

MAYFIELD CHURCH

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Our Mission:

“To make and mature disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world...”

Who We Are:

Mayfield Church is a community of believers GROWING in faith, SHARING God's light and LOVING the world.



A LENTEN INVITATION

By Rev. Beth Wilterdink

There is no doubt that we all need time away with God, but when we don't have time for a week of silent retreat (I know some of you just thought, eek!) or even a weekend retreat, the season of Lent offers us an invitation to a daily retreat with God. Can we find 2-10 minutes to spend in prayer, scripture reading, and reflection?

When we offer Christ to others, it always begins with an invitation. This Lent, I invite you to read through the gospel of Luke and come to know Jesus more closely. This gospel begins with an explanation so that we, the readers, “may know the certainty of the things you have been taught.”

As we read through Luke, take time to pray for God's Spirit to be known to you through these words. As we read, if there are places where you know your heart is in need of repair or renewal, pray for the ways in which Christ may restore the joy of Christ in your life. As we read the stories of Jesus' ministry with so many different people, pray for what it can look like for us to offer Christ to different people in your life and in our community.

Lent provides us a season both in our lives and in the life of the church for reflection on our own humanness and need for God. As Ash Wednesday begins this season with the imposition of ashes on our forehead, it is this reminder that we are human, created by God, and that because of our humanness, we've sinned and are in need of God's grace and mercy. This ancient sign of repentance begins in this season when we surrender to God, and fast from something to make space for prayer and time with God that will prepare us once again for the mystery and miracle of the Resurrection.

Here are the words that our UMC Book of Worship offers for our pastors to pray an INVITATION TO THE OBSERVANCE OF LENTEN DISCIPLINE:

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

The early Christians observed with great devotion the days of our Lord's passion and resurrection, and it became the custom of the Church that before the Easter celebration there should be a forty-day season of spiritual preparation.

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CHURCH EVENTS

See where you can invite a friend or neighbor to join in our community of faith. More ministry opportunities on page 9.

- **WED., MARCH 2 @ 7 PM**
ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE
SEE PAGE 3
- **FRI., MARCH 4 @ 6—8 PM**
TWEENS: CLUE AND PIZZA
SEE PAGE 8
- **SUN., MARCH 6 @ 9:30 & 11 AM**
CHILDREN'S MOMENT
SEE PAGE 8
- **SUN., MARCH 6 @ 1 PM**
SAFE SANCTUARIES TRAINING
SEE PAGE 7
- **FRI., MARCH 25 @ 5—6:30 PM**
COMMUNITY DINNER
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During this season converts to the faith were prepared for Holy Baptism. It was also a time when persons who had committed serious sins and had separated themselves from the community of faith were reconciled by penitence and forgiveness, and restored to participation in the life of the Church.

In this way the whole congregation was reminded of the mercy and forgiveness proclaimed in the gospel of Jesus Christ and the need we all have to renew our faith.

I invite you, therefore, in the name of the Church, to observe a holy Lent: by self-examination and repentance; by prayer, fasting, and self-denial; and by reading and meditating on God's Holy Word.

To make a right beginning of repentance, and as a mark of our mortal nature, let us now bow before our Creator and Redeemer.

I invite you to join in this holy season of Lent for transformation and growth.

Grace and the peace of Christ,

Rev. Beth



6515 Bridge Ave.
Cleveland, OH 44102

Join the **Nehemiah Mission of Cleveland** for breakfast to hear Executive Director, Alison Klocker's, "State of the Mission" and find out how Nehemiah is emerging from the global pandemic. We have big plans, and we need the support of you, our donors and volunteers, now more than ever. Breakfast will be at 9:30 AM on Saturday, March 12, and Wednesday, March 16, at the Nehemiah Mission of Cleveland. A donation of \$25 is appreciated for attending. Register at nehemiahmission.org/register-for-breakfast

Begin the season of Lent with us on Wed., March 2!

