



The Circuit Rider




On July 1, we welcome Rev. Charlie Tobias and his wife Diane. All services on Sunday July 6 will combine at 10:00 a.m. and we hope you will join us. A welcome reception will follow immediately in Wesley Hall.

Charlie and Diane come to Wooster from Ridgeville UMC in Parma. They have two children; Andrew and his wife Chelsea, and Sarah who will marry Joe Gaither on August 9. Below find some thoughts on ministry from Charlie.

“The pastor is primarily the theologian-in-residence in the local church. I understand theology as both a noun and a verb. Literally the word means “God talk,” and because talk about God demands action before it is complete and authentic, it seems to me that real theology must be done as well as spoken, acted upon as well as thought out, and expressed in written and oral forms.

The pastor acts as theologian-in-residence and most evidently in one’s approach to preaching and worship leadership. The pastor is one who has been chosen by the church to do the preaching, ordained to the ministries of “word, sacrament, and order.” Each week, as the pastor prepares to deliver the Word of God into the hands of the people, he or she must do the best job possible in order to see that one’s understanding of the theology of Christian faith is applied in the lives of persons living in the “real world.”

Ministry is the task of all God’s people, both the clergy and the laity. Ministry flows out of baptism, so that all who are baptized serve in the general ministry of the church. Pastors, then develop and encourage the ministry of the laity.”

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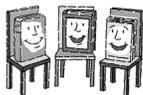
BE HAPPY

In Matthew 5:3-10, Jesus begins his teaching with the Beatitudes. They give us many reasons to be happy. The Greek word for blessed, *makarios*, also means happy!

Directions: Complete the Beatitudes by matching the blanks in each “Happy” phrase on the left with the bold word(s) on the right.

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| 1. “Happy are the POOR
I N S P I R I T _____ | hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.” |
| 2. “Happy are those who _____ | pure in heart , for they will see God.” |
| 3. “Happy are the _____ | peacemakers , for they will be called the children of God.” |
| 4. “Happy are those who _____
_____ | persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.” |
| 5. “Happy are the _____ | poor in spirit , for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.” |
| 6. “Happy are the _____
_____ | merciful , for they will be shown mercy.” |
| 7. “Happy are the _____ | meek , for they will inherit the earth.” |
| 8. “Happy are those who are _____ | mourn , for they will be comforted.” |





You do not have to read the books to attend the gatherings.



NO July Meeting

August 18, 9:30 a.m., Room A

Grace and Grit: My Fight for Equal Pay and Fairness at Goodyear and Beyond by Lilly Ledbetter and Lanier Scott Isom. Ledbetter's amazing story takes us from a poor Alabama county to the U.S. Supreme Court, then on to Congress and the White House, where history was made on January 29, 2009, when the law named for her was signed, guaranteeing equal pay for equal work. After finishing high school and raising two children, the author entered the workforce at age 31 for minimum wage, and ten years later, she completed manager training at a local Goodyear plant. On the factory floor, she was warned "to choose my words and actions carefully . . . anything could be twisted . . . (beware of ruffling feathers) . . . or I'd pass them on the way down."



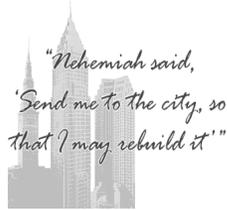
Well here we are in July. Somehow it does not seem like we have had very much of a summer

so far. The book I will tell you about this month is in the Social Action category of the reading program. The book is "A Place at the Table: 40 Days of Solidarity with the Poor," by Chris Seay. It reminds us graciously yet powerfully, that our Western industrialized lifestyle of rampant consumerism is completely out of step with biblical values. Most of us need to re-examine with urgency our relationship with the rest of creation. The author provides the framework for us to do that with 40 days of reflections, grounded in the experience of the Exodus. Recognizing that everyone in the West is addicted to something, Chris Seay suggests that our study and prayer should be accompanied by fasting. The content of that he leaves to us, for only we know what it is that consumes us, negating our humanity and driving us far from God. Seay's approach is highly accessible. Much of this reflects his use of "The Voice," a paraphrased version of the Bible. The structure of the book helps too with each day's reading accompanied by a prayer and information from one of the poorer countries on earth. This book is available at the public library: two print interlibrary loan. *Bea Smith, Reading Resource Secretary of Wooster UMW.*



NO Meeting in July

- Executive Board **NO Meeting**
- UMW Circles**
- Deborah Dorcas **July 26** 11:00 a.m.
Wesley Hall
- Mary Martha **NO Meeting**
- Esther **NO Meeting**
- Sarah Rebekah **NO Meeting**



Can you help?

