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MAY 2015

The Newsletter of First United Methodist Church, Buckhannon WV

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Strawberry Pancakes during Festival!

Friday & Saturday, May 15 & 16

7 am to 12 noon

Godwin Fellowship Hall

\$6 per person / \$3 for children

... with pancakes, sausage, fresh strawberries,
maple & strawberry syrup!

Invite your friends, family & neighbors to
enjoy pancakes.

Take-outs available.

**Proceeds benefit the Upshur Parish (youth/mission
projects) and the Upshur Christmas Store*

Available to volunteer and help? Contact Marvin Carr
at 304-472-4978 or Kristi Wilkerson at 304-552-7909.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN 12-HOUR BASEMENT SALE

Set-up on Mon., May 4th, 8am - ?
Selling on Tues., May 5th, 8am - 8pm

It's magic! The United Methodist Women can turn
your unwanted STUFF into MONEY to support
missions! Bring your clean used clothing, household
items, knick-knacks, toys, etc., to the church any time
after Monday, April 27th, -Monday morning, May 4th.



Dr. Dan Martin will offer a CPR class with AED
training/certification on June 6 in Godwin Fellowship
Hall. The cost per person is \$30 and includes lunch.
The course begins at 9 am and will conclude by 2 pm.
Space is limited to 15 individuals. To sign up, contact
Kristi - krlwilkerson@gmail.com or 304-552-7909.



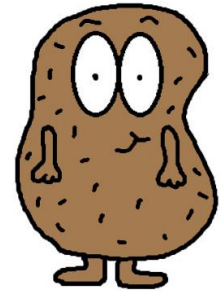
MICAH/OUTREACH TEAM MESSAGE

VEGETARIAN RECIPE

Potato Bake with Tomatoes & Oregano

1/3 cup extra virgin olive oil
 1-1/2 lb. potatoes, peeled & thinly sliced
 1/2 tsp. dried oregano
 Salt & freshly ground black pepper to taste

1 large onion, chopped
 12 oz. cherry tomatoes, halved
 1/2 cup fine dry bread crumbs



1. Preheat oven to 400 degrees. Oil a large ovenproof dish
2. Heat 2 TBS. oil in a large frying pan over medium heat. Add the onion and saute until softened ... 4 – 5 minutes. Add the potatoes and saute for 5 minutes. Season with salt and pepper.
3. Transfer to the ovenproof dish. Arrange the tomatoes in a layer on top of layered potatoes. Sprinkle with oregano and bread crumbs. Drizzle with remaining oil.
4. Bake uncovered until potatoes are tender ... 35-40 minutes. Serve hot.
5. Serves 4-6

Enjoy! CRC

MAY USHERS

Tom Botzet (Head), Ron McCauley, Students

MAY GREETERS

May 3 – Sandra McCutcheon
 May 10 – Greenbrier & Araceli Almond
 May 17 – Rob & Lynn Rupp
 May 24 – Tammy & Sean Crites
 May 31 – Diane Godwin, Wilda Godwin

FOOD OF THE MONTH

May is "Cleaning Supplies" Month, the monthly collection for the Parish House & sponsored by the Micah Outreach Ministry Team. Items needed include laundry soap, dishwashing detergent, household cleaners, sponges, etc. Please leave your gift in Linger Hall on Sunday or at the church office.



KRISTI SAYS THANKS!

*Thanks to our hosts and all who attended the Progressive Dinner! We had 32 church family members participating and we enjoyed great fellowship and good food.

*Thank you, thank you to all who provided goodies for our college student care packages!



Volunteers Needed! . . . to provide after-worship punch or flowers for the communion table.

Signup sheets are located on the bulletin board in Linger Hall.

IT'S AMAZING THE DIFFERENCE THIS HOSPITALITY MAKES!

For punch info, see Pat Kennedy
 (304-472-6440).