ASH WEDNESDAY

March 2



DRIVE-THRU ASHES
7 - 9 AM
11 AM - 1 PM

IN-PERSON AND
LIVESTREAMED SERVICE
7 PM

Holy Week

MAUNDY THURSDAY - APRIL 14:

7 PM: EVENING SERVICE, *in-person*

GOOD FRIDAY - APRIL 15:

NOON: TIME OF REFLECTION & HOLY COMMUNION, *in-person*
7 PM: EVENING SERVICE, *in-person & livestream*

EASTER SUNDAY - APRIL 17:

6:30 AM: SUNRISE SERVICE, *in-person*
9:30 AM: MODERN SERVICE, *in-person & livestream*
11 AM: TRADITIONAL SERVICE, *in-person & livestream*

GARDEN MINISTRY

The Worship Center will be adorned with beautiful lilies, azaleas, and hydrangeas for Easter. You may place your orders beginning Sunday, March 20 through Sunday, April 3, at the Garden Ministry Table on Sundays, or by contacting Linnea Bubnow at linneabubnow@hotmail.com or 440-729-2424. Additional order forms will be on the display board in the main hallway.

Flowers displayed in the Worship Center on Easter may be picked up after the 11 AM service or between April 19—22 during church office hours.

EASTER PLANT ORDER FORM 2022

Name _____

Phone No. _____

PLANTS ORDERED FOR WORSHIP CENTER

_____ Single Lily	\$10
_____ Double Lily	\$20
_____ Triple Lily	\$25
_____ 6" Azalea	\$18 (white, pink, purple)
_____ 6" Hydrangea	\$18 (blue, pink, white)

DEDICATION MESSAGE FOR BULLETIN

_____ In memory of _____

_____ In honor of _____

_____ In the Spirit of Easter _____

From: _____

PLANTS ORDERED FOR GIFTS OR HOME

_____ 4" Tulip (red, pink, white, yellow)	\$5
_____ 4" Hyacinth (pink, blue, white, purple)	\$5
_____ 6" Tulip (red, purple, pink, white)	\$8
_____ 6" Hyacinth (blue, purple, white, pink)	\$8
_____ Single Lily	\$10
_____ Double Lily	\$20
_____ Triple Lily	\$25
_____ 6" Azalea (white, pink, purple)	\$18
_____ 6" Hydrangea (blue, pink, white)	\$18

Amount Paid _____

Please pay online at mayfieldchurch.org under the "give" tab or make checks payable to Mayfield Church with Easter Plants in memo.

Order plants Sunday, March 20 to Sunday, April 3.

Pick-up Dates and Times:

For Worship Center Orders: April 19 - 22 during church office hours

For Gifts or Home Orders: Wed., April 13 from 2 to 8 PM

SUNDAY MESSAGES DURING LENT In-person & Livestream

9:30 AM Modern
11 AM Traditional



March 6

The Night Shift Workers
Children's Moment

March 13 (Daylight Savings)

The Good Doctor

March 20

The Demon Possessed

March 27

Prostitutes and Prodigals

April 3

The Homeless Beggars

April 10 (Palm Sunday)

The Thief on the Cross



“HANDS THAT SERVE” EMSIZINI SCHOOL

By John Parker

Mayfield Church has been in partnership with Bethel Church, Bulawayo Zimbabwe, since 2014 in supporting the Emsizini secondary school, located in Kensington, Zimbabwe. In this partnership, Mayfield Church has supported many capital improvements, including upgraded bathrooms, a science classroom building, a home for the school caretaker and his family, and the conversion of the teacher’s cottage to a student boarding house. School programming has been supported with the purchase of administrator’s computers, student desks and chairs, sewing machines, science classroom equipment, whiteboards, sports equipment, choir robes, and various teaching supplies. We have also supported the school with our presence, with five adults and nine college students having visited the school on six separate trips.

Most recently, Mayfield Church has supported the school with a new 5,000-liter water tank, tires for the school van, and fuel for teachers’ transportation to and from school. There are also projects under way to convert the water pump to solar power, which will also provide lighting in the school boarding house. Mayfield Church also provided tuition support for four Emsizini teachers, who earned advanced degrees in 2021.



Some of the items we are focusing on in 2022 are painting and repairs in the classrooms, chaplain’s house, and lavatory buildings. Also, floor tiling in the science laboratory and installation of security bars for the boarding house. Additionally, we would like to support the school with funds for masks and other personal protective equipment. Cost estimates for these projects is \$8,000.