A group representing Wooster UMC is going to Nehemiah Mission in Cleveland in July. The cost of the trip per person is \$275. If you cannot physically go on this trip, would you support it financially?

In addition to the cost per person, Nehemiah would like monetary donations in the form of cash and also welcomes gift cards to Lowes or Home Depot for supplies. WUMC continues to be the hands and feet of Jesus as we support new friends close to home. *Bob Reynolds*

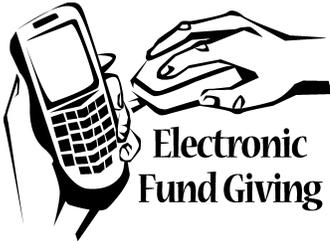
Please Save

- Stamps**—any stamps but **PLEASE** keep at least 1/4 inch border around each stamp.
- Empty Inkjet Printer Cartridges**—**PLEASE** wrap and seal before bringing to church.
- Our Family** brand UPC labels for the UMW scholarship fund.
- Campbell's soup label**—This is the part that we need you to save.



Giving on the Web

Would you like to send your contributions or extra financial gifts to the church from the comfort of home? Now you can access on-line giving on our web page! www.woosterumc.org Questions? Call Kathy Miller at 330-262-5641.



Would you find it helpful to have your offerings debited directly from your bank account as you do other monthly drafts? Wooster UMC now offers Electronic Giving for those of you

who wish to have your contributions transferred electronically to the church's account. If you travel, this is particularly helpful in keeping up with your intended offerings. It allows you to avoid having to make up the difference later. Contact the church office for more details.

For those who give online, Kathy has **tokens** which can be placed in the offering plate for dedication during each worship service. **Please use this QR** as another direct way to send your offering to us.

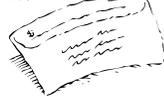


Credit Card Giving Now Available

No cash? No checks? No problem! We now have available a credit card machine that will take your generous donations. You will find it on the third floor just to the left of the elevator. It accepts credit/debit cards and the directions for use are easy and posted by the machine. Thank you for your continued support for Wooster UMC.

Would you like to receive envelopes? Are you interested in electronic giving? Are your gifts already sent electronically but you need to update the amount? Do you just have questions?

Offering Envelopes



Please call Kathy Miller at 330-262-5641 for answers and help.

Thanks to everyone that brought in apple sauce last month. In July we will be using a 4th of July theme (firecrackers!) and **collecting crackers** for People to People Ministries. Please bring a **box of your favorite crackers** with you to church on **Sunday, July 6.**



♥ Thank you for all of the prayers, kind words, flowers and beautiful cards during my dad's illness and his passing. Your support means a great deal to us as we learn to live each day differently. We are blessed.

Nancy and Tim Franck

♥ Thank you for the pretty unusually colored Kalanchoe plant. What really made it special was that it was from the Church and brought us a great rush of fond memories.

Mildred and Lansing Williams

♥ I want to thank everyone who was responsible for my husband's luncheon after his funeral service. Thanks! *Janet Hershberger*

♥ Thanks for all your prayers and cards while I was recuperating from eye surgery. The prayers were all felt and appreciated and I am very glad to be back to work. *Elizabeth Feldman*

♥ Marge and I want to thank you all for the wonderful farewell luncheon on Sunday June 22, for the kind sentiments in your many notes and letters, and the very generous gifts with which you blessed us. We could not have wished for a more appropriate sendoff into retirement. I loved the projected picture stream that brought back so many memories. The agricultural motif was wonderfully appropriate, and perfectly completed with the chocolate chip cookies. (My reputation precedes me.) Thank you to the choir for your gift of song. (Marge cried, and I just wished I was up there singing with you.) Thanks also for the many kind words you shared with us on Sunday. And who knew that Larry Stewart was auditioning for Jon Stewart's job! Thank you for the wonderful party, but thank you more for the nine years you granted me the privilege of being your pastor. *David Wilcox, for Marge and the whole Wilcox family*

