

SEND A KID TO CAMP

Visit the "What's Up at WUMC?" table in Wesley Hall to support WUMC kids who want to attend an East Ohio Conference Camp this summer!

Kids Sing on Mother's Day!

We bailed them all out!

The children's ministry Lenten mission results are in: \$404.51 was raised; when that is tripled by a Heifer benefactor, it adds up to \$1,213.53 enough to bail out one of each: cow, alpaca, pig, goat, sheep, honeybees, and several extra flocks of chicks! That will have an impact on families struggling to lift themselves out of poverty!

Way to go, WUMC!

Dates are still available on the WUMC 2023 Altar Flowers Calendar. If you'd like to provide flowers in honor or memory of a loved one or special occasion, claim your date now!

Volunteers are needed for April and May for our post-service Holy Grounds fellowship time! Would you be willing to:

- 1) provide food and host
- 2) provide food, someone else hosts
- 3) donate money, someone else buys the food and hosts

Contact Kay Bergen (kbergen340@aol.com)

1 THESSALONIANS 1:2-3

Faith Hope Love

2023 EAST OHIO ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The 54th session of Annual Conference will be held June 8-10 at the John S. Knight Center in Akron. Canal District Spring Conference 2023 will meet on Saturday, May 13 at Centenary UMC in Akron. Times and additional details available soon.

WUMC WORK DAY

May 6 · 8:00-11:30a

It's refresh and spruce up time! We'll be working inside and outside.

Inside jobs:	Outside jobs:
• cleaning	• weeding
• painting	• mulching

We can use your help even if it's for an hour! Please bring your own equipment (rakes, gloves, etc. for outdoors; sponges, rags, buckets, etc. for indoors).

Questions? Check with Connie Mann (330 264-4804).

ATTENTION COLLEGE GRADS!

WUMC would like to acknowledge any graduating college students on the senior recognition insert on May 21.

Submit name, school, and degree earned to the church office.

Circuit Rider

May 2023

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PET FOOD PANTRY

Our neighbor, St. James Episcopal Church, runs a pet food pantry on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month, allowing any pet owner in need of assistance to receive free dog or cat food. Treats and pet supplies are also distributed if available.

Why do they do it? St. James says, "We are a congregation of pet lovers and we believe that everyone deserves to have a furry best friend no matter their income level."

WUMC says, "We are also a congregation of pet lovers, let us help you stock your pantry!"

Starting May 14, we will hold a 3-week collection of pet items:

- Dog or cat treats
- Dog leashes and collars
- Dog and cat toys
- Monetary donations for pet food purchase

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The mission of the Church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.



Kind words

Gracious words are like a honeycomb, sweetness to the soul, and health to the body.

Proverbs 16:24

Thank you! To all the youth and adults who worked on the spaghetti supper this 63rd year and the people who delivered my meals, one for my caregiver too! I remember, as a youth melting candlewax on coke bottles for table decorations a long time ago! Most sincerely, Shirley Buehler

Thank you so much for delivering dinner to the post! We really appreciated it and the troopers enjoyed the dinners! Sergeant Clinton Otis Smith, Ohio State Highway Patrol

Thank you for helping Heifer International take advantage of the special matching gift opportunity! Your gift is a simple gesture of kindness that makes a wish come true for a struggling family who has been living on the very edge of survival. Together, we have power over hunger and poverty and through every small step forward, we're transforming the world for the better. From the bottom of my heart, thank you. Sincerely, Surita Sandosham, Heifer International

Thank you for the donations of delicious baked goods at our Bake Sale on April 16! The Esther Circle was happy to see them all purchased to take home and share with others. The Meals Together team will use the \$337 that was donated for future dinners. Esther Circle

As we wrap up another challenging and successful season, I did not want to miss the opportunity to thank each and every one of you for your many contributions and long hours to the cause of providing a meal and a safe, warm and dry space for our unhoused citizens this past winter. Strange weather, two changes in Salvation Army management, and my personal issues created extreme challenges for us but everyone stepped up and met those challenges and I thank you so very much for doing so! Numerous agencies and groups and myself have already met to begin to plan how to continue, expand and improve the SWS for next year. I hope that you will consider coming back to help us again. Thanks again. Have a wonderful summer! Wyn Jones and the Wooster Homelessness Task Force

Here are the most recent shelter statistics:

<u>Year</u>	<u># Nights Open</u>	<u>Avg. # Guests/night</u>	<u>Cots Used/linens</u>
2021-2022	72	16	1001
2022-2023	76	16.5	1104



Wednesday, May 17

Noon in Wesley Hall

Pizza and beverages will be provided.

Bring \$5 towards pizza.

Bring a side or snack to share if you wish!

WUMC HELPING HANDS

Sometimes you just need a little help—WUMC Helping Hands is here to offer just that! Do you have a small job (30-90 minutes) around your house that you cannot do by yourself? Let us help! Contact Mike Mann (mdm_mann3@hotmail.com or 330.749.1752) for more information!

Please keep the church informed of illness and hospitalization of any person who may need a caring visit or phone call. Unless specifically requested by the patient, hospitals are no longer able to call the church, or give us information when we call.

Recently ill/hospitalized: Barb Sattler

Recent deaths:



Photo Gallery



Thank you for your support of the 63rd Annual Youth Spaghetti Dinner!

WE RAISED \$2,548.89!!!!!!!!!!!!

And provided dinners to 12 WUMC limited mobility members as well as 81 Wooster/Wayne County first responders!