Another opportunity for LifeGroups and individuals is the Emsizini Teacher Partner Program. This program, which began two years ago, has been a way to show appreciation and love to the teachers and staff at Emsizini. Funds from this program help cover fuel for teacher commuting costs and provide a modest year-end bonus to the teachers and staff for a job well done. The teachers at Emsizini are dedicated to their students. They showed this in 2021 by working during a national teacher’s strike and working weekends to prepare students for exams.

Due to travel restrictions, it is unknown when our next trip to Emsizini will be. If you have interest in future travel, want to learn more about the school, or would like to help with this mission please contact John Parker at 330-289-4117 or parkerja89@gmail.com.



Rosemary Chieza
English Teacher



Handsome Macala
Art and History
Teacher



Mthulisi Mlilo
Mathematics
Teacher



OUR PARTNER SCHOOLS: ROWLAND AND ADRIAN

By Rev. Jan Fillmore

Our Schools Team, working with the Prayer Shawl Ministry, offered Christ last month by putting together a Valentine's Day bag for the 75 staff members at Rowland Elementary School. Each bag held a prepackaged Cheryl's cookie and a knitted prayer swatch (in school colors), with a tag that offered prayer and the way to request it.



We also supplied child-size socks, underwear and sweat pants to the nurse and the social worker, who needed these items for students who arrive for school in wet clothing (due to the snow).



And, we helped a district mom and her five children who needed sheets for their beds.

This month we'll hold a staff appreciation dinner on Wednesday, March 16, the evening of parent-teacher conferences at the school.

We'll also be shipping books to our schools. Cathy Stang, who is writing the grants for the books, reports that there have not been as many books available through First Book Marketplace, but she already has books lined up for the third-graders at Adrian Elementary School.



GEAUGA FOOD BANK

Every month, we will have a different focus on collecting food for the Geauga County Food Bank. We will still collect any nonperishables, though for the month of March, our collection for the Geauga County Food Bank will focus on:

**NOODLES
MAC & CHEESE
PASTA SAUCE**



HELPING HAND FUND

Application for Financial Assistance from Mayfield UMC
Helping Hands Fund

Name(s): _____
 Address: _____
 City, State, Zip: _____
 Phone number: _____ Email: _____

What are you requesting aid for?
 Name of program or need/event for which you are requesting aid: _____

(If payment of a bill, please attach a copy of the bill)

Please indicate the amount of aid you are requesting:
 How much are you able to pay toward this need or event?: _____

If Mayfield UMC is **NOT** your home church, please answer the following questions:
 Which local church do you regularly attend? _____
 Are you a member? _____ Name of Pastor: _____
 Many churches are willing to help their families with financial assistance to attend church-sponsored events / needs. Have you discussed your financial need with your pastor/church? _____ What was their response? _____

I hereby signify that without financial aid, the cost of attending this need or event would create a difficulty for me. I also agree that if my financial situation changes and I become able to increase the amount I can pay toward the need or event, I will notify the church to have my financial aid lowered accordingly.

Signature of person requesting aid _____ Date _____

When completed, please submit this form to the Administrative Assistant in the church office. If a community member, a copy of your driver's license is also needed. Your application will be reviewed and you will be notified by phone of the amount of aid awarded.

Pastor approval: _____ Recommended amount: _____ Date: _____

Did you know that Mayfield Church has a "Helping Hand Fund" to address financial needs of individuals in our congregation and the community?

If you or someone you know needs assistance, pick up a yellow application form on the church display wall in the main hallway. Or, request an emailed or faxed copy by calling the office at 440-729-4006. Once the completed form is returned to the office, the pastors will review it and respond to the need or request. If you would like to donate to this fund so that we may continue to meet the financial needs of those in our congregation and the community, you may give online or by check to the "Helping Hand Fund." Thank you!

Challenge ... Accepted!

By Rev. Jan Fillmore

Our 2022 LifeGroups Challenge is in full swing ... we have given each of our ongoing LifeGroups \$100 and challenged them to use that money to make a difference in the life of one person, family or community group.

