



OREMS BEACON

Orems United Methodist Church
April 2021

Worship News

We will continue to worship in person and online on Sundays.

To attend the service in the sanctuary:

Please wear a mask and Follow Social distance restrictions.

You may need a sweater as we will be running the AC to filter the air.

You must enter the building through the doors in the Connecting hallway while observing 6 feet distance. And check in with the Usher to be sure you are on our attendance list. Do not visit from Pew to pew.

Please use the sanitizer at the Sanitizing Station and wear your mask.

Do not sit in a pew that is roped off. Do not sit together, unless you are from the same household or same car. We want to be as safe as possible while continuing to gather for worship.

If you use the restroom, follow directions on the signs for sanitation after use.

TO ATTEND THE SERVICE ONLINE:

You can connect to the Youtube link from our website
www.oremsumc.org or to our Facebook page

Orems United Methodist, 1020 Orems Road, Middle River, MD 21220
Church office: 410-687-9483 Email Office at oremsumc@verizon.net

Visit our webpage www.oremsumc.org

Facebook: www.facebook.com/OremsUMC Twitter [@oremsumc](https://twitter.com/oremsumc)

Pastor Gail Button

Worship service at 10:00 a.m.

Faith Boost Lunch & Worship - Wednesdays at 12 PM in Room 100

Faith Boost is a midweek worship opportunity to gather for fellowship and worship the Lord. We have arranged the tables in room 100 to be 6 feet apart. Please wear a mask and bring your own lunch and drink. We try to be as safe as possible while still enjoying some fellowship time. Join us at 12 noon to eat together or join us at 12:30 for the brief worship service.

From the District Office of our Annual Conference:

We are passing along the following information that has been shared with the district office regarding COVID-19 vaccinations.

- Appointments are available for the new M&T Bank Stadium mass vaccination site to walk up and get an appointment

To make an appointment online go to covidvax.maryland.gov. #MDReady.

- Or you can text MDReady to 898-211
- Go to the Baltimore Convention Center to sign up for an appointment

Preference is given to Baltimore City and Baltimore Community residents.

Amazon Smile DO YOU SHOP AMAZON? Shop and Help Orem's!

Orem's Church is now part of Amazon Smile. IF you shop on Amazon, use this link to give back to Orem's as you shop. This link will take you directly to smile.amazon.com/ch/52-0663101 **Go to the link then shop away!**

KEENAGERS

— Hello again! We hope to resume our fellowship group for folks 50 and up to gather for devotions and lunch beginning in June. By that time, most of us should have our vaccine and while continuing to wear masks and physical distancing, we should be able to safely enjoy time together. Bring your lunch and join us on the first Thursday of June. Mark your calendars for June 3rd.

Comfort Cases Mission— Help Orem's help others for LENT.

As a special mission for Lent we chose Comfort Cases. Comfort cases are backpacks filled with comfort and personal care items for kids entering the foster care system. Typically, children are given a trash bag to pack up their belongings when they are removed from their homes. Comfort Cases believes every child deserves to pack their belongings in a special bag that they can call their very own, to have a cozy new pair of pajamas, a brand new warm blanket, and a new stuffed animal to hug during the traumatic transition into foster care.

**THIS SHOULD
NEVER BE
A CHILD'S
SUITCASE.**



And you Orem's Church have responded very well with items to fill our back packs. Just look at this pile of back packs! We have filled our back packs. You can still support this charity at Comfortcases.org It all goes to help foster children feel more comfortable in an otherwise uncomfortable time in their lives. We hope to deliver the back packs in mid April.

Thank you so much for your generous outpouring of items and financial support to fill these back packs and make this mission a success! A job well done, Orem's Church.

Thrift Shop News We are unable to accept donations at this time. We have run out of storage space and since merchandise is not moving while we are closed there is no where for new items to go. Our Thrift Shop still can not open due to the order to maintain social distancing. Our rooms are too small to keep people 6 feet apart. But if you are interested in shopping, you can shop by appointment along with one or two people. Call the church office to make an appointment 410-687-9483.



