

WILLIAMSBURG UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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FEBRUARY 2008 NEWSLETTER

WEATHER CANCELLATION POLICY

Snow emergency:

Level 1 & Level 2

We will hold activities for those who feel it is safe for them to venture out.

Level 3

ALL Sunday activities (including worship) are cancelled.

MEETINGS:

If Williamsburg Local Schools are closed, ALL weekday and evening meeting will be cancelled (unless you are notified otherwise.)

YOUTH NOTES:

Sunday, February 10th 2:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.
DEAD SERIOUS ABOUT LIFE is a drama about teen life. Meet at church at 2:00 p.m. in order to travel to Bethel High School or meet there before 3:00 p.m. Cost of the ticket is \$8.00. Returning to church immediately following the performance.

Sunday, February 10th at 7:00 p.m. Information meeting in Youth Room about a Bahamas Mission Trip. The youth will be traveling to Nassau, Bahamas for a mission trip August 3rd – 9th. If you are interested in going plan to attend this meeting.

Saturday, February 16th 9:00 a.m. – 8:30 p.m.
SNOW DAY!!! Skiing or Snowboarding at Perfect North Slopes in Indiana cost for a lift ticket & rental is \$65.00. Bring money for food or pack your lunch. We will stop at Ryan's Steakhouse on the way home.

Sunday, February 17th 5:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.
CrossRoads Revolution (Bonnie's D- group will be cooking dinner for everyone) in Youth Room. A special for the drama team, a message about healthy loving relationships and a Wii sports tournament.

Sunday, February 24th and Sunday, March 2nd
5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. CrossRoads Drama group presents "AND SO THEY HAD NONE" a mystery dinner theater event in Fellowship Hall. Tickets will be \$15.00 for adults and \$10.00 for students, kids under 5 are free. There will be an auction proceeds to go for the Bahamas Mission Trip. Plan to come and enjoy an evening of fellowship and fun.

NEW DIRECTORY & ROSTER

Those Church members & friends that had your pictures taken last fall (2006), your directory is in the church office. Please cross your name off the master list when you pick up your directory. Church members & friends who already have their directory can pick up updated rosters & picture supplements for your Directory.

Nurture and Congregational Care

Prayer Team Contacts:

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Those in Residential Care Centers:

Eleanor Piffer

Eastgate Spring of Cincinnati Health Care Center
4400 Gleneste-Withamsville, Cinn. OH 45245

Mary Bare

The Arbors of Milford
5900 Meadowcreek Drive Room #315A
Milford, Ohio 45150

Wanda Merkle

Batavia Nursing & Convalescent Inn,
4000 Golden Age Drive, Batavia, OH 45103

Verna Burger

Locust Ridge Nursing Home
12745 Elm Corner Rd, Williamsburg, OH 45176

Hazel Cox

Eastgate Spring of Cincinnati Health Care Center
4400 Gleneste-Withamsville, Cinn. OH 45245

Sam Maham

Villa Georgetown Nursing Home,
8065 Dr. Faul Road, Georgetown, OH 45121

Those in Retirement Centers:

May Marshall

Eastgate Village Apt #110
776 Old St. Rt. 74, Cincinnati OH 45245

Those who are restricted at home:

Kitty Arwine

3982 St Rt. 133, Williamsburg, OH 45176

Gene Wilson

2840 Old St. Rt. 32, Batavia, OH 45103

Rosella Toft

4289 Dela Palma Rd, Williamsburg, Oh 45176

Ruth Lytle

159 S. 2nd St., Williamsburg, OH 45176

Dick Forney

1302 Forest Glen Ave, Batavia, OH 45103

Charles Kirk

P.O. Box 467, Williamsburg, OH 45176

Those who are undergoing treatments:

Jerry Burger

4068 Tollgate Road, Batavia, Ohio 45103

FROM OHIO RIVER VALLEY DISTRICT

To the Saints at Williamsburg United Methodist Church:

We rejoice with you that your faithful stewardship has made it possible for you to pay 100% of your 2007 District/Mission Foundation apportionments. We give thanks to God for the lives that are changed through the ministries supported with apportionments. May God's rich blessings be upon you.

Thank You

Thank you everyone for your calls, cards and prayers for Jean and myself after my little accident. God Bless, Bob & Jean Hancock

I wish to thank the Church Choir and the SPRC (WUMC) for the Christmas gifts. Thank you so much. It is much appreciated. Ruth White, Organist.

