year a happy one!
Not by shielding you from all sorrows and pain,
But by strengthening you to bear it, as it comes;
Not by making your path easy,
But by making you sturdy to travel any path;
Not by taking hardships from you,
But by taking fear from your heart;
Not by granting you unbroken sunshine,
But by keeping your face bright,
even in the shadows;
Not by making your life always pleasant,
But by showing you
when people and their causes need you most,
and by making you anxious to be there to help.
God's love, peace, hope and joy to you
for the year ahead.

~Anonymous

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Special points of interest:

Jan 1 OFFICE CLOSED

- 2 Keenagers
- 4 Hall Closet Thrift
- 5 Sunday School and
Communion Service
- 8 Faith Boost
UMW meeting
- 9 Lunch bunch
- 11 Lydia Circle
- 13 Bible Study
- 14 Sarah Circle
Body and Soul
Needlebees
- 15 Faith Boost
Choir
- 16 Admin Council
- 19 Confirmation
- 20 Bible Study
Rachel Circle
- 21 Body and Soul
- 22 Faith Boost
Choir
- 23 MOO
- 26 Worship
Soup and Salad
- 27 Bible Study
- 28 Ladies Luncheon
Body and Soul
- 29 Faith Boost
Choir

Please see calendar page for all
events:

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Altar Flowers grace our altar and enhance our worship. If you would like to sponsor a Sunday, sign up on the Flower Chart that will be in the Narthex by mid December. Flowers Are \$38 and can be paid in cash or check to Orem's Church.

Please notify the church office if you have specific flower or color requests at least 2 weeks before your date. Also remember to give the office your flower dedication for the bulletin at least 2 weeks before the date. Thank you for helping to beautify our worship space .

Lunch Bunch is held on the Second Thursday of each month at 12 noon at Endy's Grill in Middlessex Shopping center. We gather each month to recognize the birthdays of those born in that month. Everyone is invited to join us. If you plan to attend, please call the Church office by Tuesday. Thank you!



Our Elite Group has a special birthday this month. Jack Johnson will be 94 on January 21st. We wish him a year of good health and many blessings. Happy Birthday Jack! His address is Lorient Bel Air, 1909 Emmorton Road Room 132, Bel Air, MD 21015.

Be sure to make me aware of any new names we can honor. I don't have everyone's birthdates and I would love to recognize our Elite 90's plus group. Just drop a note to the office at Oremsumc@verizon.net or call 410-687-9483. Thanks, Vicki Borreson

KEENAGERS (fellowship group for those 55 and over)

Keenagers will meet in the fellowship hall, weather permitting, on Jan. 2, 2020 at 11:30 a.m. It will be our New Year's Party. Bring your New Years Hope and Dreams to the party as well as a sandwich or snack. We will provide dessert and drinks.



MOO NEWS



The MEN OF OREMS will meet on the fourth Thursday of January — Jan 24th.

The Annual Spaghetti Dinner sponsored by the MOO to raise money for the care of Orem's Cemetery will take place on March 28th. Tickets will be available the end of February.

The MOO will be meeting the fourth Thursday of each month. All men are invited to Join the MEN OF OREMS.



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

BY Adam Hamilton

BRAND NEW STUDY COMING
THIS JANUARY!

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 Monday, January 13th at 10 am in Room 100 for eight one-hour sessions.

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 FRIDAY, JANUARY 10th.

UMCOR- Your gift to an UMCOR project makes God's love tangible to survivors of all kinds—be it war or conflict, hurricane, famine, earthquake or flood. **To give: go to <https://www.umcmmission.org/umcor/give>** If you want to mail your check payable to **ADVANCE GCFA**. Write Disaster Response and Recovery and the Advance code number on the memo line of the check. Send your check to: Advance GCFA, P.O. Box 9068, New York, NY 10087-9068. For **US Disaster** use code **Advance # 901670** for International Disaster (such as the Bahamas) use code **Advance # 982450** As always, thank you for your support.

Food Pantry News

We were able to provide 14 families with Christmas baskets along with the Angel Tree gifts, thanks to the generous donations of this congregation.

Our food pantry will be stocking up for winter. We will need vegetable soup, beef stew, pancake mix, syrup, spaghetti sauce and noodles, Mac and cheese and mixed fruits.

Your donations of food and money will help keep this mission reaching out to others.

Thanks again Pixie Faulkner
Food Pantry Coordinator



Winter is here and that can mean snow or ice. We will send out a One call announcement if

worship service or activities are cancelled. If you do not feel comfortable driving in inclement weather, please do not attempt to come to worship. We want everyone to have a safe winter. If you are not on our One Call list, contact the church office to be added to our list.

If Schools are closed during the week then church activities may be cancelled and the office may not be open. Please call before coming out during the week.



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.**



Angel Tree Mission

We were able to help 26 children from 10 families in the Middle River Area. These families were thrilled that we cared enough to help them enjoy a wonderful Christmas. There were joyful tears and lots of smiles as they

picked up the gifts and our generous food baskets. Thanks to everyone who sponsored a child, to those who took more than one, and to those who gave generously to fund for our shopping for angels left on the tree.

Love to all,

Vicki Borreson

Angel Tree Coordinator



2020 Offering envelopes are available in the Narthex. 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.

NEW WOMEN'S CIRCLE! Come to an organizational meeting for the Lydia Circle.

When: Saturday, January 11 at 10 AM

Where: *iHop* at Golden Ring

This new Saturday morning UMW circle is predominately for those who work or have care giving responsibilities on weekdays and are no longer comfortable being out and about after dark.

