

## United Methodist Men

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**The next UMM Breakfast will be on April 13** at 8:00 a.m. in the Mike Wilson Fellowship Hall. Our guest speaker will be D. Scott Bjork, President and CEO of Memphis Union Mission. All men are invited and encouraged to attend and learn more about this extraordinary ministry. \$5 payable at the door. Members need only call with regret.

**Men's Sunrise Prayer Group.** Join us Tuesday mornings, 6:30-7:15 a.m. in Room 338. No registration is required.

**Rutherford Prayer Group.** Join a growing diverse group of men on Wednesday mornings, 6:30-7:00 a.m. in the Mike Wilson Fellowship Hall for fellowship and a lesson, including prayer concerns.

## Missions Ministry

Please contact John Pearson at [jl1@comcast.net](mailto:jl1@comcast.net) for mission needs.

**Jacob's Ladder:** Co-founded by Rev. William D. Marler and Lana W. Marler in 2004, Jacob's Ladder™ Community Development Corporation has created a multi-rung program which not only assists homeowners with renovations and re-builds, but promotes heart-change in their lives and their communities. In addition to home renovations, Jacob's Ladder™ fosters free after-school youth enrichment centers with the assistance of local churches, schools and universities. For more information visit [jacobs laddercdc.org](http://jacobs laddercdc.org) or call 901-327-3771.

**Beginning May 10, GUMC will once again participate in RITI Summer Women's Shelter.** Dates for this summer are May 10, June 14, July 12, Aug 9, and Sept 13. We will provide a nutritious supper, a safe place to rest, showers, hospitality, and transportation to/from downtown. Contact Alise Davis at [alisedavis4@gmail.com](mailto:alisedavis4@gmail.com) or 901-496-6402 to receive a link to volunteer.

## Germantown United Methodist Preschool

Sarah Sutton, Director, [ssutton@germantownumc.org](mailto:ssutton@germantownumc.org)

**We are happy to be back with our friends after Spring Break!** We are in the midst of preparing for Parent/Teacher Conferences and always love sharing our students' progress made throughout the year. GUMP is currently accepting applications for the 2019/2020 school year. To set up a tour to see the wonderful things happening here, contact us at 901-753-3109.

## College and Young Professionals Ministry

Brian Richards, Dir. of High & College Ministry, [brichards@germantownumc.org](mailto:brichards@germantownumc.org)

**College Age Sunday School** will meet today March 24 at 11:00 a.m. in the OLEC lobby. Come see some familiar faces over Spring Break.

**Morgan Stafford from the Wesley Foundation at U of M** will be with us next Sunday as a guest speaker. Please make plans to join one of his sessions in the fellowship hall.

**There is a weekly devotional for college age persons** distributed by email. If you are interested, or know someone who might be. Please email [brichards@germantownumc.org](mailto:brichards@germantownumc.org).

## Health and Recreation Facility (OLEC)

Todd Hinton, Director of Health & Recreation, [thinton@germantownumc.org](mailto:thinton@germantownumc.org)

Judy Oros, Assistant Director of Health & Recreation, [joros@germantownumc.org](mailto:joros@germantownumc.org)

If you missed Soccer Registration for 4's and 5's you are in luck, as we have one Jersey left. We have some amazing coaches this year, and its a great activity for your child - On **April 1st** our Registration Line will open for **T-Ball Play**. We are looking for Co-ed teams of 4's and 5's. Contact Judy Oros at the OLEC at 901-753-3100 .

## Health and Prayer Concerns

To submit a prayer request, please contact Brenda West at 901-754-7216 or [bwest@germantownumc.org](mailto:bwest@germantownumc.org). In the event of an after-hours emergency, pastoral help is available by calling 901-412-5776.

### In Deepest Sympathy

Chuck Blake, Husband of Nancy Blake, March 2

Lula Burchett, Wife of Dorris Burchett, March 7

Edgar Vaughan, Grandfather of Natalie (Jesse) Adkinson, March 9

Clarice Perry, March 9

Barbara Schielke, Mother of Mark (Libby) Schielke, March 19

### In Hospital or Care Facility

Jim Corkern

Allen Underwood

### Hospice Care

Richard Fields

### Congregational Concerns

Raymond Clapsadle, Hugh Colville, Will Consolo, Chuck Drummond,

Mistie Hawkins, Sharon Hicks, Laura Hinshelwood, Linda Hopper,

Howard Johnson, Bill Joshlin, Rick Kirchoff, Don McAnally,

Everett Metts, David Oppenheim, Rachel Sanders, Marcia Wagner



March 24, 2019

**Food Truck Bucket Stuffing Challenge!** Come out and join us for a fun night of fellowship and service on April 3 from 5-7 p.m. as we assemble 100 flood buckets for UMCOR. Food trucks for "Say Cheese" and "Stanley's Sweet Street Treats" will be on-site for dinner. **Donations of \$50 per bucket: payable GUMC memo line "buckets."**

