



**FEBRUARY  
2019**

# The Link

52 S. Florida St. Buckhannon, WV 26201 304-472-9494 [fumc26201@gmail.com](mailto:fumc26201@gmail.com) [www.firstchurchum.com](http://www.firstchurchum.com)

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

### MICAH OUTREACH TO DELIVER VALENTINE COOKIES TO SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS



Your Micah Team (Outreach) will again be delivering plates of Valentine cookies to local service organizations on Thursday, February 14<sup>th</sup>. We hope you will help us provide smiles by bringing a variety of cookies to the church kitchen by February 13th.

### ADULT HANDBELL CHOIR TO MEET TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5

We're starting to ring bells again!! If you have rung in previous choirs, or you can read music and are interested in learning how to ring handbells, PLEASE email Judy Knorr and let her know! [judyknorr@msn.com](mailto:judyknorr@msn.com) (OR [judyknorr@gmail.com](mailto:judyknorr@gmail.com) – if that's easier for you to remember!)

We will gather in the Sanctuary Balcony, Tuesday, February 5, at 6:00 pm. TENTATIVELY, this seems to be a good time to rehearse, as Chancel Choir meets at 7pm. I know that hour may be difficult for those with work schedules, but we have to "start somewhere"!! We may change it later. Definitely come prepared to ring! We need 12-13 people to cover all five octaves. That would be wonderful, but we will adapt, accordingly.

Please email me, or call my home – (304) 472-5189 - if you have questions. I'm truly excited to rejuvenate our bell choir here at FUMC!! Please help spread the word, and we'll get together on the 5th!

### Special Birthday Celebration & Micah Meal



Join us at 5 pm on Sunday, February 10 to celebrate the birthdays of everyone in the FUMC church family! There will be tables representing each month of the year. Please bring your favorite potato topping for a baked potato bar and/or a salad to share. Regular white and sweet potatoes, as well as birthday cakes, will be provided. Donations collected will benefit Heifer International. Come out and enjoy the food and fellowship!(Sponsored by the Nurture and Micah Outreach Teams.)

**Heifer International** (also known as **Heifer Project International**) is a global nonprofit working to eradicate poverty and hunger through sustainable, values-based holistic community development. Heifer distributes animals, along with agricultural and values-based training, to families in need around the world as a means of providing self-sufficiency. Recipients must agree to "pass on the gift" by sharing animal offspring, as well as the skills and knowledge of animal husbandry and agricultural training with other impoverished families.



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>FEBRUARY 2019</b>					1 +	2 +
3 + Sunday School 9:30am Worship - Sanctuary 10:40am UMW - GFH 2:00pm	4 + Exercise Group - #18E 9:00am Boy Scouts - Scout Room 7:00pm Scout Round Table - GFH 7:00pm	5 + Early Birds - Library 8:00am Handbell Choir - 6:00pm Chancel Choir - GFH 7:00pm	6 + Exercise Group - #18E 9:00am	7 + Sunday School 9:30am	8 +	9 +
10 + Sunday School 9:30am Worship - Sanctuary 10:40am Potatoes & Cake 5:00pm	11 + Exercise Group - #18E 9:00am Conf nominations GFH 10:00am Nurture - 6p Witness-7:00pm Scouts- 7:00pm	12 + Early Birds - Library 8:00am Retired Teachers - GFH 10:00am Chancel Choir - GFH 7:00pm	13 + Exercise Group - #18E 9:00am	14 Valentine's Day COOKIE DELIVERY	15 +	16 +
17 + United Methodist Men - GFH 8:00am Sunday School 9:30am Worship - 10:40a Planning Meeting - GFH-12N	18 President's Day Exercise Group - #18E 9:00am Outreach-6p Scouts-7p Cub Pack Meeting - GFH 7:00pm	19 + Early Birds - Library 8:00am Chancel Choir - GFH 7:00pm	20 + Exercise Group - #18E 9:00am Morning Circle - Fleming Lounge 9:30am Afternoon Circle - Fleming Lounge 1:30pm	21 +	22 +	23 +
24 + Sunday School 9:30am Worship - Sanctuary 10:40am	25 + Exercise Group - #18E 9:00am Boy Scouts - Scout Room 7:00pm	26 + Early Birds - Library 8:00am Chancel Choir - GFH 7:00pm	27 + Exercise Group - #18E 9:00am	28	 <p><b>FEBRUARY 18</b></p>	

## FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

- |                        |                   |
|------------------------|-------------------|
| 1 Zachary Calef-Boring | 19 Delaney Green  |
| 2 Christa Edwards      | 20 Barbara Loudin |
| 3 Maria Almond         | 24 Lynne Petrosky |
| Kaylyn Carpenter       | 27 Steve Meadows  |
| Carrie Wallace         |                   |
| 4 Alicia Rapping       |                   |
| 8 Brooke Scott         |                   |
| 10 Naomi Lynch         |                   |
| 15 Joe Wiest           |                   |
| 16 Amy Hayslette       |                   |
| 17 Alison Whitehair    |                   |
| 18 Steve Wilson        |                   |



## FEBRUARY USHERS

Junior McGee (head), SarahJean McGee, David Petrosky, Ron Pugh, David Rowan

## FEBRUARY GREETERS

February 3	Chris & Amy Hayslette
February 10	Eric & Shelli Lantz
February 17	Pat Kennedy & Linda Phipps
February 24	Ron & Sue Pugh

## PARISH HOUSE ITEM OF THE MONTH



February is "CEREAL" Month, the monthly collection for the Parish House & sponsored by the Micah Outreach Ministry Team. Please leave your gift in Linger Hall on Sunday or leave at the church office.