Lydia offers an awesome role model for women who are balancing a wide variety of work, family, and church responsibilities. Lydia was a highly successful businesswoman who faithfully worshiped the God of Israel. After listening to the Apostle Paul's teaching, Lydia became a disciple of Jesus Christ. She also made her home available for church meetings in Philippi.

Join us for our organization meeting and help forge the way for the new Lydia Circle. The tentative plan is to meet on the 2nd Saturday of each month (the Saturday after Thrift Shop Saturday). But we will adjust, as needed, in order to include and involve as many women as possible.

RSVP to the church office so we have a rough idea of how many women to expect. Feel free to invite interested friends and family members of all ages.

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 is tailored to building 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. Our next Class begins January 14th on Tuesday at 2 pm. Wear comfortable clothing and sturdy sneakers. Bring water bottle and weights if you have them. Cost would be about \$5.50 per class per person (sign up for the entire 10 week session.) Register online after the Holidays at www.bodyandsoul.com or contact the church office.

Streets of Hope Meal team

Orems is excited to be serving dinner to the homeless men of the Streets of Hope on Jan 19th, Feb 16th, and Mar 15th. **If you have any questions, or would like to help serve and fellowship with the men at the shelter or would like to contribute meals; contact: Madeline Kikola, Or call the church office 410-687-9483. It takes all of us to be the hands and feet of Jesus. Help us serve!**

Hall Closet Thrift Shop

The year 2019 was a very good year. We closed out the year with the total sales of \$21,680.00. This is \$976.50 more than 2018 sales. We thank everyone who donated to our shop as well as the shoppers.

Also a very BIG THANK YOU to the volunteer staff that makes all this run smoothly—Dottie Lay, Nikki Hart, Sara Beth Dulina, Merlyn Campbell, Lisa Hoerger, Kathy Egner, Pat Foard, Susan Winkler, Sheila Fazio. Also thanks to Terry Alexander for the Thursday set ups.

We are sorry to lose Dottie Lay and Sheila Fazio at the end of July. We are thankful for other helpers in 2019, Keegan Winkler, Ben Eney, Sallie Tyner, Joyce Serio, Pat Pinning, Margaret Eney, Pat Collins, Laurel McNeal and Geri Maher.

The monthly sale day has been a very successful contribution to the church general budget and is also a great way to reach out to our community.

Our next two open days are Jan 4th and February 1st. The shop is open from 8:30 a.m. to 12 Noon. There are three shopping rooms and hallways with many bargains. Come join us on our next shopping day.

In the Lords service, Linda Hall

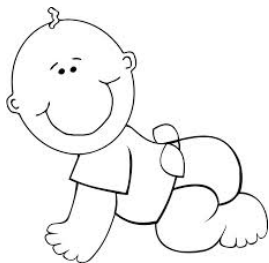
Scholarship Opportunity

The Baltimore-Washington Conference will once again be offering college scholarships for the Fall 2019 semester. Students can apply January 3 – March 5, 2020 through an online application system. Scholarships are available to students attending or enrolling in accredited colleges and universities in the United States. Students must be an active member of a church for at least one year and be attending (or will attend) an accredited college or university within the United States full-time. Students will need to provide their official transcript (high school or college) and contact information for two church references (pastor and another member of the church). In addition, the student must have a minimum GPA of 2.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale.

For additional information and to apply, visit www.bwcumc.org/administration/local-church-resources/scholarships/.

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 great need of support. The Center is accepting 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 have them marked For CPC or Center for Pregnancy) and we will see that they are delivered to the Center. At this time, the center is in great need of monetary donations as well. This center does such good work, please consider donating. **The Christmas Tea was able to raise \$259 to help this mission. And our baby bottles raised \$1485.32 from January to October.** Thank you for helping with this worthwhile mission.



February Newsletter Deadline is January 15th , if you have an article or information for our newsletter, please drop it off to the Church office or email at oremsumc@verizon.net



United Methodist Women

Our next meeting is Wednesday, January 8th 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.gbmgm-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.”

Group leaders:

If you are planning a meeting or event, please notify the office so that it can be added to our calendar. This is important for insurance purposes as well as avoiding conflicts with room usages. Thank you.



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.

One Call Now System

One Call Now system sends out reminders and announcements of activities, meetings, fund raiser events 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. If you are not currently receiving the messages, contact the church office.

Guidelines for use of One Call Now

The One Call Now system will be used to:

1. Announce meetings and activities happening at the church or an activity connected to the Church that is happening elsewhere. (such as Orem members serving a meal at a homeless shelter , etc)
2. Alert members to cancelation of church services, meetings or activities due to weather or other circumstances.
3. Announce the death of a member or regular attendee to Orem, or a friend of the congregation if the family requests it.

The Wise Men brought Gold to the King of Kings, Frankincense to the Highest

of Priests and Myrrh to the Sacrificial Lamb and they worshipped the child that is God's greatest gift of love to us. Epiphany Sunday is January 5th Join us at 10 a.m..



Orem Church office has received news of the passing of former Orem member William Repair Jr. in Omaha, Nebraska on December 3rd.



He is survived by his wife Ramona, his sons and daughters-in-laws Ken and Helen Repair, Gary and Barb Repair, his grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Our Chapel bears the name of his father, the late William Repair.



Disciples of Yarn

As the year 2019 closed, the number of prayer shawls provided for family and friends of the members of Orem

Church continued to mount. The Disciples of Yarn present these prayer shawls as a reminder of the comfort God can bring to those who are ill, distressed, or experiencing trauma in their lives. Our sincere thanks is extended to all who make the shawls and provide donations and prayers for this mission.

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. The dates and times are in your Church bulletin.

Blessings to all, Dottie Daiger