



OREMS BEACON

Orems United Methodist Church
May 2023

May 2022

Special points of interest:

- 2 Sarah Circle
- 3 Faith Boost
UWF meeting
- 4 Keenagers
- 6 Hall Closet Thrift
- 7 Communion Worship
- 9 Needlebees
- 10 Faith Boost
- 11 Lunch bunch
- 14 Worship
- 15 Newsletter deadline
- 17 Faith Boost
- 18 Admin Board
- 21 Worship
- 24 Faith Boost
- 25 MOO
- 28 Worship
- 29 Office Closed
- 31 Faith Boost

Please see calendar page for all events:

- 8:45 a.m. Adult Seekers Class,
- 10 a.m. Sunday Worship Service Sunday school children will attend worship with parents then go to our William Repair chapel for Activity

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*Orems United Methodist Church
1773 - 2023*

Join Us For Our

250th Anniversary Tea

May 13th at 3 PM

Menu: Salad, Soup, Scones, Mini Sandwiches and Desserts

Tickets are \$15 per person

Call 410-687-2548 or the Church office at 410-687-9483

Honoring "Mothers of Orems" May 14, 2023

If you would like to share a memory of a Faithful Woman of Orems, drop a note or stop by the church office to make a video quote for our screen. Don't be shy! We need to hear about your blessings from the women of Orems - "Mothers of our Faith. You can also record on your own cell phone a brief message about someone and send it to Pastor Gail's cell phone or email the video to oremsumc@verizon.net We need these messages by May 8th. Help make a wonderful tribute for Women of Orems on Mothers day.

[To ATTEND OREMS WORSHIP SERVICE ONLINE:](#)

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

*Our Mission Statement is:
"To love God and to love our neighbors as ourselves."*



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 May 15th.

You may pick up an application from the office or call the office and we can email 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. We will present the scholarships to our Recipients later this summer.

KEENAGERS (fellowship group for those 55 and over)

Please join us for lunch and devotions on May 4th at 11:30 a.m. in the Room 100 next to the church office. Bring your sandwich etc. We supply dessert and you can enjoy the fellowship of our Christian brothers and sisters.

We will have our picnic on June 1st. You can sign up for a picnic item at the May meeting. Hope to see you there!

Judy Tolbert

Church Anniversary news: 2023 is a year of celebration of the past and looking forward to the future of sharing the Gospel in Middle River. **250 years is a really big deal.** I hope I am not the only one who believes this! As Committee Chair of the Anniversary Committee, I am excited that we are celebrating and I look forward to the events coming up this year. I have been looking forward to this year for a decade. We have a 250th Anniversary Mother's Day Tea on May 13th and Re-dedication of our grounds to God on May 21st. Our big celebration will take place in September but I hope you will enjoy each event in this special year. If you have questions, contact me at the church office.
Vicki Borreson



May 21st Anniversary Event – **Heritage Sunday Celebration.** Join us for worship at 10 a.m. under a large canopy on the parking lot across the street to re-dedicate our lands to God's purpose. We will celebrate Heritage Day with guest speaker John Strawbridge and acknowledge the land deed from Lord Baltimore to John Wesley to establish a church here in Middle River. Bring a lawn chair for seating. Please leave a center aisle when setting up your chairs. We will have a few folding chairs for those without a lawn chair. Ushers will help you cross the street if needed.

We will be honoring our **Seminary Graduate Laurel McNeal** at our worship service on May 28, 2023 at 10 a.m. Join us for this joyous occasion to Bless Laurel in her path of Faith.

Did you know we have a Memorial Fund? You may place a memory in memory of a loved one or in honor of someone for a birthday or special event. To contribute to the Memorial fund you can fill out a Memorial Envelope found in the Entryway of the church, or place your name and the person being remembered on a plain envelope with MEMORIAL written on it. Or you can give through Shelby by putting MEMORIAL in the memo of the contribution site.

Tithing online- Give your offering to Orem's Church on ShelbyNext systems with a credit or debit card or ACH (withdrawal) or an echeck. To donate online 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.

The JUNE News-letter deadline is May 15th.

Please drop off your information at the church office or send an email to oremsumc@verizon.net



Disciples of Yarn

Many thanks to those who make this mission possible. We have met the needs of several people experiencing illness or trauma in the past few months. We will have a Prayer shawl blessing on June 11th.



Please continue to keep our mission in your prayers as the rest of the year moves forward to many more needs that we cannot yet anticipate.

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 May 9th and May 23rd at 6:30 p.m. in room 100 beside the church office.

Food Pantry needs Cereal, Spaghetti noodles and sauce, Canned hams, chicken and tuna, Rice a Roni, Chicken noodle soup, Peanut butter and Jelly. We also accept \$15 gift cards to Food Lion, Weis and Giant Foods to purchase eggs, bread and Milk.

