



CAPITOL AREA NORTH

West Ohio Conference

New this week: Martin Luther King Jr. event at St. Luke's UMC January 20; IRS 2019 Mileage reimbursement rate is \$.58/mile; Enneagram Event at Hilliard UMC January 25 and 26; Save the date – District Leadership Training Day is February 2; Emergency Response Team training offered February 9 at Journey Community Church in Plain City; Just. Be. 2019 Women's Retreat February 8 – 10; Sunbury UMC seeks part-time Church Band/Worship Leader

District News and Information

We are moving our offices!

Effective January 11th we will no longer be located at 2545 Farmers Drive, Columbus.

We will be located on the first floor of the
West Ohio Conference Center
Capitol Area North District Office
32 Wesley Blvd., Suite, 100
Worthington, Ohio 43085



2018 Apportionment Payment Deadline

Last day for apportionment payments to be posted in 2018 is **Friday January 11, 2019.**



CAN District Epiphany Party January 10

District clergy, retired clergy, and their families are invited to the annual CAN Epiphany Party, Thursday, January 10, 2019 at Der Dutchman Restaurant, 445 S. Jefferson Ave., Plain City, OH 43064. Doors open at 5:30; dinner is served at 6:00 pm. Dinner will be served family-style and includes broasted chicken, roast beef, noodles, green beans, salad, rolls, and pie. Cost is \$10/adult, children and youth are free. Money will be collected at the door. **RSVP's are due by January 7th** to capitolareanorth@wocumc.org. Contact the District Office with any questions.

Automatic Pension Contributions will begin on January 1

Passed at Annual Conference 2018, automatic enrollment will become effective 1/1/19. But what is automatic enrollment? Automatic enrollment is a feature in the United Methodist Personal Investment

Plan (UMPIP) that automatically enrolls participants at a 3% before-tax contribution percentage. The reason your Conference Board of Pension and Health Benefits advocated for this change is because it is a tried and true method to help participants save more money for retirement. Are you wondering what this means for you? Here's your answer: If you are enrolled in UMPIP and making a 3% or more pre-tax contribution, then you have nothing to do. There will be no change. If, on the other hand, you are enrolled in UMPIP and not contributing, or making a 1% or 2% pre-tax contribution, you will be raised to the 3% contribution level. You can find a Q&A [here](#) for more information, and [here](#) is the contribution election form. Contact Mike Kremnitzer at mkremnitzer@wocumc.org with any questions.

2019 Apportionment Amounts were sent to churches. If you didn't receive your amounts you can contact the district office.

IRS 2019 Mileage Reimbursement rate is \$.58/mile



CAS and CAN District Leadership Training Day Saturday, February 2

at Grove City UMC, 2650 Columbus St., Grove City. Save the date and watch for registration information soon! This year we will offer an opening workshop on Discipleship for all in attendance, which starts at 9:00 am. One additional session of workshops will be offered and options will include:

- Staff Parish/Pension
- Board of Trustees
- Finance and Apportionments
- Church Lifecycles
- Children and Youth Ministries
- Lay Servant Leadership
- Community Ministries/Grants
- Multi/Social Media
- Prison Ministry
- Opiate Addiction
- United Methodist Men

Trainings

Spiritual Formation Course from Living Streams Flowing Water

Spiritual Formation Course offered at Ashland Theological Seminary Jan. 11 & 12, Feb. 8 & 9, Mar. 8 & 9, Fridays, 6:00 pm – 9:00pm, Saturdays, 8:00 am – 4:00 pm. This course introduces students to the nature and processes of spiritual formation and its goal of the formation of believers into the image of Christ for the sake of the church and the world. Students will practice a variety of individual and corporate spiritual disciplines, with an in-depth focus on prayer, for growth in personal and social

holiness. Focus on contemporary and ancient spiritual practices for transforming current culture.
[Information.](#)

ERT Training February 9

Basic Class and Recertification held at Journey Community UMC, 11100 Lafayette Plain City Rd., Plain City, 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

[Information and registration](#)

ERT Training February 23

Basic Class and Recertification held at Neal Avenue UMC, 12 Neal Avenue, Newark, 8:00 am – 4:00 pm

[Information and registration](#)

Events and Information

MTSO Extends Pledge to Cover Seminary Tuition

MTSO extends pledge to help UM ministry candidates cover full seminary tuition with support from its generous donors, MTSO has announced an extension of its commitment to every qualified applicant who pursues United Methodist candidacy: an opportunity to earn a master's degree with no out-of-pocket tuition expenses or tuition debt. MTSO's pledge has two parts. First, the school's financial aid experts will assist each applicant in locating and applying for scholarships from numerous sources. Second, if scholarships from those sources don't cover an applicant's full tuition, MTSO and its donors will make up the difference – dramatically reducing the financial burden of pursuing a graduate theological degree. The pledge applies to every qualified prospective student who pursues United Methodist candidacy as an elder or deacon and applies to a master's degree program by July 1, 2019, for the 2019-20 academic year. It was originally introduced for students enrolling in the fall of 2018. Interested prospective students are invited to learn more by contacting an MTSO admissions counselor at 800-333-6876 or admissions@mtso.edu.

Martin Luther King Jr. Event at St. Luke's UMC January 20

We Are the World! The second annual Festival of Spirituals and Songs in Honor of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. on January 20, 2019, 3:00pm, St. Luke's United Methodist Church, 1150 W. 5th Avenue, Columbus, OH 43212. Featuring Dr. Carren Moham, Director/Organizer and Rose Zuber, piano. Join us as professional and amateur artists come together to present a program of reflections and music from several genres to honor the legacy of Dr. King. This program is a presentation of the Music at St. Luke's concert series and is free and open to the public.

