



The Grapevine

Oxford United Methodist Church ~ Rev. Dr. Julius E. Del Pino, Pastor
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"I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them, bear much fruit..." John 15:5

OUR MISSION

*Uniting in Jesus Christ
we spread God's love*

OUR FOCUS

We envision a church with a vibrant Christian spiritual life where we welcome and value all God's people... Where we grow, discover, and share our gifts in the church and in the world.

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Every morning for the last several weeks I have been blessed to awaken to the sound of chirping birds. The sound of these little creatures reminds me of the blessings given to us by a gracious and loving God. I also welcome these blessings because I know in my heart I need them to face each day! What about you? They remind me that the time of rebirth, spring and summer is coming!

During this time of renewal, I am also reading a book written by Jan Richardson entitled "Circle of Grace". It is a powerful read because it reminds me that blessings are not limited by time and space. God's blessings are beyond time and space, and you can experience them when you close your eyes and allow yourself to truly feel! As we come into the days of spring, take time to identify and feel blessings from God's Word in the presence of others! Allow these blessings to prepare you to receive these gifts with grace and peace! Remember these blessings help you to hold onto God's unchanging love!

Spring is here! New life is sprouting and we are given new possibilities for being an expression of hope and healing for others! Join me on this new journey as we spread the word and our love of Jesus Christ in the Oxford community. What are your dreams and hopes for this new spring season? Share them with me and all of the congregation please!



See you soon and often!
Julius E. Del Pino, Pastor



CROP Hunger Walk 2024 May 19

1:15pm Registration | 2pm Walk

***Christ the Redeemer Catholic Church
2700 Waldon, Lake Orion***

Join 10 community churches from Lake Orion and Oxford to help end hunger one step at a time. There will be a 2 mile and 6 mile walk available. Refreshment stops will be along the route and at the end.

For donation envelopes, please contact Evan Sweeder.



May 19 - We will be celebrating all High School and College Graduates!

Please notify the church office if you or a loved one is graduating this year - we would

like to honor all graduates! Please provide a photo, name, your relationship, school graduating from, and future plans by May 12th.



GRADUATION *sunday*

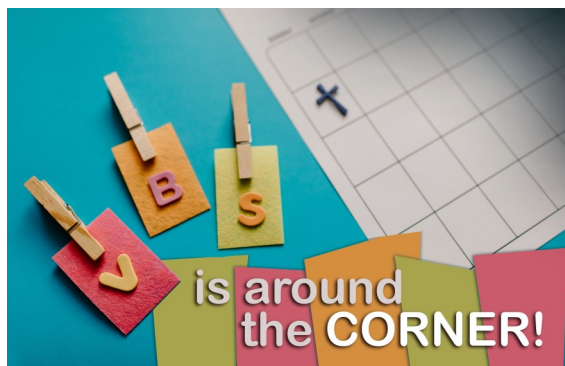
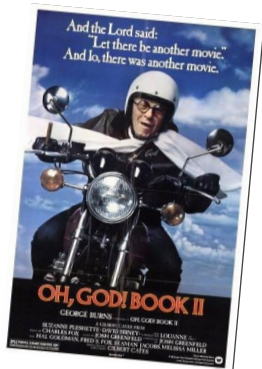




We will be screening
 "Oh, God Book 2"
 in the Sanctuary on
May 18th from 2 until 5pm

We will be serving
 popcorn for our viewers

Invite your friends
 and family!



The Education Team is pleased to announce that
 OUMC will be hosting VBS this year!
 It will be a one day event, scheduled for
Saturday, July 13th
from 11am to 3pm

We will have Bible based activities and refreshments
 Rain Date is Sunday, July 14th from 12 until 4
 Please invite children from ages 6 to 14
 We will be seeking volunteers to help out
 Sign up sheets will be available during Friendship Hour
 Please see Mary Dempsey for more information

Conner/Wood Memorial Scholarship Application

The Conner/Wood Memorial Scholarship is a gift of up to \$1,000.00 given each year to a graduating High School Senior or current College Student who is a member of the Oxford United Methodist Church. The recipient will use the funds toward the cost of their education. This is a non-renewable scholarship and the recipient will not be able to apply for the scholarship again. You however, may reapply if you haven't been awarded the Conner/Wood Memorial Scholarship. **If you are interested in applying for the Scholarship, please complete this application and return it to the Church Office by: Sunday, May 12, 2024.**

Date: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Name of School attending or will attend: _____

Course of study: _____

Year you became a member of the church: _____

Please submit, in writing, your response to the following questions:

- ◆ List the activities and involvement you have had with the Oxford United Methodist Church during the last 4 years.
- ◆ How has the Oxford United Methodist Church helped prepare you for your post High School educational experience?
- ◆ Having benefited from your involvement with the Oxford United Methodist Church, what do you see as your role in the church-at-large (during college, after college)?

