



Our Mission: To make new disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world!

November 2019, Rev. Jody Baker, Pastor

Pastor's Front Page Message (from yearly report)

Wildare UMC has been blessed in 2019 to grow in Christ and share the Gospel in our community and world. Every year, every moment faces new challenges to not just remain relevant but to be a leader in cultural change for the Kingdom. We are emphasizing the importance of God's Word and the desperate need to share the Gospel is taught here but we must GO as we are the carriers, the heralds, of this Good News. We can't just be a church comfortable staying within the 4 walls but must go into "all the world." In 2020, we will still seek to CONNECT inwardly, work to CONNECT outwardly that we may all CONNECT upward with our Lord and Savior.

Connecting within has been an area of strength for Wildare and we have again seen many blessings here. Our facilities remain a great tool to minister. Both of our worship services are growing and bringing in new visitors weekly. Our Bibles studies are strong and foundational for our discipleship. These studies are for people of all ages. We continue to host egg hunts, Upwards Basketball (reaching 120+ children), children's ministries, baptism services, VBS, hosting Head Start preschool program, Night to Shine prom, Alpha small groups and more each helping us serve those who are here and who visit. We always strive to glorify God with our resources. The Family Life Center is rented out for community usage welcoming many people in the building who may have never come in otherwise. Community dinners and hosting outside groups help us connect with many.

Connecting outwardly has been a priority in 2019. "Send us, we will go!" We gave over \$100,000 of our 2018 giving to mission and ministry beyond the four walls of Wildare. Again we give this year to bless missionaries and local ministries. We continue to serve with at least 17 missionaries/missions with prayer and finances and collect special offerings for local families support. We are now an Operation Christmas Child drop off center for the region and have a team in place. We have sent dozens of people on short term mission trips to Central America, Puerto Rico and other locations. We gave out again over 100 mugs/gifts this past year connecting visitors. Ministry continued in homes, schools, laundromats, mission fields and more saying "Yes!" to our call to GO! We continue to invest outward in areas such as Kairos prison ministry, Koinonia, Bella and other local ministries.

Opportunities such as The Basement Outreach and Night to Shine Prom has connected newer members into ministry as well as blessing families in Warren area and beyond. We also sent 12 servants to Royal Family Kids Camp, allowing us to spend a week at camp serving foster children.

Connecting Upward is ultimately our priority for without God, we are "dead in our transgressions" and the Church serves no purpose. We call upon the Lord for vision and mission on how to practically share Christ with the world. Also, if we adhere to the greatest commandment, to love God and also love others, more people will "connect" to God. We seek God and expect the Holy Spirit to fill us and send us that more may connect upward to our Lord. Everything we do and are about seeks to point towards God. We want to grow in worship, our prayer lives, and in our Bible studies by offering more to reach more. We desire to make more disciples and each grow spiritually. We want to nurture members and visitors by making them feel welcome through God's love. We also must GO into our world to take this Upward love outward! We are so blessed to experience God's grace here and seek to grow and make disciples of Christ at Wildare into 2020. Lord give us 2020 vision!

In Christ's Grip,

Pastor Jody

Nursery Schedule for November:

11:00 am

3 Sara & Emily C
10 Patti & Ellie
17 Beth & Abbey
24 Hope & MiKayla

9:00 am

As Needed

Toddler Schedule for November:

11:00 am

3 Shelly & Ellie
10 Shelly & Serenity
17 Shelly & Maddy
24 Shelly & Micah

9:00 am

Robin
Katie
Bev
Bev

Jr. Church Schedule 4 years-Grade 5

Christmas Program practice will begin on Sunday, November 3rd during the 11:00 Jr Church time. The kids will meet in the sanctuary. If you have any questions, contact Jen Nolan, Trish Shafer, or Shelly Steffey.

Come Visit Us Online at Our Church Website

www.wildareunitedmethodistchurch.com
Information about upcoming ministry, download our church phone app, online giving, our weekly sermons on video and more!

Coffee with Pastor

If you want to meet the pastor, are interested in our church membership, have faith questions or more, see Pastor after both services each Sunday in connector to share.

Youth News

Bring a Friend!!

Sun. Nov. 3 - Ignite Youth/Alpha 6:00-8:00 pm
Sun. Nov. 10 - Ignite Youth/Alpha 6:00-8:00 pm
Sun. Nov. 17 - Ignite Youth/Alpha 6:00-8:00 pm
Sun. Nov. 24 - Ignite Youth/Alpha 6:00-8:00 pm

Dinner will be served at 5:30 each night!

