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THE MISSION of the West Ohio Conference is TO EQUIP LOCAL CHURCHES TO
MAKE DISCIPLES OF JESUS CHRIST FOR THE TRANSFORMATION OF THE WORLD... A
world of JUSTICE, Love, and Peace filled with people GROWING
in the likeness of JESUS CHRIST

October 28, 2019

BROWN BAG Lunch-n-Learns

Announcing new opportunities for learning and fellowship. Starting in October
we will be having a new series of what we are calling Lunch-n-Learns! You are
invited to bring a lunch and share in a time of fellowship and learning. We will
start at 11:30 am and end by 1:00 pm each time. These will be spread around
to all of the counties of the Northwest Plains District throughout the year and you
are invited to come to any or all of them that you might be interested in. You
can find a schedule of dates and topics here. This is planned for pastors, but
everyone is welcome to come and join!

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Sacrifice thank offerings to God, fulfill your vows to the Most High, and call on me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you will honor me. Psalm 50:14–15, NIV

Dear Father in heaven, we want to praise you together and to thank you with all our hearts for your goodness and your deliverance from our many needs. Accept our thanks, and help us go on our way with ever joyful hearts. Make us ready for whatever you have prepared for us, your children. Bless us in our individual lives and bless us in our community. Let your Spirit shed its rays into all places to comfort people’s hearts and to restore and strengthen their faith. May your name be praised forevermore. Amen.

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**Charge Conference—Week 4**

Second week of Charge Conference is this weekend—November 3

Pastors/Hosting Churches/Presiding Elders, Participating Churches,

A friendly reminder that this weekend is the Charge Conference for Hancock and Putnam County. Please see below the schedule for this upcoming Sunday.

For those that are participating in this weekends Charge Conferences, please watch your emails this week for another friendly reminder along with some additional information.

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Scout receives National Certificate of Merit from Boy Scouts of America

Pictured above: Wayne Dukes, Chairman of the Black Swamp Area Council Advancement and Recognitions Committee, Hunter Burton, recipient and Greg Amstutz, Scouting Coordinator and Committee Chairman.

Hunter Burton was honored during the October 20 worship service at First United Methodist Church in Van Wert, Ohio. Hunter’s scouting skills were used to assist an individual in a medical emergency until medical personnel could arrive. The individual was having a heart attack. Hunter’s quick response and First Aid skills were noted by the Van Wert Fire Chief.
The 5th Quarter

The “5th Quarter” is sponsored by First United Methodist Church in Van Wert, OH. The purpose of the 5th Quarter is to provide a safe place for all Middle and High School age students to have fun and fellowship with friends after the Friday night home football games. The church provides free pizza, pop, music and activities that the students enjoy along with prizes that are given away to those present.

The 5th Quarter begins immediately after the football game and ends at 11:30pm. Each student attending must sign in and check out when departing the event. The church provides volunteers that work the event with security, hospitality and leadership for the various activities.

The Van Wert YMCA provides their facilities for the Middle School students and the Van Wert City Schools provides the use of the Goedde Building for the High School students.

The First United Methodist Church would like to thank the following individuals and businesses that have supported the 5th Quarter through their donations:

Statewide Ford Lincoln Mercury, Inc.; Bee Gee Realty & Auction; Van Wert Service Club; Cooper Farms Cooked Meats; Rotary Club; Optimist Club; First Federal Savings & Loan; Van Wert Manor; Fricker’s; Walmart; Westwood Car Wash; Van Wert Cinemas; Dairy Queen; Subway; Pizza Hut; Van Wert Party Mart (Shell station); Nickos Pizza; Northwest Ohio Screening & Trophy; Klosterman’s Pizza; Sycamore of Van Wert; Collins Fine Foods; El Mexicano Restaurant; Arby’s; Wild Willy’s; Mi Ranchito Mexican Restaurant; Brookside Convenience Store; Burger King; Family Video; Brewed Expressions; and Wendy’s.