PRAY for and Encourage One Another Daily

Lord - we lift up these people to you by name:

Lake Orion Robotics Team Bob Willobee Mary Adekitan Connor Donovan Greg Hubbard
Gayle Heverly Denise Gildner Rick B. (and wife, Jill) David Lawrie Laura Hubbard Toni Capers
Julie Langley Holly McIntyre Corey Capers Olga Neill Carolyn Foss
Clifford Warren Kent Patterson Kip Lawrie Joyce Del Pino Ron Shedlowsky Ro Van Wagoner
Amy Thorson Bruce Conrad Kristina Del Pino Ron Bunker Shirley Conner

We ask your blessings upon:

**Our Revived Church - that Oxford UMC may be a great source of love
for this community and that we may revive our vision**
All Families + those expecting new children; dealing with loss of a loved one
All our school children, their teachers, school workers and administrators
All affected by the Oxford High School and all other School Shootings
Those affected by Natural Disasters & all Violence in the US and worldwide
All of our brothers and sisters who deal with racism & hatred
First responders, caregivers, medical personnel and all affected by illness
Those with mental illnesses, are lonely, or do not have someone to pray for them
Our local and national representatives in all three branches of government
Those in the military serving on our behalf
Oxford UMC, Pastor, Staff, Guests, United Methodists, and Christians everywhere
We also pray for those whose names are unmentioned, dear Lord, for
you know and love them.



We ask all these things in your name, Lord Jesus. *Amen!*



**Need prayer with a Pastor?
Sign up on the sheet outside the office, or contact the church office**



- Birthdays**
- May 2 - Ron Etherton | Julie Langley
- May 5 - Matthew Crothers
- May 7 - Steve Matteson
- May 9 - Amy Cischke
- May 15 - Laurie Del Pino
- May 16 - Amy Fleischer
- May 20 - Emaleigh Von Knorring
- May 21 - John Lychuk
- May 25 - Rosemary Rumbold
- May 31 - Zoe Fleischer

- June 1 - Morgan Gross
- June 3 - Kevin Kater
- June 6 - Susan Rizzo
- June 17 - John Warren
- June 25 - Ron Bunker
- June 27 - Craig Acheson
- June 3 - Jon & Shawn Gross
- June 18 - Grayson & Pauline East
- June 24 - Tom & Lynda Bertich
John & Devon Warren
- June 26 - Bruce & Ginny Conrad
- June 27 - John & Nadine Lychuk

- Anniversaries**
- May 20 - Bernie & Rosemary Rumbold
- May 30 - Peter &Carolynn Foss



*"Do all the good you can,
in all the places you can,
to all the people you can."*

Rev. John Wesley (founder of Methodism)

Finance Update - 2024

Thank you for your faithful giving each month to God's Church. We as a Finance team keep track of giving and expenses each month. Thank you for your faithfulness. Please help monthly with our General Fund.

January Giving	\$	3,241.00
February Giving	\$	4,837.32
March Giving	\$	6,763.00
April Giving (to date)	\$	<u>4,526.00</u>
Giving Subtotal (to date)	\$	<u>19,367.32</u>
Budget for 2024	\$	111,968.00

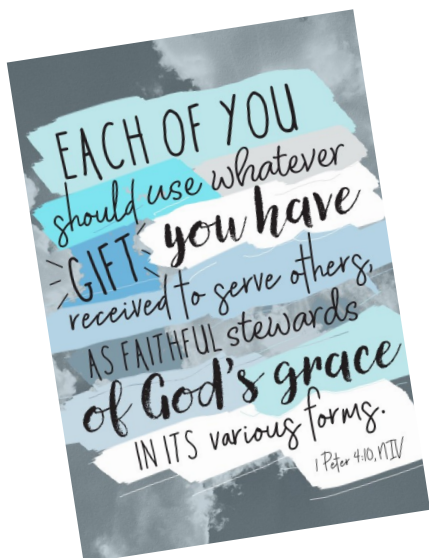
If you prefer to write a check or donate with cash please use your offering envelopes.

