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UNITED METHODIST



May 16, 2019

Our vision is to be a diverse faith family seeking to love, grow, and serve.

Our mission is to make new disciples for Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world!

Sundays: 9a Learning | 10a Fellowship | 10:30a Worship

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VBS- "Who Is My Neighbor?"

When: Wednesdays, June 5th-26th 5:30-7:30 pm

Ages: incoming kindergartners to-incoming 6th graders

Cost: \$10 per family

Neighbors are more than people who live next door. Neighbors are more than people in our families or communities. *Who Is My Neighbor* VBS leads children on a journey to discover more about God's great love. From looking at how to be a neighbor to diving into what it means to live out our faith, this interactive VBS series will lead children deeply into Bible stories focused on God's care and compassion for neighbors close at hand and around the world.



Join us as we discover neighbors near and far!

to register: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/who-is-my-neighbor-vbs-tickets-60418174386>

NO Wild Wednesday in June, July, and August

We will be having a back to school picnic for children and their families in September at Larson Park. Stay tuned for more details!

From our Little Library Prayer Box:

That every person has a warm place to sleep and enough food to eat...

**Kingdom House Golf Tournament & Dinner/Auction**

Kingdom House will be holding its annual Golf Tournament & Dinner Auction on Monday, June 3, at the Forest Hills Country Club. This is the agency's most important fund raiser of the year. The staff relies on this event to support their vital programs and ministries all year.

Not a golfer? No problem! You can sign up for just a fun evening at the dinner/auction. To make reservations, visit the agency's website at www.kingdomhouse.org or call 421-0400.

Webster UM has a long history of supporting the work of Kingdom House. Let's see if we can fill several tables at the dinner/auction.

Adult Mission Trip to Illinois

Hand in Hand Delivering God's Grace



Midwest Mission
DISTRIBUTION CENTER

Eleven people, 5 from Webster UM and 6 from the former Union UMC, will be Volunteers in Mission at Midwest Mission Distribution Center, near Springfield IL, from Sun., May 12 to Friday, May 17. Pastor Sharon commissioned the team last Sunday, May 5.

Webster UM volunteers are Cindy Andrews, Joan and Gordon Ballam, Ellen Hendrickson, and Jan McCurley.

Please hold this team up in your prayers while they serve others.

Jan McCurley, Chair, Risk-Taking Missions

Learning, the Elixir of Life

Researchers claim that learning begins in the womb. How we learn, what we learn, and when we learn it are all variables that impact who we grow to be. When we stop learning, we stop growing. Lifelong learning is essential to staying limber of mind and spirit, and provides enrichment to our being. One might call it the elixir of life.

May is the traditional month of graduations; of recognizing the successful completion of a season of learning. It's an exciting time, and we are so proud of those among our family of faith who will be achieving educational milestones.

This year, we celebrate four graduates:

Della Almind	BA from Webster University in Spanish with minors in Education and French
Toni Micelli	Masters of Public Health from St. Louis University with a concentration in Epidemiology
Camille Nunes	Graduating Diploma from Kirkwood High School
Sophia Schwind	Graduating Diploma from Webster High School

We will celebrate their fabulous milestones immediately after worship on May 26th with refreshments and a card shower. A basket will be in the Fellowship Hall for each graduate for your cards and/or gifts of congratulations. Please plan to come and hear about their upcoming plans.

This week, from May 13-17, I will be engaging in some learning of my own by attending the 27th Festival of Homiletics, this year hosted in Minneapolis, Minnesota. The Festival is a gathering of 2000 or so clergy folk from many parts of the world, looking for fresh inspiration and to recharge their spiritual batteries. With the theme "Preaching as Moral Imagination", the week will be filled with amazing preachers, teachers, and musicians. We will hear about 25-30 hours of sermons and lectures in 5 days. Perhaps this is not your cup of tea, but for those of us used to "working" in worship, connecting with the Holy Spirit at the Festival uninterrupted is bliss.

I give thanks for this exquisite albeit compact opportunity for continued learning, and pray that it will enrich my sermons, thereby enriching the worshipping experience of my church.

