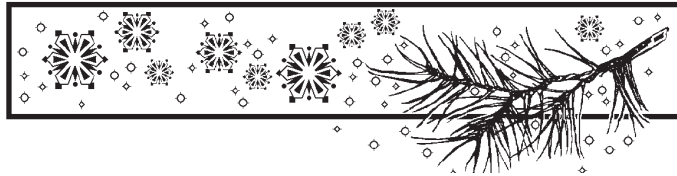


Christmas Services

During Tonight's Services at 4 and 8pm – Child care is available for children ages 5 and younger in our Care Room on the lower level – an usher can direct you. During worship, parents also have the option of taking infants and toddlers to our "Wiggle Room" across the hall from the sanctuary. Toys and activities for young children will be provided there, as well as audio/video feed from the sanctuary so that parents may view/hear the service.

Christmas Morning Worship Service will be held tomorrow at 11am. Joining Dr. Chalker in this service is playwright, award-winning actress, singer and University Circle United Methodist Church member, Juliette Regnier.

Neighborhood Lunch Served on Christmas Day – at 1:00pm our monthly lunch for persons in our neighborhood will be served. You are invited to stay after worship and assist with preparations and serving of a meal.



Artist Series

One of the ways University Circle United Methodist has chosen to interact with the Cleveland community involves the creation of an Artist Series, featuring throughout the year the works of several aspiring or professional artists with a Cleveland connection. From December 11 through March 11, 2012, "Brushes with America," an exhibit of works created by realist illustrator and designer Ron Beckham, is on display. These originals of watercolor, acrylic, charcoal and oil each reflect Ron's experience with a person, place or moment in America. Most are available for purchase and are also available as signed/numbered prints. A price list for the originals in the exhibit is available at the church office. For print costs and to view additional Beckham artwork not on display, please visit Ron's website: beckhamgallery.com, or contact him at 269-532-2272.

In the New Year...

New Year's Sunday Worship at 11:00am – Begin 2012 at University Circle United Methodist Church with a service led by Dr. Ken Chalker.

Sunday Sermon Talk Back's – January 8 and 29, Dr. Chalker holds "Sermon Talk Backs" in the sanctuary immediately following the service. Join him "down front" for a brief time of refreshments, questions, answers and comments about his morning message.

A Conversation with Church Laity About Exciting 2012 Initiatives – held during an after-worship potluck lunch on Sunday, January 15.

Top 3 Ways to Powerfully Improve Your Health in 2012 – Sunday, January 29 at 9:30am. Make 2012 the year you take action on 3 simple life changes that will give you more energy, improve your mood, lighten your heart and put some bounce in your step as well as a smile on your face. Whether you have challenging health issues or you want to avoid health issues for as long as possible, learn how simple, small changes can make all the difference in your life. Jane Ehrman, M.Ed, CHES, lead behavioral health specialist in the Lifestyle Medicine department at the Cleveland Clinic, looks forward to helping you understand how you can make this year even better than you expected.

HandsOn Cleveland's Homeless "Stand Down" – University Circle United Methodist Church supports HandsOn Cleveland's efforts on January 22 and 28 to provide much needed social services to individuals and families experiencing poverty and homelessness. Details of this effort will be communicated in January.

UMCOR Up Close & Personal – At a potluck following our 11am worship on Sunday, February 5, learn about the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) – the global humanitarian aid organization of the United Methodist Church. UMCOR is working in more than 80 countries worldwide, including the United States to alleviate human suffering—whether caused by war, conflict or natural disaster. During this potluck event sponsored by the United Methodist Women of our church, we'll also hear about Sager Brown in Louisiana the headquarters for UMCOR's relief supply operations which ships more than \$4 million in supplies annually throughout the world with the help of more than 2,000 volunteers.

Mardi Gras Dinner Party – Saturday, Feb. 18, 6:30pm, in our Great Hall. Featuring an authentic New Orleans-style Creole/Cajun dinner prepared by Chez Ben Magee & Friends plus the live, foot-stomping, hand-clapping music of the New Orleans Jazz Ensemble, a traditional Dixieland Band with vocalists. "Laissez les bons temps rouler!" (Let the good times roll).