If you need envelopes or have a question about your giving statement, please call Larry Bradford, financial secretary or leave a message for him with the church office.

Please consider giving your donation electronically! It will be paid as you decide and directly deposited into the church account. It is so easy!

*And no more check writing!
There is no fee. Safe and secure.*

Forms are available from the office.



2024 Church Council

- Church Council Chairperson:
Michelle Wood (248)969-2545
- General Fund Treasurer: Becky Sallans (248)628-1289
- Designated Fund Treasurer: Kevin Kater (248)628-7804
- Financial Secretary: Larry Bradford (248)628-5759
- Finance Co-Chairpersons: tbd
- Board of Trustees: Tony Rizzo (248)628-1787
Michelle Wood (248)969-2545
- SPRC Chairperson: tbd
- Worship Team: Michelle Mumbrue (248)969-9173
Laura Clancy (248)628-6648
- Missions & Outreach: John & Devon Warren (248)778-8735
- Adult Bible Study:
Sue Rizzo (248)628-1787
Rosemary Rumbold (248)391-0973
- Education Team:
Mary Dempsey (810)797-5736
Amie Von Knorring (248)342-8051
Bob Willobee (248)628-2357
- Camp Ed. Coordinator: (available)
- Social Media: Megan Imirowicz [megan.imirowicz@gmail.com]
- Revive Team: Steve Laidlaw (248)801-5924
- UMM President: Fred Nelson (248)628-9826
- UMW / Rachel Circle: Carolyn Lawrie (586)925-2687
- Lay Member to Annual Conference: (available)

Church Council meets the last Monday of the even months at 7pm. All are welcome to attend.

There are openings on the SPRC, Nominations, Memorials. Finance, Education and Trustee's committees. Please inform the office if you are interested in serving on a committee.

Peace with Justice Sunday

MAY 26, 2024

This Special Sunday is a denomination wide celebration designed to raise awareness that even in a world plagued by war and terror, violence and destruction, people of faith have a clear call to build peace with justice. As United Methodists, our yearning for peace must move us to act.

The United Methodist Social Principles call us to love our enemies, seek justice, and serve as reconcilers of conflict. We insist that the first moral duty of all nations is to work together to resolve by peaceful means every dispute that arises between or among them.

The United Methodist Church, with its historic commitment to peace and justice, can and should provide leadership to this social transformation. The General Board of Church and Society Church holds a non-governmental, consultative status with the United Nations.

This status allows us to participate in UN meetings, consultations and conferences. We recognize and renew our call for social transformation, for the quest to open the doors of opportunity for all, to distribute resources more equitably, and to provide better care for persons in need.

Last year, your generosity delivered \$144 thousand towards these ministries:

50% of your donation remains in the local Annual Conference.

50% of your donation funds peacemaking ministries and grants.

One of the wonderful aspects of The United Methodist Church is that we can do so much more together than we ever could do on our own. Your generosity provides funding to strengthen and foster just, equitable and durable solutions to the root causes of conflict.

HOW TO GIVE: Write a check to your local church with "UMCOR" in the memo line and place in the offering plate or mail to Oxford United Methodist (21 E. Burdick St. Oxford). Thank you for your generosity.



PEACE WITH JUSTICE SUNDAY

DEMAND JUSTICE + CHANGE

TOGETHER

OUR REACH IS BEYOND MEASURE

The United Methodist Church's special giving structure ensures your generosity blesses as many people as possible in sustainable, strategic ways

YOUR DONATION CHANGES THE WORLD ONE LIFE AT A TIME

GIVE TO YOUR CHURCH:
Make checks payable to your local church or donate online via credit/debit card at ResourceUMC.org/SSGive



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Open Hearts. Open Minds. Open Doors.
The people of The United Methodist Church®



**FOR FATHERS and
OTHER GOOD & FAITHFUL MEN**

in our lives,

we give you thanks!

A Mother's Day Prayer...

