

*JOURNEY THROUGH JAMES*  
DECISIONS • ACTIONS • COMMITMENT • WISDOM • PRAYER



**September 9, 2018**

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*Our Mission: Invite ~ Equip ~ Engage*

Scripture: James 2:14-26 CEB

(14) My brothers and sisters, what good is it if people say they have faith but do nothing to show it? Claiming to have faith can't save anyone, can it? (15) Imagine a brother or sister who is naked and never has enough food to eat. (16) What if one of you said, "Go in peace! Stay warm! Have a nice meal!"? What good is it if you don't actually give them what their body needs? (17) In the same way, faith is dead when it doesn't result in faithful activity.

(18) Someone might claim, "You have faith and I have action." But how can I see your faith apart from you actions? Instead, I'll show you my faith by putting it into practice in faithful action. (19) It's good that you believe that God is one. Ha! Even the demons believe this, and they tremble with fear. (20) Are you so slow? Do you need to be shown that faith without actions has no value at all? (21) What about Abraham, our father? Wasn't he shown to be righteous through his actions when he offered his son Isaac on the altar? (22) See, his faith was at work along with his actions. In fact, his faith was made complete by his faithful actions. (23) So the scripture was fulfilled that says, *Abraham believed God, and God regarded him as righteous.* (a) What is more, Abraham was called God's friend. (24) So you see that a person is shown to be righteous through faith alone. (25) In the same way, wasn't Rahab the prostitute shown to be righteous when she received the messengers as her guests and then sent them on by another road? (26) As the lifeless body is dead, so faith without actions is dead.

Sermon title "Actions"

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Troy First Challenge:

Pray – Invite Jesus into your heart

Think of ways to put your faith into action

Read James chapters 3

Help someone out unexpectedly – extend God's love

# First News



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## We extend a warm welcome to all our visitors today!

We are glad you are visiting today. We would like to get to know you. Please stop by the Visitor Table in the Gathering room, located near the south end of the church or the visitor table at First Place. We have a special gift just for you!

## Nursery Care

**Nursery Care:** Room 202

See Usher for assistance.

## Childcare Staff Person(s):

Sandra Makemson, Patty Mathews, Barb Warner

## Attendance

Worship: 296 Sunday School: 0

### First Friend of the Week

### Happy Birthday

To our church family's newest octogenarian

On Sept. 14

Myrle Briggs

828 Cobblestone Dr.

Troy, Ohio 45373

## Weekly Calendar

Sunday: Sept. 9

10:45am 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Bibles

Monday: Sept. 10

9:15am Intercessory Mtg

5:45pm Girl Scouts

6:30pm Grandmothers Club

Tuesday: Sept. 11

3:00pm Virtual Market

5:00pm Delta Cappa Gamma Mtg

Wednesday: Sept. 12

7:00pm Susannah Wesley

Thursday: Sept. 13

9:00am Men's Bible Study

10:00am Hands 4 Hearts

6:00pm Ty's Bible Study

6:30pm Bells practice

7:30pm Choir practice

## Upcoming Events

Sept. 16: India Presentation

Sept. 17: Intercessory Meeting

Sept. 18: UMW Leadership Mtg  
Virtual Market

Sept. 19: Finance Meeting

Sept. 20: Men's Bible Study

Ty's Bible Study

Bells practice

Choir practice

**Bibles for 3<sup>rd</sup> graders** will be on Sunday, Sept. 9<sup>th</sup> at the 10:45 service.

**Acolyte training** will be on Sept. 9<sup>th</sup> after the 10:45 service for any 2<sup>nd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> grader who is interested.

## **New Recombinant Zoster Shingles**

There is a new shingles vaccine available. This vaccine was approved by FDA in 2017 for prevention of shingles. In clinical trials it was more than 90% effective in preventing shingles. The vaccine is given in two doses, 2-6 months apart, are recommended for adults 50 or older. There is more information available in the Gathering Room or at First Place concerning other questions you may have and check with your personal physician.

## **UMW Mission Moment**

I've lived in the same house for 36 years and the backyard has gone from a playground to my sacred space. During a class assignment we were asked to make a space in our homes sacred. I searched every corner, but then I looked outside. For the first time, I saw God in the wonder of nature, the grass, the bugs, the bunnies. Since then I walk the length of the yard three times each day for the Trinity, contemplating the gift of nature, Jesus' love for us and the wonder of a new day. Rosie Guadarama, Deaconess- Home Missioner, Inclusive Modality, Claremont, CA.

**The Susannah Wesley Circle** will meet on Sept. 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm in the Agape Room. The program will be presented by Rachel Hale from Ohio Living Dorothy Love on "Senior Scams & Identity Theft." Visitors are always welcome.

## **Let's Go**

There are still a few seats on the bus for the Festival of Lights at Oglebay, deposit is due now. If you are planning on joining us next year to either the Trans Canadian rail adventure or Ireland you can save \$50 with a deposit by Sept. 30<sup>th</sup>. Flyers are in the Gathering room. Questions call Diana 937-216-7088.

