

Hello Church!

Where does the time go? It seems like just yesterday there was snow and wind and cold temperatures. Now there is rain and wind and less cooler temperatures. I guess that means that change is in the wind.

On a more serious note, may I say to you friends, that I am so excited by the outpouring of giving toward the Readers to Leaders program. We went from being compelled by the Annual Conference to raise \$600.00 to doubling that by endeavorous brainstorming and hard work. So, thank you all for your continued support of ministry work, both near and far.

Speaking of near and far. Did you know that there are opportunities to serve in both arenas? Have you ever shared a post on social media or hit the "Like" button on YouTube? By these simple actions you can support our online ministry and assist in it reaching more people. This supports our mission of serving the community together in those far places. For the near places would you consider sending a thinking about you card or signing up as a guest reader at the elementary school in your area or possibly inviting someone to worship?

As Easter people, meaning those that live in the time of the resurrection of Jesus, our mission is to invite others to come and follow Jesus, to partner with God and serve the community together. As branches of the True Vine, that being Jesus, may we allow God to prune us that we produce an even greater bounty, as well as being open to the opportunity of new ministry growth to spring forth.

Friends may the LORD bless you and yours as we venture into the newness that is coming. May you grow in your walk with God and thus grow in boldness of making disciples.

Holy Week Events

Palm Sunday
Worship at 10:30 in the Fellowship Hall
Palm Sunday Brunch following worship (sponsored by the men)

Maundy Thursday 7:00 pm with communion

Good Friday
7:00 pm at Sharon Church
Pastor Dillon Burns preaching

Saturday
Easter Story Walk
11:30 - 1:00 at Carr Park

Easter Sunday 10:30 am Worship Service



Items of Interest

Palm Sunday Brunch

Don't miss out! The men are serving a mouth-watering brunch following the worship service. Egg casseroles, pancakes, bacon, sausage and much more are on the menu. Thank you to the men for planning and to all those who are helping in the kitchen. Also, thank you to all those who are helping by making a casserole, cinnamon rolls and preparing frush fruit.

CPR and AED Training

Huron Valley Ambulance will be training Hands-Only CPR and AED training on Tuesday, April 4th at 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. This is a free training and will not be a certification. It will, however, prepare you to be ready to respond to life's emergencies. Please register to attend by going to SUMC website https://sharonumchurch.breezechms.com/form/2b7f96

Walking Group

The Fellowship Hall is open Monday and Thursday evenings from 6:30 to 7:30 for anyone who would like to come walk and get a few extra steps in. As the weather becomes warmer, the group may move outside.



Thank You

Thank you to Andrea Dowhal for the beautiful lenten window decorations!

Thank You

Thank you to Dave Disch for working with the Hand Chime Choir transposing music into a key that is easy to understand and play. We are always learning!

"Class Meetings"

A new "Class Meeting" group will be starting on Wednesday, April 12, 2023 at 7 pm. The "Sunday's at 9" class studied the history and usefulness of small groups meeting on a weekly basis to share their witness, experience or encounter with God during the past week.

The ideal group size is 8-9 individuals, meeting for 1 hour, on a weekly basis. We are asking for interested participants to commit to 6-weeks. At this time, we will discuss the future meeting day/time of the group.

Again, there is no study guide, no course material, and no homework.

This new group will be led by co-leaders Suzie Palmer Weber and Susan Huehl. Meetings will be held at the home of Susan and Jerry Huehl. If you have any questions or are interested in participating, please let Suzie or Susan know before April 12th.

Three "Class Meetings are already meeting and welcome you to join any of their existing groups.

Tuesday's at 11:30 am at the home of Nancy Flint co-led by Nancy and Shirley Disch. Thursdays at 7:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall led by Pastor Tom.

Sunday's at 9:00

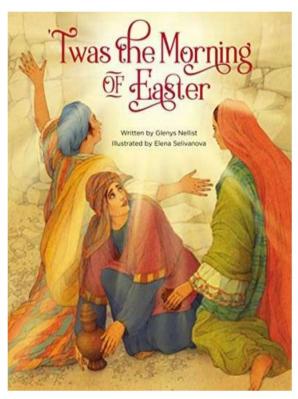
Beginning Sunday, April 16, a new study will begin. The group is currently deciding on the new topic.

