

# West Ohio Conference Capitol Area North



**New this week:** Be a part of a new group- *Dialogue for Change*, meeting to seek a way forward in unity in light of recent events; *Conflict Resolution and the Art of Mediation* offered at UTS; Donations and volunteers still needed to help with a one day *Children's Day Out* program at New Life UMC on August 6; School supplies, food donations needed for *Back to School Rally*; Church pews available;

## News, Trainings and Events



## Special Events happening in the CAN District

- July 24      **Magnetic Springs** youth to attend **Clippers Game**, 3:00 pm
- July 31      **Summer Concert Series**, 6:00 pm on the North lawn at Linworth UMC, 7070 Bent Tree Blvd., Columbus – **Vaughn Wiester's Jazz Band**
- August 1 - 5      **Music Camp at Northwest UMC**, 5200 Riverside Dr., Columbus.  
5:30-6:00 pm meal, 6:00-8:00 pm camp  
Preschool - 3yrs \*must be potty trained\* - Kindergarten 2016 - 12 Spots Total  
Elementary - 1st - 4th Grade 2016 - 20 Spots total  
Middle School - 5th-8th Grade 2016 - 24 Spots Total  
High School - 9th-12th Grade 2016 - 30 Spots Total  
Cost is \$40 for the week which includes the meals for the students. If other family members would like to eat also, we ask that they make a donation to cover the cost of the food. [info@nwumc.com](mailto:info@nwumc.com)
- August 1      **Magnetic Springs Monday Youth Group**, Elementary at 4:00 pm, High School-6:00 pm, Meal and Bible Study with Pastor Judy and Dave Massey
- August 2      **Sharon Woods Civic Assoc. National Night Out Community Celebration**, from 5-8:00 pm at Church of the Good Shepherd parking lot, 6176 Sharon Woods Blvd., Columbus. Food trucks, live music from *Going Out Strong*, and the 102.5 FM Ice Cream Truck with free ice cream!
- August 3      **Back to School Fair** for Whitehall area students at Whitehall UMC, 525 Bernhard Rd., Columbus . Backpacks and basic supplies, free haircut, vision/hearing screenings, school nurse and light supper.
- August 6      **Blessing of the Animals**, 10:00 am, Worthington UMC church lawn, 600 High St., Worthington

[Complete list of summer events](#)

## **Emergency Response Trainings Scheduled July 30 and October 15**

Basic ERT at Waters Edge UMC (ORV) July 30<sup>th</sup>

<http://www.westohioumc.org/conference/event/early-response-training-waters-edge-orv>

Combined ERT Basic and Recertification at Epworth UMC (MWD) October 15<sup>th</sup>

<http://www.westohioumc.org/conference/event/regional-early-response-training-epworth-umc>

## **Conflict Resolution and the Art of Mediation July 30, September 24 and October 29**

United Theological Seminary will present a course on Conflict Resolution, led by Rev. Dr. Brenda Buckwell. [Information](#).



## **Dialogue for Change - Join the conversation August 1**

In the wake of nationwide unrest, tension, and violence, a group of clergy in Greater Columbus felt a call to stand together and sew seeds of unity in the local community. The group **Dialogue for Change** has emerged as a way for people of faith to seek a way forward for our communities that is centered in the love and grace of Christ and the peace and justice of the Gospel. The next meeting of Dialogue for Change will be held on August 1st at Linworth UMC at 11:45 am and 6:00 pm. A discussion will be facilitated by Harris Tay, Director of Diversity Initiatives for the West Ohio Conference. All are welcome to attend and be a part of a dialogue that hopes to change our communities for the better.

## **Hunger Ministry Retreat Opportunities**

The Society of St. Andrew offers retreat opportunities to clergy and church groups. [Information](#).

## **UM Community Ministries Grant Applications Available August 1**

UMCM has announced the grant application process and deadlines. Applications will be available for 2017 grants on August 1. \$500 micro-grants for 2016 are still available. Click [here](#) for information.

## **Faith and Money Academy August 1 - 4**

The Faith and Money Academy is being held in Columbus (Polaris area) from August 1<sup>st</sup> at noon – August 4<sup>th</sup> at noon. The cost is \$200 which includes four days of training, three nights lodging, and most meals. [Register here](#). We encourage any of you that can to attend this stewardship seminar.

## **Retired Clergy Picnic August 2**

Hi Everyone. In preparation for our trip to Lakeside to attend the Retired Minister's Luncheon, I thought it would be great to see our longtime minister friends (and spouses) more often. I mentioned it to Ed Lewis. We agreed to have a short meeting for the Columbus area people after the luncheon. Several of us met and Kay Sims suggested a picnic in a park. She has reserved the Alum Creek North Shelter at 221 West Main St., in Westerville for our picnic on August 2 from noon til 3:30 p.m. There are several picnic tables and it is ADA accessible. We are hoping you will plan to attend. Bring a covered dish to share. Together we will talk about future meetings and goals. Please respond to [ELT1000@aol.com](mailto:ELT1000@aol.com) or call 614-

267-6556 to let us know if you will be able to attend. Hope to see you there. Bill Tolliver [Map to Alum Creek Park](#)



**DONATIONS OF THESE ITEMS STILL NEEDED: Pizza \*Beverages (juice boxes, pouches, jugs)\* Bottled water \*Napkins, plastic forks, Styrofoam plates \*Take home snacks \*Balls to play games with \* Christian Videos for Parents to watch while children are in classes \* Jump ropes \*Other group game donations \*Bibles to give away \*Clothes \*Shoes \*Prizes**

### **Volunteers needed to work with children at New Life UMC Saturday, August 6**

New Life United Methodist Church, 25 W. Fifth Ave., Columbus, is offering a day for children and parents to come and have a great time together. We will teach bible lessons, provide a hot meal, hearty snacks, music, games, arts and crafts, prizes and also a time where the children will get to shop for clothes in our free clothing center. We will be providing transportation to the family homeless shelters as well as families in the surrounding community. It's all free! Our focus is to provide opportunities that some of the less fortunate children in Columbus may not get. WE NEED YOUR HELP! VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED IN THE AREAS MENTIONED ABOVE. If you are willing to donate time to help the less fortunate children and families, please contact, Pastor Alyce at 614-906-6448 or email [revahc1@yahoo.com](mailto:revahc1@yahoo.com) immediately.