How are you continuing to sip from the chalice filled with the elixir of life?

With Peace in the Risen Christ,

Pastor Sharon



Hands In Mission!

Participants in the May 11 H.I.M. Food Outreach Project included the following:



- Joan Ballam
- Derek Redmore
- Ann Shuck
- Lisa Carswell
- Earl Jones
- Randy Thomas
- Louise Thomas
- Bridget Krabbe
- Roger McCurley
- Jan McCurley

Piano!

I am looking for a new home for my family heirloom upright piano. It's in very good condition, as my uncle refurbished it several years ago and I voluntarily inherited it when he needed to move. I am now needing to move and need to find another loving home for it. It, of course, will need tuning and possibly a couple minor repairs for stuck keys, but it's a gem. I've played it, my mom (Mary) played it, my grandmother, and other generational family members. I am willing to take the best offer for it or even donate it to a worthy location. Taker must provide it's transportation. If you have any possible interested parties in mind or any ideas, please let me know asap as I will be moving before the end of July. Thank you!

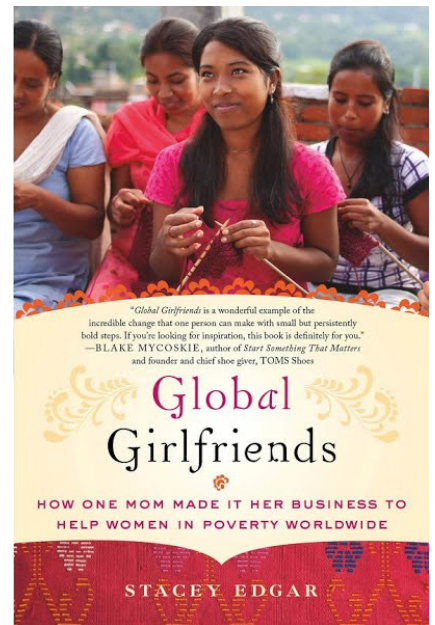
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Book Club

We will be meeting on Thursday, May 23 to discuss "Global Girlfriends". Thank you

Carol Gilker



Easter Flowers!

If you have not yet paid for your Easter Flowers, please be sure to put your check in the collection plate on Sunday or mail it to the church office as soon as possible.

Thank you.

Lettie Morse



We Are Joyful

Four youth were confirmed on Sunday, April 28, 2019, and are now full members of Webster United Methodist. **Grace Cosentino**, **Lucy Kroenung**, and **Julian Nunes** are listed in the church directory. Please add **Rebecca Jones**, 553 Hollywood Place, Webster Groves, MO 63119, #314-968-8295 (home).

We Are Sad

She had passed her 96th birthday in March, and 30 years as a widow in April, when **Mary Wagner** went to heaven at 12:30 am on May 12, 2019. It was fitting that Mary died on Mother's Day as she was proud of her three boys -- Dan, David, & Chris. I'm not sure if Mary was a *life-long* Methodist; but I know she and Bob were members of Kirkwood Methodist Church before he was transferred to Chicago in the mid-sixties. In 1975 they moved back to St. Louis and settled in Webster Groves. Mary, Bob, and Chris transferred their memberships from Morton United Methodist Church in Morton, Illinois, to First UMC of Webster Groves on July 25. Mary was active in UMW; served faithfully on the Missions Committee (You'll remember her on the stage writing down how much you owed after winning the bid at the Lord's Acre auction.); and interested in learning as a participant in the King Class and Great Decisions. Sympathy to the family may be sent to Chris Wagner, 5438 Walsh, St. Louis, MO 63109.

Changes for Your Directory

Karen Clark has moved to Maryville Gardens
4333 Nebraska Ave Apt E107
St. Louis, MO 63111

Carolyn Redmore has a new cell #314-249-8215.

Beth Anderson, Membership Secretary
#314-781-9923, membership@websterum.org



Room At The Inn!

