

Wright's United Methodist Church
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Our Mission at Wright's United Methodist Church
is to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

Worship with us
Sunday morning, 9:30am
or
Join us at the
Wright's Faith Café
on Saturday evenings
at 6:30 pm
in the Fellowship Hall
(dates on calendar)

...from the Pastor's Pen

Acts 2:17 *"In the last days, God says, I will pour out my spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, your old men will dream dreams".*

The month of September brings back to school and fall weather and schedules, but for both Wrights and Edwards we celebrated "All-church Picnics", that I thought were both amazing! At Edwards we trekked over to Mingo Park labor day Sunday, Celebrated morning worship underneath the tabernacle as we enjoyed the smells of a charcoal fire and stuffed cabbage in a crockpot. I always enjoy celebrating Holy Communion in outdoor areas and can imagine Jesus and disciples breaking bread maybe feeding 5,000 or just a few, but in the sharing comes the very spirit of the Holy and sacred. Next was a buffet of picnic talents for all ages and a Hot dog is always better on a grill than in a microwave, with someone even bringing chili with mustard and onions. The temptation smells were well worth the wait and I couldn't help but smile playing the last hymn on the guitar. It was a little chilly and the big coffee urn was a blessing keeping us warm as we embarked on the next time honored picnic tradition...Number Bingo? I'm not really sure the name of the game but it's fun, and as the youngest children played on the nearby playground everyone leaves a winner! The Administrative Council of Edwards chapel has now set the last Sunday of August a steady date of Church Picnic and worship.

It was just last Sunday September 24th, that we celebrated our maybe final church picnic for this summer at Wrights. It was Hot. We had a summer of brown bag picnics and concerts this year but this last one which was officially fall on the calendar, but was hotter than any day this summer. Wrights was gifted by Edwards to allow our family to just stay at Wrights and enjoy the day's festivities. Immediately following the worship service we gathered downstairs and enjoyed watching the food crowd together on tables that would have to be smiling knowing the gifts and graces that were employed to make everything taste so good! Smoke from grilled burgers and devilled eggs were at opposite ends, but fit together just right next to a little potato salad and garden fresh Tubule from amazing cooks and friends. The next event of the day was something I've been dreaming about for four years. I have always dreamed and believed that if a church can eat and fellowship together sharing stories and recipes, and the sound of children playing was the background to our senior ones sitting in the shade and remembering what church was like when their children were young and active. And if that could happen and alongside a church softball game could happen...then I believe we captured God's vision for the church. It's a team sport. You have read that I'm sure on more than one church sign..."There is no I in Team". As good as the worship and the food was for me on Sunday, the old stories of the "Venetia team playing Hacket" was reborn again right before our eyes. Everybody that stayed played. Abigail and Julia at 6 yrs old fielded and batted and Mom challenged by Chemo at 80 played second base and batted twice. Two hits and a pinch runner it was like watching the Babe in his twilight of baseball. Wrights and Edwards have done a lot of great ministry over the years and now more than ever I think we are getting close to that vision of what the church can be at it's best.

A Peek Inside...

Church Work Day

Trunk or Treat

Romans in the Flesh

Flood and Health Buckets

MOSES

God Be With You,
Pastor Richard Roberts

Wright's Word

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Worship 9:30 A.M. Sunday
6:30 P.M. Saturday night
Sunday School 10:45 A.M.

Student Piano Concert

Sunday, October 8th, the piano students of Laura Roberts and Laura Mason will be performing in a “Practice-A-Thon Concert” here at Wrights UMC. By practicing the piano throughout September, students raised money to purchase UMCOR flood relief kit supplies. The concert will be at 3:00, followed by a Flood Bucket Packing Party. Please consider attending the concert to support their efforts.



All Saint's Sunday

November 5th 9:30AM worship. We will be honoring the lives of all our friends and workers in the vineyard who have passed since Nov 1, 2016 with lighting of candles, ringing the church bell and supporting the families in time of loss. Submit your names to Kathy-Jo.