To My Church Family,
Thank you for the gift at Christmas. I have several ideas where I can use it.
Love, Elma

I would like to thank you for your gift at Christmas. I appreciate your thoughtfulness.
Bonnie Carson

Sending a Prayer of thanks to God and a note of thanks to you. For your thoughtfulness, my Christmas gift was wonderful. I would also, like to Thank you for the cards, calls, food and visits during my foot surgery and recovery. May God Bless you. Love and Prayers, Cindy Gregory

Thank you for the gifts, cards and tokens of caring & friendship at the Christmas season.
Deb & Duane Kemerley

I would like to personally thank the Chancel Choir, the United Methodist Women, The Staff Pastor Parish Committee, and all of those who gave myself and my family the wonderful gifts this Christmas. You all have touched our lives in so many ways.
Love, Jill Oetzel

Women's Christian Fellowship Group

The next Women's Christian Fellowship Group will meet on Monday, February 11, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Tracy Taylor will lead the devotions. Mark your calendar, invite a friend, and plan to attend!
Pat Louiso and Betsy Foreman
Group Leaders

THANK YOU

Rita Abrams for your presentation on Herbal Teas! The selection of herbs you provided made the making of many different combinations of flavors a treat. It was very interesting and everyone enjoyed making their own tea bags by ironing them closed. What a wonderful Blessing, Thank You.

LOOKING AHEAD

The Women's Christian Fellowship Group will host a scrapbooking seminar on Monday, March 3 at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Plan to attend for an evening of fellowship and Fun!

Save the Date – March 2, 2008 Habitat for Humanity's 20th Annual Community Benefit Auction

The Community Benefit Auction will be held on **March 2, 2008 at 6:00 P.M.** in the Great Hall of Milford First United Methodist Church, 541 Main St. Milford, OH 45150. The Missions team is now securing donated services and items from the community and local businesses for the auction. Past items included dinners, theme baskets, baby sitting, boat trips, gourmet baked goods, sporting tickets, artwork, symphony tickets, celebrity autographed items and much more. Your imagination and talents are what makes this event a success! Donation forms in Welcome Center. For information or to donate you may contact O'Neal Johnston (Tel/Fax: 831-1758; email: onealj1@aol.com).

Men's Breakfast

The second and fourth Sunday of each month the Men will be gathering for a breakfast at Mama's Grill at 7:30 am. We will be discussing the book "Epic" by John Eldredge. The book presents how we fit into the story of Christ and God and how we are a part of the whole drama being played out by God. We will attempt to discuss a chapter a week and they are very short chapters. This is a very good book and is well worth the time-spent reading. The book is available at the Family Christian Book store and probably at Border's and possibly at Sam's. It is a small book and is economical in price. If there are any questions please contact Jim Taylor at 724-3368 or 382-5265 or just show up at 7:30 am.

Community Concerns & Missions

Human Relations Day is the Sunday before Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday observance. It rallies support for Community Developers, United Methodist Voluntary Services and Youth Offender Rehabilitation programs.

Teen Challenge is a nationally recognized facility located in Milford, Ohio. It is a faith based treatment center founded in 1972. Teen Challenge Cincinnati focuses on drug and alcohol rehabilitation for young men 18 to 35 by means of a 9 to 12 month, highly disciplined and morally centered, residency program. In order to meet the unique needs in the students' lives, the focus is on their spiritual, mental and physical rehabilitation. They operate at a capacity of 34 men who undergo radical, deep character transformation. Students go through intensive studies, receive their GED if necessary, participate in occupational therapy, and receive life equipping skills along with job placement opportunities. Most of the support for Teen Challenge Cincinnati comes from private supporters.