Food Pantry needs beef stew, canned chicken, canned hams, canned roast beef, Peanut butter and jelly, pudding and cake mix and

frosting, Applesauce, pancake mix and syrup. Also if you would like to donate \$15 gift cards to Weis, Food Lion or Giant.

The Food pantry provided Easter meals for 7 families and gave the children in the families Easter Candy baskets. Thanks for all your support of this mission.

Pixie Faulkner

PRAYER CHAIN UPDATE

Our prayer chain uses the One Call Now system to send out prayer requests to the entire group at one time so that we can join together in prayer. If you need to have a request sent through the prayer chain, contact the church office at 410-687-9483 and the prayer will be sent out as soon as possible.

One Call Now System is used to send out reminders and announcements we need to communicate to the congregation. Sometimes a call will experience a glitch and not leave a message or If you miss the message for some reason; you can replay the message by calling toll free 1-877-698-3261 and press option "1" to hear the group message played for you.

Disciples of Yarn

The Prayer Shawl Mission has been able to provide 6 prayer shawls to members and friends of Orem.

Members of the Needlebees continue to provide these shawls and their

continuing efforts are greatly appreciated.

Please continue to keep our mission in your prayers as we continue throughout the rest of the year. If you know of someone experiencing distress or in need of comfort with the "Hugs from God" that are offered through the shawls, contact Dottie Daiger or the church office.

Blessings

Dottie Daiger



NEEDLEBEES If you are interested in learning to knit or crochet, join our group. If you enjoy a craft and would like to join us for fellowship while you craft, you are welcome at our meetings. We will meet on April 13th and April 27th at 6:30 p.m. in room 100.

Hope to see you there!

Karen Dull

The May Newsletter deadline is April 15th.

Please drop off your information or send an email to

oremsumc@verizon.net.



Streets of Hope

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

On behalf of the Streets of Hope committee, we would like to thank everyone in the congregation for supporting our requests for meals and snacks during the winter of 2022-2021 for the men at the shelter. Thanks to your generous donations, we always had more than enough to nourish the homeless men - physically and spiritually. Even though this year we didn't have to cook and serve meals due to COVID restrictions, we were able to purchase food from area restaurants and have it delivered. Thanks again for supporting this vital mission for our church.

Joyce Serio, Committee Chair

The Refrigerator in Orem's Kitchen has failed. This refrigerator is 16 years old. So the decision has been made to be good stewards of our money and purchase a new refrigerator. We have received a quote from Carey Sales for a new Commercial Refrigerator at about \$4000.



If you would like to contribute to the purchase of the new Refrigerator you may do so by dropping by the office or mailing a donation to the church with the words = **Refrigerator** in the Check memo section or on the envelope. Or you can donate online and use the note section to request donation for the Refrigerator.

At this time we are HALFWAY to our goal of \$4000! We have some time to collect the funds for this purchase since we do not have any events taking place in the kitchen for the next several months. **Thank you in advance for any financial help you can offer. It is very much appreciated.**



Altar Flowers 2021. If you would like to sign up for flowers, the cost is \$36. You may pay for your flowers at the time they are on the altar. You can order special colors for your week, just be sure to call the office at least two weeks in advance. Thank you for helping to beautify our worship space. **PLEASE DO NOT TAKE THE GREEN LINER HOME WITH YOU. ALUMINIUM PANS ARE PROVIDED.**



Jim McVicker's family would like to thank everyone who has been so wonderful to them at his sudden passing. Your continued prayers are requested at this difficult time. Thank you for reaching out with love and concern for his family.

AMPLIFY MEDIA

Is a site that offers Bible studies, devotions and especially wonderful programs for children and families to enjoy. The Church pays for the subscription but you will need to register an individual account so that you have your own password to access the programs.

Go to <https://my.amplifymedia.com/amplify> in the upper right corner click on the person logo then click on Access Code.

Orems Congregational code is

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We hope you will enjoy this site.

Suggestions for Children: Danny Go! is similar to Blues Clues. Pete and Penelope is an adventure series. Deep Blue Kids has great animated bible stories. And there is so much more available to you.