The challenge ends March 15. Several groups have already decided upon how they will use (or did use) their money. Here are their stories:

The Faithful Friends (Sundays @ 11 AM via Zoom) decided to honor the staff of the COVID units at UH Geauga Medical Center. "We wanted to do something to encourage people who are two years into this pandemic and are faithfully persevering but also very tired," said leader Betsy Virnelson. After determining what the staff wanted (sweets, please!), the group went to DS Cakes in Newbury, bought four trays – one for each of the two day shifts and one for each of the two night shifts – and delivered them with notes of encouragement the week of Feb. 21. "They were so excited," said Paula Usis, the group member who had the pleasure of delivering the goodies. "One staff member said, 'I can't believe somebody would bring us something this good.' Another said, 'Where is this church again?'" Betsy said the group found the challenge to be meaningful "because we felt we were addressing something special out in the community that is also very current. We even ended up adding to it to cover the cost of the trays we wanted to give."

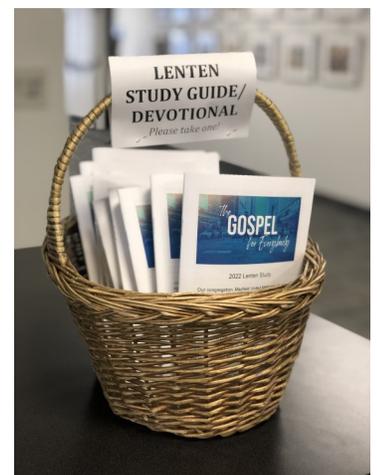
The Faith Builders (Monday @ 9:30 AM via Zoom) bought four \$25 Walmart gift cards for the Afghan Response effort at the Nehemiah Mission on Cleveland's West Side. Nehemiah, a project of the North Coast District of the UMC, had been housing Afghan and Burkinabe refugees in transitional housing and now needed to get them set up in apartments. The East Ohio Conference asked for specific items, including microwaves, pots and pans, towels, grocery items, and also gift cards for essentials. Nancy Dickerson, leader of the Faith Builders, said, "I felt, and the group agreed, that it was an easy way for us to get help to them." Becky Trout is the director of Corner65, a part of Refugee Response that received the gift cards. She wrote to the group on Feb. 28: "Thank you SO much for supporting these families. We will be distributing them today to take them to Walmart."

The Wednesday Morning group accepted the 2022 LifeGroups Challenge with the goal of buying a clothes dryer for the Nehemiah Mission. Several members had visited Nehemiah to help organize closets and the kitchen and had noticed that the mission had just one dryer – and it was being used a lot. "You may wonder how we might buy a dryer with \$100," said leader Linda Smith. "We will apply for a Mustard Seed grant [from the Mission Outreach Council], accept any help that may come from other sources like UMW, and reach into our personal pockets to add to the kitty. We fully expect to be able to fund a top-notch dryer for the Nehemiah Mission and are excited about this project."

Married ... With Children was inspired by the fall church book study of "Get Off Your Donkey" to re-start Mayfield's Community Dinner. On the evening of Feb. 24, group members prepared the food and on Feb. 25, from 5 to 6:30 PM, members and their children handed out more than 80 dinners of chili, cornbread and a brownie to folks who drove up to the main doors. The group is hoping to return to a sit-down meal in Fellowship Hall, said leader Stephanie Wright. *See page 10 for more of this story!*

We'll have more stories in next month's newsletter. Be blessed!

For Lent, several of our groups will be using the study guide/devotional that accompanies our message series, "The Gospel for Everybody." The guide includes Scripture readings for the day, a review of the Scripture, and reflection questions, as well as a weekly activity for families. Pick up your copy at the Welcome Desk or email jan@mayfieldchurch.org, to receive a mailed copy. Want to join a group? See Jan!



THE UPRISING STUDENT MINISTRIES

Next month, confirmation students take an important step on their faith journey by vowing to intentionally live out their baptism covenant and become full members of The United Methodist Church. They have prepared for many months through classes led by church leaders, one-on-one studies with their mentors, cultural experiences, and relationship-building with each other.