**Help beautify our Sanctuary for Easter** by providing Easter Lilies in memory or honor of a friend or loved one. The cost is \$18 for each memorial/honoree. A list of dedications will be published & located in the Narthex on Easter. You will find order forms at our Information/Welcome Center. Please use a separate form for each memorial/honoree, & return completed forms with payment to the grey lockbox, also located in the Information Center. The deadline for returning forms is **Monday, April 15 by noon.**

**Wesley Foundation Presentation:** Morgan Stafford, Executive Director of the Wesley Foundation at University of Memphis, will speak at both Sunday School hours on Sunday, March 31 in Fellowship Hall. Morgan will share updates on the work he and his team are doing at Wesley and present some of the exciting new ministries currently underway.

**The Emmaus Class BBQ for missions will be April 13.** Monies raised will support Alturas in Costa Rica (Amy Speake) and an expansion of Zoe in Kenya, called Hope. Pre-purchase your ribs, loins or butts in Fellowship Hall March 31 and April 7 for \$30.00 per unit. Pick-up your order at the OLEC April 13, 1:30 p.m. Thank you.

**Prayer Ministry Opportunity.** The prayer ministry team welcomes new members to join, at any time, this very meaningful ministry. The only requirements are as follows: a prayerful heart and a commitment to spend 40 minutes once a month before the 8:30 worship service praying in assigned areas of the church, then joining the ministers for prayer. Contact Ruth King, [ruthmking@bellsouth.net](mailto:ruthmking@bellsouth.net) for more information.

**Do you find you are asking people to speak up or repeat?** Do you have trouble hearing in a crowd or where there is background noise? Come and take advantage of a no cost hearing screening in Room 339 at GUMC on Wednesday April 10 from 9:00 a.m. to noon. Call Laura Hairston to register at 901-754-5100.

## Children's Ministry

Lisa Pierce, Director, 901-758-6512, [lpierce@germantownumc.org](mailto:lpierce@germantownumc.org)

Callie Beaver, Assoc. Dir., Elementary, [cbeaver@germantownumc.org](mailto:cbeaver@germantownumc.org)

Kristin Dickerson, Assoc. Dir., Preschool, [kdickerson@germantownumc.org](mailto:kdickerson@germantownumc.org)

Natalie Adkinson, Assoc. Dir., Special Needs, [nadkinson@germantownumc.org](mailto:nadkinson@germantownumc.org)

**Special Needs Ministry:** If you are interested in participating in this ministry in any way, Contact Natalie Adkinson.

**Elementary Expedition:** EE is back this week! We will meet at the OLEC for dinner, lesson, games and craft. Pizza dinner \$3 at the door. Preschool pizza will be in the Hamilton Nursery.

**Preschool Stepping Stones:** We learn by moving, singing, and storytelling. This month, we are learning that *"God made me."* (Psalm 139:14). Please join us in the Hamilton Nursery, directly across from the main sanctuary entrance.

**KidsQuest:** Elementary children grades K-5 gather each week in the Huddle (room 240). This month we will take a look at *"Individuality—discovering who you are meant to be."* (Psalm 139:14) Please join us at either 9:40 or 11:00.

**OLEC Drop-In Care:** Drop-in childcare is available at the OLEC from 9:00 AM to noon, M-F. Children 6 months – prekindergarten are eligible. See our website for full details.

**Parents' Night Out:** Our next PNO is April 12. See website for details and to register.

**VBS:** Roar! We will journey through the jungle as we learn about God's amazing love! Weeknight VBS June 5-7; weekday VBS June 10-14. Registration opens April 1.

## United Methodist Women (GUMW)

Chesley Porteous, [women@germantownumc.org](mailto:women@germantownumc.org). All women are invited to attend any of our GUMW events! Website [www.germantownumc.org/umw](http://www.germantownumc.org/umw)

### Spring Bridge and Games Benefit |Tuesday, April 9|

Play games 10 a.m.—2 p.m. Unique Boutique starts at 9 a.m. Enjoy lunch by Celebration Circle, Dillard's Fashion Show and door prizes. Register online at [germantownumc.org](http://germantownumc.org) before April 2. For questions, contact Pat Gill (756-8151/[jamesbo429@bellsouth.net](mailto:jamesbo429@bellsouth.net)).

