



OREMS BEACON

Orem United Methodist Church
July & August Edition 2023

Faith Goes to the Movies

Summer nights stay light a little longer and that gives us an opportunity to have some fellowship at church and still be able to drive home in daylight. There are some good movies from the past that we can enjoy together and discuss from our Christian perspective.

Join us in Room 100 for Pizza, popcorn, Iced Tea and Lemonade while we watch a movie. The first will be on Tuesday, July 18th at 6 p.m. and the next on Wednesday, August 16th at 6 p.m. We will have a sign up sheet so that we can have enough pizza for the event.

Sunday Worship
Service 10 a.m.

In person and
Live Streaming
via Facebook or
follow the link on
our Website to
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YOUTUBE.



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The Anniversary Committee is preparing a 250th Anniversary Worship service and Dinner for September 10th. We will meet on July 12th at 1:30 to discuss details.

If you are interested in helping with the Anniversary Celebration, join us in Room 100 on July 12th. We will announce our plans as time gets closer. In the meantime, we would like help assembling a Time line to display leading up to the Celebration. If you can help, contact the church office.



Our Scripture Theme 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

A mission meeting was held on June 15th to discuss how best to use our resources in this present economy. The church is not getting the financial support that it has received in other years to continue all of our missions as they have been functioning in the past. We need to adjust what we can give to be more responsible stewards of our resources.

The committee agreed that we need to focus on our immediate community. The first step is to build a partnership with Orem's Elementary school to not only provide food and gifts at Christmas, but also address the needs of the teachers and families in other ways. The **Food Pantry, Little Feet** and **Angel Tree** will work closely with the school.

We will also continue to work with the **Streets of Hope** mission to aid the homeless in our area.



Streets of Hope is looking for a Meals Team Coordinator for all their Meal teams that help during the season. This person would contact all the meal teams with information and reminders about serving the mission.



Samaritan's Purse Operations Christmas Child—

With the Mission focus on Local Community needs, this year we will not be sponsoring The Shoebox ministry of Samaritan's Purse. However, there are churches in the area (for example: Victory Villa Baptist) and the Chick Fil A restaurants who offer shoeboxes if you still desire to do this mission.

Streets of Hope Crab Feast to benefit Streets of Hope on Sunday July 30th at Rosedale Gardens from 2 to 6 p.m.

Cost is \$70 with menu of All you can eat Crabs, Maryland Crab soup, Fried chicken, Beef Barbeque, Mac & Cheese, baked beans, Coleslaw, potato salad, Pasta salad, corn on the cob, cheese platter, chips, pretzels, desserts and beverages. One free ticket for anyone who sells 8 tickets! Contact Josh at 443-632-5433 for details. Pick up a flyer on the Orems registration table at the church entrance for the QR code for ticket purchases or go to

[HTTPS://WWW.EVENTCREATE.COM/E/CSOHANNUALCRABFEAST](https://www.eventcreate.com/e/csohannualcrabfeast)

Lunch Bunch—We enjoy our lunch together at Alice's Restaurant at 2909 Eastern Blvd at 11:30 a.m. on the second Thursday, of each month. Let the office know by Wednesday if you plan to attend so we will know how many tables to reserve. Come join us to celebrate the July and August birthdays and spend time together.

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.

KEENAGERS (fellowship group for those 50 and over)



Keenagers will meet the first Thursday of the month at 11:30 a.m. Our July meeting we will be on July 6th. We will gather with our Bag Lunches and then enjoy watermelon and Christian fellowship.

Our August meeting will be August 3rd. We are planning a Taco Lunch. Sign up for your Taco contribution at the Thursday meeting in July.

Pictured is the group enjoying a trip to the Herr's Potato chip Factory in Nottingham PA. Hope to see you soon! Judy Tolbert

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

Here is the list of needed items: Canned Chicken, Tuna, Ham, Beef Stew, Jello and pudding, pancake mix and syrup, peanut butter and jelly, and spaghetti sauce and noodles, Beefaroni, Canned Ravioli and Cereal. 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.



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 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.