Sunday's at 2:30

Beginning Sunday, April 16, this group will begin the study of the Gospel of Mark.

EASTER WALK in CARR PARK

Saturday, April 8 11:30 - 1:00



The story of the first Easter morning will be shared as you walk along visiting several stops with the pages of a story book '*Twas the Morning of Easter* on display with a reader to greet you.

The story and illustrations are appropriate for all ages.

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Men's Breakfast

Saturday, April 15 - 8:00 am in the Fellowship Hall

All men are invited Come and bring a friend or neighbor!



Saturday, April 15
1:00 to 5:00 pm
in the Fellowship Hall
All ages welcome!
There is something for everyone
including popcorn!



Thank you to everyone who donated books or gave of their time to this project. The \$647 from the book sale plus the \$600+ from the earlier pie sale will go to the Annual Conference "Readers to Leaders" project to provide books for young people in Detroit and Liberia.



Drop-in Pickleball Coming to SUMC Fellowship Hall





Thank you to a SUMC member (not to be named) who went ahead and purchased a pickleball net while Richard Schaffer and Pastor Tom measured and taped off ONE pickleball court.

The past few Sunday afternoons several individuals have been playing pickleball and now we feel ready to open our doors to others to come play.

We will have drop-in Pickleball Sunday's at 3:30 - 5:30 pm, as long as it is available (not rented for another private or church function).

What do I need to do to play?

- 1. You must sign a release of liability waiver prior to playing (only once a year).
- 2. You must sign a basic rules form.
- 3. We would appreciate a \$1.00 donation to come and play each week.

Questions see Susan Huehl, Richard Schaffer or Pastor Tom.

New Senior Activity Center Sneak Preview

Tuesday, April 4th at Noon Nellie Ackerson Building on Beaufort Street

Come see what it's all about and enjoy a taco lunch for \$5.

Call Charlene at 517-262-7828 if you are coming for lunch.

Sharin' Women

Pretzel Sale



International Dinner Monday, April 17

The Sharin' Women have chosen France as their theme for their annual international dinner. Mary Lowery will have recipes available, so pick one up from her to make and bring to share at the dinner.

Susan Huehl is graciously hosting again this year.

Arrive at 6:00 and dinner will be at 6:30.

All women are invited to participate.



- 1 Isaac Bowers
- 4 Mary Lowery
- 4 Rex Pratt
- 5 Jerry Huehl
- 6 Savanah Flint
- 8 Nancy Flint
- 9 Stephanie Little
- 10 Jan Harris
- 13 Brenda Mahan
- 21 David Schaffer
- 28 Dave Disch

10 Donnie & Lauren Tye24 Doug & Diana Parr



March Offerings

\$ 9,635.07 General Fund
460.00 Well Fund
46.70 CenterShot
164.47 4 in 40 Mission Offering
250.00 Hall Use
647.00 Book Sale
446.00 Missions
\$11,649.24 TOTAL

(unaudited)

March Worship Attendance

March 5 - 51 March 12 - 49 March 19 - 53 March 26 - 59

April Bible Readings

4/1 Numbers 25-27	4/11 Deuteronomy 11-12	4/21 Joshua 1-3
4/2 Numbers 28-30	4/12 Deuteronomy 13-15	4/22 Joshua 4-6
4/3 Psalm 22	4/13 Deuteronomy 16-17	4/23 Joshua 7-9
4/4 Numbers 31-33	4/14 Deuteronomy 18-20	4/24 Psalm 27-30
4/5 Numbers 34-36	4/15 Deuteronomy 21-23	4/25 Joshua 10-12
4/6 Deuteronomy 1-2	4/16 Deuteronomy 24-26	4/26 Joshua 13-15
4/7 Deuteronomy 3-4	4/17 Psalm 25-26	4/27 Joshua 16-18
4/8 Deuteronomy 5-7	4/18 Deuteronomy 27-28	4/28 Joshua 19-21
4/9 Deuteronomy 8-10	4/19 Deuteronomy 29-31	4/29 Joshua 22-24
4/10 Psalm 23-24	4/20 Deuteronomy 32-34	4/30 Jud 1-3, Prov 1

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