Shelter with a Purpose, Clients with a Future. Room at the Inn provides immediate, temporary shelter to homeless women and families in the St. Louis region. In addition, we work with them to create an individualized plan back to self-sufficiency, including referrals to other human services agencies. Then we mentor them to improve their chances for success.

We will be hosting 5 to 10 guests **May 31 to June 1, from 4pm Fri to 8am Sat.**

Please sign up on your blue connection card, or contact Joan Ballam: JMBallam@gmail.com



Shop With Scrip!

Earn money for church by shopping! Here are the cards I have in stock right now:

FOOD-

- PF Chang 25
- Panera 5/10/25
- Domino's25
- Einsteins 10
- TGIFriday25
- StarBucks5/10
- Chili's/Maggiano25
- Cold Stone Creamery10

RETAIL

- DSW25
- TJMaxx/Marshall/
- Homegood25
- Jiffy Lube30
- Sephora25
- Bath and Body.....10/25
- Bass Pro..... 25/100
- Gap/Old Navy/Athelta/
- Banana Rep.....25

Big Box

- Walmart 100/250

See me on Sunday!!

Paula Murphy



May 19: Movie Night!!!

May 26: Yard Day! We will be fulfilling some service requests from past youth events. We will be raking up Gumballs for the Micelli's and one of our congregational shut-ins. Meet at the church at 4:30!

If you have questions let me know! If you're going on the mission trip, I challenge you to add 3-5 more email contacts to your fundraising list this week!

Blessings, Paige



**Please welcome
Nora Carol into the life of Christ.**

This week at Webster United Methodist:**Friday, May 17****Saturday, May 18**

9a & 10a Safety CPR Training, Fellowship Hall
1p Epworth Girls dorm ministry

Sunday, May 19

9a Adult Learning, Children's Discovery Room, Youth meet by the donuts!
10—10:25a Fellowship with coffee, donuts & treats!
10:30a Worship
2p Bethesda Worship
5p Youth Group MOVIE NIGHT!
10p Newsletter Articles Due to Secretary@websterum.org!

Monday, May 20**Tuesday, May 21**

10a Quilters in the Nursery
1:30p Prayer Group, Please call 314-962-5131 for location
6:30p Prayer Shawl Knitters, Library
7p Church Council, Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, May 22

7:30p Chancel Choir rehearsal
10p Bulletin Information Due to Secretary@websterum.org!

Thursday, May 23

6:30p 12 Step Program, 3rd Floor

Remember the date:

May 26, 10:30a Graduation Sunday!
May 28, 9:30a Craft Circle, Fellowship Hall
May 31/June 1, Room At The Inn, Fellowship Hall
June 3, 6:30p Trustees, Fellowship Hall
June 6 through 9, Annual Conference
June 8, 8a Operation Clean Stream, Jan McCurley
June 18, 7p Church Council, Fellowship Hall

To see our Church calendar online, go to our web site:
<https://websterunitedmethodist.org/calendar> and [events/](https://websterunitedmethodist.org/events/) church

Sympathy to: The family of Mary Wagner, a long time member who passed away peacefully Sunday May 12, 2019.

Prayer Concerns: Phil Bryan (Sherry Bryan); Ray, & stepmom Barb (Sandy & Traci); Traci & Sandy (Seira); Marcia Kennon; Kate Stewart; Kendall Parris (Kate Stewart); Joyce Simpson; Fran Allen; Katie Renkins son's family; Maureen Kellett, (Paula Murphy); Andrew Althen & Jason Wright (Beverly Mesey); Carolyn Denison (Carolyn Redmore) Jack Scribner (Ellen Hendrickson); Caroline Christensen (Cindy Andrews); Marth (Cindy Foshee); Prayers for life and the beauty of God's miracle in Chris O'boynich's life(Paige Foster); Lorraine Bemis; Len Burns; Joe Krabbe; David Coleman; Melba Coleman; Mary Barenkamp; All the mothers in the world; Students taking finals; For Life transitions; Travel safety for all families; For the well-being of the church; For new beginnings; For those suffering because of their beliefs; For improved gun control in the US; For children & youth ministry programs of our church; Chiphongo UMC (our covenant church in Mozambique)