Thank you for helping to serve the area needs. We were able to provide 6 families with Easter meals and Easter baskets for their 22 children.



Crosses and Plaques for sale

If you would like to purchase an Orem's Plaque or Cross made from the old pews of the 1859 church, contact the church office. Each piece has a unique coloring depending on where in the pew it was cut. The wood revealed beautiful colors as the pews were shaped into crosses or plaques. The cost is \$25 each. Both pieces have a label on the bottom identifying it as part of the old pews. The Plaque has est. 1773 on it.

Our 250th Anniversary Year is a great time to have a piece of Orem's History in your home.



Observing Memorial Sunday May 28th.

Orems Church would like to honor all those who **died** while serving in the military. Please drop a note in the offering plate by May 21st or call the church office (410-687-9483) if you have someone who gave the ultimate sacrifice for our Country, include Name, rank, year of death and service information.

We will honor all those who have served or are now serving in the military in a special insert in November for Veterans Day.



Did you know that Orems Church offers a mid-week worship service?

Faith Boost is a midweek worship and fellowship. We gather every Wednesday in Room 100 for lunch at 12 noon. **We begin a worship service** at 12:30 p.m. that runs till 1 p.m. Bring your lunch and join us!



Altar Flowers 2023. If you would like to sign up for flowers, the cost is \$36. There is a chart in the Entryway of the Church or call the office to sign up for a Sunday. You may pay for your flowers at the time they are on the altar with a check payable to the church or with cash. Be sure to call the office at least two weeks in advance with dedication for the bulletin. Thank you for helping to beautify our worship space. **PLEASE DO NOT TAKE THE Brass vase HOME WITH YOU. IF FLOWERS ARE IN A GLASS VASE YOU MAY TAKE THE VASE HOME WITH YOU AND BRING IT BACK WHEN YOU ARE THROUGH USING IT OR KEEP IT IF YOU LIKE.**

Rose Garden at OREMS UMC

Did you know that The Baltimore Chapter of the American

Rosie the Riveter Association dedicated a Rosie the Riveter Memorial Rose Garden right here at Orems Church on May 7, 2019?

Stop by on our front lawn and take a look at how our Roses are growing. This particular rose was designed in honor of the Rosies. Isn't it beautiful!

Just another example of Orems sharing the history of Middle River.





We have made some changes in our worship service to help our service run smoothly as we live stream worship. We include language that helps outsiders know what is going on and we try to be more aware of time.

We have announcements on the screen including birthdays and Wedding Anniversaries. If you are celebrating a birthday or Anniversary in May or June, please contact the church office so we can recognize your special day. If you have any announcements about meetings or events, please email or call them into the office by Tuesday. The church email is oremsumc@verizon.net and the office number is 410-687-9483.

THANK YOU



I wanted to wish everyone a Happy Easter and hope all are doing well. I continue to appreciate the cards and the bulletins you send to me.

They inspire me on a daily basis and give me the strength to keep going. I miss everyone and wish I could be there on Sunday. Take care and God bless.

Sincerely,
Paul Parks

The Elite Group "90 and Over"



The Elite Group was started by Mildred Shepherd several years ago when we discovered that we had several church members who were in their 90's. I have tried to keep up the tradition of welcoming folks into the "Elite Group." We don't have any special (90's) birthdays in May that I know about. I don't want to exclude anyone, and I don't know the birthdate of all the members of Orem's church. If you know of a member who is 89 and approaching 90, or has been missed on the "90 and over" list; please be a good "SNITCH" and let me know or call the church office.

It is a blessing to be a member of Orem's and especially one of the "Elite"
Love to all,

Vicki Borreson

Attention Graduates and Family

If you have a graduate in your family—pre- K to Masters , we want to know. Let us celebrate with you. Contact the church office with name of student, school, degree, any honors or special certificates and future plans.

We will have a special insert in a June Bulletin.



MEN OF OREMS



The Men of Orem (MOO) will be meeting on May 25th at 9:30 a.m. at Essex Dinner and then at 7 p.m. in Room 100.

We will be selling Burgers and Brauts on the days that the Hall Closet Thrift Store is open. Come buy lunch and support Orem Men. MOOOOOO!

CUT THIS SECTION OUT AND KEEP NEAR YOUR PHONE:

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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.

United Women in Faith

Our next meeting is Wednesday, May 3rd at 7:00 p.m. in room 100. We hope you can join us for our gathering.

Please join us as we continue to plan for our missions and ministries. If you are a woman attending church at Orem we would love to have you join us for our next meeting.

OUR PURPOSE: *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."*



Mother's Day is May 14th