## B-UHS Parent-Teacher Conference

FUMC will provide an after school snack for teachers and staff at the high school before their February 20 Parent-Teacher Conference.

**Volunteers are needed** at 3:30 pm to setup and distribute food and drinks. Please see Cheryl Reger or Kristi if you are available to help.

## Shrove Tuesday Pancake Dinner

The young adult group is once again hosting the annual Pancake Dinner on



**Shrove Tuesday – March 5 from 5 to 7 pm. All proceeds benefit the Youth Fund for their Youth 2019 trip this coming July.**

Mark your calendar and invite family & friends to enjoy pancakes and sausage.

## Planning Meeting

All members of Church Council, Grow Team, Nurture, Witness and Micah Outreach are asked to attend a church planning meeting on Sunday, February 17 immediately following worship in Godwin Hall. Lunch will be provided. We will conclude by 3:30 pm at the latest. Stay tuned for more information.

**Youth Group** will meet February 3 and 17.

## FROM THE LIBRARY

*The church library is always open. You are welcome to browse through the books at any time, and borrow one to read at home. Just sign the card in the back of the book and leave it on the desk. Here's some good reading:*



*"Jesus: A Revolutionary Biography"  
by John Dominic Crossan*

John Crossan is widely regarded as the leading authority on the words and life of Jesus. This biography comes after twenty-five years of scholarly research on what actually happened in Galilee and Jerusalem in the first century. What comes out of this biography is the man, Jesus, who gave voice to those who had never been heard and love to the most cast-out members of society. The message Jesus proclaimed is that everyone may participate in the rule of God. It is a stunning account of the life of Jesus.

## United Methodist Women

Sixty-five bean soup kits were donated to the Parish House Food Pantry in early January by United Methodist Women. The kits were assembled at the unit meeting on January 6 with ingredients donated by members. Lynne Petrosky, co-vice president, coordinated the activity. UMW also supports Crosslines and the Upshur Parish House with yearly budgeted donations totaling about \$2,000.

Matt Bohman will present our February unit meeting program titled "Serving With Restoring Hope". Restoring Hope is an organization that partners with existing programs in communities to help those who are broken find wholeness. They help plan events such as Warm Them Up, We Care, Santa Cause, and the Food Wagon. Everyone is welcome to come hear Matt's message Sunday, February 3, at 2 pm, in Fellowship Hall. We have the program first so guests can leave before our business meeting.

Programs for 2019, planned by 2018 co-vice presidents Nancy Hefner and Lynne Petrosky, are posted on the UMW bulletin board in Linger Hall. Anyone may join us. United Methodist Women meet once a month as a whole, or unit, and there are three individual smaller circles that meet most months for a variety of activities. If you are interested in becoming a member, contact president Barbara Loftis.

Future Dates:

- January 31:** Executive Board, 4:30 pm, Library
- February 3:** Unit Meeting, 2 pm, Fellowship Hall
- March 22-23:** Spiritual Growth Retreat, Cedar Lakes Conference Center, Ripley, WV
- March 23:** Day of Giving for Legacy Donations celebrating UMW's 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary
- June 27-29:** Mission U, Cedar Lakes Conference Center, Ripley, WV
- October 25-26:** Annual Meeting, Trinity UMC, Bluefield, WV



Linda Phipps and Margie Miller mix beans for soup kits.

## Lectionary Readings for January:

February 3 Week: Jeremiah 1:4-10; Psalm 71:1-6; 1 Corinthians 13:1-13; Luke 4:21-30

February 10 Week: Isaiah 6:1-8; Psalm 138; 1 Corinthians 15:1-11; Luke 5:1-11

February 17 Week: Jeremiah 17:5-10; Psalm 1; 1 Corinthians 15:12-20; Luke 6:17-26

February 24 Week: Genesis 45:3-11, 15; Psalm 37:1-11, 39-40; 1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50; Luke 6:27-38

## Ash Wednesday Service

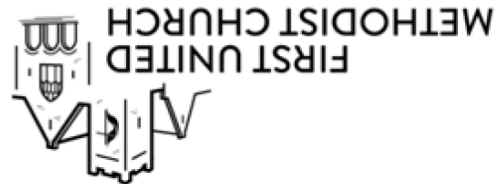
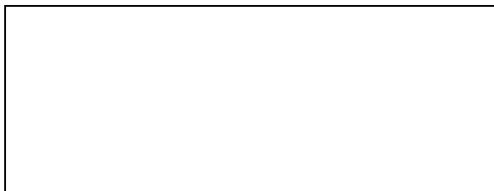
March 6

7 pm

Chapel Hill UMC



*Rebekah and Hannah made their own unique version of an Epiphany Cake complete with a hidden bean representing baby Jesus.*



52 S. Florida St.  
Buckhannon WV 26201  
firstchurchum.com