Soup and Bake Sale



Tuesday November 7th is Election Day. WOW is looking for volunteers to provide soup & baked goods, as well as workers who could work a shift during the sale. A sign up sheet is located in the Narthex. If you have any questions please see Sharon Lytle – President of WOW.



Veteran's Day

Sunday November 12th we will recognize all veterans during worship. Please submit your name and branch of service to Kathy Jo by Sunday Oct 29th

Moment of Inspiration

That was the best \$26 I'd ever spent. Back and forth, back and forth in my “Air Swing” as the breeze tousles my hair and the motion reminds me of younger days. I remembered...

Dad nailed a plank to the 2 Black Locust trees and whipped the big hemp rope over and strategically tied a couple farmer knots. He brought the rough-sawed hunk of 2x6 from the garage with a hole drilled in each end of it to thread the frayed fiber of the thick rope. Finished! Being the oldest sibling I was the test pilot. Now that was a swing! You literally could swing into the tree tops.

I had all kinds of ideas and aspirations when I was young. I dreamed of owning wild horses and living in Colorado. I ate cucumber and bologna sandwiches. I rode my bike for miles down desolate dirt roads.

Now I sit in my swing. I wonder what is there left for me to do? I hardly dream because I hardly sleep. Take a little walk with a little dog? (I always wanted a Great Dane.) I help at the church if they ask me enough times.

But today in my swing I inhaled the fresh fall air and I saw leaves turning yellow. I knew that the days are going to get short for the season. Then I introspectively looked at my season. I asked God, “What should I do? What can I do?”

Be a blessing to others. Take someone to lunch. Send some cards. Find a walking friend. See something that needs to be done and ask, “Can I help?” Satisfaction doesn't come from what you do for yourself but what you do for others.

Matthew 25:40 “...I tell you, whenever you did this for one of the least important of these followers of mine, you did it for me!”
~Karen L.

Worship Opportunities

Worship Service

...his worshippers must worship in spirit and in truth. – John 4:24

Between Wrights and Edwards Chapel we offer three worship opportunities every weekend:

Sunday @ 9:30 AM – Family Worship at Wrights Children's church is available following the Children's message.

Sunday @ 11 AM – Family Worship at Edwards Chapel children's church is available following the Children's Message.

Saturday Night Faith Café is held 6:30 PM. Check calendar for selected dates.

INVITE SOMEONE TO JOIN US FOR WORSHIP

World Communion Sunday October 1

The key word for World Communion Sunday is communion, or unity. It is a day when we mark the almost universal Christian practice of breaking bread with one another and remembering both the night of Jesus' betrayal—when Jesus instituted what we now call the Lord's Supper as a lasting remembrance—and of Jesus' sacrifice.

Romans in the Flesh

ROMANS IN THE FLESH – Sunday October 22nd 6PM

What would lead a 1st Century Rabbi to travel for thousands of miles by sea and land to be beaten, imprisoned, and shipwrecked for his faith? Come and hear the apostle Paul – A dramatic interpretation, as he shares his trials and temptations of the Book of Romans.