All events away from church require a permission slip and medical information on file

For more information on our youth activities, go to Ignite Wildare Youth Ministries @ igniteWYM
Facebook Twitter Instagram



ALPHA CONTINUES!

This adventure takes place each Sunday evening at 5:30pm through November with a meal and then video lesson and small group discussion about the basics of Christianity. It is designed that everyone to invite a friend that wants to know more about Christ. Please continue praying about your participation and who God would ask you to invite!



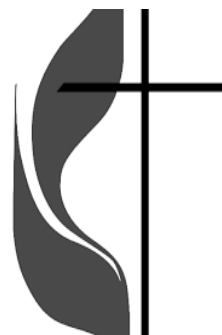
Wildare Retirees

We will meet at 10:00 am in the parking lot of the Family Life Center on Tuesday, November 5th to travel to Kraynaks to look at the Christmas displays, followed by lunch at the Golden Corral.

Upcoming Meetings

Admin Board Meeting

Thursday, November 21 @ 7:00 pm



Recording Our Faithfulness for the month of October (four Sundays):

Average Sunday School Attendance: 43
Average Worship Attendance: 139
Average of Tithes & Offerings: \$4372.00
Weekly budgeted amount needed: \$5478.00
Giving YTD \$211,698.00

Wildare Walkers

The walkers will meet every Monday, Wednesday, & Friday at 8:30 am in the Family Life Center!

Everyone is welcome!

United Methodist Women Operation Christmas Child

The UMW would like to remind you of their annual Operation Christmas Child "Shoe Box Ministry". You have about three weeks to collect your items. The last day to return your box will be November 24th. You can get a box in the connector or provide one of your own.



Ingathering Offering

This year's Ingathering Offering will benefit a 'home mission' called the Pastor's Discretionary Fund. It is an available source to help the needs of people in our church family and community, typically in Emergency situations. This fund allows for quick distribution vs. our Church Board's approval in order to help our neighbors immediately. The following is the list of areas that funds mostly go towards.

- Emergency Food
- Emergency Clothing
- Medical Emergencies
- Emergency Utilities
- Emergency Housing

The funds are not for the pastor's personal use. Some examples of previous needs are heat bills, food/clothing after a house fire, furnace repair, rent payment assistance, etc.

The Ingathering Offering will be received on Ingathering Sunday, November 24.

Upward Basketball

We need volunteers for coaching and referees. The refs will get paid \$10 a game!! Coaches will get one complimentary sign-up. Registration and sizing dates will be November 6th 6-8pm and November 20th 6-8pm. There will not be any evaluations this year! This is for girls and boys 4 years-4th grade (or 11 yrs through March 2020). Cost is \$75 per player. Registration after 12/1/19 will be \$85. Contact Shelly @ maxcat71@aol.com or ph# 330-219-6251 OR text Abby @ 330-974-5588 or Abbylavalliere@gmail.com



Night to Shine Special Needs Prom

Please consider helping serve at our next Night to Shine prom. We had an amazing evening at our last prom and this year will be even better. Please plan to attend our next planning meeting Nov 3rd at 1pm in the FLC.

The Night to Shine Prom will be Feb 7, 2020 here!

Help Needed!

We are in need of additional help in the Children's Church areas (nursery, toddlers, Jr Church)! If you are willing/able to serve in this way **ONE** Sunday every three months, please let Bev Kappas or Hope know. You can call the church office

@ 330-637-5000 or email
@ wildareumc@neohio.twcbc.com

Basement Ministry Opportunities

Two events with the Basement Outreach are coming and we need your help! Monday Nov 11 and Tuesday Nov 12 evenings we will prepare and serve a meal in Warren. AND Saturday Dec 7th from 9am till 3pm we are invited to serve at the Basement's annual **Blessed to be a Blessing** event distributing food to over 200 families. Volunteer meeting for event is 12/3 6pm at 1979 Hazelwood SE Warren, OH + RSVPs to help are needed. See Pastor Jody today if interested in these opportunities.

Thanksgiving Food Drive

We will be collecting non-perishable food items until November 17th for the Champion Pride Council. They will be making food baskets to give out to area families in need this Thanksgiving. If you would like to contribute a monetary donation for them to buy gift certificates so they can purchase a turkey, please place in an envelope marked "food drive" and put in offering plate. If you or someone you know is in need, please contact the ministry office at 330-637-5000 to inquire about receiving a basket. A box for food donations can be found in the connector.



