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The Hall Closet Thrift Shop announces plans to reopen its doors. August 7th

The last time the Thrift Shop was open for customers was March 2020. Covid 19 and Social Distancing shut the shop down for over a year.

Now that things are starting to open up more it is time to consider the steps to take to reopen the shop. The staff has met to discuss the safest and best possible way to open for business. August 7th at 8:30 a.m. the Hall Closet will open it's doors. There will be some rules to follow to ensure the smooth movement in the shop and the safety of our volunteer staff and customers. Due to the close quarters in the shop, Masks must be worn at all times while in the Hall Closet thrift shop until further notice.

At this time, we will not be accepting new donations for the shop till at least September or October.

The MEN OF OREMS will be selling Hot Dogs, and Hamburgers on the Saturday that the Thrift shop is open. Stop by to shop and buy your lunch to support Orems church.

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.

*‘For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.’ ... ‘Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the **least of these** my brothers, you did it to me.’”*

Matthew 25: 35-40



We are in need of a Coordinator for Orem's to work with Streets of Hope mission for the homeless. This person will coordinate meals for Orem's Church to feed the mission once a month from November to April and be the contact voice for Streets of Hope to Orem's church. For more information you can speak to Joyce Serio or Vicki Borreson.

Thank you to Joyce Serio for coordinating the meals for this mission for the 2020-2021 Winter season. It was deeply appreciated by the men at the shelter as well as this congregation.

Also please keep the Streets of Hope mission in prayer as they work this summer to get their housing requirements for fire safety completed at Boulevard Christian Church. A Sprinkler system and other upgrades need to be complete for the men to be housed there. The plan is to have all work completed by November. The good news is that once the shelter is open full time in November, volunteers will be able to serve the men and interact with them again. This connection was truly missed by the men and the volunteers. Pastor Gail is on the Board of Directors for the Streets of Hope and will be able to keep us up to date on the improvements. Please keep this mission in prayer.

Lunch Bunch—We enjoyed our lunch last month at Sunset Cove with 8 of us in attendance. Our next adventure will be at Alice's Restaurant at 2909 Eastern Blvd at 11:30 a.m. on Thursday, July 8th for indoor dining. Let the office know by Wednesday July 7th, if you plan to attend so we will know how many tables to reserve. Come join us to celebrate the July birthdays and spend time together.



Christian Tea Travelers is a group for those who enjoy a Tea. We will travel to area Tea Rooms each month to enjoy time together in Christian Fellowship. Our first meeting will be held at Tea by Two in Bel Air on Tuesday July 20th at 11 a.m. We will need to have a head count by July 8th to make reservations, please call the church office at 410-687-9483.



Orems church is looking for persons interested in becoming certified for our Kitchen. This certification class is free. You can register at this link:

https://www.baltimorecountymd.gov/departments/health/environmentalhealth/foodprogram/food_managers.html



Samaritans Purse Operations Christmas Child— we are collecting items for our packing party to be held in November. This summer we will collect flashlights and batteries, socks, Small dolls, small cars and trucks, crayons, small notebooks, jump ropes, baseball hats, socks, tee shirts and sunglasses. Bring the items to the box outside the church office.

Our One Call Now system sends out reminders of activities, meetings, and other announcements. 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.

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS Here is the list of needed items: Canned Chicken, Ham, Beef Stew, Jello and pudding, pancake mix and syrup, peanut butter and jelly, and spaghetti noodles. We will gladly accept gift cards to area Food stores so that folks can purchase Milk, eggs and bread. Thank you for all you do to help keep this mission.

Faith Boost

LUNCH AND WORSHIP -

Those who share in our Wednesday Lunch & Worship enjoy a great time of fellowship and inspiration in this mid-week worship experience.

Faith Boost is held on Wednesdays at 12 Noon till 1 pm. Join us each Wednesday (Hump Day) for a faith-based boost or booster shot to get you through the week. Bring your own lunch. Desserts will be provided.

Disciples of Yarn

The Orems prayer shawl mission continues to be an important part of our church. As we continue this year, members of the Needlebees have provided a variety of shawls for our use.

We know that prayers are an important part of the healing process and are grateful for the opportunity to provide shawls to our church members and friends.

Please continue to keep our mission in your prayers.

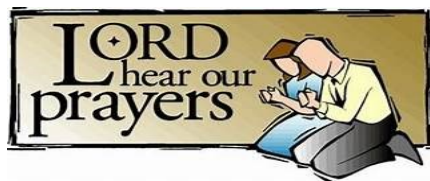
If you crochet or knit, or would like to learn, please join us at the next Needlebees meeting.