Disciples of Yarn



Our latest Prayer Shawl blessing on June 11 included 33 new shawls provided by the dedicated Disciples of Yarn. At the end of the service, two of the shawls were provided to church members. The needs of the congregation continue to be met as the faithful member of the Disciples of Yarn continue to supply tangible expressions of God's love.

Many thanks to those who support our mission with their talent, material, and monetary contributions.

Please continue to keep our mission in your prayers as we continue throughout the rest of the year.

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,
Dottie Daiger

NEEDLEBEES meets this Summer: July 11th and 25th and August 8th and 22nd 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.





IT'S VACATION TIME!

But what about your weekly giving? Please don't put your Sunday offerings on vacation! We appreciate your continued support of your church. Please don't forget our Capital Improve-

ments 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 the word **Give** to **1-410-873-1957** then follow the prompts. Your information is encrypted so that it is safe.

Thank You

Dear Orem's Church
Growing up at Orem's is something I will always remember and I am grateful for the love and support that I have always been given. I want to especially thank you all for your support and prayers throughout my seminary journey. I am looking forward to my first Sunday at my new appointment and know I will think of you all as I wear the robe you all helped me get and use the paten and chalice you got me.

Thank you again for all you have done over the years,

Laurel McNeal



MEN OF OREMS



The Men of Orem's will meet on Thursday July 27th to plan our Picnic. This has become an Annual tradition for the entire congregation.

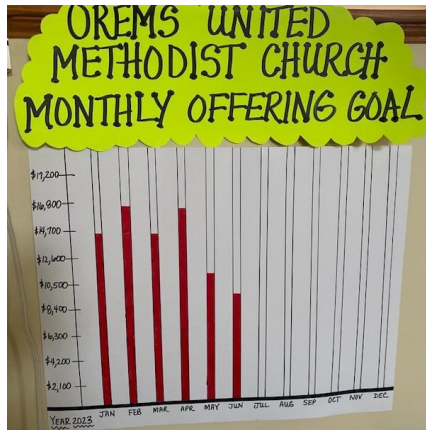
The MOO will be selling Hot Dogs and Hamburger Lunches on the Saturday that the Thrift shop is open July 8th and August 5th. Come out and support our MEN!



We are looking forward to our picnic on August 24th. We will gather at 6 p.m. for the picnic. The Men of Orem's will provide the meat. The Congregation is asked to come ready to eat and bring side dishes! The Anniversary Committee will provide an Ice Cream bar with toppings to celebrate our 250th Anniversary. All are welcome to attend this fun, and delicious fellowship night.

Finance Report

As we shared with the congregation several months ago, to meet our budget we must bring in \$17,000 a month. There is a chart in the entryway of the sanctuary to help you keep track of our finances. If you look at the chart you will see we are falling short of our goal every month by about 30%. Please prayerfully consider increasing your offering each month. We will also be looking for some fundraising ideas in the future.



UNITED WOMEN OF FAITH

Our next meeting is Wednesday, September 6th 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.gbgm-umc.org)



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!

New Address

John and Jane Warrender,
14238 Shiloh Way,
Laurel DE 19956

Trustee Update

The work on the back room off of Room 100 is almost complete.



Siberia is looking much better now.



We honor our Class of 2023 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.

Margaret Eney graduated from University of Maryland Global Campus with Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration on May 14th.

Ky'Marlei Jones from Kindergarten at Sussex Elementary. She is the great granddaughter of Judy Tolbert.

Kaycee Diane Davis Martin graduating from the University of Tennessee CUM LAUDE with a Bachelor of Science in Animal Science degree. Kaycee has never had under a 4 pt average all through school. She has many honors including Pride of the Southland Marching Band. She is the granddaughter of Diane Fink.

Laurel McNeal, graduated from Wesley Theological Seminary with a Masters of Divinity degree and was commissioned as a Probationary Elder at the Annual Conference. She will be one of the pastors at The Community Parish of Northern Baltimore County. Orems Church is so proud of Laurel's accomplishments and wish her God's blessings on this journey for His work. Laurel is the daughter of Michele and George McNeal III, and granddaughter of Sandy and George McNeal II.

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