We would also like to thank the Van Wert YMCA and Van Wert City Schools for the use of their buildings for the 5th Quarter events.

The following information for the Bishop’s fall tours titled: “You Might Be A Wesleyan Christian If...” is now available on the web

**Bishop’s Fall Tour: “You might be a Wesleyan Christian if...”**
An evening of teaching, reflection and conversation for clergy & laity

**Dates & Locations:**

1. September 19, 7:00 pm at St. Andrew’s UMC in Findlay
2. September 23, 7:00 pm at Central Community Center in Springfield
3. October 21, 7:00 pm at John Wesley UMC in Cincinnati
4. October 24, 7:00 pm at Etna UMC in Etna (east of Columbus)
5. November 18, 7:00 pm at Rolling Planes UMC in Zanesville

**These events will NOT be live streamed or recorded**
Campaign Vision and Purpose

Our purpose is to multiply the number of vibrant, robust, effective congregations and in turn multiply the number of people who are choosing to live in the hope of Jesus Christ, being shaped from the inside out by the justice, love and peace that Jesus brings to us all.

IF we sincerely believe that God is calling us to offer Christ in a Wesleyan way, passionately and respectfully, that is relevant to our cultural context and inspires hope and new life…

AND we are sincere in asking God to send one more person, family, or child for us to love and disciple…

THEN we are called to come together to plant new churches and nurture congregational vitality in order to reach new people of all ages and life circumstances and connect them with Jesus Christ.

For more information on the Light the Way Campaign contact: Rev. Stanley Ling/sling@wocumc.org, Rev. Sue Nilson Kibbey/snkibbey@wocumc.org, Mr. Brad Aycock;bradaycock@wocumc.org

(Update) BY GEORGE! Campaign (Update)

Earlier this spring, we invited the congregations of the Northwest Plains District to be a part of a special effort to help Grace Children’s Hospital in Haiti. This hospital that has served countless numbers of children and their families over the years has been devastated by the earthquakes and hurricanes and is in desperate need of help. **Now that we are several months into this, we want to share an update of where we are. To date, we have received just over $30,000 to go to the hospital! We are so thankful for your generosity and faithfulness!**

If every one of our congregations would challenge their members to give just $1 per week per member, we could rally to give not only a dramatic amount of financial help, but also hope that they are not alone. The money will be collected at the District Office and sent on to Haiti. In a time where we see so much brokenness and disunity, this is one way we can truly show how we can do more together than we can apart. Watch for more information to come!

Pastors...

2019 Church/Charge Conference are well on their way. Please be sure you are taking the time and filling your forms out online. Any questions, contact the District Office. The instructions can be found in the Church/Charge Conference packet that was mailed to you mid-August.
I am Pastor Mark Hollinger who is serving at Cridersville UMC and as the coordinator for Addiction Recovery Ministries in the Northwest Plains District. If your church or community group would like for me to present the current status and background of the opioid epidemic and the ways in which you or your church or group can become engaged in recovery efforts then I invite you to contact me. I have a 20 to 30 minute presentation and have all the presentation equipment needed to travel to any church or group event. Many communities already have multilayered recovery services available and we have wonderful opportunities to reach out as supportive and healing partners. The first element needed in addressing our ability to become Christ's hands and feet to those who are hurting from the oppression of addiction is education. Ohio is among the top five states with highest rates of opioid-related overdose deaths, killing significantly more people in Ohio than auto accident fatalities. I am a recovering addict and have real-life knowledge of the personal challenges of recovery. You can contact me at 419 231-0428 or via email rev.mark.hollinger@gmail.com.

Yours in Christ,
Pastor Mark

Do justice, Love mercy and Walk Humbly with Your God
Micah 6:8

Hi team,

Wow, what an amazing response last month! Thank you for making Festival of Sharing 2019 such a success! These gifts are a huge blessing to families when they need them the most, including those who are struggling after disasters strike.