**GUMW welcomes** Jackie Flaum to our brunch on Saturday, April 6 at 10:30 a.m. in the Mike Wilson Fellowship Hall. Join us to hear her story and about her work with Team Read Memphis. Cost is \$10. Register at [germantownumc.org](http://germantownumc.org). Deadline to register: Tuesday, April 2, noon. Free childcare available.

## Youth Ministry

Sue Hyland, Dir. of Confirm. & Middle Ministry, [shyland@germantownumc.org](mailto:shyland@germantownumc.org)

Brian Richards, Dir. of High & College Ministry,

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**Easter Sunrise Service** will take place on Easter Sunday in the Trinity Worship Center at 6:30 a.m. This youth led service will bless your Easter. Please bring a lawn chair or picnic blanket because we typically run out of seating. Coffee and Donuts will be served immediately following the service. All are welcome! Please join us.

**Daddy Crow's Jubilee** our annual youth mission's fundraiser is set for Saturday, April 27 from 5-7 p.m. at the OLEC. We'll have live music, all you can eat crawfish and burgers, a silent auction, and a dunkin' booth! Come join us to make this fundraiser even more successful than last years. Get your tickets NOW!

**Trek** will meet today at 9:40 or 11 in the OLEC. All 6th through 12th graders are welcome to join us as we spilt into small groups and continue our series on "Who Does Jesus Love?" We'll have snacks too!

**Element** will meet tonight from 6-8 p.m. in the OLEC. Come join us for dinner, worship, a big group game, talk time, and small group time. \$3 for dinner.

**Prayer Breakfast** will meet again on March 26 at 6:00 a.m. All high school students are invited to join the guys at Chick-fil-A in Collierville or the Girls at Starbucks on Houston Levee. Bring a Bible and a journal!

**Synergy** will meet again on Wednesday, March 27 from 6-7:30 p.m. Synergy is open to 6th-8th graders. We meet in the Huddle and the Chapel. For more details check out our weekly email.

**Synago** will meet on Wednesday, March 27 from 7-8:30 p.m. We will be starting a new series in our guys and girls group. Come join us! Synago is open to all high school students. Checkout our weekly email for details on where we will meet.

**Summer Mission Trip sign-ups are now open!** Check out our church website for more details on where we are going and why you should join us. Trips, dates, and costs are listed below:

- **Big Stuf Camp**, Panama City Beach, FL, June 16-21, \$450
- **Mountain T.O.P.**, Coalmont, TN, July 7-13, \$450
- **S.O.S.**, July 21-26, Memphis, TN, \$400

## Older Adult Ministry

Luci Cromer, 901-755-0803, [luci2@comcast.net](mailto:luci2@comcast.net). Our activities are open to all adults age 55 and older. Full event descriptions may be found in Tidings.

**Senior News—April Brown Bag Lunch Series!** Emily Ballew Neff, Executive Director of the Memphis Brooks Museum of Art, will talk about "Art Matters: Update from the Brooks Museum of Art." This presentation will be on Friday, April 5, in the Fellowship Hall. The program starts at 11 a.m. with lunch at noon. Bring your own sack lunch; the church will supply the beverages. Call Luci Cromer, 755-0803, for more information. No reservations are needed. **There will be a crossing guard on West Street to help with overflow parking.**

**XYZ's May Event!** Come with us to see the musical *Cabaret* at Playhouse on the Square on Friday May 3. We depart at 6:45 p.m. from the OLEC parking lot, and the \$20 cost includes your reserved seat ticket and opening night reception. Call Luci Cromer, 755-0803, Gretchen Blair, 755-0797, or Garnet Brenneman, 754-3711, to make reservations and pay before Wednesday, April 3.

## Adult Education

Mary Groh, [mgroh@germantownumc.org](mailto:mgroh@germantownumc.org), 901-754-5093.

**Join the Monthly Book Group** on Monday, March 25, at 10:00 a.m. in Room 338 for a discussion of *Please Look After Mom* by Kyung-Sook Shin. No need to register, just purchase the book or check out from the library and join us for a spirited discussion.

**Our Membership Class: "Welcome to GUMC!"** is Sunday, April 14, 9:40 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. (with a break for 11:00 worship). Join our ministers to get an overview of Methodist history, traditions, and beliefs and GUMC's missions and ministries. This study is open to newcomers and longtime members and is a great opportunity to meet our staff and learn about Germantown UMC! Lunch will be provided and childcare is available. Register online or call Mary Groh.

**Seamless - Understanding The Bible As One Complete Story** starts Wednesday, March 27, 6:00-7:15 p.m. This 7-session study covers the people, places, and promises of the Bible - from Genesis through Revelation - tying them together into the greater story of scripture. Facilitated by Kristin Miller. Cost is \$20 and childcare is available with reservation. Register online.