

# The Link

## APRIL 2015

### The Newsletter of First United Methodist Church, Buckhannon WV

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#### New Sunday School Classes

##### Young Adults

All Young Adults are invited to a new Sunday School class starting on May 17 in the Library at 9:30 am. Our first study will explore "Faith." *Contact teachers Curtis and Kristi Wilkerson for more details. Everyone is welcome!*

##### **Preschool, Pre-K & Kindergarten Sunday School Class Coming Soon!**

Lynne Petrosky and Brooke Scott will soon begin offering a Sunday School class for younger children. Stay tuned for more information and a start date. The class will be held in room 18 in the education wing.

#### **Progressive Dinner - April 12 at 5 pm**



Everyone's invited to join us! Please bring a dish to share at one of our stops/courses. Meet in the church parking lot at 5 pm. We'll then travel to Paula and Gary McGrew's for appetizers, then to Dale and Robynn Shannon's for salad, then to Marvin and Sarah Carr's for the entree, and then to Mike and Annie Alborano's for dessert. Please let Kristi know if you plan to participate. We hope you join in the fellowship!

holy thursday  
taize  
worship and  
communion



Taize (teh-ZAY) is a participatory worship service with song, prayer, scripture and silence designed for a contemplative atmosphere for worship and sacrament.

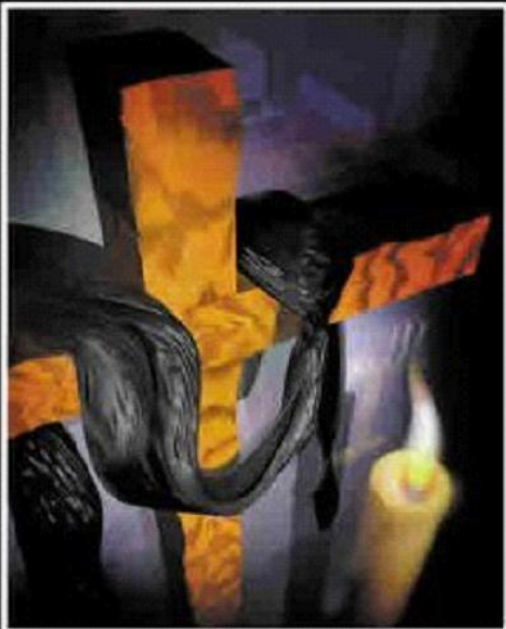


Holy Thursday  
April 2 7:30 PM  
Main Sanctuary

**NEW CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:**  
**MONDAY – THURSDAY, 8 AM – 1 PM**



**TENEBRAE**



*A Service of Darkness*

**GOOD FRIDAY**  
**APRIL 3<sup>RD</sup>, 7:30 PM**

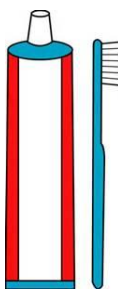
### APRIL USHERS

Nate Kennedy (head), Yvonne Foster, Mac McGraw,  
Marty Kelley

### APRIL GREETERS

April 5 – Andy & Brooke Scott  
April 12 – Bill & Jamie O'Brien  
April 19 – David & Karen Cartwright  
April 26 – Steve & Regina Atkins

### FOOD OF THE MONTH



APRIL is "Personal Hygiene Products" Month, the monthly collection for the Parish House & sponsored by the Micah Outreach Ministry Team. Items needed include shampoo, soap, toothpaste & brush, comb and brush, toilet paper, personal items, etc. Please leave your gift in Linger Hall on Sunday or at the church office.

### Vegetarian Recipe

#### VEGETABLE GRATIN

6 zucchini, thinly sliced  
6 tomatoes, finely chopped  
6 cloves garlic, lightly crushed but whole  
1 cup finely chopped fresh basil  
Salt & freshly ground black pepper  
¼ cup extra-virgin olive oil  
1 egg  
1 cup heavy (double) cream

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Grease a 12 inch baking dish.
2. Arrange half the zucchini in a layer in the prepared dish. Top with half the tomatoes. Sprinkle with half the garlic and basil. Season with salt and pepper and drizzle with the olive oil.
3. Top with the remaining zucchini and cover with the remaining tomatoes. Sprinkle with the remaining garlic and basil.
4. Beat the egg and cream and season with salt and pepper. Pour over the vegetables.
5. Bake until the vegetables are tender ... 50 – 60 minutes. Serve hot. Servings: 4-6.