You may know that families in both the Bahamas and the U.S. recently received over $300,000 of CWS' supplies/support to help them recover from Hurricane Dorian and Tropical Storm Imelda. That wouldn’t have been possible without the hard work of kit depots and congregations leading up to each disaster.

I’m praying that the kits we collected in September won’t have to be used for emergency response - that a special hand of safety is over each precious person this year. But I’m so thankful that, if something does hit, we’re prepared to help our neighbors near and far.

In the meantime, keep your eye on the Festival of Sharing Facebook page for reports, updates and information about next year! And please let me know if there are any stories or feedback you want to share from this year’s event!

Really blessed to be serving alongside you in so many ways,

Matthew Stevens
Festival of Sharing Committee
September 26, 2019

Dear Ministry Leader,

One in five adults in the United States experience a mental illness. One-half of all chronic mental illnesses begin by age 14 and three-quarters by age 24 (National Alliance on Mental Illness, Sept. 2019).

It can be a challenge for Christian leaders, pastors, and ministry volunteers to address the concerns of individuals and families struggling with mental illnesses, along with the unique concerns associated with their disorders.

In response to this growing need, our Master of Arts in Clinical Counseling program is hosting a half-day conference titled “Mental Health & the Church” on Saturday November 9th from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm.

The conference is designed to initiate conversations among pastors, lay-leaders, and volunteers. Presenters will focus on equipping ministry leaders with an awareness and understanding of mental health issues and the steps to address them.

Our keynote speaker is Dr. Stephen Grcevich, a child and adolescent psychiatrist and the author of Mental Health and the Church. The breakout sessions are specifically geared to ministry leaders who work with children, youth and adults. They are:

1. Effectively Helping Those Who are Grieving: A helper’s guide to caring for those suffering from suicide and other losses

2. Effectively Ministering to Children (and their families!) with Autism, Anger, Anxiety, and ADHD

3. Confronting the Stigma: Dismantling the shame surrounding mental illness in the Church

4. Awareness into Action: Supporting those with addictions

For further information and to register, head to winebrenner.edu/mental-health.

We would be grateful if you would forward this information about this conference to the leaders and volunteers in your ministry. You can also disperse info about the event via your Facebook page from facebook.com/WinebrennerSeminary/. Please call the Seminary at 419-434-4200 with any questions.

Sincerely,

Mary J. James
Dr. Mary James, Assistant Professor
Master of Arts in Clinical Counseling program

FOLLOW HIS CALL

950 N. Main St., Findlay, OH 45840
1-800-992-4987 www.winebrenner.edu
Let us remember in prayer those grieving the loss of their loved one, and remember in thanksgiving the life and ministry of:

**Rev. James Duvall** who died Saturday, October 19, 2019. He was a retired pastor from The West Ohio Conference of The United Methodist Church who served appointments at Pyrmont; College Hill; Park Avenue (Hamilton); Kenton First; Swanton Trinity; Grant and Dunkirk Trinity churches. Surviving are his children: Thomas (Barbara) Duvall, Stephanie (Charles) Noble and Stephan Duvall; sister, Doris Brandon; six grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews. Preceding him in death were sister, Elma Louise Wilson; brothers: Lee Duvall, Chuck Duvall, Herb Duvall and Von Duvall and grandson, Aaron Duvall. You may make memorial donations to The First United Methodist Church of Kenton, 234 N. Main Street, Kenton, Ohio 43326, (419) 673-3205, office@kentonfirst.org.