Heavenly Father, we lift up to you today all mothers and those who love us like mothers. Bless them with strength to continue to care for all children, with the same bold, selflessness Mary showed Jesus. Help our mothers feel our gratitude and truly know their impact on our lives. May we honor them today and on all days as vessels of Your love. In Your name we pray.

Amen.

UM Women: Rachel Circle

Rachel Circle is a faith based women's group that meets once a month for a business meeting, breakfast treats, but most of all Christian fellowship & prayer. We come together to praise the word of our Lord & Savior, Jesus Christ.

Mark your calendars (May & June):

- ◆ Friendship Hour is Sunday, May 26, 2024
- ◆ Our **May** gathering is Monday, the 13th, at 10am
- ◆ Our **June** gathering is Monday, the 10th, at 10am (*not confirmed*)
- ◆ Friendship Hour is Sunday, June 23, 2024.



Questions?
Please contact - Carolyn Lawrie
Rachel Circle President

UM Men: Band of Brothers

The United Methodist Men focus on Evangelism, Missions, and Spiritual Development.

Questions? Please contact
Fred Nelson, UMM President
(248-628-9826) or
John Warren (248-778-8735).



Knit Knack



We meet every Friday from 1-3pm in the Fellowship Hall. Please join us if you enjoy any type of needle work. We are always willing to teach anyone who would like to learn. If you have any questions, please call Mary Garrard, 248-613-4505.

Piece Makers Quilting

You are invited to attend the Piece Makers group and help with our prayer quilts. They usually meet on Wednesday afternoons (1st and 3rd weeks) starting at 1pm.

Do you know someone who would like the comfort of the prayers woven into a quilt during its creation? These quilts are intended for *anyone* who could use a hug and a prayer during challenging times.

If you have any questions, please contact Linda McIntyre (248-245-7898).
Please keep praying!



Book Discussion Group

Do you enjoy reading? We do!!!
Our book group is always looking for more readers who like to chat with friends about books. We meet the second Wednesday of the month at 1pm in the Memorial Room.

Wednesday May 8: *To be decided*

Wednesday, June 12: *To be decided*

If you have any questions, please contact Joanne Bogus (248 747-7544).
Hope to see you at Book Discussion!



Excelsior Bell Choir

The Bell Choir rehearsals are on Wednesdays from 6:30-8pm
The last performance for this school year will be on May 19.
You are invited to join us for brunch immediately after the service.
If you have any questions please contact Rosemary Rumbold (248-391-0973)

Praise Singers

Join us to practice Sunday's songs and hymns.
Rehearsals are at 5:30p on Wednesdays and 9am on Sunday mornings.
If you have questions or if you would like to be a part of the Praise Singers please contact Renae Shagen (248-969-2225).

Visit Us
ONLINE 

We are always updating and keeping our website current

Did you know there are daily scripture readings?

Have you seen it lately?

Join us at - oxfordunitedmc.org

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Like social media?

Visit us on Facebook or Instagram

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We also have a channel on YouTube!
go to OUMC Oxford MI
and subscribe

Trust in the Risen Christ

By Bishop David Bard | MI Area |
Posted on April 2, 2024 in "Bishop's Blog"



With the humanitarian crisis in Haiti in mind, Bishop David Bard asks us to live out our resurrection faith and labor for a more peaceful and just world...

Just this past Sunday, many of us sang, "Christ the Lord is risen today, Alleluia!" We shouted out, "Christ is risen." We heard words like, "Death has been swallowed up in victory. Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?" (1 Corinthians 15:54c-55, NRSVUE).

Christ is risen, and the world is changed. Yet so much stubbornly remains the same.

The Michigan Conference has a covenantal relationship with the Methodist Church of Haiti. Many Michigan United Methodists have traveled to Haiti to bring aid, teach, and develop relationships. While in medical school, our daughter Beth took two trips to Haiti to provide medical care. So, the recent news out of Haiti is absolutely heartbreaking. There is virtually no functioning governing authority. Street gangs control significant sections of the country with violence and murder. They are recruiting teenagers to commit acts of violence and terror. Rape is common. Hospitals are barely functioning, and some are not at all. Food is scarce in many areas of the country. In short, Haiti is experiencing an unspeakable humanitarian crisis. Your prayers are needed, in addition to your efforts and your voices encouraging peaceful and just solutions.

