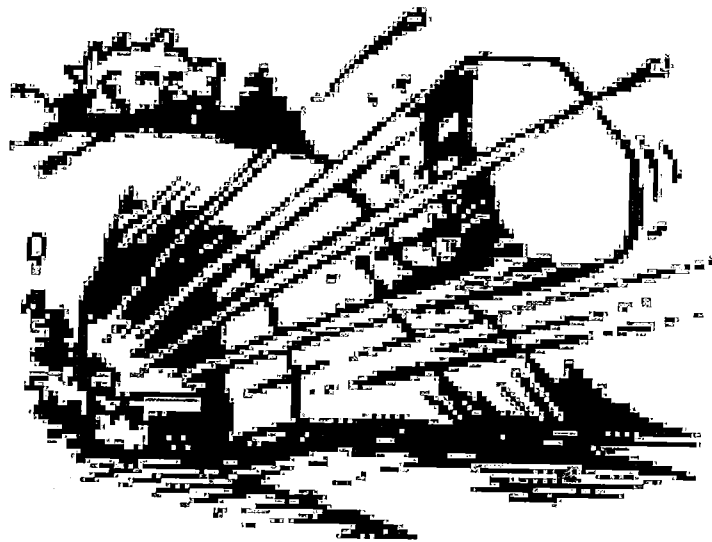


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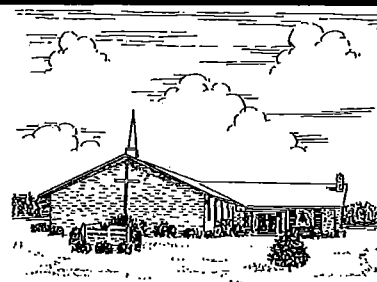


Hallelujah! Jesus Is Alive!



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Empowered by God's Spirit,
our mission is to invite everyone to join us
in following Jesus, as we love, teach, and serve.

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Dear KUMC family,

“He is not here! He is risen as he said!” These are the words spoken by the angels to Mary and the other women as recorded in Luke 24:6. The women had gotten up early to go to the tomb. They carried their spices so when they found his body, they could anoint it properly. I try to imagine what they talked about on that early morning trek. Perhaps they walked in silence, overcome by their sorrow at the events of the weekend.

One thing is certain – they thought that they would find the dead body of Jesus that day. They were ready to anoint him, their spices were in hand. When they saw the angels they were frightened and bowed down to the ground in fear. They did not know what was happening. Had they forgotten what Jesus said? In their sorrow and grief, had they forgotten his promise? Jesus had told them, “The Son of Man must be killed and after three days rise again”. (Mark 8:31) But on that first Easter morning, the promise was clouded by sadness.

We are Easter people. We live on this side of the resurrection. We have heard the account of Jesus’ death and resurrection, and we claim it as our own. But sometimes, do we forget the promises of Jesus because we are overcome by sadness or grief or worry? Do we let the troubles of this life overshadow the true promises that Jesus gave? Maybe we even bow in fear because we don’t understand what is happening around us.

The Good News of Easter is the same. Jesus is not in the tomb! Jesus is alive! He has risen as he said! He is with us every day in every situation. There is no need for us to bow in fear or be overcome by grief. We are people of the Resurrection. Hold fast to his promises – hide his Word in your heart. Walk in the light of the Risen Savior and proclaim to the world that “He is risen as he said”!

Claiming the Resurrection of Jesus,

Pastor Carol



Elaine Germann, head of the Mission Committee, would like to thank everyone who supported the International Dinner for UMCOR in March. Together we raised \$257 for missions!



The Seder Meal will be held on Maundy Thursday, April 2 at 6:00 pm. This is a meal that we share in memory of Jesus' life

and death. We recall how God has saved His people throughout the ages as we eat the foods that the people of God have eaten for centuries. This is a very meaningful service and you are invited to experience it. Please sign up or call the church office and let us know that you are attending.

GOOD FRIDAY

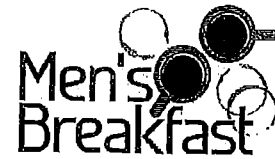


You are invited to a service on Friday, April 3 to hear the last words of Christ from the cross. The service begins at 7:00pm.



Easter Flowers

Thank you to everyone who purchased flowers to beautify the sanctuary for Easter Sunday. What a blessing to help us celebrate the resurrection of Jesus!



Men's Breakfast

All men are invited and encouraged to attend the men's breakfast on Saturday, April 18 at 8:00am. Please let Ed Kern know if you plan to attend so he can prepare food.

2015 GOALS - set by Administrative Council on Oct 2, 2014

1. Focus on making and nurturing disciples for the kingdom of God.
2. Explore the possibility of doing the Healthy Church Initiative for our church.
3. Grow the new youth group by supporting them with our prayers and encouraging their work and continuing to mentor them.
4. Increase our active attendance by 10%. The average attendance is currently 62.

Junior Church Volunteers for April
 April 5- Easter - No Junior Church
 April 12- Sharon Walker
 April 19- Jane Horn
 April 26- Sandy Kizer

Prayer Needs

Bob Fuller, Jim Hynek, Dave Sipe, Ann Carper, Emily Thomas, Shirley Humes, Justin Deckling, Melody Yates, Bill Thurston, George Dapice, Barney Evans, Joyce Caudill, and our servicemen and women.