5th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Prayer Brunch “A Celebration of Unity” January 21

Christ UMC, 1480 Zettler Rd., Columbus is hosting their 5th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Prayer Brunch on Monday, January 21, 11:00 am – 1:00 pm. Rev. Dr. Timothy Bias is keynote speaker. Tickets are \$20; tables of 8 are \$150. Proceeds support the Christ Church Scholarship Fund. For tickets call 614-231-4568

Enneagram Event at Hilliard UMC January 25 and 26

Held at Hilliard UMC, 5445 Scioto Darby Rd., Hilliard, Ohio.

An Enneagram is a powerful tool to help people determine some of their programmed patterns, responses, and ways of being in the world. (Nine personalities, nine ways of being in the world). We are bringing in a nationally-renowned Enneagram expert Leslie Hershberger to do some work with us, both to introduce folks to the Enneagram (Friday night) and to then take us deeper into it for those who are already familiar (Saturday). It will focus on deepening our understanding of our 3 centers of intelligence: head, heart, and body. It is an effective tool to help teams do that hard work of growing in self-awareness. For those of you who may be interested in using this with other staff or in teams you are a part of it is a GREAT opportunity to pique interest. Leslie is a very skilled facilitator and really opens-up some things around how we see the world, how our patterned responses and reactions typically overuse one of our centers of intelligence (head, heart, body), and how we typically underuse one of them as well. Contact Rev. April Blaine, aprilblaine914@gmail.com with your questions. Additional information and registration can be found [here](#).

Just. Be. 2019 Women's Retreat February 8 – 10

It seems like there's never enough time – time for yourself, time for quiet, time for God. In a world of busy, how can we learn to “just be?” Learn alongside other women how we can reduce the distraction and busy-ness around us, and find a new rhythm – for life. [Registration is open now, here!](#)

Retreat Information: Friday, February 8 to Sunday, February 10, 2019 | Salt Fork Lodge, Lore City, Ohio | Cost begins at \$185 (Early Bird Pricing Until January 6), and includes lodging, food, and speaker support. Hosted by Trinity and Worthington UMCs. Grants available.

Winter Youth Lock-In 2019 February 15 – 16, 2019

All CAN District youth grades 6-12 are invited to the 3rd annual Winter Youth Lock-In on February 15-16. Cost will be \$20 per youth if registered by January 28, 2019. (\$25 per person after January 28th). Further event details and registration information will be sent out in the coming weeks. Mark your calendars now for this fun overnight event for your youth group! Contacts: Jessica Cavinee (Linworth UMC) jcavinee@linworthumc.org and Erin Kendall (King Avenue UMC) erin@kingave.org.

Spirit and Truth Conference March 7 - 9

Held at Stillwater UMC, Dayton, Ohio, Spirit and Truth is excited to partner together with The Pohly Center of United Theological Seminary to host our first ever Spirit & Truth Conference in 2019! Gather with other believers to get equipped, be encouraged, and worship together. Come learn from respected teachers on ways to spark a new movement of back-to-the-basics, full-time, power-infused, multiplying, Christianity! [SPEAKERS SCHEDULE LOCATION COST, MEALS & LODGING](#)



Watoto Read Benefit Concert: Ernie Haase + Signature Sound April 6

Join us for a concert by the renowned group [Ernie Haase + Signature Sound](#). All proceeds benefit Watoto Read, a non-profit dedicated to the education of refugee children in Africa. Held at Powell

UMC, 825 E. Olentangy St., Powell, on Saturday, April 6 at 3:00 pm. Tickets available at www.watotoread.com/concert, or contact Claudine Leary, 304-612-4168.



Interns Needed for Summer Impact at Hyde Park Community Church

Do you know a college aged young adult that wants to make an IMPACT over the summer? Please let them know about a summer internship opportunity in Cincinnati, Ohio! Summer Impact, a ministry of Hyde Park Community UMC, is looking to hire 4 interns. As a way to deepen their love and understanding of God while exploring God's call on their lives, interns will lead groups in serving, worship, and reflection. This internship will not only include making an impact in Cincinnati but also leading a mission trip to Tijuana, Mexico. The link has more information and an online application. Thanks for help me get the word out! Applications are due **February 11, 2019**.

<http://hydeparkchurch.org/summer-impact-internship/>

YOUTH 2019: Love Well Conference July 10 - 14

This is a once in a quadrennium opportunity for youth to gather with other United Methodists to worship, study, be in mission, and hear and live more fully into their call. Registration for this event is open! <http://youth2019.com/> If you'd like more information or have youth who'd like to attend contact Rebecca Hug, rhug@wocumc.org.

Classifieds

Help Wanted

[Church Band/Worship Leader, Sunbury UMC](#)

[Full-time Office Manager, Linworth UMC](#)

[Part-time Administrative Coordinator, Lewis Center UMC](#)

[Part-time Finance Manager, North Broadway UMC](#)

[Minister of Music, Centenary UMC](#)

[Part-time Financial Position, Worthington UMC](#)

[Part-time Development Assistant for Kindway](#)

[Full-time Contemporary Worship and Creative Arts Director, Linworth UMC](#)

[Part-time Finance Manager, King Avenue UMC](#)