Serve as a side dish or as a main dish with a green salad and crusty bread.

Enjoy! CRC

### EASTER OFFERING

The Annual Easter offering will be divided with one half going to defray the General Budget and the other half of the offering going to Crosslines. Crosslines Inc. is an ecumenical ministry located in the Parish House, providing information and referral services to individuals through cooperation with other social agencies (American Red Cross, the Salvation Army, The Department of Human Services, etc.). Services provided by Crosslines Inc. include assistance with: food, rent, mortgage, medical prescriptions, school needs, utilities, gasoline vouchers for medical appointments.



## UNITED METHODIST WOMEN 12-HOUR BASEMENT SALE

Set-up on Mon., May 4th, 8 am - ?

Selling on Tues., May 5th, 8 am – 8 pm

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, until Monday morning, May 4<sup>th</sup>.



### C.O.M.E. EVENT

The Wesleyan District Celebration of Mission Event will be held on April 25<sup>th</sup> at **St. Matthews UM Church, Weston, WV**, from 10- 1 p.m.

**WORSHIP & CELEBRATE MISSION at 9:15 a.m.**

*Special Music St. Matthew UMC Praise Team &*

*Richard & Nancy Justice*

*Following Worship:*

**DOLLAR DAY COLLECTION**  
(from participating churches)

**LUNCH- Hotdogs & Chips**

**BAKE SALE-Cakes & Cookies & Brownies**

**PIE & CAKE AUCTION at 10:30 a.m.**

**SPECIALTY BASKETS AUCTION 11 a.m.**  
*until they are gone!*

**JOIN US AS  
WE SALUTE  
OUR HIGH  
SCHOOL AND  
COLLEGE  
GRADUATES!**

Sunday, April 19th,  
12N

GODWIN  
FELLOWSHIP HALL

Our Micah Meal Will  
Honor Our Graduates  
and Help Raise Funds For

**Project  
Graduation.**

**MENU: JAWS BBQ,  
Drinks and  
Celebration Cake**

**Please bring  
either a salad or  
vegetable to  
share!**

**Graduates include  
Daniel Bellamy,  
Mikinna Poling  
(BUHS); Tori Crist,  
Mike Ludle, John  
Lynch & Devin  
Shaver (WVWC)**





## UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

Mrs. Laura Meadows from the Upshur County Convention & Visitors Bureau presented a program “Community Welcome” at the March 1, 2015 UMW Unit meeting. Mrs. Meadows gave brochures to the women and shared information about the purpose of the Convention & Visitors Bureau. Circle 5 served as hostess.

The UMW hosted a Pancake and Sausage Breakfast on March 21, 2015 at FUMC. The breakfast replaced the Shrove Tuesday Pancake Breakfast. Many thanks go to the church family & friends who supported the breakfast. The approximately \$230 in profit from the breakfast will be used to support mission work. Thank you to the thirteen UMW who worked to make the Pancake Breakfast a success: Yvonne Foster & Esther Dyer – making pancakes, Peg McCauley & Sandra McCutcheon – frying sausage, Barbara Loftis, Sylvia Elmore, Margie Miller, Jo Criss, Sarah Carr – servers, Wilda Godwin & Sue Karickhoff – cashiers, Jane Crutchfield – Public Relations, and David Rowan – dishwasher (volunteer from UMM).

There is a wonderful fellowship that takes place when the UMW join together to carry out a project. There is always a lot of work, but the women enjoy their time together.

On April 9, 2015, the regular Unit meeting will be held in Godwin Fellowship Hall at 7 p.m. Mrs. Angela Pitinger will present a program about Human Trafficking. Sandra McCutcheon will present “A Call to Prayer & Self Denial” program titled “A Gesture of Gratitude”. Circle 1 will serve as hostess.

Reminder: Please keep donating Labels for Education for schools and pop can tabs for the Ronald McDonald House.

### DATES TO REMEMBER:

- April 25 – Celebration of Mission Event at St. Matthews UMC, Weston, 10 am – 1 pm
- May 2-4 – Mission Encounter – Upshur Parish House
- July 24-26 – Mission U – WWWC

If you would like to attend please contact Patty McComas, 304/472/7941.

