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## Love's Notes

### UPCOMING EVENTS

March 6  
**United Methodist Women**  
**9a Prayer Shawl**  
**10a Meeting**  
**11:30 Luncheon**  
**6pm Ash Wednesday Services**

March 10  
**YOUTH SUNDAY**

March 14  
**6p Trustees**

March 14-17  
**Men's Emmaus Walk**

March 15  
**11a UMAF**

March 15-17  
**Confirmation Trip to**  
**Lake Junaluska**

March 18  
**6:00 p Finance**  
**7:00p Church Council**

March 21-24  
**Women's Emmaus Walk**

March 26  
**Mtn Mission Truck Pickup**

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Dear members and friends of Christ Church,

The General Conference of the United Methodist Church has completed its session in St. Louis. Our denomination has voted to uphold its restrictions on same-sex marriage and the ordination of self-avowed practicing homosexuals.

As definitive as that may sound, this is still an unfolding situation. There are still some rulings yet to come from our Judicial Council (which is essentially the supreme court of our denomination).

As you know, we had already scheduled, before the general conference took place, a congregational gathering for March 10 at 4:00 p.m. to update you on what transpired at the conference. That meeting is still on our calendar and we will update you with more detail at that time. This gathering is open to members and non-members alike. I know that some of you are very much a part of our congregation even though you have not yet joined. You are welcome to attend this meeting.

Here at Christ Church, our mission, approach, and welcoming spirit remain exactly the same as before this General Conference. We have always operated under the guidelines of our Book of Discipline and will continue to do so. We have also been welcoming to all people – no exceptions. And that will continue to be the spirit by which we open our doors.

There will, undoubtedly, be tough conversations to be held in the future. As for our church's part in that, it is my commitment, as your pastor, to lead this congregation in such a way that we will not shy away from such conversations and that, when we have those conversations, we will always conduct ourselves as followers of Jesus and live out His love to each other redemptively even though we may disagree on matters.

Please join me in living out the Spirit of Christ as we continue to be His church.



MISSION  
Statement

#### Christ United Methodist Church Exists to:

- Connect Persons to God and to One Another (Worship/Fellowship)
- Help Meet Needs (Service/Every Member a Minister)
- Reach Out to Share Jesus Christ (Evangelism)
- Instruct in Christian Growth (Discipleship)
- Send Persons in Ministry (Missions)
- Transform the Community of Bowling Green

## Children's Ministries

### Easter Egg Hunt:

This year's Easter Egg Hunt has been scheduled for **Wednesday April 17<sup>th</sup> at 6pm**. Weather permitting, we will be holding the hunt on the large field outside the Family Life Center.

Each child is asked to bring an Easter Basket and 12 filled eggs. Your child is welcome to invite friends to join them.

All members of our church family are welcome to join us for what is a short but very happy event.

*There is no WD<sup>2</sup> scheduled for this evening.*

**We will have a potluck supper after the hunt. Parents are invited to bring a dish to share**



**VBS 2019** is still months away but mark your calendars now and Save the Date! VBS 2019 is scheduled to take place from **Sunday June 2 – Thursday June 6, 2019**. This year's VBS will take us to **Mars & Beyond!** In the event, that school closings for winter weather impact us, our backup dates are June 9- June 13.

**Camp Loucon** offers a variety of wonderful summer programs for children and youth. The Loucon camp schedule for 2019 is now available online and will be posted on the bulletin board outside the YCC kitchen.

The camps fill quickly so fill out your applications soon. Thanks to the generosity of our church, we are able to help with the cost of Loucon. Please see Angie or Patty for details.

**Sunday School** is a wonderful place for your children to grow in their knowledge of the Lord with children their age. Please join us in the YCC each Sunday from 10:00 – 10:45 a.m.

**Kids RULE** (Read, Understand Learn, Explore God's Word) continues to meet on Wednesday evening from 6pm – 7pm. Please have your 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders join us if at all possible.