Unfortunately, the horrific news from Haiti has had to compete for attention with the ongoing and profound humanitarian crisis in Gaza. The brutal terrorist attack by Hamas last October has led to an overwhelming Israeli military response, resulting in unconscionable death tolls, massive destruction, and a desperate need for aid.

To this, we can add the ongoing war in Ukraine and the civil war in Sudan. We can add deaths of despair as people try to mute their pain with illicit drugs.

Christ is risen, and the world is changed. Yet so much remains the same. Death has not entirely been swallowed whole. Victory over death feels partial. And yet, the world really is changed. Everything really is different. The resurrection of Jesus is the inauguration of God's newer world, a beginning. "He's the first crop of the harvest" (1 Corinthians 15:20, CEB). We trust that God's newer world will come to be, where "God's dwelling is here with humankind. . . . [God] will wipe away every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more. There will be no mourning, crying, or pain anymore" (Revelation 21:3, 4). In God's new city of delight, there will be "the river of life-giving water" and "[on] each side of the river is the tree of life, which produces twelve crops of fruit, bearing its fruit each month. The tree's leaves are for the healing of the nations" (Revelation 22:1, 2).

We trust in the power of God, the God of the risen Christ. We trust in the power of love, goodness, kindness, justice,

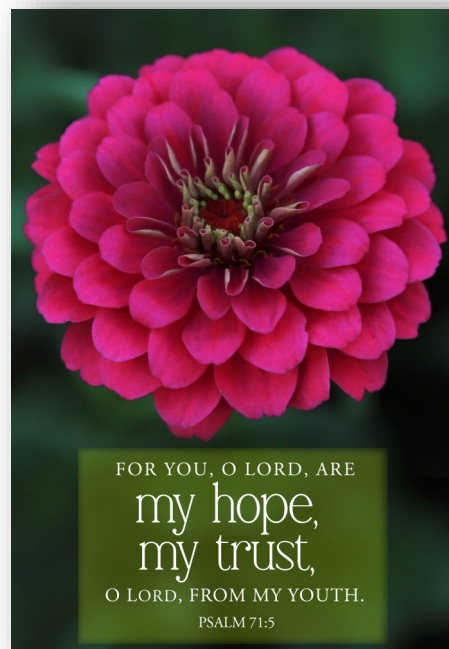
peace, mercy, forgiveness, reconciliation, and beauty. With our resurrection faith, we trust that our prayers make a difference. With our resurrection faith, we trust that our voices for justice and peace make a difference. With our resurrection faith, we live toward God's new creation, God's city of delight. With our resurrection faith, we trust that our "labor isn't going to be for nothing in the Lord" (1 Corinthians 15:58), our labor for a newer world.

We will pray for Haiti and work for solutions that bring peace and security to our neighbors and facilitate an end to this humanitarian crisis. We will advocate for peace and justice in Israel and Palestine, beginning with a cease-fire, immediate release of hostages, and the free flow of humanitarian aid. We will work and pray for peace in Ukraine, Sudan, and other places in the world. We will offer God's love and grace as a step away from despair.

A final word. As many of you know, the United Methodist General Conference, postponed since 2020, will meet in Charlotte, NC, in late April and early May. I know there are many questions on people's minds. I know there is much consternation. I know there is a measure of hope. Your prayers are appreciated. Know this: no matter what occurs at General Conference, God's work of love, reconciliation, forgiveness, peace, justice, kindness, goodness, and beauty continues, and God in Jesus will continue to invite us to join that work.

Christ is risen. Alleluia. Christ is risen, and the world is different. Christ is risen, and we are different.

**To read the latest from the Bishop ([click here](#))
Conference ([click here](#))
Or the East Winds District ([click here](#))**



UMCOR News

REDUCING MALARIA COMMUNITY BY COMMUNITY

By Christie R. House | April 16, 2024

ATLANTA – Every year on April 25, the World Health Organization (WHO) sponsors World Malaria Day to commemorate the ways that people around the world continue to battle this deadly but preventable and treatable disease. Unfortunately, the message about causes and remedies has not yet reached all the vulnerable communities that are most susceptible to it.

In some areas of the Democratic Republic of the Congo, women remain hesitant about seeking prenatal and obstetric care. They try, instead, to follow their family and tribal traditions, which have served their communities for hundreds of years. But some diseases, such as malaria, HIV and AIDS, require stronger antidotes than traditional practices can offer.