**BASEMENT SALE:** The UMW will hold their annual Basement Sale on Tuesday, May 5, 2015. Please save your gently used household goods and clothes, to donate to the sale. Profits are used to supplement our mission project.



*President McComas preparing for the Pancake Breakfast*

### CIRCLE SCHEDULE

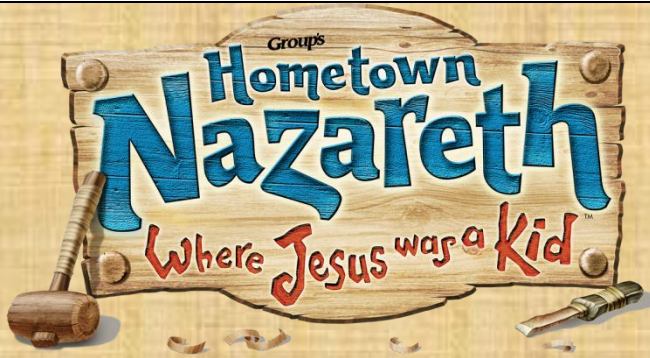


**Circle One** – Wednesday April 15 – 9:30 am – Fleming Lounge - program “Welcoming All Abilities” by Margie Miller

**Circle Two** – Wednesday April 15– 1:30 pm – home of Marilyn Clarke, Brushy Fork Rd., program by Phyllis Coston

**Circle Three**– Wednesday, April 15 -1:30 pm – Fleming Lounge – Program by Carolyn Crozier

**Circle Five** – TBA



Mark your calendars!

Invite your family, friends, and neighbors - all the children you know!

**2015 Vacation Bible School: June 22-26**

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

plus Music \* Crafts \* Games \* Campfire  
**with a light meal beforehand, too!**

*More details will be available in the coming months.*



1 Tammy Crites  
Pat Hoover

3 Sue Karickhoff  
Mikeala Poling  
Cheridyn Green

12 Bill Thurman

14 Angela Gay Kinkadee  
Thom Keely

16 Valta Canfield  
Emily Godwin  
Daniel Bellamy

19 Margie Richter

20 Carolyn Crozier  
Teresa Bellamy

22 Justin Botzet  
Ian Crozier

28 Kristi Wilkerson

30 Bob Coston  
Chad Minnick

"Never go to a doctor whose  
office plants have died."  
—Erma Bombeck

## REMINDER -

FUMC collects plastic grocery bags for the Upshur Parish House. Leave your Kroger, WalMart, etc. bags in the hallway between the elevator and the education wing. Your extra bags will be delivered to the Parish House and reused!

We also collect Campbells Soup Labels and Box Tops. Bring these to Linger Hall or the church office at any time to be used by local schools for supplies and equipment.



**Help us send care packages to our FUMC students away at college!**

We're sending our best wishes to our students who are away at college. Care packages will be mailed in mid-April as they finish up their spring semester and take final exams. We are in need of some small items for those boxes such as gum, chapstick, mints, candy, pens & pencils, snacks, etc. We need 12 of every item. We can also enclose notes, too, if you would like to write to them. Please bring your items to donate for the care packages to Linger Hall or the church office by April 12. Thanks for your help with this important ministry!

**Church Women United May  
Friendship Day**

**May 1<sup>st</sup>**

**Tennerton United Methodist Church**

Bring a salad to share!

Drink & paper provided

Speaker: Sarah Ziems





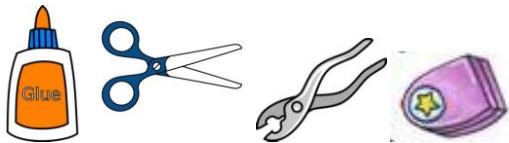
## MEMORIALS

A donation to the Memorial Fund, in memory of Frances L. Carter, was made by the Hasbrouck family, honoring her years of dedicated service to the FUMC nursery. *She was on duty weekly for ten plus years. If she had a ride she was there (and sometimes she walked)!...Hasbroucks*

A donation to the Memorial Fund, in memory of Frances Carter, was made by Upshur Cooperative Parish.

A donation, in memory of Dorothy Short, was made to the Higher Education Scholarship Fund, by the Buckhannon Lions Club.