### **School Supplies Needed by August 15**

The Embrace Church is helping to coordinate some much needed resources needed for students at Columbus City Mifflin High School. If you are able, please help resource students with the following items. Items needed are mechanical pencils, pens, single subject spiral notebooks, highlighters, erasers, and book bags. Also needed are 200 hamburgers and hot dogs with buns and condiments. There are close to 1000 students. There is a Back to School Rally on August 18<sup>th</sup>, all items should be dropped off at Embrace Church, 3025 Stelzer Rd, Columbus 43219, by August 15. Church Office Hours: Monday – Thursday, 9:00 am - 3:30 pm. For questions, please call 614-475-0412. Thank you for your cooperation.

### **Waynestock Free Christian Concert in St. Mary's, Ohio August 20**

Begins at 2:00 p.m. at Skip Baughman Stadium, St. Marys featuring Unspoken, About A Mile, Jordan Feliz, Lori Triplett, City of Bright, St. Paul's Sunday School Band, and AWAKEN Band. A free-will donation will be accepted at the concert. [www.waynestocklivingfortherock.com](http://www.waynestocklivingfortherock.com). *Bring your lawn chairs, blankets, sunscreen, and friends! Food stands available.*

### **VA Chaplain Center offers Facilitator Training August 24 and 25**

The National VA Chaplain Center and the Ohio National Guard invite clergy and lay leaders to attend a course to learn how to train others to support troops and their families. Students are introduced to and discuss four web-based program modules, including: Military Culture and Wounds of War; Pastoral Care with Veterans and their families; Mental Health Services and Referrals; Building Community Partnerships. Training is August 24, 1:00 – 5:00 pm and August 25, 8:30 am – 5:00 pm at the Ohio National Guard Headquarters, 2825 W. Dublin-Granville Rd., Columbus, OH 43235. Register by August 19, space is limited. [Registration](#)

**UMCOR West Virginia Flood Response** Click [here](#) for information

## **Clergy Day Apart – Life Together: Living the Covenant October 5**

Save the date. Watch for details and registration information in August.

## **VIM Project – Nicaragua October 8 - 16**

A Volunteers in Mission team is forming for work in Managua, Nicaragua. The dates are October 8-16 with an optional 4-day extension for sightseeing. The team will be working with Fundacion El Samaritano with whom Methodist teams have been working annually since 1997. Work will focus on children in a Christian school operated by the foundation. There will be additional humanitarian projects with maternity and women's oncology hospital visitations, and a children's feeding program at a Nicaragua Methodist church. Time for worship, shopping, sightseeing will also be included. The cost is \$1450 per volunteer. If you have questions about this mission or would like a brochure and application, contact Jack Reif at [jack.reif@zoomtown.com](mailto:jack.reif@zoomtown.com)

## **VIM Team Leader Training October 1**

9:00 am – 4:00 pm at the West Ohio Conference Center, 32 Wesley Blvd., Worthington. Cost is \$35. Register [here](#).

## **CROP Walk October 9 – UMC Churches invited to participate**

The CROP walk allows us to walk in solidarity with those struggling with hunger and poverty around the block and around the world. There are options for all ability levels ranging in distances of ¼ mile to 5K. People bring their whole families (four-legged members included) and we host the walk at Scioto Audubon Metro Park. Churches basically have to have a representative attend a Team Leader Meeting on either August 25<sup>th</sup> or August 27<sup>th</sup> to pick up materials and hear stories, and then fundraise for the next few weeks before the event! If your church is interested in more information about the event, feel free to check out the website at [www.crophungerwalk.org/columbusoh](http://www.crophungerwalk.org/columbusoh). For more information about participating contact Andrew Gifford, Community Engagement Specialist, Church World Service, 419.376.6964, [agifford@cwsglobal.org](mailto:agifford@cwsglobal.org)

## **Trip to the Holy Land March 2017**

Rev. Mebane McMahan from Northwest UMC is leading a trip to Israel, March 7-17, 2017. The tour will include visits to Bethlehem, Jericho, Capernaum, Caesarea Phillipi, the Sea of Galilee, Nazareth, Jerusalem and other places of interest. Dr. Peter L. Hahn will be going with us. He is a professional historian who has published six books and numerous articles on the history of US diplomacy and military operations in the Middle East since 1940. The cost will be about \$3746 per person based on double occupancy. Others from area churches are invited to participate. Contact Mebane at [mebmcmahan1@aol.com](mailto:mebmcmahan1@aol.com)

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## **Classifieds**

### **Positions Available**

[Part-time Family Pastor](#), Church of the Redeemer UMC

[Part-time Accompanist](#), West Jefferson UMC

[Business Administrator](#), Marysville First UMC

[Part-time Audio/Video Team Leader](#), Linworth UMC

[Finance Director](#), Bethel International UMC



**Church Pews Available**, make offer. call for information 614-596-3136