MOSES

A 6 week study on Moses starting on Wednesday October 4th

@ Wrights UMC Dinner 6-7:30PM, Study 6:30 – 7:30PM

@ Edwards Thursdays 9:30 – 11:00AM

Chapters

1. The Birth of Moses

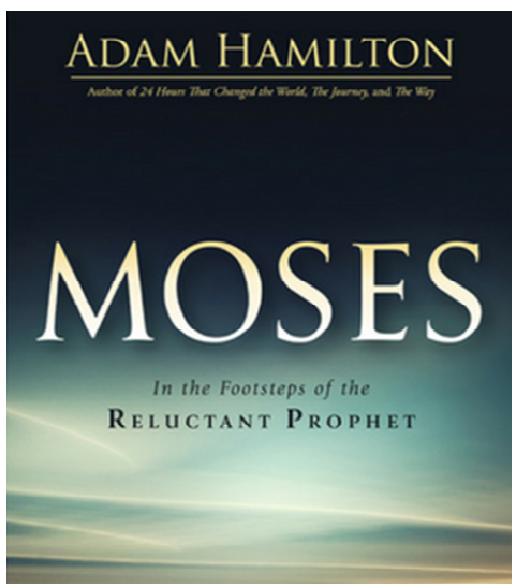
2. Two Moments That Defined the Man

3. The Exodus

4. The Ten Commandments

5. Lessons from the Wilderness

6. Don't Forget...Pass It On



Happy Birthdays and Anniversaries

October Anniversaries - Blessings to you today and all the days of your lives together! Congratulations!!

October Birthdays

- 1 Jesse Mowry
- 5 Quinn Walters
- 5 Carla Yohe
- 7 Chad Konton
- 8 Matt Mowry
- 10 Alma Peterson
- 10 Deborah Wicks
- 19 Tanner St Cyr



- 20 Ryan Leech
- 22 Azlynn Gerhold
- 24 Shana Lynch
- 24 Matt Metrovich
- 24 Laurisa Gereshenski
- 25 D.J. Jaap
- 28 Bertha George
- 28 Larry Strong, Jr.
- 30 Ashlyn Jaap
- 31 Will Walters
- 31 Kayla Gereshenski



*****Wed Nov 1st is charge conference at Pine Run UMC 7:00pm*****

Trunk or Treat

Wrights UMC & Edwards Chapel Carnival style Trunk or Treat. Dress up the kids (and yourself and your car if you are so inclined) and bring them out to night of fun, carnival games, food, prizes and of course trunk or treating. All proceeds benefit filling Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes. Signup sheet in the Narthex.



Church Work Day

Tables and Chair for Sale



**A honey do list for everyone to enjoy—
Y'all Come.**

We have received a great Gift of new tables and chairs for the Fellowship Hall and we need to make room. For a small donation the Trustees will be selling many current table & metal arm chairs very soon. See Bub Lutes if interested.

Would you like to submit an article?

Ministry teams are encouraged to submit a brief article telling of an upcoming event, pictures and stories from a past event, inspirational musings, encouragements and don't forget kudos to the helpers!

Please submit your article no later than the 20th to be included in next month's Wright's Word. Email your article to: wrightsumc@gmail.com. If you are submitting a hand written article please bring it to the office .

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Flood Buckets for UMCOR

FLOOD BUCKETS FOR UMCOR We will even provide the bucket! We are trying to fill 10 buckets by Sun Oct 15th. Items on the list or cash donations can help to fill the buckets as we send them directly to Texas or Florida. See Twila or Pastor Richard for details.

Cleaning Bucket

5 gallon bucket with resealable lid

Do not use buckets that have stored chemicals such as paint or pool cleaner. Buckets from fast food restaurants or bakeries can be used if washed and cleaned.

liquid laundry detergent

two 25 oz. or one 50 oz. bottles only

liquid household cleaner

12-16 oz. liquid cleaner that can be mixed with water no spray cleaners

dish soap

16-28 oz. bottle any brand

1 can air freshener

aerosol or pump

1 insect repellent spray

6-14 oz. aerosol or spray pump with protective cover

1 scrub brush

plastic or wooden handle-- no toilet bowlbrushes no kitchen or dish brushes

18 cleaning wipes

handi wipes or reusable wipes--remove from packaging, no terry cleaning towels

7 sponges

remove from wrapper no cellulose sponges due to mold issue

5 scouring pads

remove from wrapper no Brillo, SOS pads or any kind that will rust

50 clothespins

remove from packaging

clothesline

two 50 ft. or one 100 ft.--cotton or plastic

24 roll heavy duty trash bags

30-45 gallon size, remove from the box

5 dust masks

2 pair disposable waterproof gloves

rubber or latex--remove from packaging

1 pair work gloves

cotton or leather--leather palms necessary

***All items must be new except for the bucket and lid.**

***All cleaning agents must be liquid and in plastic containers.**

No powders please.