**Rev. Raymond (Ray) Lanham** who died Wednesday, July 31, 2019. He was a retired pastor from The West Ohio Conference of The United Methodist Church who served appointments at the Board of Missions, India; Board of Missions, Philippine Island, Mindanao; Chaplaincy Service, Methodist Hospital, Indianapolis; New Hope Foundation of America, Indianapolis and The Toledo Hospital. Surviving Ray is his wife, Rose; sister, Lucy; five children: Michael (Joan), Bob (Leigh), Doug, Steve and Linda (Brent); daughter-in-law, Jan Burress; six grandchildren: Michele (Raphael), Nathan (Jennifer), Emily (Jonathan), Whitney (Jason), Ryan and Lauren; and six great-grandchildren: Mary Clare, Hannah, Catherine, Matthew, Gabriel and Patrick. A memorial service will be held at First United Methodist Church, 801 W. Avenue B, Garland, Texas 75040 at 10:00 am on Friday, November 1, 2019. A family interment ceremony will follow that afternoon at the Dallas-Ft. Worth National Cemetery. You may make donations in memory of Rev. Ray Lanham at the following: First United Methodist Church, 801 West Avenue B at Glenbrook, Garland, Texas 75040, (972) 272-3471, fumcgarland.org/giving, office@fumcgarland.org or the United Methodist Board of Missions The Advance, 458 Ponce De Leon Avenue NE, Atlanta, Georgia 30308, 800-862-4246, donationhelp@umcmission.org, advance.umcmission.org.

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**Set your clocks back (“fall back”) Sunday, November 3 at 2 a.m.**
NWP Directors of Pulpit Supply

Pastors, if you are in need of Sunday morning pulpit supply and would like to arrange for a Lay Speaker to fill in for you, please contact our District Directors of Pulpit Supply.

- **Linda Hoover** is responsible for the southern part of NWP District including Allen, Auglaize, Hardin, Mercer, Van Wert and Wyandot counties. She can be reached at 567-204-0329 or by email at bhoo-ver1@woh.rr.com.

- **Steve Brooks** is responsible for the northern part of NWP District including Defiance, Hancock, Henry, Paulding, Putnam, and Williams counties. He can be reached at 419.519.3319 or by email at sbrooks1101@roadrunner.com.

Lay Servant Training Events

Lay Servant Ministries is one of the most significant lay leadership development programs already available within the United Methodist connection. Through this system of equipping and empowering, lay servants have the opportunity to grow as disciples of Jesus Christ who then go and make other disciples.

“Methodist Heritage” (CORE) led by Rev. Brian Arnold/Ministry Teaching Team will be offered on Saturday, March 7, 8:30am-4:30pm, at Leipsic UMC, 127 W. Main St., Leipsic, Ohio. The FIRM deadline for registration is TBD. More info yet to come.

“Theology of Our Hymns (Advance)” led by Rev. Steve Rath/Lay Ministry Teaching Team will be offered on Saturday, March 7, 8:30am-4:30pm, at Leipsic UMC, 127 W. Main St., Leipsic, Ohio. The FIRM deadline for registration is TBD. More info yet to come.

“Lay Servants lead in Prayer (CORE)” led by Jeff Motter/Lay Ministry Teaching Team will be offered on Saturday, April 4, 8:30am-4:30pm, at Leipsic UMC, 127 W. Main St., Leipsic, Ohio. The FIRM deadline for registration is TBD. More info yet to come.

“Class TBD (Advanced)” will be offered on Saturday, April 4 at 8:30am-4:30pm, at Leipsic UMC, 127 W. Main St., Leipsic, Ohio. The FIRM deadline for registration is TBD. More info yet to come.

Please help get the word out. If you, or someone you know, would be interested in participating, please register when the time is open to do so!
The Walk to Emmaus is a global ministry of the Upper Room dedicated to supporting the spiritual formation of Christians and the development of Christian servant leaders for the local church. If you would like to experience this spiritual retreat or learn more about it contact Brad Martin.