**YCC Policy Reminder:** Parents, please pick up your children in the YCC following Sunday School & ROCK. The children are not to leave the YCC and meet you at another location within or outside of the church. For their safety, they must remain in the YCC until you come to pick them up. Thank you for assisting us in our commitment to keeping our children safe.

## From Melissa



Dear church family,

Thank you for your many expressions of condolences to our family upon the death of Román's father. We were so touched by your kindness, generosity, and prayers. Román shared with me that he definitely felt the prayer support while he was at home navigating some difficult situations. We are so thankful to be part of such a supportive and loving community of faith. May the Lord make His face shine upon you today!

Melissa

# UMW

Celebrating 150 years of Mission

Wednesday, March 6

9am Prayer Shawl Ministry

10am in the Family Life Center—Happy Birthday, United Methodist Women!

Women Proclaiming the Mystery of Faith

A special program celebrating the 150th anniversary of United Methodist Women.

Make plans to attend this celebration

Saturday, April 13, 2019 we will host the District Mission Study at Christ UMC. We anticipate 80+ people from across the district to attend. Make plans to attend this Mission Study from 8am-noon

# UMAF



## United Methodist Adult Fellowship

The UMAF will eat at Boyce Store at 11:00 am on March 15th. We will leave from church at 10:30 or you can meet us there. It's a great place to have fish on Friday during Lent.



Christian Sympathy to Román Di Gaetano and family, Melissa, Luciana & Liliana, on the passing of his father in Argentina.

## MEMORIAL CONTRIBUTIONS

Memorial Fund

In memory of  
*Hal Rogers*

by Janet K. & Barry Brown

**OUR STEWARDSHIP  
AND ATTENDANCE  
February 2019**

Budget for the Year	\$582,958
Needed per Week	\$11,211
Received	
Feb 3	\$ 15,481
Feb 10	14,327
Feb 17	4,692
Feb 24	12,496
 Budget to Date	 \$89,688
Received to Date	\$81,154
 Building Fund Loan Balance	 92,892
Building Fund received February	\$1,155

	Stewardship of Attendance		
	S.S.		
	<u>8:45</u>	<u>10:00</u>	<u>11:00</u>
Feb 3	134	165	90
Feb 10	147	174	104
Feb 17	126	148	101
Feb 24	154	151	75

**Servants for March**

**8:45 Service  
Greeter**

Elaine Lewis

**Communion Servers**

Roland & Lynda Mulcahy  
Michael & Linda Holian

**11:00 Service**

**Greeters & Communion Servers**

Carol Douglas, Marilyn Love  
Jeff & Richea Norden

**Building Lock Up**

Carol Douglas

**CUMC TEXT ALERTS**

If you would like to receive text alerts when church events are cancelled due to weather,

Text:

@cumcalerts to 810-10

Or call the church office with your cell # and we will set you up.

**Special Thank You**

Dear Christ United Methodist Church Family,

There simply are not enough adjectives in our vocabulary to express our appreciation and gratitude for ALL you have done for our family during Brianna's illness. The precious Prayer Shawl, the beautiful quilts for Brianna and Hayden, (beautifully sewn by Bonnie Hanes with precious sentiments from many) the sweet concern and visits from Brianna's Sunday School and Wednesday night Bible Study Groups as well as the many individual ways you have expressed concern for Brianna and our entire family. We are so grateful for the prayers and cards which have encouraged us during these many months. Your coveted prayers will guide and sustain us as we continue this journey on Brianna's road to recovery.

Thank you for your many expressions of kindness! "God Bless You and Keep You; and Make His Face to Shine Upon You and Be Gracious Unto You".

Sincerely,

Jeanie, Richard, Laura, Brianna and Hayden

## MISSIONS

### Red Bird Mission

Would you like to volunteer at Red Bird Mission for a week this year?  
Would you like to see this amazing piece of heaven in Kentucky?

There are many weeks available if you and your family would like to go. If you would like to go with me, I am looking at either the week of May 19th or June 2nd.