Mamu was one who tried to stay with traditional treatments. But then, three years ago, she was pregnant with twin girls, and when she did not feel well, she went to traditional healers for a remedy to bring down the fever, which was caused by malaria. But her babies were born prematurely; neither survived. So last year, when she became pregnant again, her husband convinced her to ask for obstetric services at the Nganza United Methodist Health Center. This time she attended regular prenatal appointments and followed the advice of the doctor and nursing staff.



Mamu with her newborn, healthy baby boy. (Photo: Courtesy of the Central Congo UMC Health Board)

“I have just given birth to my second son here without difficulty,” Mamu affirmed, as the staff asked her how she was doing. “We are in good health, I don’t have a fever, and my child too, is doing very well. I gave birth in very good conditions at the Nganza Health Center. I invite all pregnant women in the area to come and follow the prenatal care program.”

Part of prenatal care at the Nganza center – and for most United Methodist facilities partnering with Global Ministries – is a routine course of malaria prophylactics, much like what travelers take to avoid contracting it. Women also receive a long-lasting insecticide-treated bed



net upon arrival at the center, and the combination generally keeps them free of malaria throughout pregnancy. This greatly improves the likelihood of delivering a healthy baby.

But it is best if families do not have to experience terrible personal losses for women to seek health care from professional centers. So, every year on World Malaria Day, and many more days during the year, volunteers recruited and trained in United Methodist health centers take their message to the streets.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PROGRAMS

Most UMC health ministries have developed systems that include church and community volunteers, youth teams and sometimes municipal groups like schools or civic societies to learn about malaria prevention and treatment. The groups then canvas a community with information about best practices concerning health. In the case of malaria, women like Mamu and their families are encouraged to come to the health facilities as soon as they think they are pregnant to begin prenatal care. At other times, these groups may organize community clean-up days, sharing information about recognizing and eliminating environmental conditions that encourage mosquitos to breed and multiply.

UMC health boards in Angola, Burundi, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Sierra Leone, Liberia and Nigeria all train dedicated volunteers who disseminate needed information among their own communities. In Nigeria, groups of young people first approach village leaders, whether they are traditional tribal leaders, Christians or Muslims, it doesn’t matter. Once they have discussed the plan and received approval, they enter a community with local support and encouragement.

Another way in which malaria programming is integrated into UMC health operations in Africa is through a robust practice of strengthening all the health systems that help communities to thrive. In addition to medicines, testing kits and other malaria supplies, activities such as improving or rebuilding facilities, furnishing new units, ensuring a healthy and accessible water supply and a well-trained staff are all things Global Ministries considers and supports with partner health boards.

VACCINATIONS NOW A REALITY

For some years research has progressed for a vaccine solution to the parasite that causes malaria. Just recently, the World Health Organization (WHO) approved two malaria vaccines as safe and effective. On World Malaria Day, health officials in Liberia and Sierra Leone will launch malaria vaccine campaigns and make the RTS,S vaccine available. UMC health facilities will stock vaccines and advocate to make them part of the routine cycle of vaccinations for every child.

By June 2024, the DRC and Burundi should have vaccines available and Mozambique and Nigeria will follow. These vaccines, if accepted and administered, should greatly reduce malaria and the effects of severe malaria, including death, in populations repeatedly affected by it. Global Ministries will work with conference and episcopal area health boards to support vaccination programs, working with local governments and communities to encourage vaccination of children ages 5 and under.

Efforts to reduce and even eliminate malaria continue through Global Ministries’ health work with African health boards and beyond. Since the INM campaign was launched in 2008, the program has reached thousands of people with malaria prevention and control strategies. The grassroots efforts to eliminate malaria in local communities goes on, absorbed by other Global Health programming and coordinated by health professionals in their own communities. With introduction of the vaccines, a new era in malaria prevention is dawning.

Christie R. House is a consultant writer and editor with Global Ministries and UMCOR.

GLOBAL HEALTH

Through United Methodist conferences and health boards, Global Ministries works to strengthen whole networks of health responses, from revitalization of facilities and staff training to building better water sources, developing sanitation facilities and promoting nutrition. Global Health concentrates on eradicating preventable diseases, such as malaria, HIV and AIDS, and COVID-19, and supporting the most vulnerable populations, including mothers, newborns and children.