In February, confirmation students and their mentors attended an all day retreat, where they continued learning about the tenets of Wesleyan faith and practice. Throughout the day there were opportunities for fellowship over meals (ice cream for breakfast is a great way to start any day!), and some fun break time for board games and outdoor play in the snow. Also in February, the confirmation group attended Sunday service at an American Baptist Church to learn about the broader faith community (pictured right). Thank you to Pastor Fields and New Freedom Ministries for so warmly welcoming us!



In the last few weeks of confirmation season, we ask that you boldly pray for our young believers as they grow in faith, share God's light, and love the world.

SUNDAY GATHERINGS

Middle School & High School

11 AM - Noon: Middle School Bible Study with Denny in B26 & Zoom

7 - 8:30 PM: The Uprising in the Youth Room (MS and HS)

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

High School

7 - 9 PM: Room B26 (Youth Room)



The Uprising (6th-12th)

SAVE THE DATE FOR CAMP ALDERSGATE!

JUNE 19-24

Our yearly summer camp is quickly approaching and we want you to join us! Whether you're a Middle School or High School student, or an adult who can volunteer to help, we would love to have you for lessons, games, lake activities, and more. Registration details coming soon.



SUNDAY, MARCH 6 @ 1 PM
ZOOM

Safe Sanctuaries Training is open to all volunteers of children, youth and vulnerable adults. This training is a requirement to work in any area of ministry with vulnerable people. If you are unable to attend the training, the recording can be sent and viewed at a later date. To RSVP for Safe Sanctuaries, please email Jess Martz at jessica@mayfieldchurch.org and a link for the zoom meeting will be sent.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

CHILDREN'S MOMENT



SUNDAYS @ 9:30 AM

STEPPING STONES SUNDAY SCHOOL
Pre-S to Kindergarten

THE ROCK WORSHIP SERVICE
Grades 1 - 5

CLUE

TWEENS MINISTRY

CLUE & PIZZA

Friday, March 4
6 - 8 PM

Lower Level of Church

Fourth and fifth graders are invited to bring a friend for this fun event of playing real life Clue! Please RSVP to Jessica Martz at jessica@mayfieldchurch.org.



Do you love kids? We are in need of nursery volunteers for the 9:30 and the 11 AM service. Please contact Mary Oklander at mary@mayfieldchurch.org if you are interested!

EVERY Summer has a STORY

East Ohio Camps want every kid to have summer story full of fun, faith formation, adventure, and growth! Their hope is that when your child tells the story of what he or she did this last summer they include a week of camp where, "I connected with great friends and great counselors, had fun adventures, learned new things, experienced God in nature and now my faith is soaring!" And that is what they are planning for summer 2022. Check out the various sessions at www.EOCsummercamps.org. Camp is open to those going into first grade this fall to high school.

What do you need this Summer?

- Friendship and Laughter
- Challenge and Skills
- Praise and Worship
- Fun and Adventure
- Exploring and Relaxing
- Campfire and Prayer
- Fun in Nature
- Swimming and Canoeing
- Spiritual Growth
- Leadership Development

HEARTLAND CHILDCARE

Heartland will begin the season of Lent with a wonderful Children's Ash Wednesday Service in the Worship Center. We are looking forward to an equally meaningful service on Maundy Thursday. These services open questions and conversations with the kids that allow us all to learn more and grow our relationship with Jesus. We are grateful for each day that we have the privilege of sharing these experiences with our preschoolers beyond just teaching them colors, letters, and shapes. Our favorite saying for this month is "we aren't lucky, we are blessed!"

Summer Camp registration is now open! This summer, we will once again be enrolling children ages 2 ½ (potty-trained) through kids entering first grade. The first week of summer camp will kick off on June 13. We are looking forward to a summer full of enrichment and outdoor camping fun!

Fall preschool registration is also now open to new families! Contact us with questions or to register for Summer Camp and Fall Preschool by calling 440-729-4006 ext. 116 or emailing heartland@mayfieldchurch.org for details.

"May your troubles be less. And your blessings be more. And nothing but happiness come through your door."



BIBLE MEMORY VERSE OF THE MONTH:

"When the rainbow appears in the clouds, I will remember my promise to you."

Genesis 9:16



MEN'S MINISTRY

"FINDING YOUR STORY"

DONALD MILLER
Saturday, March 19
8:30—9:30 AM
Fellowship Hall

All men are invited to join this morning of breakfast, conversation and prayer.

