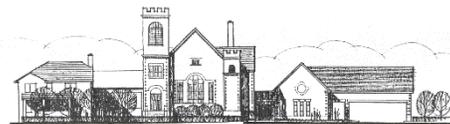


Canfield UMC Friendly Visitor

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Pastors Ponderings

Commissioned to Teach

You might not be aware of this, but as members of the Poland and Canfield United Methodist Church, you are commissioned to teach others about Jesus Christ and to make disciples of all nations. In the Church, we refer to this as the Great Commission. In the United Methodist Church, we take membership vows before God and one another to live into our prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness to be active in God's Kingdom. Read and take to heart the passage from Matthew 28:19-20 (NIV):

¹⁹Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely, I am with you always, to the very end of the age.

Starting on the first Sunday of November, we will be having a new membership class for both Poland and Canfield United Methodist Churches. The class will meet at 4 p.m. for eight weeks until December 21st. We will meet at Poland UMC for the first four weeks, and the remaining four weeks will be at Canfield UMC. Anyone interested in joining either church needs to attend the classes. Also, anyone wanting a refresher on their Christian faith and United Methodist traditions can be part of the class. Please contact Pastor Paul or the church offices if you are interested in joining the membership class. I look forward to connecting with everyone and living into the Great Commission that Jesus Christ taught us to share with one another and the world.

PEDAL WITH PASTOR PAUL
2nd and 4th Sundays
May - October
3:00 p.m.

2nd Sundays:
Stavich Trailhead
2913 West Washington St.
New Castle, PA

4th Sundays:
Metro Parks Bikeway Farm Trailhead
7574 Columbiana-Canfield Rd.
Canfield, OH

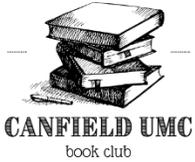
NEW TIME!
BURRITOS & BIBLES
TUESDAYS | 6:00 PM

LA CASA MEXICANA
7334 Market Street
Boardman, OH

WE'RE BACK!



Save the date...
Canfield UMC Annual Turkey Dinner
Monday, November 3rd



Canfield UMC Book Club will meet Thursday, October 16th at 4:30 p.m. with Lisa Zetts leading the discussion of [The Book Club for Troublesome Women](#) by Marie Bostwick.

Please bring suggestions for November and December.

OCTOBER Mission Focus: OPERATION BLESSING

Choose YOUR way to help our local mission: OPERATION BLESSING!

(a non-government funded food pantry distributing to Mahoning County families or individuals)

Why? To help those needing food assistance for a healthy and productive life.

Ways you can help:

1-Financial Donations

Checks: Operation Blessing, 140 W. Main St., Canfield, OH 44406

- To Operation Blessing for purchase of food being distributed each month
- To Operation Blessing for the upcoming Chicken Challenge
- To Operation Blessing for a Calendar (\$10 donation) featuring photos by Don Christensen



2-Physical Donations

- See list of items in bulletin insert (take it with you!). Place donations ANYTIME in wooden Operation Blessing box or on tables in hall by coat area/office
- Upcoming: Toys for Gift distribution in December (for any age and for family)

3-Come and Help

Join us on 2nd Thursday (9:30 a.m.) each month for packing and/or 3rd Thursday (9:30 a.m.) each month for distribution.

**Hear Ye, Hear Ye...
the gauntlet has been thrown down!**



Western Reserve United Methodist Church

vs.

Canfield United Methodist Church

are in a NECK and NECK competition to fund a chicken for every pot for Canfield Operation Blessings' Thanksgiving meal in a bag food drive!

Please help - 90 chickens are needed, no questions asked.

Please fill an envelope and put it in the chicken pot on the sanctuary table.

October 5th through November 9th

MISSIONS

A sincere thank you for all of the donations during the past 4 months! Stay-Mission Mission Trip, Vacation Bible School, Canfield Elementary Schools, and Animal Welfare League have been very thankful for your generosity!



Now we move on to Canfield Operation Blessing (COB), our local food cupboard. Non-perishable food items are always welcome, of course. A collection box is near the church office.

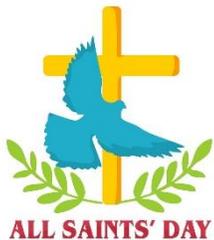
In October, we help COB with the CHICKEN CHALLENGE! This is an opportunity to donate money used to provide each family with a chicken at Thanksgiving. We will be in a competition with Western Reserve UMC & Canfield Presbyterian Church, for the coveted Chicken Challenge Trophy, from October 5 through November 9.

Then, in November, there is an opportunity to donate new toys and gifts for babies through 16 year olds as COB plans for TOYLAND in December.

Stay tuned for December's Christmas Giving Trees.
Once again, thank you so much for your donations. You are in mission to many!

The MISSIONS TEAM is open to anyone and all ages. Our next meetings will be after worship, in the Atrium, on October 5 and November 2.
Thank you, Jill Kercher, et al.

REMEMBERING THOSE WE HAVE LOST - ALL SAINTS DAY 2025



Preparations for All Saints Day on November 2nd are beginning now. We would like your help to identify those who have left us in the past year so we can include them in this special service. We will invite the families and loved ones to attend as we honor and remember those who have gone to their heavenly home. If you know of someone we should remember, please provide that name to Jeff in the church office as soon as possible.

Youth Events October and November

Events for Youth 5th Grade through 12th Grade:

October 12th 5-8 p.m. - Maze Craze (with Boardman and Vienna UMCs)
14070 Woodworth Rd. New Springfield, OH 44443

October 26th 6-7:30 p.m. - Combined Youth Group at Canfield UMC Game Night!

November 16th 3-5 p.m. - Project Feed at United Methodist Church of Kent

November 23rd 6-7:30 p.m. - Friendsgiving Youth Group Combined at Boardman UMC

Events for Families with Children from Preschool through 4th Grade:

October 19th 4-6 p.m. - Kutcha Farms

November 9th 5-7 p.m. - Family Game Night!

Canfield United Methodist Church
27 South Broad Street
Canfield OH 44406

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

Non-profit
Organization
Permit 19
Salem OH

	<p>JOIN US!</p> <p>Worship 9:00AM</p> <p>Address: 27 S. Broad Street Canfield, OH 44406 330.533.9801</p> <p>Email: office@canfieldumc.org</p> <p>Web: www.canfieldumc.org</p> <p>Facebook: facebook.com/CanfieldUMC/</p>	 <p>Sue Bell, Donna Bricker, The family of Ceil Gill, Ron Musgrove Jr., Ron Musgrove Sr., Birdie Reinhart, Debbie Schrock, and Donnie Yoho.</p> <p>Our members at home.</p>
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