NEEDLEBEES meets this Summer: July 13th and 27th and August 10th and 24th at 6:30 p.m. in room 100. **If you don't crochet or knit but you enjoy another craft, join us for fellowship while you craft. Hope to see you there.**

Blessings to all,

Dottie Daiger





Prayer plays a very important part in all of our lives. If you would like a name put on our prayer chain; please call the church office at 410-687-9483 and leave a message.

To be added to our prayer chain call the office. Prayer is Powerful-spread the power!



SUMMER'S HERE - IT'S VACATION TIME!

But what about your weekly giving?

Enjoy this wonderful warm weather but please don't put your

Sunday offerings on va-

cation! The church is not on vacation and neither are our bills. We appreciate your continued support of your church and it is important! Please don't forget our Capital Improvements when you plan your giving. Use a plain envelope and mark it **Cap Improvement** or for any mission you want to help. You can also give online just follow this link

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

Or 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.

MOO — MEN OF OREMS

The Men of Orem will meet on Thursday July 22nd to plan our Picnic. This has become an Annual tradition for the entire congregation. With the opening of the Thrift shop on August 7th, the MOO will be selling Hot Dogs and Hamburger Lunches on the Saturday that the Thrift shop is open. Come out and support our MEN!



We are looking forward to our picnic on August 26th. We will gather at 6 p.m. for the picnic. The Men of Orem will provide the meal. The Congregation is asked to come ready to eat and enjoy the evening! All are welcome to attend this fun, and delicious fellowship night.

The Center for Pregnancy Concerns (CPC) reaches out to women who are in a time of their lives when they are vulnerable and in 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 depends on donations for their survival. They are now located at Mars Hill Baptist Church on Old Eastern Avenue in the back of the building.



Our Elite Group (90 and over) has one birthday this month. On July 31st, Bud Masson will celebrate his birthday. We wish him a year of good health and happiness. If you know of someone that should be included in our "Elite 90 and over group" please let the office know about them. **WE WANT TO CELEBRATE!**

The Newsletter Deadline for September NEWS is Sunday, Aug 15th, if you have information for our newsletter, please drop it off to the Church office or email at oremsumc@verizon.net for inclusion in the September edition of the Beacon.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

Our next meeting is Wednesday, September 1st 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.gbqm-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."

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**Vacation Time!**



During the summer months, the office will on occasion, have light coverage with the help of volunteers. So if you plan to stop by the Church, please call ahead to be sure that someone will be there to assist you. Phone messages will be attended to as quickly as possible. Have a safe and relaxing Summer!



***We honor our Class of 2021 Graduates from all levels of schooling and extend the Lord's Blessings on each of them as they take the next step into their future.***

**Jacob McNeal** graduated from Community College Baltimore County with a Nursing degree. His parents are George and Michele McNeal and grandparents are George and Sandy McNeal and Glenda Jones.

*Debbie Brickus received her GED High School Equivalent degree. We celebrated with her at Keenagers on July 1st. This was a long hard road to go back to studying after so many years but she came through with flying colors!! We are bursting with joy for her.*

**KEENAGERS** (fellowship group for those 50 and over)

Keenagers is back enjoying fellowship on the first Thursday of the month at 11:30 a.m. Our July meeting we will be celebrating the High School Equivalent Graduation of Debbie Brickus (our Service Master Cleaning Member.)

We are proud of her hard work and this great achievement. Our next meeting is August 5<sup>th</sup> in the fellowship hall.

Hope to see you there! Judy Tolbert



## **CALLING ALL WIDOWS**

Starting Monday July, 12th a new group is meeting in Room 100 at 7:00. I am calling it the Warrior Widows Club, because no matter how recently, or how long ago you became a widow, you ARE a warrior!

I am expecting each meeting to last about 1 hour to help each other with our experiences and difficulties.

I hope to see you there. May your burdens be lightened and prayers answered. In Jesus precious name, Judy Tolbert





## Healing Service

On Sunday June 27th as you entered the church for worship, each member was given a piece of paper and a piece of cloth for the sermon and healing service. The Paper was to write requests for healing prayers. The cloth was to remind the recipient of

the hem of Jesus' garment that the woman touched for healing (found in the gospel of Mark 5:21-43) **Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years. She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, for she said, "If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well." ... Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, "Who touched my clothes?" And his disciples said to him, "You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, 'Who touched me?'" He looked all around to see who had done it. But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease."**

The papers were filled out with prayer requests for healing and pinned to the garment on the altar. This was followed by a Unison prayer for healing. You may view this service on our Orem's UMC facebook page.