I am also looking for clergy who are interested in serving in the Northwest Ohio Emmaus Community. The clergy listing needs updating. If you took your walk in another community, if you took another three-day retreat, or if your contact information has changed, please send the information to Brad Martin, Emmaus Community Spiritual Director | bmartin4477@gmail.com

**Findlay Emmaus Walks @ St. Marks UMC, Findlay, OH**
http://www.findlayemmaus.org/

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**Sidney Emmaus Walk @ First UMC, Sidney, OH**
http://www.sidneyemmaus.org/

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**NW Ohio Emmaus Walks @ Widewater, Liberty Center, OH**
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**Greene Street UMC, Piqua**
http://www.westohiochrysalis.com/

**Delta UMC, Delta**
Girls - June 22-24, 2018
http://www.nwoemmaus.com/

Chrysalis is a three day experience of spiritual renewal open to members of any Christian denomination, ages 15 to 24. It is an opportunity to meet Jesus Christ in a new way. Chrysalis is meant to inspire, challenge, and equip youth for Christian action in their homes, churches, communities and places of work.

**St. Andrew’s UMC, Findlay**
Girls
#51--January 25-27, 2019
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Boys
#51--February 22-24, 2019
#52--July 26-28, 2019
http://www.findlaychrysalis.org/
St John's United Methodist Church
205 N. High St
Columbus Grove, OH 45830

Will be hosting Siberian Solstice Band A Trans Siberian Orchestra Tribute on **Sunday November 17, at 7 pm.**

Please come out and enjoy the band and what a better way to start your Holiday Season.

This is a free concert and is open to all who enjoy music.
Local Church and Community Events

Annual Veterans’ Banquet

Veterans living in the Pandora-Gilboa School District are invited to the Annual Veterans’ Banquet at the Pandora United Methodist Church, 108 E. Washington St. (Rt 12 in Pandora, on Monday, November 11th at 5:30pm in the church fellowship hall. The dinner and short program are sponsored by the Pandora United Methodist Rebecca Women’s Circle. Reservations for the veteran and spouse (or a guest) are due by Friday, November 1st by calling the church office at 419-384-3905 or emailing at office@pandoraumc.com and leaving your name, number of reservations and your contact information.

Community Meal PSA

The Pandora United Methodist Church will be hosting a FREE Community Meal on Wed. Oct. 30th at 5:30 to 7:00 pm. in the church fellowship hall, 108 E. Washington Street, Pandora. The meal this month is provided by the N.E.W. Never Ending Witness Group. The menu is Beef Sandwich, chips, vegetable tray, cheese tray, cookies and beverages.
Anniversary Celebration
50 years on Center
1969 2019

Oct. 13  6:00 P.M. Pizza & Movie Night: “Ten Commandments” Part 1
Oct. 20  6:00 P.M. Pizza & Movie Night: “Ten Commandments” Part 2
Nov. 17  6:30 P.M. Kerry Patrick Clark Concert—music and stories
Nov. 24  10:30 A.M. Anniversary Celebration Worship Service with Reception to follow
Dec. 14  2:00 P.M. Black Swamp Orchestra Concert

Join us—all events are free!

...the JOY continues!
WESLEY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
903 CENTER STREET, BRYAN OHIO

Ayersville United Methodist Church
Chicken/Pork Bar-BQ and Bake Sale
By Brookview Farms

Saturday, November 9
4:30—7 p.m.
Menu Includes: 1/2 Chicken or Pork Loin,
Potato Salad, Baked Beans,
Corn Bread or Roll, Dessert & Drink
Dine In or Carry Out
Tickets on sale now—$8.50 each
Call 419-395-1742
27728 Ayersville Rd., Defiance, OH 43512
Can I ask you a question? It’s the same one you probably get multiple times a day, answer with the usual generic response, and move on. Well here goes…

How are you?

Don’t answer just yet. Reflect for a moment.

How are you?

Here, at the WOC, we want you to be able to respond with an enthusiastic, and grammatically correct, “I am well.” I am physically, emotionally, spiritually and financially well. But if you’re like most folks, there might be one or two wellness “pillars” that could use a little attention. For example, maybe your spiritual life is looking strong, but your finances…not so much. Or it could be you are so well emotionally that you sleep like a baby without a care in the world, straight through your alarm clock and consistently through your morning workout. You’re doing a good job; you just need a little help to you get to the next level. If this is you, then you are invited to “Mapping Your Journey to Wellness”, a one-day wellness seminar designed to inform and inspire!