For flowers, sign up in Linger Hall and bring your flowers or arrange for delivery for the Sunday of your choice. For more info, see Barb Loftis (304-472-1975)

Let Janet in the church office know if the flowers are a celebration or in honor or memory of loved ones to be acknowledged in the bulletin - fumc26201@gmail.com or 304-472-9494.

**The Church Offices will be closed
 Monday, May 25, Memorial Day.**



We're planning a bus trip to the **Bob Evans Farm Festival** in southeast Ohio on Saturday, Oct. 10.

Tentative plans include leaving the church parking lot at 7:00 am to arrive there by 10:30 am. We will depart around 4:00 pm, have dinner on the way home, and return to Buckhannon by 8:30 pm. Each seat on the bus will cost approximately \$40. Entrance into the festival is \$5 per person. The festival includes arts and crafts, exhibitors, tractor square dancing, apple cider, live music, kids farmyard fun with pony rides, farm contests such as ax throwing and log rolling, and lots of delicious food! ***NOTE:** Before we commit to this activity, we need to make sure we have plenty of folks to go to fill the bus. Please let Kristi know if you are interested in this event.

May Birthdays

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|------------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1 K Almond | 18 Paul Kennedy |
| 6 Jane Godwin | 20 William O'Brien |
| 7 Donna Carpenter
Mark Petrosky | 21 Charles Helmick |
| 11 Donovan Godwin | 25 Elizabeth Edwards |
| 12 Rodney Godwin
Ron Jeffco | 27 Mateal Poling |
| 13 Helen Reger | 28 Bunny Mow |
| 14 Nana Faah-Ababio | 29 Judy Warner |
| 17 Zachary Reger | |
| 16 Cheri Green | |

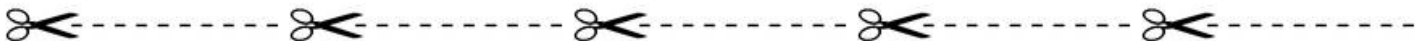


During the months of May, June and July, our worship services will be available via radio, WBUC 1460AM, 10:45 A.M. broadcast. If you would like to sponsor a broadcast (\$35), please call the church office (304-472-9494).



Making Strawberry Decorations

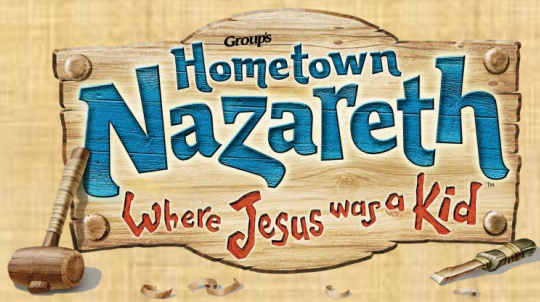
- ✦ A donation, in memory of Conard and Irma St. Clair, has been given to the church from Denise & Steve Straight, Rise & Shawn Hanifan, and Doug, Tisha & Brooklyn Straight.
- ✦ The Buckhannon Lions Club has made a contribution, in memory of Dorothy Short, to the Higher Education Scholarship Fund.
- ✦ The Upshur Cooperative Parish has made a contribution, in memory of Frances Carter, to FUMC.
- ✦ George & Barbara Sarris have made a contribution, in memory of Flowretta Carter, to FUMC.
- ✦ Grace Clawson has made a donation to the Memorial Fund and is in memory of Frani Reger, Conard St. Clair & Melba Linger.



The United Methodist Men invite all ladies of FUMC for breakfast on May 10 in celebration of the Festival of the Christian Home and Mother's Day. Breakfast will be available from 8:45 to 10:15 am in Godwin Hall and you can stop by to enjoy the meal at any time. Feel free to come and go as needed. *If you plan to attend, please tear off the portion below and place it in the offering plate or drop it by the church office.*

Name(s): _____

Yes! I plan to attend the breakfast on May 10 - including me, there will be _____ number of guests in my party.



Mark your calendars!