July 2014 ~ Wooster UMC

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
8:45am - Worship 9:45am - Sunday School 11am - Worship 11:07am - 1107 Worship	7pm - Praise Tm 8pm - Prom Kprs - Milliken's	9pm - GS - C 7pm - CIO - A	10am - BOM - C 4:30pm - Meals Together - W	11:30am - Meet & Eat - TJs 5pm - Rehearsal - Wengerd Office Closed	4pm - Wedding - Wengerd	
8:45am - Worship 10am - ONE Worship 11:15am - Reception - W 12:15pm - Rooted - Loft	7pm - Praise Tm 8pm - Prom Kprs - Milliken's	8pm - GS - W (K-5)	4:30pm - Meals Together - W			
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Jesus And Me time worships the *second* and *fourth* Sunday of each month in Room 312 after the **Children's Message** during the 11 a.m. & 11:07 services. This is for children age four through fourth grade. Parents are asked to pick up their children in Room 312 after church.



There will be NO Summer Sunday School for children in Kindergarten through eighth grade. We will resume on Rally Day, August 31.



River Matthew Zuercher was born June 10 to Emily (Lemon) and Matt Zuercher. Grandparents are Kathy and Rod Lemon.

It is not too late to register for Vacation Bible School:

July 14-18 from 9 a.m.—noon

Register online at www.woosterumc.org

This year's theme is "Workshop of Wonders" where you will meet people from the Bible who used materials on hand to make something amazing with God. We will use our imaginations to work for God. We're looking for a few "good men and women" to volunteer this exciting week, so if you're entering high school or beyond, and are interested in helping as an activity center leader or a faith guide, please contact Suzanne Souers at the church office 330-262-5641.



Please wear your name badge every Sunday for worship services and also when Wooster UMC hosts events. This is one way that you, the Church, show hospitality to visitors. It is important to remember that not everyone has a great memory for names like you do.

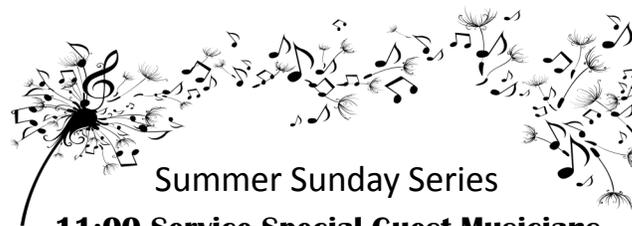


Attention Parents of Young Children



Our WUMC nursery is being staffed each Sunday from 8:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. for morning worship.

Changing area is now available on the north side of the Sanctuary. Rocking chair and changing table available. Ask an Usher for help.



Summer Sunday Series

11:00 Service Special Guest Musicians

- June 29 ● Linsey Rogers (OLO), viola
Natalie Ballenger (OLO), vocal
Tara Sperry (OLO), vocal
- July 6 ● Stefan Gordon (OLO), vocal
Michelle Lange (OLO), vocal
- July 13 ● Nick Vanderlaan (OLO), viola
Keepsake, vocal
Kyle Malesevich (OLO), trombone
- July 20 ● Liza Saracina (OLO), oboe
Cindy Mykrantz, vocal
Tanya Roberts (OLO), vocal
- July 27 ● Olivia & Andrew Maughan (OLO), vocal
- August 3 ● Ronda Herold (OLO), violin
Stephen Faulk (OLO), vocal
Nathan Brian (OLO), vocal
- August 10 ● Peter Douglas, piano & organ
- August 17 ● Max & Monica Miyashita, piano
- August 24 ● Kathy Helmuth, flute
Annie Gerig, oboe
- August 31 ● Matthew & Karen Gardener, saxophone
- September 7 ● John Raber, vocal

2014 Carnival of Fun



YOUNG ADULTS **MINISTRY**

SUNDAY, JULY 13

**lunch at the Fowler's
925 patrick place
wooster**



Persons of the Week			
July 6 Ed Garvin Wayne Manor 4138 Swanson Blvd. Wooster	July 13 Francis Freshley Smithville Western Care Center 4110 E Smithville Western Rd. Wooster	July 20 Nancy Maiwurm Smithville Western Care Center 4110 E Smithville Western Rd. Wooster	July 27 Liz Maynard 341 N. Grant St. Wooster



Stephen Leslie, Don Hershberger

Ill or Hospitalized

Please help keep the church informed of illness and / or hospitalizations of any person who may need a caring visit or

phone call. Unless specifically requested by the patient, hospitals are no longer able to call the church, or give us information when we call.