What can I expect at the seminar? You can expect to be challenged to go further and dig deeper into becoming all God wants you to be from our keynote speaker. You can expect tangible, practical information from each of our four wellness pillar breakout sessions. Informative topics include: Understanding and Implementing Resilience Strategies, Getting Started with Exercise and Eating Strategies for Success, Creating Effective Behavior Change, and more. You can also expect free flu vaccinations*, a tasty lunch, CEU credit for clergy, and a good time with friends. Additionally, we will host our active plan health insurance meeting at the end of the seminar day.

The cost for the seminar is $10 per person and spouses are encouraged to attend. Make it a date! Registration is now open, and you must register as seating is limited.

Wednesday, November 6th at Kettering Christ UMC (3440 Shroyer Rd., Kettering)
Thursday, November 14th at Reynoldsburg UMC (1636 Graham Rd., Reynoldsburg)
Wednesday, November 20th at St. Andrews UMC (120 W. Sandusky St., Findlay)

The event will begin with a gathering at 9:00 a.m. and will end by 3:00 p.m., or 4:15 p.m. if you are staying for the health insurance meeting.

*For those on the Conference health plan or a billable carrier
Laity Discernment Retreats

Do you feel God's call on your life but are uncertain how to discern that call or what to do next? If so, then this is the Retreat for you! At the Laity Discernment Retreats, we will talk about call, discernment and what it means to be "called by our baptism". We will learn ways to intentionally enter into a time of prayer about discernment and we will discover Spiritual Rhythms that can help guide our journey. We will also discuss the variety of ways Laity can serve both in our churches and in our communities.

Each retreat kicks off with an 8-hour Saturday session followed by a 3-hour session approximately six weeks later. In between the two sessions, there will opportunities to read, reflect, and practice Spiritual Rhythms that will lead you to a better understanding of your own call.

Note: You are welcome to attend any session in any location and you do not need to attend both sessions in the same region. However, you need to attend the all-day Saturday retreat prior to attending the 3-hour follow up session.

The events are online and ready for registration. You can find them here: https://www.westohiumc.org/conference/laity-discernment-retreats You can also navigate to Ministries/Discipleship/Laity Discernment Retreats.

Capitol Area South & Foothills
Saturday, November 9, 2019 and Thursday, January 9, 2020 at Crossroads Ministry Center of Lancaster First UMC

Capitol Area North & Miami Valley
Saturday, November 16, 2019 and Thursday January 16, 2020 at Urbana UMC

Ohio River Valley & Shawnee Valley
Saturday January 11, 2020 and Thursday March 5, 2020 at Williamsburg UMC

Northwest Plains & Maumee Watershed
Saturday January 18, 2020 and Thursday March 12, 2020 at Bowling Green First UMC
Forest Park United Methodist Church

Children’s Ministries Director – part time

Position Summary: The Director of Children’s Ministries will focus on making disciples; assuring children are introduced to the love, forgiveness and life giving grace found in Christ Jesus. The Director will lead programming that nurtures and grows children’s personal faith in Jesus.

Responsible to: Pastor

Qualifications and Position Requirements:
- Profess Jesus Christ to be Lord and Savior and show “fruitfulness.”
- 1-2 years Children Ministry Experience
- Ability to work with children and families
- Ability to plan, organize, lead and guide complex projects and spontaneous activities related to children and family ministries
- Competent in basic lay counseling and listening skills appropriate for children ministry
- Competent in Bible teaching and speaking to children and families about Jesus
- Willingness to work cooperatively with others, to maintain a positive outlook and disposition, and to be flexible in solving problems
- The ability to protect the reputation and integrity of others through strict confidentiality.
- Refrain from the indiscriminately sharing personal information is critical. Discretion must be exercised when dealing with the public, children and their parents, and the church leaders and members
- Weekly attendance at worship and/or Sunday School at FPUMC
- Computer literacy a must. Microsoft Office and Layout Design preferred.

