

THE EPISTLE

THE NEWSLETTER OF THE WILMINGTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

AUGUST 2019

Church Family,



I am writing this as I am finishing my packing to prepare for our move to be with you at Wilmington United Methodist Church. My thoughts coming lately have been about how humbled I am to be following both Marie and Dean to serve in ministry at Wilmington

UMC. There has been great ministry accomplished under these two pastorates and much more to come.

Alicia and I have been so blessed with the support and encouragement from the SPRC members as well as the amazing work being done by the Trustees on the parsonage. We are not even in town yet, but we have felt such a warm welcome already. I am looking forward to being with you on our first Sunday together on August 4th. I continue to keep you in prayer as you have been keeping Alicia and I in your prayers.

Please mark your calendar for Sunday September 15th for a very special worship service. The Men of Gaines United Methodist Church will be with us for a very special musical Sunday Worship.

Blessings!

Pastor Scott

Finance Committee will meet on Thursday, August 15 at 6:30 p.m. Committee Chairs, please review your 2019 budget against actual expenditures. Finance will need your budget projections by early September.

Back Pack Sunday

August 11, 10 AM



Preschool-college aged are welcome to bring their backpacks to worship on Sunday, August 12, at 10 AM for a special blessing as they return to school.

Donations are still needed to the West Ohio Disaster Relief Fund

Pray! Survivors often experience chaos, grief and fear in the aftermath of natural disasters. These emotions can be overwhelming and paralyzing. Our prayers have the power to activate healing and courage in the face of great unknowns.

Give! West Ohio Disaster Response: Fund #1701000 – 100% of these gifts help West Ohio respond to people impacted in Ohio and across the US.

UMCOR US Disaster: Advance #901670

Checks may also be sent to West Ohio Conference, 32 Wesley Blvd., Worthington, OH 43085 (Please put the Fund/Advance # in the memo line.)



Congratulations to Jessica Nathan and David Wheatly who were united in marriage on July 20 in the sanctuary. The bride's father, former pastor Jim Nathan, and former pastor Dean Feldmeyer officiated.



Wilmington United Methodist Church's

Kids Ministry

IGNITING OUR FAITH

We are inviting all students, teachers, and educators to bring their school bags with them on August 11 so we can fill them with well wishes for the new school year!



Sunday Morning Kidz Min



Please Register Your Family online today! Check church webiste and Happenings email!

NEW

Ages 3&4

Room 1

A new opportunity for our younger friends to have a special lesson time followed by free play

August 25
9:45-11am



NURSERY
BIRTH-3RD BIRTHDAY

SPARK

Ages PreK-5th Grade

Room 3

Our Kidz Min Team is back and ready for another great year together on Sunday mornings!



Do you know someone that is need of prayers? Our **Prayer Team** meets on Wednesday mornings at 9:00 in the church office for prayer. You can sign the connection card in your bulletin on Sundays, fill out the blue card, or email or call the office with your prayer requests. Prayer works!

Stay to Serve:

August 11—making “Socks of Hope” for local schools and ministries

September 8—Soup Sale



Altar Flowers

Dates are available for altar flowers. Please sign up on the chart in the upper hall, order or bring your flowers, and call the church office with your dedication.



Gamin’ Gals

August 9, 6:30 PM

Meeting in Fellowship Hall

Bring a snack to share and a game to play.



Cover to Cover Book Club

Will meet in September.



Ladies Lunch Bunch

Tuesday, August 20, 2019

General Denver, 12:30 p.m.

WELCOME PASTOR R. SCOTT MILLER AND ALICIA

Scott is formerly an Ordained Deacon, now Ordained Elder in the United Methodist Church. He has been serving in local church ministry for nearly 30 years.

Scott has served churches in Kentucky, New Jersey, Texas, Pennsylvania and Ohio. His most recent appointments have been at Milford First United Methodist Church, Gaines United Methodist Church and the Zanesfield/Rushsylvania United Methodist Churches.

Scott is a published author and has written many articles relating to technology in the church, youth ministry and church leadership. Scott was also featured in the podcast “Get Your Spirit In Shape” with Joe Iovino which is produced by United Methodist Communications.

Scott is married to his best friend Alicia and have a married daughter Brooke along with Khloe The Dog, and Chip The Cat, who are really the ones who rule the house.

Scott and Alicia are excited about being appointed to Wilmington United Methodist Church and are looking forward to what God has in store!

The Staff Parish Relations Committee is pleased to announce the hiring of a **new Financial Secretary**. Alicia Wheeler will work with our current secretary, Frances Stewart, who is leaving effective August 1. Please welcome Alicia if you see her in the church office.

Reminder from the Mission Team -

We continue to collect travel size shampoo, soap, etc. for the “Socks of Hope” project. These are needed badly.

We will be taking the **tabs from aluminum cans** with us when we travel to Alabama. Please bring any you have collected to the church.

For Red Bird Mission—While at Red Bird Mission recently, we learned of their need for gently used towels and cookware. Kitchen towels, hand towels, bath towels, pans, kettles, etc. are all needed. Also lids to any cooking item. Yard sales and thrift stores are great places to find these items. We will collect them throughout the summer and take them to the mission over Labor Day weekend.

New Meeting Room – The cry room by the nursery is getting new carpet and will be used as a meeting room. If anyone has a respectable sofa, love seat or chair that could be used, please contact the church office.

An important reminder:

Everyone is asked to label any food items they put in the refrigerators in the church. Labels and a pen are on the refrigerator. Please indicate:

- it is (your name or the organization, who it belongs to)
- the date put in the fridge
- if they are for anyone to use

If you have food left after an event, please take it home, or the homeless shelter may be able to use it. Drop it off at their office on W. Main Street behind the shelter on Gallup Street.