A New Baby



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Congratulations to Kathy Caudill on the birth of new grandson Bryson Allen, born March 20. Bryson weighed 8 lbs 13oz and is 21" long. May the Lord bless this new addition to their family.



Spring Craft Show

DISTRICT NEWS

SPRING DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The spring conference of the Mid Ohio District will be held at Three Crosses UMC in Butler, Ohio on Sunday April 19. We will meet at 3:00pm for worship and a business session. All leaders are encouraged to attend.



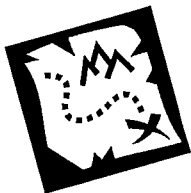
MISSION SPEAKER

Nancy Lawrence will be our guest speaker on Sunday, April 26 in the worship service. She will present a slide show and talk about her missionary travels to Makutano, Kenya, Africa. Mark your calendar, you won't want to miss this.



Good Job!!

Pastor Carol would like to thank all who helped complete year-end reports, the annual audit, and evaluation. Many hands made light work! God bless you all!



We are inviting vendors to come to our craft show on Saturday, May 2. Our first show was so successful that we are going to try one this spring and again in December. If you know someone who wants to rent a space, please talk to Pastor Carol. Tables are \$25 to rent and it is on a first-come, first-served basis. We already have several tables reserved. There will be a light lunch available for a donation. Invite your family and friends and come join us on May 2 from 10am to 4pm. We are also taking donations of items to sell on the church table. Thanks for your support!



You are invited to join us for Bible study on Thursdays at 1pm. We are currently studying Beth Moore's book, Children of the Day, a study on I and II Thessalonians.

We are excited to announce the plans for Vacation Bible School 2015! Our theme this year is Journey Off the Map. We will be learning about Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego. The dates are July 7-10 and we will meet from 9:00am to noon each day. The program will be on Sunday, July 12. There is room for you if you want to help in any way.

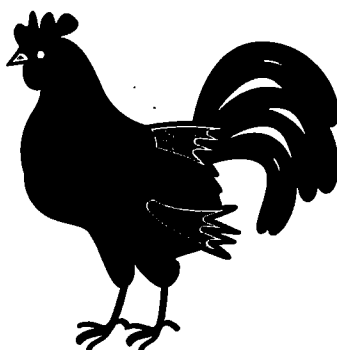


Young at Heart lunch group will meet at El Vaquero's in Delaware on Thursday, April 16 at 11:30am. Please reserve your seat with Nancy Bendle at 369-5310 or playinthedirt@gmail.com. Bible study meets at 1:30pm that day.



Rooster — The rooster is reminiscent of Peter's threefold denial of Jesus on the night of Jesus' trial (Matthew 26:34, NIV); thus, it may represent faithlessness in general, especially in the face of danger. Because of the rooster's early-morning call, it's also symbolic of watchfulness: "Therefore keep watch," said Jesus, illustrating the return of the Son of Man, "because you do not know when the owner of the house will come back — whether in the evening, or at midnight, or when the rooster crows, or at dawn" (Mark 13:35, NIV).

CHRISTIAN SYMBOL



APRIL CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

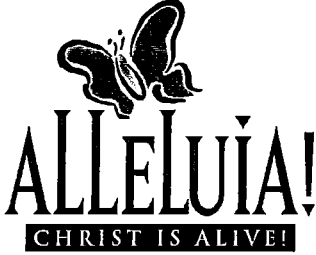


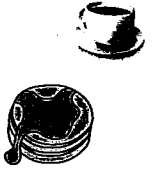
- 1- Last Lenten Bible Study 6pp
Choir Rehearsal 7pm
- 2- Seder Meal 6pm
- 3- Good Friday Service 7pm
- 5- Resurrection Sunday and
Balloon Launch
- 7- Trustee Meeting 7pm
- 8- Choir 7pm
- 12- Youth Group 6pm
- 15- Choir 7pm
- 16- Young at Heart 11:30am at
El Vaquero's
- 18- Men's Breakfast 8am
- 19- Spring District Conference
3p Three Crosses UMC, Butler
- 19- Youth Group 6pm
- 22- Choir 7pm
- 26- Mission Speaker in worship
- 26- Youth Group 6pm
- 29- Choir 7pm



Please be sure to sign up for readers, greeters, ushers, and acolytes for the weekly worship service.



April 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 7pm Choir	2 6pm Seder Meal 	3 7pm Good Friday Service Melissa Fleming	4 HOLY SATURDAY Jenna McComis
5 EASTER!! 	6	7	8 7pm Choir Adam & Kara Moore	9 7pm Mission Mtng 1pm Bible Study Bob Fleming	10	11
12 6pm Youth	13	14 7pm Trustee Mtng	15 7pm Choir	16 11:30am Young at Heart 1:30pm Bible Study Tammy McComis	17 Shane & Audra Askins	18 8am Men's Breakfast 
19 6pm Youth Fred Wicker	20 7pm VBS Planning Jen Fuller	21 Laura Bain	22 7pm Choir John & Shirley Humes	23 1pm Bible Study	24 Jarrett Hightower	25
26 6pm Youth Jessica Veppert	27 Diane Lloyd	28 Sarah Parker	29 7pm Choir	30 1pm Bible Study	