Please email Jon Wilterdink at jwilterdink@gmail.com or call him at 440-321-5521 to RSVP or for more information.

GOD'S CARING COMMUNITY

"ESTATE PLANNING"

JONATHAN WILTERDINK, GUEST SPEAKER
CLAUDIA BROWN, ATTORNEY

Thursday, March 10
10:30 AM—1 PM
Fellowship Hall
Cost: \$5 for Lunch

Join God's Caring Community, a ministry for our senior citizens, for this free workshop to explore assets, understand beneficiaries and gain tools to help turn your plans into action. God's Caring Community meets every second Tuesday of the month for a presentation, discussion and lunch.

Contact: Cyndi Nicholson at 440-729-4006 or cyndi@mayfieldchurch.org.

M.U.M.S. SPECIAL NEEDS MINISTRY



ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARTY

Tuesday, March 15
6—7:30 PM
Fellowship Hall

Let's celebrate St. Patrick's Day by doing a craft and having some fun! To stay safe during the Tuesday meetings, all groups are sitting together separately; there is no mingling between these groups in Fellowship Hall.

Please RSVP to Sandy Pavick at sandyinnewbury@aol.com.

RUMMAGE SALE

Eve Circle Ministry hosted two successful Rummage Sales in 2021, in July and October. The yields were \$3,772.46 in July and \$2,665.28 in October. The members were pleased to work with several youths along with adult members of our congregation, who helped with moving big boxes and other bulky items.

We also were able to provide assistance to members of our community by helping a young mother find clothing, donate clothing to Women's Safe, and gave many coats to St. Noel.

This year, unfortunately, we will not be hosting a Rummage Sale. While it is rewarding, it is intense work and we hope to volunteer and bring the Lord to our community in other ways.



S.A.M.I. OVER-50 SINGLES MINISTRY

MY THAI

Wednesday, March 30 @ 6 PM
12646 Chillicothe Rd., Chesterland

S.A.M.I. meets the last Wednesday of every month for dinner at 6 PM.

Please RSVP to Sally Matthews at sylsal703@gmail.com.

GREEN TASK MINISTRY

On Sunday, April 3, we will celebrate Earth Day after each service in the Fellowship Hall!

Please join us to learn how we can *invest in our planet*. There are many things that we can do to preserve and protect our health, our families and our livelihoods and many of those things take minimal effort. We just need to be aware of the opportunities to invest in our planet. It's the only home we have.

If you have a passion for keeping our planet healthy and you would like to join our church's Green Task Force, please contact Carol Mulhern at 440-227-2907 or mulbasket@aol.com.



WHAT'S HAPPENING AT MAYFIELD CHURCH

New Organ Speakers-

Have you noticed the cracks in the gray cloth covering the organ speakers in front of the Worship Center? We are grateful to an anonymous donor who helped with funding the installation of the new cloth. Take a look next time you're in service.



Community Dinner-

We are bringing back the Community Dinner! After kicking off on February 25 with a drive-thru dinner, we hope to restart the in-person meals starting with the next dinner on March 25. The dinners will be held on the last Friday of each month – stay tuned for more details and opportunities to help in future months!



M.U.M.S.-

The "Paint and Sip (Hot Cocoa) with Heather" was a huge success! See page 9 for more information about M.U.M.S. event this month.



Sandy Pavick
M.U.M.S.
Coordinator



David Seiz
M.U.M.S. Artist!



IN DEEPEST SYMPATHY

- ...to Ina Hardesty, on the passing of her aunt, Burnadyne Smith, on Jan. 29.
- ...to the friends and family of David Czehut, who passed away on Jan. 29.
- ...to the friends and family of Barbara Jackson, who passed away on Feb. 3.
- ...to Dave, Chris, Nicky and Giovanni Luciano on the passing of Dave's mother, Florence Luciano, on Feb. 9.
- ...to Dennis and Lynn May, on the passing of Dennis' brother, Thomas May, on Feb. 9.
- ...to Kathleen and Ken Slater, on the passing of Kathleen's brother, James R. Shalala, Jr., on Feb. 20.
- ...to Nancy Bertleff, on the passing of her niece, Kimberly Kimball, on Feb. 21.
- ...to Linnea and Boris Bubnow, on the passing of Linnea's sister, Barbara O'Brien, on Feb. 26.