Thank you – Fran Unger, UMW Pres.

Church Usage Reminder - If you wish to use the church facilities for a meeting or private party, please call the church office and have it put on the calendar. We are a busy congregation and have several outside groups who have regular meetings here. You want to be sure your meeting isn't interrupted by someone else who had scheduled their meeting.



Thanks soooo much for the cards and prayers during my recent health issues. Love,

Suzanne Madison

To all at WUMC, Thank you for the generous card! It made my day. Although my family no longer attends, this church will always be family to me! You all are so supportive in all my indevers. Much Love,

Jordan Snarr

A big **Thank You** goes out to all who worked on the parsonage getting it ready for occupancy by Pastor Scott and Alicia. Thank you to all the Trustees and SPRC members and the wonderful men and women of our church, too numerous to mention as some may be missed.

From the Finance Committee:

	Attendance	Tithes & Offering for Budget
July 7, 2019	68	\$7,135
July 14, 2019	81	\$3,437
July 21, 2019	100	\$3,685

NEWS FROM THE MISSION TEAM

Mission Trip to Red Bird Mission



Labor Day Weekend

The Mission Team will be returning to Red Bird over Labor Day weekend (August 30-September 1). We invite you to go...there's plenty of time to think about it.

We will be taking the towels, cookware, and winter coats. Yard sales and thrift stores are great places to shop for those items.

We will be traveling to Red Bird Mission over Labor Day weekend to deliver our donations of towels and cookware. We will leave on Friday August 30th at 6:00 p.m. and return Sunday September 1st. While we are at Red Bird we will unload our donations and possibly help with a small work project. All are invited to go on this trip. Children younger than 12 must have a parent or guardian accompany them. Please contact Randy or Tari Mabry by August 25th if you are interested in this mission opportunity.

Donation barrels are now in the hall outside

The Fellowship Hall

We are collecting...

All kinds of non-perishable food for YFK

Aluminum can tabs for Timothy's Tabs.

Prescription bottles (remove all labeling)

Winter coats for Red Bird

Operation Christmas Child-- small items for in shoeboxes such as school supplies, toys, hygiene products.

Food for the Cooking Team...spaghetti sauce, elbow macaroni, green beans & fruit cocktail

MISSION TEAM:

The Mission Team is searching for a storage area for items to be sent to Red Bird Mission. We have been blessed for several years to have this space provided to us free of charge, and it has been a wonderful part of the Red Bird collection effort. If you have a space (garage, storage facility, etc.) that could be available, please call the church office.

The Mission Team will not be serving at Your Father's Kitchen in August due to the Red Bird Mission trip.



Remember in your prayers

Mike Halley

David Halley

Connie Abirached

Amin Abirached

Patti Charles

Mark Sanders

Sam Shingler

Joy Hall

Pastor Scott and Alicia

Our country and our World

Wilmington UMC

Our Sympathy to

Pat Swindler and family on the June 29 death of her son, and former member, David Swindler.



Local area schools will be starting on August 14. Please pray for the students, teachers, administrators and other personnel. Pray for the bus drivers and the safety of our children.



2 Sundays a Month, May-August

Ages Infant-3 year olds

Must be 18 years & older

Training Required

Willing to read and lead small Bible Story Lesson

Paid Position

All Interested Persons Please Call Church Office

Monday-Friday 9am-1pm @ 937-382-1465

August 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Wilmington UMC 50 E. Locust St. Wilmington, OH 45177</p> <p>Office: (937) 382-1465</p>	<p>Email: Wilmingtonumc @wilmingtonumc. com</p> <p>Website: www. wilmingtonumc. com</p>			<p>1</p> <p>5:30 VBS</p>	<p>2</p> <p>5:30 VBS</p>	<p>3</p>
<p>4</p> <p>8:45 AM Adult Sunday School, office</p> <p>9:30 AM Fellowship Time</p> <p>9:45 AM Kids Min Opening Nursery Care opens</p> <p>10AM Worship Pastor Scott Miller</p> <p>11:30AM Carry-in</p>	<p>5</p> <p>6 PM Boy Scouts, FH</p>	<p>6</p> <p>7:30 PM AA, Al-Anon</p>	<p>7</p> <p>9 AM Prayer Time, office</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p>
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Happy Birthday to you



August 2	Joe Curtin
August 6	Mason Dorsch
August 10	David Reeder
August 11	Gerry Krisa
August 13	Patti Charles
August 15	Michael Dorsch
August 17	Bob Estes
August 18	Bentley Page
August 21	Melissa Reeder
August 22	Valerie Smart
August 22	Aaron Abirached
August 22	Kyler Abirached
August 22	Cale Wilson
August 23	Gary Smith
August 23	Matt Fife
August 23	Daniel Norman
August 25	Gary Garrison
August 26	Jody Tolle
August 27	Tony Long
August 27	Elaine Tewksbury
August 29	Michael Merritt
August 29	Walter Hank

Happy Anniversary too!



August 2	Nancy & Daryl Huhtala
August 6	Connie & Amin Abirached
August 8	Seth & Jill Binau
August 9	Henryetta & Joe Curtin
August 10	Kay & Miles Barrere
August 19	Susan & Mike Halley
August 19	Elaine & Roger Tewksbury
August 24	Michele & Erick Hildebrandt

Many Happy Returns!!

We know our records are incomplete.

If your birthday or anniversary is not listed or is incorrect, please accept our apologies and call the office (382-1465) with your information. If you wish for your information not to be published, please also call the office to let us know.