A donation, in memory of Flowretta Carter, was made to the Memorial Fund, by George & Barbara Sarris.



## Scrapbooking

**Saturday April 11 from 10 to 4**

1st United Methodist Church

RSVP to Diane Tuggle 304 460 2767

**Bring your own beverage and food to share for potluck lunch.**

## Save-the-Date

**Celebrating the Festival of the  
Christian Home and Mother's Day**

**United Methodist Men will be hosting  
breakfast for all ladies of FUMC**

**Sunday, May 10 8:45 - 10:15 am**

**(stop by at any time, come and go as needed)**

**Godwin Fellowship Hall**

**More information available soon**

## FUMC on Social Media – share your church with family & friends!



Are you on Facebook, Twitter or other social media sites? Let your friends and 'followers' know you attend First UMC! Before or after church, post a message saying you were at First UMC. If you have a smartphone, use the "check-in" feature. You can also "like" our Facebook page (*First United Methodist Church*) and "join" the Facebook group (*First United Methodist Church of Buckhannon, WV*).

We are also using the hashtag [#firstchurchum](#) and many folks have asked "What is a hashtag?" [Hashtags](#) are short links or phrases preceded by the pound or number sign (#) used on social media sites such as Twitter and Facebook. The pound sign (or hash) turns any word or group of words that directly follow it into a searchable link. This allows for organized content that is grouped together so that you can track discussion topics based on those keywords. Use a hashtag to join the conversation. Click on a hashtag to see all the posts that mention that particular subject. A hashtag can be used in the middle of a sentence or post, or it can be used at the end. Spaces are not used with hashtags, even if your hashtag contains multiple words, group them all together. If you want to differentiate between words, use capitals instead. Numbers can be used, but punctuation and special characters cannot.

**BIG THANK YOU to everyone  
who provided plastic eggs for  
our Easter Egg Hunt!**





Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>APRIL 2015</b>			<b>1</b> + Exercise 9:00 am 	<b>2</b> Maundy + Thursday Orchestra - #24E 6:30 pm Webelos 2 - 7 pm Taize Service - Sanc. 7:30 pm	<b>3</b> Good + Friday Tenebrae - Sanc 7:30 pm 	<b>4</b> +
<b>5</b> Easter Sunday + Sunday School 9:30am Worship-Sanc 10:45a 	<b>6</b> + OFFICE CLOSED Wt Watchers - #22 5:00 pm Wolf Cubs-Cub Room 5:30 pm Boy Scouts- 7 p	<b>7</b> + Early Birds - Library 7:00 am Webelos 1 - Cub Room 5:30 Bear Cubs 6:30 Chancel Choir 7:00 pm	<b>8</b> + Exercise - 9:00 am Prayer Shawl Ministry 10:00 am Tiger Cubs- Cub Room 5:30 pm Study Group-GFH 7:00 pm	<b>9</b> + Orchestra - #24E 6:30 pm UMW-GFH 7 pm Webelos 2 - Cub Room 7:00 pm	<b>10</b> +	<b>11</b> +
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<b>19</b> + United Methodist Men-GFH 8:00 am Sunday School 9:30am Worship-Sanc 10:45 a Micah Meal - Project Graduation - GFH 12:00 pm	<b>20</b> + Exercise 9:00 am Wt Watchers - #22 5:00 pm Wolf Cubs- 5:30 Outreach 21E 6p Boy Scouts- 7 p Cubs-GFH 7 pm Finance-Lib 7 pm	<b>21</b> + Early Birds - Library 7:00 am Webelos 1 - Cub Room 5:30 Bear Cubs 6:30 Chancel Choir 7:00 pm	<b>22</b> + Exercise 9:00 am Prayer Shawl- McCauleys 10 am Tiger Cubs- Cub Room 5:30 pm Study Group-GFH 7:00 pm	<b>23</b> + Orchestra - #24E 6:30 pm Webelos 2 - Cub Room 7:00 pm	<b>24</b> +	<b>25</b> + COME Event - St. Matthews, Weston 
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# CALLING ALL KIDS!!!

Can you help us decorate for Strawberry Festival? On April 26 from 4 - 6 pm in Godwin Fellowship Hall, we'll have crafts and other activities to get us ready for the festival. We'll also learn about the Fruits of the Spirit. And . . . we'll have pizza, too!