Circuit Rider Deadline is

JULY 9, 2014

for the *August 2014 issue.*

Please e-mail ~

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Recent Deaths

Don Hershberger



Church Drivers Ministry

Please call the church office if you would like a ride to the 11 a.m. worship service.

The Meet and Eat group will meet for lunch at 11:30 a.m. at **T.J.'s on Friday, July 4, 2014.**

All seniors welcome. Come and enjoy friendships and stimulating conversation. No reservation needed. No program. No responsibilities (except to pay your bill)

Jan Braund

Stephen Ministry is one way our congregation shows Jesus' love to people who have deep needs for care. Contact Sylvia Hurst or Rev. Black for more information.



Do we have your e-mail address?

Are you having trouble opening the Short Circuit? If you have email, but prefer a paper copy of the Circuit Rider, please call the office.

These two publications have lots of good information about your church! The church office is using email communication more and more these days. We will continue to email the *Short Circuit* and the *Circuit Rider* and now the *Prayer Connection!* We will continue to mail some hard copies of the newsletter. The email list is a work in progress. Let's work together in finding the best possible way to share information. If you have an idea for us, let us know.

Communion in Your Home

Communion can be brought to you at home or in the hospital when you have been unable to receive the sacrament at the church. Please call Pastor Larry Black or email him to arrange for communion in your home.



The David Wilcox Leadership Award

honors the service and leadership of the Rev. Dr. David Wilcox within the United Methodist Church and as a trustee of MTSO. It recognizes graduating students preparing for ministry in the context of the local church. The recipients must reflect characteristics of servant-leadership within the MTSO community and in church ministry, and show promise to become leaders in judicatory connections.

Claudine Leary has recently been appointed coordinator for development at MTSO. In addition to receiving the Wilcox Award, she was chosen to deliver the baccalaureate sermon. Leary was commissioned as a United Methodist elder during June's West Ohio Annual Conference. Claudine was the special guest speaker for United Methodist Women Sunday at Wooster UMC.

Adriane Curtis was recently appointed pastor of Royal Center United Methodist Church in Indiana. In addition to the Wilcox Award, she received an Interpretation Journal Award, presented to graduating students who are identified by faculty as having distinguished themselves in biblical and theological studies.



David Wilcox Leadership Award Recipients

Celebrating at MTSO's commencement May 24 are (from left) Adriane Curtis, David Wilcox and Claudine Leary. Graduates Curtis and Leary are the 2014 and first recipients. Rev. Wilcox is chair of the MTSO Board of Trustees.

"The Green Thing"

11 Ingenious Uses for Eggshells

After your eggs are scrambled, think twice before you toss their shells in the trash.

1. Add them to your compost pile. Eggshells quickly decompose, and add valuable calcium and other minerals to the soil in the process.

2. Control pests in your garden. Scatter crushed shells around your plants and flowers to help deter plant-eating slugs, snails, and cutworms without using pesticides. Plus, deer hate the smell of eggs, so the shells also help keep Bambi away from your begonias.

3. Include them when you make coffee. Add an eggshell to coffee grounds in the filter, and your morning cup will taste less bitter. Afterward, toss the filter, grounds, and shells into your compost bin.

4. Start seedlings. Fill eggshell halves with potting soil to prep seedlings for the garden. Try starting a dozen tomato seedlings in carton on your windowsill before transplanting them to the garden in the spring.

5. Clean your house. Shake crushed eggshells and a little soapy water into hard-to-clean items like thermoses and vases. Crushed eggshells can also be used as a nontoxic abrasive on pots and pans.

6. Get crafty. Blow out the inside of a raw egg and decorate the hollow shell so you can display a DIY piece of art. Pieces of egg shell are also great for mosaic art projects.

7. Mold Jell-O or chocolate. Carefully fill blown out eggshells with JJulyell-o or chocolate to make unique egg-shaped treats. Peel away the shell mold before serving, or serve as is and let your guests discover the surprise inside.

8. Keep your drain clear. A couple crushed eggshells in your kitchen sink strainer will trap solids, and keep them from clogging your pipes. And as the shells gradually break up, they'll scour your pipes on their way down the drain.