Suggestions for adults: there are many bible studies and devotions on this site as well as podcasts and fun information.

Bible Study coming soon- Religion and Science: Pathways to Truth

Is it possible to be a Christian and take science seriously? Must we choose between God and science? This study offers a positive alternative, a way to live in today's world as scientifically informed believers.

More details to follow! If interested, contact the church office.

Easter looks different this year—but at least we are able to have in person worship for those who are able to join us. We continue to worship with masks on and using every other pew to distance ourselves safely from others. We have hand sanitizer stations in the hallway and the entrance to the sanctuary. Those attending must enter through the connecting hallway and take the stairs up to the sanctuary. We still are not operating the elevator as you can't safely distance in that small space. We have a list of all who attend as is suggested by CDC just in case there is a reason to contact everyone who attended the service. There are no bulletins but the service is displayed on the screen. There is a basket as you enter the sanctuary for your offering or you can use the online service with [Shelbygiving.com](https://www.shelbygiving.com) or text your offering at

Giving your Tithes / Offerings

It is now possible to give your offering on a recurring basis or a single donation to Orem 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, the church will be invoiced. There is a box to check if you wish to cover the fee. 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 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.



EASTER FLOWERS

Thank you for allowing us to borrow your Easter flowers to beautify our sanctuary for the Glorious Easter Celebration. You are welcome to take your plant home after the 10:00 a.m. Service.

LILY DEDICATIONS

In honor of Mary Lee Fyock from Dennis and Gloria Asbury.

In memory of my parents Virgil and Jane Seaber from Rita Kelly.

In memory of Philomena Lambert from Pat and Bob Collins.

AZALEAS

PINK AZALEAS

To the Risen Lord from Al Martins.

In Praise to God from Debbie Brickus

RED AZALEAS

In celebration of Easter from Al Martins.

In memory of Irene and Lavern Borreson from Larry and Vicki Borreson

HYACINTH DEDICATIONS

PINK HYACINTHS

To Gloria and Thanks to the Lord for You! Love Dennis

To Page and Doug, We thank you both for all you do for us in this time. Love Dennis and Gloria.

In loving memory of Michael Brogley from Kathy Brogley

In loving memory of Leona Egner from Don Egner.

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

PURPLE HYACINTHS

To Page and Doug, We thank you both for all you do for us in this time. Love Dennis and Gloria.

In loving memory of Michael Brogley from Kathy Brogley.

To the Glory of God from Al Martins.

To celebrate our Risen Lord from Stephanie Reed.

In loving memory of grandson Karl Gibbs from Don Egner.

In honor of Orem's Congregation from Pastor Gail.

CALLA LILY DEDICATIONS

PURPLE CALLA LILIES

In memory of Liela M. Button from Pastor Gail

In honor of Orem's Congregation from Pastor Gail.

YELLOW CALLA LILIES

In honor of our grandchildren: Jon Jon, Ginny, Cambri, Teddy and Zachariah from Vicki and Larry Borreson.

In Celebration of Easter from Debbie Brickus.

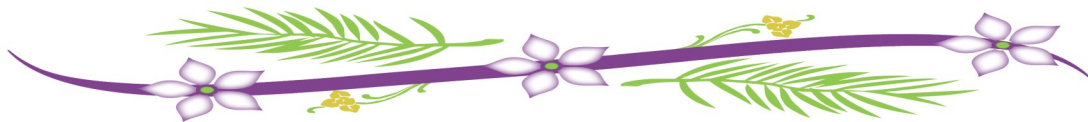
In loving memory of Clay Tolbert from Judy Tolbert.

In memory of Liela M. Button from Pastor Gail.

WHITE HYACINTHS

In memory of my son David from Don Egner.

In loving memory of Michael Brogley from Kathy Brogley.



United Methodist Women (UMW) and Men of Orem's (MOO) will not be meeting in April. We hope to meet in person soon. Watch for further announcements.

May this Easter bring you peace, health and a renewed faith in our Risen Savior.
God Bless you all.

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Our old history
begins and ends
with the cross.

Our new history
begins with our
resurrection.”

—WATCHMAN NEE

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