2015 Vacation Bible School: June 22-26

featuring story time with Mary as she shares about Jesus as a kid.....

with a light meal beforehand, too!

Can you volunteer and help with VBS? Talk with Kristi to find out all the options available!


VBS Trivia! Did You Know?

Nazareth most likely gets its name from the Hebrew word *netser*, meaning "a shoot" or "to blossom." Scholars have called Nazareth "the Flower of Galilee," in reference to the way the city sits in a high, hollow plateau encircled by rounded hills. The result looks like the petals of a flower.



The Madrigal Singers of Clarksburg will perform a concert in the FUMC sanctuary on Monday, May 11 at 7:00 pm. This volunteer choir is comprised of vocalists from north central West Virginia including Clarksburg, Morgantown, and Salem, as well as Brett Miller - our guest organist from time-to-time. The Madrigals perform songs primarily from the Elizabethan Renaissance and are dressed in period costume. They are directed by Don Gardner. They have been performing throughout the region for over 75 years. The concert is free and all are invited to come and enjoy the performance.

The Buckhannon Rotary



Blood Screening StJ

Sat. May 2nd and May 9th, 2015
B-U Middle School &
at Tri-County Health Clinic

COMMUNITY
ore
of WEST VIRGINIA

6:30am - 10:00 am

BASIC BLOOD PROFILE TESTS – \$35

*Tests only available to those age 5 and above
No Appointments Necessary
Fasting for 12 hours is required prior to testing
Questions? Call 473-2138

YOUTH ACTIVITY:



We're getting ready for the Strawberry Festival! Help us setup and prepare for the Parish House/Christmas Store's pancake breakfast on Tuesday, May 12, 6:30 - 8 pm - Godwin Fellowship Hall



April 19th
 Bowling & Minards
 What a combination!
 Great fellowship!



MOVIE MATINEE
 All children and families
 are invited for our May
 Movie Matinee!
 Sunday, May 31, 4 - 6 pm
 Godwin Fellowship Hall
*Alexander and the Terrible,
 Horrible, No Good,
 Very Bad Day*
 Popcorn & other movie treats!



**FUMC Youth visited WWC's library to see
 the Abraham Lincoln Collection, hosted by
 Brett Miller, on Tuesday, April 21st.**

SAVE THE DATE

Youth & Children's trip and anyone
 else who would like to join us.....

A picnic and exhibits are a "go" on June 7th,
 1 pm, at Wildlife Center in French Creek.



New Classes Start May 17

*The Sunday School class for preschool, Pre-K, and Kindergarten students will be in room 18 in the Education wing with teachers Lynne Petrosky and Brooke Scott.

*The new Sunday School class for Young Adults (and the young-at-heart!) will be in the Library in the Education wing with teachers Curtis & Kristi Wilkerson.



UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

BASEMENT SALE: The annual Spring Basement Sale will be held on Tuesday, May 5, 2015 from 8:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. Please bring your donated items to Godwin Fellowship Hall beginning Monday, April 27th. Funds from the sale will be used for the Unit's mission work.

RECOGNITION PINS: The First Church UMW presented recognition pins and red roses to four UMW on Sunday, April 12, 2015. Recognition pins are presented to women who are faithful workers. Congratulations to Sue Boring, Sandra McCutcheon, Naomi Lynch and Tina Horstman for receiving pins.