Feeding the Community

Blood Drive

Our next blood drive is December 10th from noon to 6pm. We feature delicious food and desserts generously donated by our Church family to entice donors to come, we admit it! Don't be afraid, come on out and at least eat with us. In the last 2 years we have had 9 blood drives, and collected 271 units. Thank You!!! And please continue to donate those yummy foods, and rolling up your sleeves!!



BAMA (Bristol Area Ministerial Association)
Thanksgiving worship will be held on Sunday, November 17th at 6pm at Johnston Federated UMC followed by fellowship. BAMA is our local churches in ministry together and this praise service will consist of different churches sharing in song. If you would like to share a song on this evening, please let Pastor Jody know a.s.a.p.

Thanksgiving Service

Thanksgiving Breakfast

Join us for our annual Thanksgiving breakfast at 8:00 am thanksgiving morning in the Family Life Center. There will be a place on the attendance slip for the next few weeks to rsvp. Just mark how many from your household will be attending. You need to do this only ONE Sunday!



Decorating for Christmas

On Sunday, November 24th we will be decorating the sanctuary and connector after the 9:00 service and the Family Life Center after the 11:00 service. We could use your help! Contact Mary Sue with any questions!



Mitten/Hat/Scarf/Sock Tree

We will have one tree in the connector for all of these items to be hung on once we get decorated for Christmas. Then they will be taken to the Warren Family mission. Items are due by Sunday, December 8th.



Christmas Caroling

Save the date: Sunday, December 8th for caroling. We will meet at the church at 3pm and split into caroling teams to go sing at nursing homes and assisted living homes. Contact Sherry Leasure with any questions.



Advent Readers

Christmas is coming and we need your help as an advent reader during our worship services each Sunday throughout the season. You and your family are invited to share by reading part of the Christmas story during service. Readings will be distributed in advance. Please indicate your interest on sign-up sheet, coming soon!

Poinsettias

If you would like to bring in a poinsettia to help decorate the altar before Christmas, please do so on Sunday, December 15th and place on altar in the sanctuary. You can take back home with you after Christmas Eve service.

Breakfast With Santa Youth Missions Fundraiser

Save the date: Saturday December 7th from 8:30am-10:30 am in the Family Life Center. Bring your camera and take your own pictures!!

If you are able to help with this or have any questions contact Lynn Carlson!

Children's Christmas Program

This year's Christmas Program will be on Sunday, December 15th, during a COMBINED 10:30 am worship service in the Family Life Center. Practice will begin on November 3rd. The children will still meet in the sanctuary at 11:00 am for a short worship before starting practice. If you want your child/children to participate in this year's program, it is imperative that they are here for the practices and rehearsals!! Contact Jen Nolan, Trish Shafer, or Shelly Steffey with any questions!





ANNIVERSARIES

NOVEMBER:

- 4 Frank and Beth Kuligowski
- 11 Mark and Michelle Murray
- 18 Bill and Cindy Passek
- 19 Murray and Lynda Boucher

BIRTHDAYS

NOVEMBER:

- 1 Hope List
- 3 Maebree Fabian
- 4 Rick Papp, Betty Molinatto
Mark Kaiser, Melissa McCauley
- 5 Robert Vesey,
Ellie Marshall
- 6 John Candelaria
- 7 Aidan Scott
- 8 Margie Papp, Tony Zendarski
- 9 Elliana Muresan
- 11 Leo Pierce
- 12 Karen Vitale
- 14 Jim Stear
- 15 Paige Mancini
- 16 Barb Armstrong,
Remington & Reagan Whiting
- 17 Terry Muresan, Diane Mokri
- 18 Cindy Passek
- 19 Vicki Lewis
- 20 Shirley Vesey
- 21 Nicole Parry
- 24 Tami Muresan,
Samuel Waldman
- 26 Eileen Boyd
- 28 Kathleen Kistler, Kirk Vondrasek,
Amelia Fike
- 29 James Kistler, Jack Rasmussen
Joshua Scott
- 30 Wes Campbell

Coming In Worship

Journey thru Luke:

11/3/19 - Luke 4:1-13 The Devil's Ploy + Communion

11/10/19 - Luke 4:14 -22+24 Hometown Heresy?

11/17/19 - Luke 4:31-37 What do you want with us, Jesus?

11/24/19 - Luke 4:38-44 Give Thanks to the Lord



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Wildare U.M. Church

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Sunday School Classes

For all ages at 10:10 am

Morning Worship at

9:00 am (Traditional - Sanctuary) &

11:00 am (Contemporary - FLC)

Come as you are!!

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Happy Thanksgiving!

Have fun coloring and bring your completed picture back to church and we will hang it up!