Principle Duties and Responsibilities:
- Planning, coordinating, conducting, evaluating and selecting and providing resources for the children’s ministry.
- Build relationships of integrity with children that become the basis of meeting needs, sharing Christ, and involving children in peer ministry to other children.
- Coordinate all aspects of the Pre-Kindergarten through sixth grade ensuring there is opportunity to develop fellowship, spiritual formation, discipleship and the experiencing of Christian community. Various material and age appropriate styles of presentation are encouraged.
- Plan summer activities for children and families, such as VBS, and kick-off/season-off for fall programming, mid-week programming, including but not limited to Upward basketball/cheerleading programs.
- Develop relationships and maintain regular communication with parents of the participating children.
- Coordinate roles and responsibilities of volunteer leaders of the Children ministries.
- Adhere to the policies and procedures outlined in the Forest Park United Methodist Church Safe Sanctuary policy, and train volunteers of policies and procedures.
- Perform additional duties as needed and as determined with the pastor

Performance Standards:
- Attend at least one congregational church service per week.
- Be involved in a small group.
- Meet at least weekly with the Pastor.
- Work with pastor to prepare and administer a children ministry budget/annual goals for the year.
- Work with pastor to prepare an annual summary report of the mission, goals, plans and success in Children ministries.
- Attend meetings and be prepared to give monthly reports to Pastor as requested.
- Create and submit article and photos for monthly newsletter or online media resources.
- Participate in the life of the church and larger community, as appropriate.

Records and Materials:
- The Employee agrees that all materials, resources and computer programs purchased by the Employer as well as all records, print or electronic data, pertaining to the work of the Forest Park UMC Children Ministries position are property of Forest Park UMC.
- The Employee agrees that all equipment provided by the Forest Park United Methodist church remains property of UMC.

Salary Grade:
- As recommended by the SPCR and this is a half-time (20 hr/wk) salaried position. Starting salary is $13,000 per year, beginning
- The above is subject to change by the SPCR committee of the Forest Park United Methodist Church.

Employee _____________________________ Employment start date ________________

I agree to the position description as presented:

Employee _____________________________ Date ________________

SPRC Chair _____________________________ Date ________________
Liberty Chapel Youth Pastor
Liberty Chapel is looking for a full-time Youth Pastor. Primary responsibilities would be ministries with Junior High and Senior High Youth along with coordination of ministries at The Rock youth center. Interested persons should send their resume to the church: 9474 County Road V, Liberty Center, OH 43532, 419-533-2881. Attention: Pastor Brad Martin. or to bmartin4477@gmail.com.

The Youth Pastor’s main goal is to lead students through teaching scripture, developing youth ministries, and public relations with the congregation and community. He or she will provide regular short-term small group studies for youth to attend. The primary responsibility of this person is with the Junior High and Senior High Teams, but she or he will also provide resources for Children and Middle School Teams. The Youth Pastor will provide leadership in summer to the Junior High and Senior High Youth Ministries which generally includes mission trips among other activities. He or she will also coordinate ministries at The Rock youth center.

Liberty Chapel United Methodist Church is a rural congregation near Liberty Center, Ohio. About 200 persons join together for worship and praise each Sunday. There is a good age-spread of children, youth, youth adults, and older adults. The church has a strong evangelical heritage, classic and contemporary worship services, a tradition of youth ministry, a youth outreach center in Liberty Center with after school programming and lots of dreams, and a Wednesday night student ministry with youth and children.

Family Ministries Director
Trinity and North Union United Methodist Churches in Van Wert, OH are entering a new era of mission and ministry by forging a strategic partnership, working together to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. North Union is a rural congregation and Trinity is an in-town, county seat congregation.