UNIT MEETING: FUMW held a Unit meeting on Thursday, April 9, 2015 in Godwin Fellowship Hall. Angela Pittinger, a WVWC student presented the program titled "Human Trafficking". Sandra McCutcheon presented a program about "Call to Prayer & Self Denial". Circle 1 served as hostesses. The Unit meeting for May will be held on Thursday, May 7, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. Jane Crutchfield will present the program "Welcoming Women in All stages of Life". This will be a tea and everyone is invited. Hostesses are Circle 2 & 3.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

May 2-4: Mission Encounter – Upshur Parish House

June 11-14: WV Annual Conference – WVWC

July 24-26: Mission U – WVWC

September 19: UMW Fall District Meeting – First Church Elkins

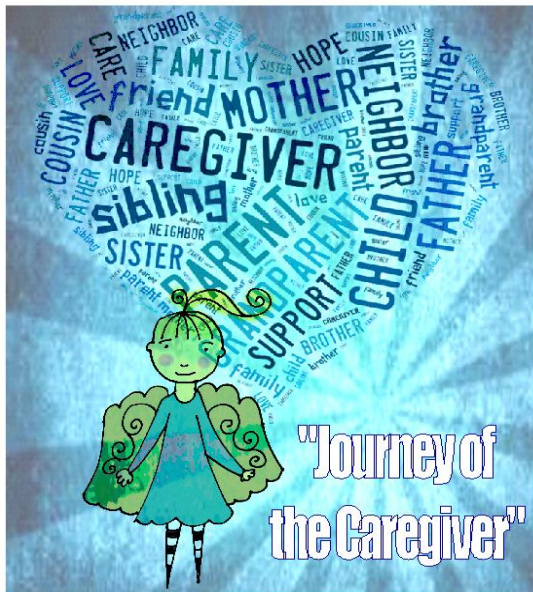
October 23: Annual UMW Meeting – Lewisburg UMC

November 7: Day Apart – FUMC, Buckhannon

If you wish to attend any of the meetings contact Patty McComas, 304-472-7941 for applications or information.



Peg McCauley presenting a program at a Circle 3 meeting at Patty McComas' home.



CHURCH WOMEN UNITED
MAY FRIENDSHIP DAY 2015
MAY 1ST, TENNERTON UM CHURCH
Covered Dish Luncheon, 12:00 Noon



Patty & Sam McComas are proud to announce the arrival of a new granddaughter, Hadley Ann Spencer. She was born on Monday, April 13, 2015. The parents are Elizabeth McComas Spencer & Bryan Spencer and the sisters are Tori & Lilly.

UMW CIRCLE SCHEDULE



Circle One – Wednesday, May 20 – 9:30 am
– Fleming Lounge – Program "Welcoming a Sustainable Future" by Sue Boring

Circle Two – Wednesday – May 20 - 1:30 pm

Circle Three – Wednesday, May 20 -1:30 pm
– Fleming Lounge – Program by Steve Meadows

Circle Five – Saturday, May 30 – 11:00 am - ?
– Day Out at Eden Hollow Arabians



IT'S "MACKDOWELL" TIME AGAIN



UPSHUR HELPING HANDS Work Team MOTTO:

"WARMER, SAFER, DRYER"

This year our trip to McDowell County will take place June 21 – June 27.

The May 31st Micah Meal will benefit the Work Team. Please bring a generous casserole to share and join us for food and fellowship.



HOW TO USE THE KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS PROGRAM AND SUPPORT UPSHUR HELPING HANDS:

You can register online at

krogercommunityrewards.com

Be sure to have your Kroger Plus card handy and register your card with your organization after you sign up. If a member does not yet have a Kroger Plus card, please let them know that they are available at the customer service desk at any Kroger. Click on Sign In/Register. Most participants are new online customers, so they must click on SIGN UP TODAY in the 'New Customer?' box. Sign up for a Kroger Rewards Account by entering zip code, clicking on favorite store, entering your email address and creating a password, agreeing to the terms and conditions. You will then get a message to check your email inbox and click on the link within the body of the email. Click on My Account and use your email address and password to proceed to the next step. Click on Edit Kroger Community Rewards information and input your Kroger Plus card number. Update or confirm your information. Enter NPO number (83160) or name of your information page. REMEMBER, purchases will not count for your group until after your member(s) register their card(s). Do you use your phone number at the register? Call [800-576-4377](tel:800-576-4377), select option 4 to get your Kroger Plus card number. Members must swipe their registered Kroger Plus card or use the phone number that is related to their registered Kroger Plus card when shopping for each purchase to count.