Upcoming events and information:

FEBRUARY 2008

DAY	TIME	LOCATION	EVENT (additional information listed below as available)
1 Fr	7:00 PM	Worship Center	Scout Practice
2 Sa	9:00 AM	Fellowship Hall & Kitchen	Basket Class
	2:00 PM	Fellowship Hall	Handbell Session
	TBA	Worship Center	Rising Tides Practice
3 Su	Last Sunday after the Epiphany	Worship Center	Scout Sunday
		Usual Sunday Morning Schedule (see back of page)	
	4:30 – 9:30 p.m.	Youth Room	CrossRoads Student Ministries Super Bowl Party (Bring a pot of Chili or dessert)
	6:30 PM	Worship Center	NO Sing-a-long Gang
	7:00 PM	Fellowship Hall	NO Handbells Practice
4 M	7:00 PM	Room # 205	Cub Scout Pack # 84 (2 nd grade) Meeting
5 Tu	2:30 PM	Youth Room	6 th Grade After School Group (Bring money for snack)
	7:00 PM	Room # 205	Cub Scout Pack # 84 (3 rd grade) Meeting
6 W	ASH WEDNESDAY		
	10:00 AM	Fellowship Hall	Bible Study
	2:30 PM	Williamsburg High School	Quilting Outreach Ministry
	3:30 PM	Fellowship Hall	Tutoring
	7:00 PM	Worship Center	Choir Practice
	7:00 PM	Room # 205	Cub Scout Tigers (4 th Grade) Meeting
7 Th	Last Day for bulletin information to be turned into the Office for this week		
	3:30 PM	Youth Room	5 th Grade After School Group (Bring \$3.00 for an after school snack)
	3:30 PM	Fellowship Hall	Tutoring
	6:00 PM	Fellowship Hall	CrossRoads Student Ministries Hosting MRDD Bingo
8 Fr	9:00 PM	Youth Room	Boy Scouts staying all night
9 Sa	TBA	Worship Center	Rising Tides Practice
10 Su	1 ST Sunday in Lent		
		Usual Sunday Morning Schedule (see back of page)	
	7:30 a.m.	Mama's Grill	Men's Breakfast Meet (Jim Taylor 724-3368)
	6:00 p.m.	Jim & Tracy Taylor	Introduction to the New Testament Bible Study
	2:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.	Bethel High School	DEAD SERIOUS ABOUT LIFE is a drama about teen life.
	6:30 PM	Worship Center	Sing-a-long Gang
	7:00 PM	Fellowship Hall	Handbells Practice
	7:00 p.m.	Youth Room	Information meeting about a Bahamas Mission Trip.
11 M	7:00 PM	Fellowship Hall	Women's Christian Fellowship Group
	7:00 PM	Room # 205	Cub Scout Pack # 84 (2 nd grade) Meeting
12 Tu	2:30 PM	Youth Room	6 th Grade After School Group (Bring money for snack)
	7:00 PM	Parlor	Trustees Meeting (possible)
	7:00 PM	Room # 205	Cub Scout Pack # 84 (3 rd grade) Meeting
13 W	10:00 AM	Fellowship Hall	Bible Study
	1:00 PM	Fellowship Hall	Williamsburg United Methodist Women
	2:30 PM	Williamsburg High School	Quilting Outreach Ministry
	3:30 PM	Fellowship Hall	Tutoring
	7:00 PM	Worship Center	Choir Practice
	7:00 PM	Room # 205	Cub Scout Tigers (4 th Grade) Meeting
14 Th	Last Day for bulletin information to be turned into the Office for this week		
	3:30 PM	Youth Room	5 th Grade After School Group (Bring \$3.00 for an after school snack)
	3:30 PM	Fellowship Hall	Tutoring
15 Fr	MARCH Newsletter Deadline		
16 Sa	TBA	Worship Center	Rising Tides Practice
	9:00 a.m. – 8:30 p.m.	Perfect North Slopes in Indiana	SNOW DAY!!! Skiing or Snowboarding
17 Su	2 nd Sunday in Lent		
		Usual Sunday Morning Schedule (see back of page)	
	5:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.	Youth Room	CrossRoads Revolution
	6:00 p.m.	Jim & Tracy Taylor	Introduction to the New Testament Bible Study
	6:30 PM	Worship Center	Sing-a-long Gang
	7:00 PM	Fellowship Hall	Handbells Practice
18 M	Presidents Day		
	7:00 PM	Room # 205	Cub Scout Pack # 84 (2 nd grade) Meeting
	7:00 PM	Worship Center	Choir Practice
19 Tu	2:30 PM	Youth Room	6 th Grade After School Group (Bring money for snack)
	7:00 PM	Room # 205	Cub Scout Pack # 84 (3 rd grade) Meeting

