

Worthington United Methodist Church

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WUMC Weekly Update: **January 17, 2012**



In case you missed this week's Sunday Bulletin Announcements, here are some of our current and upcoming opportunities for worship, education, fellowship and outreach.

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Thank you to all who contributed in 2011 to Worthington UMC!

With your gifts we were able to meet all of our financial commitments in 2011!

Church Conference on Sunday, January 22nd at 1:30 p.m.

Last year we elected a Capital Campaign Committee and asked them to explore our embarking on a Capital Campaign. They have been hard at work, and in their meeting on January 5th they voted to recommend that WUMC move forward with a Capital Campaign and engage the services of Larry Armentrout of Generis Company. **On Sunday, January 22nd, at 1:30 p.m., there will be a Church Conference** (all members of WUMC can vote) to address this recommendation and hear preliminary ideas about the scope of the Capital Campaign. If you have questions, please feel free to contact Steve Potter or Don Wheat, or any member of the Capital Campaign Committee with whom you would like to speak. Watch for a special E-blast this Thursday with more information.



Support Youth Fundraiser Dinner and Silent Auction!

Support our youth programming in two ways this week! All week long you may place your bids on **Silent Auction** items on display in the Ministry Hallway. Then on **Saturday, January 21**, join us for our **nice, sit-down, catered fundraiser dinner** at 6:00 p.m., and place your final bids for auction items, in Fellowship Hall. During that time you will be served by the youth, while youth will share with you about their mission experiences. Silent Auction items range from OSU tickets to vacation housing around the U.S., handcrafted items and gift baskets. Cost for the dinner is \$10 per person, \$5 for kids 10-and-under, and kids 3-and-under are free. **Please make your reservation**, through the church office at 614-885-5365 or linda@worthingtonumc.com, as soon as possible. Join us!



More...

- **Year-End Giving Statements** will be available for pick-up January 22-29, in the church office.
- **We have received pledges totaling 88.4%** toward our projected 2012 budget. Many have come in the last week or so. If your pledge is still out, please submit at your earliest convenience.
- To join the **Gateways Gathering tomorrow** Wed., Jan. 18 at 6:30 p.m., for a Tour of the Central Ohio Fire Museum and Learning Center, contact the church office at linda@worthingtonumc.com or 614-885-5365.
- **It's a Plarn Party!** Join us in the Mat Ministry Room (316) **tomorrow**, Wed., Jan. 18, 1:00-4:00 p.m. for plarn-prepping and refreshments! Contact Linda at linda@worthingtonumc.com or 614-885-5365.
- **Save the date!** Our Super Bowl Sunday **Soup Luncheon**, sponsored by the Children's Ministry Team, is scheduled for Sunday, February 6, after the Emerge service. Mark your calendar and join us!
- **Join the Open Door class for *Why? Making Sense of God's Will***, Sundays at 10:40 a.m. through February 19, in Browning Lounge to study best-selling author Adam Hamilton's insights.
- **New! Pre-General Conference Class continues** this Sunday, 10:40 a.m., in Potter Chapel, led by Cyndy Garn. We are reviewing and discussing the social issues and denominational structure proposals which will be addressed by the quadrennial General Conference, where elected United Methodist delegates from all around the world meet and make decisions that effect the operation and witness of the United Methodist Church. Join us!
- **Marriage Celebration's January gathering** at Paul and Vivian G.'s house, has been **postponed** to 6:30 p.m., **Saturday, January 28** due to unforeseen circumstances. Contact VSGeorge@earthlink.net.
- Please return **Bags of Blessings to Share** donations on Sunday, January 29. Every bit helps!
- To help with our hosting of **New Life UMC Dinner Outreach** on Sunday, January 29, 2:00-5:00 p.m., please contact Debbie V. at 614-888-3743 or debbievarble@wowway.com.
- **Our Red Cross Blood Drive**, on January 12th, was a success! We collected 26 productive units and had 35 donors through the door. Seventy-eight lives will be helped with their donations. Thanks to all who participated! Please mark your calendar now for our next blood drive, on Thurs., April 26th.
- **Our Adult Mission Trip** to Bayou La Batre, Alabama, will be Sunday through Saturday, March 11 through 17, to do maintenance and repair work for needy people. For more information, or to sign up, contact Russ Line at 614-885-3111 or RJLINEOHIO@aol.com.
- As our **new WUMC web site** is in a time of transition, please pardon us as fewer updates are being made to the existing web site. Send feedback and ideas to macfarlane.ken@gmail.com.
- Our **altar flower chart** for 2012 is posted at the west foyer, with many Sundays still available. Thanks to all who provided altar flowers in 2011, contributing to the beauty of our worship services!
- **To speak with a Stephen Minister**, contact Patti M. at 740-881-4940 or pmills12@columbus.rr.com.
- **Support WUMC while you enjoy entertainment** at the Peggy R. McConnell Arts Center. Buy tickets online and use **promo code WUMC** and the church will receive a rebate of a portion of the ticket price. For more information, go to www.mcconnellarts.org.
- **Keep us in the loop!** PLEASE contact **one or more of our pastors** right away with any pastoral concerns, including hospitalizations, births and deaths. Please email cyndyig@aol.com, david@worthingtonumc.com and/or heather@worthingtonumc.com, or call 614-885-5365.
- Send **prayer concerns** to Martha at msprout@columbus.rr.com for the prayer chain.
- Office Hours are 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, and Sundays, 8:30-11:30 a.m.
- **Worship with us**, Sundays at 9:30 & 11:30 a.m.! To read a daily devotional, [click here](#).

This Week's Committee Meetings and Happenings:

- Today, the Finance Committee meets at 7:00 p.m., and Children's Ministry Team meets at 7:00 p.m.
- On Wednesday, January 18, UMW Cleaning of Files & Closets begins at 9:00 a.m., Mat Ministry "Plarn Party" is from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m., Fine Arts Council meets at 4:00 p.m., Gateways Gathering is at 6:30 p.m. (offsite) and Confirmation is from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.
- On Thursday, January 19, UMW Cleaning of Files & Closets (Day 2) begins at 9:00 a.m. and Endowment Committee meets at 7:00 p.m.
- On Saturday, January 21, Trustees Tour of the Church Building begins at 10:00 a.m., and Youth Fundraiser Dinner & Silent Auction is at 6:00 p.m.
- **On Sunday, January 22, join us for** worship services at 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. **Sunday School for all** is at 10:40 a.m. (including the new Pre-General Conference Class), **Church Conference** is at 1:00 p.m. in the sanctuary, and **New Members Class** is from 5:00-6:30 p.m. [No Impact on Jan. 22]