## **India Presentation – Sept. 16**

On Sunday, Sept. 16<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am in the First Place Great Room, Brett Bogan will deliver a presentation about his recent trip to India, with the goal of learning more about the work of International Justice Mission in the southeast Indian state of Tamil Nadu. Brett will share some photos and videos from the trip, how the experience impacted him, and how it will shape the work of the IJM Dayton volunteer team going forward. Come to learn more about slavery in India, and enjoy some Indian snacks. Thanks Brett

**There is a Giving Tree** for First Kids Christian Preschool set up. The GivingTree holds items that the preschool could really use for this school year. First Kids tries to minimize costs to the church by having parents donate things such as paper towels, tissues, hand soap, etc. Won't you please give First Kids a helping hand? Take an envelope off of the Giving Tree, return the item the following Sunday and place it in the toy box located in the Gathering Room.

## Seekers Class for Fall 2018

Seekers Class will meet in room 321 starting on Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>. We will be studying John & Jude 1,2,3, using the Genesis to Revelation series. Hard to say who the leader is as we are dividing up responsibilities and teaching, for now Doug & Sharon Buse are coordinators. We welcome old and new class members.

## Pastoral Care

If you are admitted to a hospital and desire a Pastoral visit, please call or have a family member call the church to let us know. Due to HIPAA laws the hospital will not notify us unless you specifically ask them to notify your church Pastor.

## A Thank You

*"Always and for EVERYTHING, give thanks to God..."*  
(Paraphrase of Ephesians 5:20)

Dear friends and fellow FUMC members: "EVERYTHING" includes your wonderful and loving response to our recent 64<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary. How blessed we are to be able to share life with you.  
Carol & Al Marheine

## Reminder

**TFY Fall Auction** is Sunday, Sept. 30<sup>th</sup> at 1985 N. St. Rte 589, Casstown. Silent Auction at 4:30, Church Carry-In Meal at 5:00, Live Auction at 6:00. Please bring a **Covered Dish** to share and **Personal tableware**. Drinks will b PROVIDED!



**SAVE THE DATE!**



## UMW AUTUMN RUMMAGE SALE

The United Methodist Women will be holding their autumn rummage sale on Fri. October 5<sup>th</sup>, 9am-3pm, and Sat. October 6th, 9am – 12 noon. Your help is needed to make this another successful sale with all proceeds funding the UMW missions. Please start saving your “gently used” items such as clothing (all sizes of men, women and children), décor, books, pictures, games, toys, and household items (dishes, linens, kitchen utensils etc.) Please no large televisions or heavy furniture. This is your opportunity to clean out those closets, attics and garages!

Drop off days will be October 2nd – October 4th, 9am – 3 pm at First Place. Helpers are always appreciated so come and join us. Any questions, please contact Evelyn West (631) 455-7392.

## Meijer "Simply Give" Program Neighbors Helping Neighbors

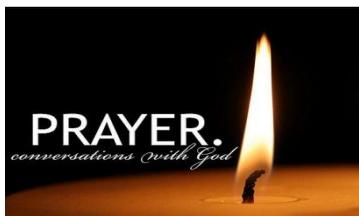
Sponsored by Troy Meijer Store

in support of First Place Food Pantry

Sunday, August 19- Saturday, September 15



1. "Simply Give" cards are a \$10 donation which will in turn become a \$20 donation from Meijer to the food pantry.
2. "Simply Give" cards will be available between services in the gathering room and at the contemporary service. "Simply Give" cards are also available at the Meijer checkouts when you shop.
3. Meijer will total the amount of dollars donated on "Simply Give" cards and the Food Pantry will receive double that amount as a credit to use for food and infant supplies.
4. If you would like a "Simply Give" display or cards for your church/business/civic group or would like more information - email: [fpfoodpantry@gmail.com](mailto:fpfoodpantry@gmail.com)



Please keep the following member(s) of our church family in your prayers:  
Rosemary Critchley, chemo treatments  
Shirley Hensel, chemo treatments  
Ivan Kunkleman, radiation therapy  
Pat Long, pneumonia & enlarged adrenal gland  
Cindy Snipes, chemo treatments  
Gerald Ferguson, Koester, room 35A

Barbara Graham, chemo treatments  
Paul Graham, Brookdale, parkinson  
Keith Smallenbarger, surgery

# Stewardship Report

## General Operating Fund - Tithes & Offerings

Week 35 of 52

9/2/2018	8/27/2017	Change	% Change
\$9,742.00	\$9,091.00	\$651.00	7.16%
1/1/2018-9/2/2018	1/1/2017-8/27/2017	Change	% Change
\$371,227.78	\$360,589.03	\$10,638.75	2.95%

## Last Week's Offering

### General Operating Fund

Tithes & Offerings	\$9,742.00
Breakfast	209.00
Coffee	6.00
Loose Plate	310.90
Sunday School	2.00
Upper Room	20.00
Wedding	175.00

### Other Project Funds

Benevolence	\$200.00
Bradley's House of Hope	45.00
Debt Reduction	395.00
First Kids Preschool	220.00
FISH	145.00
Food Pantry	85.00
Investing in the Future Campaign	13,101.00
Let's Go	1,107.00
Memorial Fund	50.00
The Traveling Team(Carrie Komjati)	20.00
Trustee's Capital	1,822.00

Money received for Other Project Funds are designated contributions and do not represent any financial support from the General Operating Fund.

## Investing in the Future

Goal	\$795,000.00
Total To Date	\$452,093.39
Percentage Reached	56.87%
Remaining	\$342,906.61