CONGRATS TO BU GRADS DANIEL BELLAMY, MIKINNA POLING AND ANA EDWARDS!

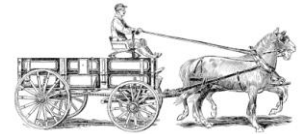


CONGRATS TO WWC GRADS TORI CRIST, MIKE LUDLE, JOHN LYNCH & DEVIN SHAVER





Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	MAY				1	2 Parking Lot Painting – 10am
3 Sunday School 9:30	4 UMW Basement Sale - GFH Exercise Group - 9 am Wt Watchers - 5 pm Wolf Cubs- 5:30 pm Trustees - Lib 6 pm Boy Scouts-7:00 pm Church Council - #21E 7:00 pm	5 UMW Basement Sale - GFH Early Birds - Library 7:00 am Webelos 1 - Cub Room 5:30 pm Bear Cubs - Cub Room 6:30 pm Chancel Choir 7 pm	6 UMW Basement Sale - GFH Exercise Group - #18E 9:00 am	7 UMW-GFH 7:00 pm Webelos 2 - Cub Room 7:00 pm	8	9 Strawberry Festival WVWC Graduation Scrapbooking – 10am - GFH
10 Mother's Day Strawberry Festival Sunday School 9:30	11 Madrigal Performance - SANC Strawberry Festival Exercise Group -9 am Wt Watchers 5 pm Wolf Cubs- 5:30 pm 4-H - #24E 6:30pm Boy Scouts-7:00 pm	12 Strawberry Festival Early Birds - Library 7:00 am Webelos 1 - Cub Room 5:30 pm Bear Cubs - Cub Room 6:30 pm Chancel Choir 7 pm	13 Strawberry Festival Exercise Group - #18E 9:00 am Prayer Shawl Ministry 10:00 am Tiger Cubs- Cub Room 5:30 pm	14 Ascension Strawberry Festival Strawberry Pancakes set-up 5P Webelos 2 - Cub Room 7:00 pm	15 Strawberry Festival Strawberry Pancakes 7AM-12N	16 Strawberry Festival Strawberry Pancakes 7AM-12N
17 Strawberry Festival United Methodist Men-GFH 8:00 am Sunday School 9:30 NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES BEGIN!!!!	18 Exercise 9:00 am Weight Watchers - #22 5:00 pm Witness-#21E 6 pm Outreach – Lib - 6:00 pm Boy Scouts-7:00 pm Cubs-GFH 7:00 pm Nurture - 7:00 pm PPR-Lib 7:00 pm	19 Early Birds - Library 7:00 am Webelos 1 - Cub Room 5:30 pm Bear Cubs - Cub Room 6:30 pm Chancel Choir 7 pm	20 Exercise Group - #18E 9:00 am Circle 1 - Fleming 9:30 am Circle 3-4-Fleming 1:30 pm	21 Webelos 2 - Cub Room 7:00 pm	22	23 Treasurers' Meeting - Sanc 9:30 am
24 Pentecost Sunday Sunday School 9:30	25 Memorial Day OFFICE CLOSED Weight Watchers - #22 5:00 pm Wolf Cubs-5:30 pm Boy Scouts-Scout Rm 7:00 pm	26 Early Birds - Library 7:00 am Webelos 1 - Cub Room 5:30 pm Bear Cubs - Cub Room 6:30 pm Chancel Choir 7 pm	27 Exercise Group - #18E 9:00 am Prayer Shawl-McCauleys 10 am Tiger Cubs- Cub Room 5:30 pm	28 Webelos 2 - Cub Room 7:00 pm	29	30
31 Trinity Sunday Micah Meal - GFH 12:00 pm Movie Matinee-4pm					 <p>Ava Grace with strawberry hands</p>	



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