9. Don't forget the membrane. The super-thin membrane inside the eggshell has long been used as a home remedy for everyday ailments, like protecting cuts and treating ingrown toenails.

10. Treat skin irritation. Dissolve an eggshell in a small jar of apple cider vinegar (it takes about two days) and use the calcium-rich mixture to treat minor skin irritations and itches.

11. Put on a mask. Pulverize dried egg shells with a mortar and pestle, and combine the powder with an egg white to use as a skin-tightening face mask. Allow it to dry before rinsing it off. By Good Housekeeping Jeff Yeager



*We do not inherit the Earth
from our ancestors, we borrow
it from our children. ~ Native
American Proverb*



Brought to you by the Membership/Evangelism Commission to honor and care for members of Wooster UMC. The list below shows members who have a birthday in the **month of July**. This list is taken from our membership database. If there is an omission or correction, please call the office and we will update our information. Each member on the list will receive a birthday card and then a phone call to extend birthday blessings—sometime during the month of their birth.

7/1 Ryan Reid	7/9 Bill Courson	7/14 Jean Brugger	7/24 Gwen Prince
7/1 Sean Young	7/9 Sheila Davenport	7/15 Joel Beckler	7/24 Mary Lou Pavelschak
7/2 Julie Beckett	7/9 Hal Perry	7/16 Anjali Harris	7/25 Brian Cramer
7/2 J. D. Milliken	7/9 Wendy Brisbine	7/16 Jay VanSickle	7/26 James Kirk
7/2 Richard Kinney	7/11 Joe Harris	7/17 Alex Hamilton	7/26 Larisa Fiorita
7/2 Treva McConahay	7/12 Matthew Maibach	7/18 Tommy Rutledge	7/26 Jenny Bremenour
7/3 Linda Smith	7/12 Cathy Mallery	7/18 Carl Johnson	7/27 Jack Sleek
7/3 Jeff Souers	7/12 Inez Shirer	7/20 Carol Stewart	7/28 Nicholas Miller
7/3 Charlotte Crater	7/12 Verna	7/20 John Maibach	7/28 Scott Courson
7/3 Megan Wilhelm	Oehlschlager	7/21 Lori Jones	7/28 Harry Weckesser
7/3 Adrian Eriksen	7/12 Keith Beckett	7/21 Rick Johnson	7/28 Meera Harris
7/3 Diane DiDonato	7/13 Ishwar Harris	7/21 Janet Gallander	7/28 Matt Mackey
7/4 Tom Smailes	7/13 Deb Packard	7/22 Leanna Packard	7/28 Hayley Miller
7/5 Meg Maurer	7/13 Katie Helmuth	7/22 Tod Carmony	7/28 John Knapp
7/6 Clint Eriksen	7/13 Adam Barnard	7/22 John Lilburn	7/29 Mark Holdredge
7/6 Peggy Gralinski	7/13 Evan Barnard	7/23 Sarah Beck	7/30 Allison Cramer
7/7 Taylor Courson	7/13 Elizabeth Wilcox	7/23 Kim Beckler	7/30 Larry Oxenrider
7/7 Catherine Freed	7/14 Moni Sanders	7/23 Judy Delaney	7/30 Kate Estrop
7/8 Rachel Myers	7/14 Bob Reynolds	7/24 Sam Sifferlin	7/30 Fred Buscher
7/8 Gretchen Souers	7/14 Paul France	7/24 Bert Wolfe	7/30 Connie Guthrie

Back to school!

Stephen Leslie, our organist, will begin a program at Houghton College this fall leading to a Master's Degree in Collaborative Piano. Staff Parish Committee is very supportive of Stephen in this endeavor, and is granting him release time in order to pursue this opportunity. This program will enhance Stephen's effectiveness as our organist and choir accompanist.

Stephen will still be on the organ bench about half the Sundays during the program. Tim Mann, who is also an outstanding organist, will be filling in on Sundays when Stephen is gone. He has substituted for Stephen in the past (including accompaniment of the choir), when Stephen had knee surgery. This arrangement will not necessitate any increases in the church budget.



Dr. Sharon Johnson and Stephen Leslie at Spoons Deli for lunch in June. This fall Sharon will become his mentor and teacher of collaborative piano at Houghton College in Houghton, New York.

YOUTH NEWS