Our new partnership is looking to hire a Family Ministries Director who will lead our children, young adult, and adult discipleship ministries. We are looking for a candidate who will bring excitement and innovation to our congregations in order to grow our struggling discipleship ministries. While both congregations have vital discipleship with our youth and older members, both have struggled with children’s ministries and with the 25 – 50 age bracket. With this new partnership, both congregations are willing and able to try new things to attract and disciple children and adults.

Candidate should bring a strong faith, some level of experience and/or education, and have the energy to try new things. A knowledge of United Methodist theology and polity is a plus. We envision this position to be 30 hours per week with salary commensurate with education/experience. This position comes with continuing education funds but no other benefits.
Please submit a resume and cover letter to Pastor Kurt Tomlinson @ krtom14@gmail.com.
Free Cantata Books
Middle Point UMC has song books for Christmas, Thanksgiving, Easter, and Patriotic seasons. Donating. Really good condition. Please call Sandy Moore at 419-968-2443 if interested.

TV Stand for Sale
We have recently wall-mounted our media and have 1 TV stand available for $25.00 to the first interested purchaser. Please phone 419/238-0631 x302 for more information. Sherri Arn/Van Wert First United Methodist Church

Portable Sound Lectern
Zion Grover Hill UMC is looking for a portable sound lectern. Please contact Mike Waldron 419.238.1493 with any leads.

Copier
The Coldwater United Methodists Church has a used Duplo DP-A120 copier (so picture below) that is available for any church office or needy organization. Donation to Coldwater UMC would be acceptable as payment. Please contact Scott A. Ault at 937-260-1677.

Coordinator of Youth Ministry
St. Andrew's UMC seeks a passionate, Christ-centered disciple to lead and coordinate the congregation’s youth ministry. This person will develop, oversee and lead an engaging ministry for and with youth in an atmosphere of open, genuine Christian community; and recruit, nurture and develop a team of adult ministry servants who will help youth to deepen their faith with Christ by worshiping, learning, serving and sharing together. This is a part-time position (20-25 hours weekly). Submit letter and resume to Rev. Jeff Motter at jmotter@saumcfindlay.org or mail to 120 W. Sandusky St., Findlay, OH 45840.
St. Paul's United Methodist Church in Montpelier, OH, has some choir music to redistribute. Below you will find the list. It is free to anyone who wants to come and get it. The only stipulation is that you must take an entire box. Contact Carol Carr -419-485-3519

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Recently, attention has been drawn to the unthinkable action of active shooters in a house of worship. UMI is offering this resource to you as a way to prepare you, your church leadership, the congregation and visitors in the event this should occur. Being prepared helps everyone cope with these realities and begin to re-focus attention on core ministries.

Conducting the ministries of The United Methodist Church takes on many forms. Our first call to ministry is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world. This crucial part of our ministry as a denomination begins in the local church. Everything else we do on a daily basis supports this core commission. (Matthew 28:19)

There are many supportive actions taking place every day to support the local church. One of them is to insure the church properties so that a church can continue its core ministries in the community.

DOWNLOAD  http://tiny.cc/hf6sry

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**Local Church Officer Job Descriptions**

Positions Required in All Congregations

Every congregation must make provision for including these functions according to The Book of Discipline of the United Methodist Church, ¶244, ¶249. Positions may be combined except for the financial functions. "The positions of treasurer and financial secretary should not be combined and held by one person, and the persons holding these positions should not be immediate family members (¶258.4)."

Nominations and Leader Development Committee (¶258.1)

Pastor/Staff-Parish Relations Committee (¶258.2)

Trustees (¶258.3 and ¶2524 to 2550)

Finance Committee Chairperson (¶258.4)

Lay Leader (¶251.1)

Lay Member of Annual Conference (¶251.2)

Financial Secretary (¶258.4)

Church Treasurer (¶258.4)

Membership Secretary (¶234 and ¶235 to 242)

Leadership Team (also called Church Council, Administrative Board) Chairperson (¶251.3)

LEARN MORE  http://www.umcdiscipleship.org/leadership-resources/local-church-officer-job-descriptions