Health Kit

1 hand towel

15 x 25 inches to 17 x 27 inches; Kitchen, cleaning, and microfiber towels not acceptable.

1 washcloth

1 comb

Comb needs to be sturdy and longer than 6 inches long; No pocket combs or picks please; Rattail combs and combs without handles are acceptable with a minimum of 6 inches of teeth.

1 metal nail file or nail clippers

No emery boards, please.

1 bath-size soap

3 oz. and larger sizes only; No Ivory or Jergens soap due to moisture content; Do not remove from original packaging.

1 toothbrush

Adult size only; Do not remove from original packaging.

6 adhesive bandages

¾ inch to 1 inch-size; Common household Band-Aids.

1 plastic bag

One-gallon size sealable bag only.



Find a friend to help you fill a bucket!
It's always fun to do things together and share
in the selfless joy of helping
another who has come upon hard times.
Two are better than one but add the spirit of
God and we are quickly a strand
that is not easily broken!

Ecclesiastes 4:12

October 2017

Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday



1 9:30 AM World Wide Communion Sunday 10:45 AM Sunday School	2	3 Trustees Meeting Church Office 7PM	4 Men & Women's Breakfast 9AM Moses Dinner Study 6-7:30PM Nominations 7:30PM	5 Edwards Moses Study 9:30-11AM Mark Lowrey Concert @ Bible Chapel	6	7 Fall Work Day
8 9:30 AM Worship 10:45 AM Sunday School Piano recital fundraiser for flood buckets 3PM	9 Finance 7PM Wrights Admin Council 7:30PM	10	11 Moses Dinner Study 6-7:30PM	12 Edwards Moses Study 9:30-11AM SR Citizens Lunch 11:30AM	13 Wedding Rehearsal 6PM	14 Wedding Tanya & Thomas 2:30PM
15 9:30 AM Worship 10:45 AM Sunday School Deadline for Flood Buckets	16 Women of Wrights 10AM	17	18 Moses Dinner Study 6-7:30PM	19 Edwards Moses Study 9:30-11AM	20	21
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29 9:30 AM Worship 10:45 AM Sunday School Truck or Treat Carnival 5:30-7PM	30	31				

As thousands were forced from their homes by heavy rain and flooding from Hurricane Harvey in Southeast Texas and other areas of the Gulf Coast, people throughout the nation looked for ways to help. The Western Pennsylvania Conference office has received numerous questions from churches and individuals looking for ways to respond.

“Right now, the best ways to help are through prayer, monetary donations to the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) U.S. Disaster Response fund, and by assembling UMCOR relief kits,” said the Rev. Stephanie Gottschalk, WPAUMC Missions Coordinator, said on August 29.

“While we may feel called to rush to the aid of those in need, the affected local areas are usually overwhelmed and local residents are being housed in hotels and shelters. An influx of volunteers puts a strain on available resources,” she explained.



Thank You Campers

Jumonville Mommy/Daddy & Me Camp July 2-6

Laura & Abigail
Doreen & Julia

Jumonville Adventure Camp July 2-8

Bradley

Pine Springs – Drama Camp July 7-14

Natalie

Thank
You!



Jumonville Adventure Camp July 16-21

Caroline
Kayla

Jumonville Fishing and Wilderness Skills July 30-Aug 5

Dominick

Jumonville Summer’s Last Blast August 6-9

Natalie

Thank You Prayer Walkers

Savannah Rankin – Route 88 North of Finleyville

Vince Johnson – Giant Eagle Area & subdivision

Tara Reidenbaugh and Cathy– Walnut Ridge & Nottingham

Pastor Richard – Village of Venetia to Bebout Rd

Kathy Jo Kernan & Mary Sweitzer – Will be stationed at the church for anyone to come & pray

Twila Hummel & June Harrison– Hacket Square & Finleyville