Check out the website [rbmission.org](http://rbmission.org),

call volunteer coordinator, Marsha, at 606-598-3155,  
or call me, Jennifer Taylor at 270-535-6304

## M.E.A.L.S.

“For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, a stranger and you welcomed me...” –Matthew 25:35

On Saturday, March 16<sup>th</sup>, CUMC will have responsibility for providing manpower for the M.E.A.L.S., Inc. ministry here in Bowling Green. We will supply a hot meal and other food products for approximately 300 people in our city. It will be a meaningful way to help others during the Lenten season. A sign-up sheet is available in the Connection Area or call Helen Terry @ 270-991-9075 or 270-745-0943 to volunteer.

### **2019 CUMC M.E.A.L.S., Inc. Dates**

March 16<sup>th</sup>

June 15<sup>th</sup>

September 14<sup>th</sup>

December 14<sup>th</sup>

## Newsletter Mailouts

Beginning this month we will no longer mail newsletters to those who receive the newsletter by email AND are regular attenders. You may pick up a printed copy at the church.

If you live out of town and currently receive a copy in the mail but do have email, please send your email address to us at [info@christumcbg.org](mailto:info@christumcbg.org) so we can begin sending you a digital PDF version. We will continue to mail the newsletter to our shut ins.

**March Birthdays**



<b>Darren Jones</b>	<b>3/3</b>
<b>Michael Romans</b>	<b>3/5</b>
<b>Karson Williams</b>	<b>3/5</b>
<b>Lilah Ann Reckard</b>	<b>3/8</b>
<b>Scottie Halter</b>	<b>3/11</b>
<b>Ron Wilson</b>	<b>3/13</b>
<b>Joan Krenzin</b>	<b>3/14</b>
<b>Linda Tidwell</b>	<b>3/17</b>
<b>Makenna Grace Twyman</b>	<b>3/18</b>
<b>David Alexander</b>	<b>3/18</b>
<b>Charles Rogers</b>	<b>3/20</b>
<b>Randy Hanes</b>	<b>3/23</b>
<b>Sean Kinder</b>	<b>3/23</b>
<b>Elijah Truelove</b>	<b>3/24</b>
<b>Lilliana Bull DiGaetano</b>	<b>3/24</b>
<b>Keegan Alexis Terry</b>	<b>3/25</b>
<b>Daisy Wilkerson</b>	<b>3/26</b>
<b>Zoe Heckman</b>	<b>3/27</b>
<b>Henry Heller</b>	<b>3/27</b>
<b>Amy Berry</b>	<b>3/27</b>
<b>Corky Halter</b>	<b>3/28</b>
<b>Kate Wintuska</b>	<b>3/30</b>

If you would like your birthday listed in *The Visitor*, please call the church office.

## Most Needed Items in **March**

- Jiffy Corn Muffin Mix
- Ramen Noodles
- Cake & Frosting Mix
- Any Hygiene Item

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*Hebrews 13:16 ESV*

Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

**CARE GIVERS GROUP**

Caregivers group is back meeting on the first Wednesday from 6-7 following the Wd2 meal.

In March Linda Love, ombudsman for our Barren River Area will speak.

We meet in the Garden Class and welcome new people to our group.

If these topics are of interest to you or a friend we invite you to join us.

# The Visitor

## Christ Church

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### *Worship Services*

Sunday Worship ~ 8:45  
a.m. and 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday School ~ 10:00  
a.m.  
Nursery provided for all  
Sunday Services  
Youth Activities ~ Sunday  
at 5:30 p.m.  
Wednesday at 6:00 p.m.

### CHURCH STAFF

Dr. Todd Love ..... Pastor  
Melissa Bull ..... Minister of Music and Discipleship  
Patty Wintuska ..... Children's Director  
Kelli Truelove ..... Youth Pastor  
Zach Richards ..... Assistant Youth Pastor  
Jeanie Orr ..... Organist  
Bonnie Hanes ..... Administrative Assistant/Treasurer  
April Taylor ..... Nursery Supervisor  
Shan Winquist ..... Lay Leader  
Angie Gordon ..... Minister of Visitation &  
Congregational Care /Director of The Learning Tree  
Lorenzo Hall, Jr. .... Security