20 W	10:00 AM	Fellowship Hall	Bible Study
	2:30 PM	Williamsburg High School	Quilting Outreach Ministry
	3:30 PM	Fellowship Hall	Tutoring
	7:00 PM	Worship Center	NO Choir Practice
	7:00 PM	Room # 205	Cub Scout Tigers (4 th Grade) Meeting
21 Th	Last Day for bulletin information to be turned into the Office for this week		
	3:30 PM	Youth Room	5 th Grade After School Group (Bring \$3.00 for an after school snack)
	3:30 PM	Fellowship Hall	Tutoring
23 Sa	TBA	Worship Center	Rising Tides Practice
24 Su	3 rd Sunday in Lent Usual Sunday Morning Schedule (see below)		
	7:30 a.m.	Mama's Grill	Men's Breakfast Meet (Jim Taylor 724-3368)
	5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	Fellowship Hall	CrossRoads Drama group presents "AND SO THEY HAD NONE" a mystery dinner theater event
	6:00 p.m.	Jim & Tracy Taylor	Introduction to the New Testament Bible Study
	6:30 PM	Worship Center	Sing-a-long Gang
	7:00 PM	Fellowship Hall	Handbells Practice
25 M	7:00 PM	Room # 205	Cub Scout Pack # 84 (2 nd grade) Meeting
26 Tu	2:30 PM	Youth Room	6 th Grade After School Group (Bring money for snack)
	7:00 PM	Room # 205	Cub Scout Pack # 84 (3 rd grade) Meeting
	7:00 PM	Fellowship Hall	Finance Meeting
27 W	10:00 AM	Fellowship Hall	Bible Study
	2:30 PM	Williamsburg High School	Quilting Outreach Ministry
	3:30 PM	Fellowship Hall	NO Tutoring
	7:00 PM	Worship Center	Choir Practice
	7:00 PM	Room # 205	Cub Scout Tigers (4 th Grade) Meeting
28 Th	Last Day for bulletin information to be turned into the Office for this week		
	3:30 PM	Youth Room	5 th Grade After School Group (Bring \$3.00 for an after school snack)
	3:30 PM	Fellowship Hall	Tutoring

Usual Sunday Morning Schedule:	9:00 AM	Worship and Praise
	10:00 AM	Classes and Groups
	11:00 AM	Worship and Praise

The deadline for the newsletter will be the 15th of the month if you have something you would like to put in the newsletter you can fax 724-6318, e-mail wburgumc@aol.com or drop it by the office.

<p>CHECK OUT ON OUR WEBSITE, www.williamsburgumc.com FOR UPCOMING EVENTS & ETC...</p>

The church office would like to keep everyone informed of our men and women serving in the armed forces. The information we would like to post is the rank the service person holds and where he/she is stationed with the address. Give your information to the office, e-mail at wburgumc@aol.com fax 724-6318 or call 724-6305.

Service e-mail addresses: A1C Patrick Fender patch_fender@yahoo.com

10 MINUTES THAT COULD SAVE YOUR LIFE!

Do you have diabetes? Are your legs sore after walking a short distance? Are you over 55 years of age? If yes, YOU may want to consider being screened for peripheral arterial disease (PAD) risk. Life Line Screening screens for plaque build up in the legs as only 25% of the 8 million persons with PAD are receiving treatment: Williamsburg United Methodist Church is hosting a screening on Monday, March 10, 2008. Call 1-800-324-1851 for more information or to pre-register: The cost of this screening itself is \$45.00.

CONTRIBUTIONS MADE EASY: Save time, simplify your life, and support the church! In this new millennium the Church is keeping up with the times by offering our parishioners a new way to help our ministry. Our new electronic contribution program is an automatic funds transfer program that will allow you to make contributions without having to lift a pen to write a check or reach into your wallet for cash! Here is how it works: you authorize a specified amount of money to be electronically transferred directly from your checking or savings account to the Church account. You also specify the frequency of the transfer to allow you to keep your check register up to date. It is fast, safe, and easy! In fact, it is less risky than checks, as it cannot be lost, stolen, or destroyed in the mail. The electronic transfer will cost you NOTHING. You save the cost of the check. The Church will issue you a donation statement for you tax records, and your bank statements will provide you with a record of transfer as additional proof of your contributions. Donations via electronic transfer can be made to our general fund, youth, missions, and trustee. Of course you can cancel you authorization of transfer at any time by notifying the church office in writing. But we believe that once you have enjoyed the convenience and savings of this new program, you will appreciate this optional way of contributing to your church!