EAST OHIO CONFERENCE NEWS

As of July 1, 2022 the 10 districts in our conference will be served by eight district superintendents. Our District Superintendent will continue to be Rev. Edgar Brady. Below is an excerpt from a letter from Bishop Malone on February 15. The full letter can be found on eocumc.com.

Greetings in the name of Jesus Christ!

Yes! God is doing a new thing in the East Ohio Conference and in these unprecedented times, God is making a way and unfolding new ministry and leadership possibilities.

As of July 1, 2022, district superintendency will look different for several districts in the Conference...the 10 districts of the East Ohio Conference will now be served by eight district superintendents and there will be new superintendency models implemented in two regions of the Conference. Every district will have an appointed district superintendent. District administrative assistants will continue to serve as a vital partner to the district superintendent, pastors, and local churches.

These missional, strategic leadership changes will better position the Conference as we continue to be faithful stewards of our mission and resources and as we face the current pandemic realities, the pending separation of some of our local churches related to disagreements on matters of human sexuality, and the declining membership and financial trends of some of our churches.



East Ohio Conference
The United Methodist Church



BISHOP TRACY S. MALONE ANNOUNCES
New EOC Superintendency Plan



FIRST AID FOR MENTAL HEALTH

Wespath is offering a live, no-cost training opportunity for all United Methodist Church clergy, church leaders, staff and congregation members this month.

One in five Americans experience mental illness each year. To help create a UMC environment more supportive of those struggling with mental health, Wespath will help attendees learn how to identify and understand mental health challenges with empathy and without judgement.

If you are interested in attending the two-part virtual training sessions or would like to know more information, please scan the QR code below or visit the First Aid for Mental Health event page at wespath.org/r/firstaidmh

SESSION 1: MARCH 10 OR 17
SESSION 2: MARCH 23 OR 24



IMPORTANT DATES

COMMITTEES/MINISTRIES

PSPR Zoom Mtg.	Tues., Mar. 1 @ 7 PM
Stephen Leaders Zoom Mtg.	Mon., Mar. 14 @ 10 AM
Finance Mtg.	Wed., Mar. 9 @ 6:30 PM
Prayer Shawl Ministry	Thurs., Mar. 10 @ 2 PM
Mission Outreach Council Mtg.	Sun., Mar. 13 @ 12:15 PM
Worship Team Planning Mtg.	Sun., Mar. 20 @ 12:15 PM
M.U.M.S.	Tues., Mar. 15 @ 6 PM
S.A.M.I.	Wed., Mar. 23 @ 1 PM
Trustees Mtg.	Wed., Mar. 16 @ 7 PM
Executive Team Mtg.	Tues., Mar. 22 @ 7 PM
God's Caring Community	Thurs., Mar. 10 @ 10:30 AM
Men's Breakfast	Sat., Mar. 19 @ 8:30 AM
Grief Group	Thursdays @ 1:30 PM

YOUTH

Young Servants	<i>No Meeting this month</i>
Tweens	Fri., Mar. 4 @ 6—8 PM
Elevate (Middle School)	Sundays @ 11 AM
Dedicate (High School)	Wednesdays @ 7 PM
Uprising (Middle/High School)	Sundays @ 7 PM
Confirmation Retreat	Sun. Mar. 6 @ 5—7 PM

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Girl Scouts	Tues., Mar. 1 & 15 @ 6 PM
Cub Scouts #3104	Wed., Mar. 16 @ 7 PM

MUSIC

9:30 Band Rehearsal	Wednesdays @ 7 PM
Hand Bell Rehearsal	Thursdays @ 6:15 PM
Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Thursdays @ 7:30 PM

*Check our Google calendar at mayfieldchurch.org for updates

Church Office Hours

Monday - Thursday: 9 AM—4 PM

Friday: 9 AM—Noon

Ways to Give

IN-PERSON

Contributions may be placed in the baskets near the exits after the 9:30 and 11 AM services.

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