Are you interested in serving as a long-term MISSION VOLUNTEER? APPLY NOW!

Global Ministries
The United Methodist Church

<https://umcmmission.org/mission-volunteers/>

#STILLINMISSION

Join us on Thursday, May 2 at 7 p.m. ET for conversations with missionaries:

Janice Lee, Cambodia
Christine Brua, South Korea
Rhett Thompson, Panama
Priscille Malandji, Brazil

Global Ministries
The United Methodist Church



Local Missions & Outreach

Oxford / Orion FISH Food Pantry

“Neighbors Helping Neighbors”

We are collecting FISH donations on the first Sunday of each month. You may also make out a check to Oxford UMC and put “FISH Food Pantry” in the memo line and we will make sure that your donation gets there. “Thank You!”

Current Needs -

Canned pineapple	Beef stew	Canned mandarin oranges	Baked Beans
Canned tomatoes	Canned chicken	Chili	Chunky Soup
Cake mix	Personal care items	Feminine Products	

Current Hours -

Office: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 9 to noon
 Pantry: Tuesdays - 1-3pm; Wednesdays - 10-2pm; Thursdays - 1-5 pm; 3rd Saturdays of month - 9:45-11:30am

Any questions, contact Julie Langley (248-628-9619) or John & Devon Warren (248-778-8735)

FISH is a 100% volunteer organization and they need your help.
 All donations are tax deductible. Remember - NO EXPIRED FOOD PLEASE!

FISH Location: 1060 S. Lapeer Rd., Oxford
Website: www.oxfordorionfish.org

To receive food from FISH: (248) 628-3933



Oxford UMC Meal Outreach



ALL ARE WELCOME!

All are invited to the community
Free! meal program at OUMC!!

On Saturday mornings we are serving breakfast at PFP (People Feeding People)! We encourage you to attend and not only be fed by food but also with fellowship. We are lifting people up through nutrition and friendship. We are providing a hot breakfast and most weeks a sack lunch for people in the Fellowship Hall (the 3rd week is carryout). If you are interested in helping in any way please contact Kathy Laidlaw (248) 701-5910. We hope that you come and enjoy!!!

WHERE: Oxford United Methodist Church
 WHEN: Saturdays, 9:30-10:30 am

Community Free Meals

If you or someone you know would like a **Free!** hot meal please invite them to visit:

Lake Orion UMC (Mondays)
 Immanuel Congregational (Tuesdays)
 LakePoint Community (Thursdays)
 from 5:30-6:30pm

and/or Oxford UMC (Saturdays)
 from 9:30-10:30am



Love in the Name of Christ (Love INC) of North Oakland County is a non-profit network of churches in the area, including Oxford UMC.

The mission of Love INC is to mobilize local volunteers and churches to help those in need and transform lives in the name of Christ. They try to provide any help that is beyond the scope of the churches on their own.

The Clothing Closet (at Oxford Free Methodist Church at 790 S. Lapeer Road) needs help sorting donated clothes on Tuesdays from 9:00am-12:00pm or helping clients shop, two Tuesdays a month, from 12:00pm-3:00pm.

Bed, Blessings & Beyond and Little Luxuries (at LakePoint Church at 1550 W. Drahner Rd) is temporarily closed. Please contact them if you have an idea for a new location.

If you would like to donate your time or money to help your neighbors in need please contact them:

Website - www.loveincfnoc.org or
 call 248-693-4357 for more information.

Just for Fun


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Bible Quiz

What two rivers that we still know today are named in the Creation account in Genesis 2?

- A. Nile
- B. Yangtze
- C. Jordan
- D. Tigris
- E. Ganges
- F. Euphrates



Answer: D & F (See Genesis 2:10-14)



Serve protein-packed waffles for a family breakfast on **FATHER'S DAY** or any special occasion.

What you need:


- Adult help
- Waffle maker
- Blender
- 1 cup old-fashioned oats
- 1 cup cottage cheese
- 6 eggs
- Cooking spray
- Diced strawberries
- Powdered sugar



What you do:

1. With adult help, preheat the waffle maker.
2. In the blender, add oats and cottage cheese. Crack eggs in a separate bowl, then add to the blender. Pulse to combine the mixture. Then blend on medium speed for 10 seconds.
3. Coat the waffle maker with cooking spray. Spoon about 1/3 cup batter onto the iron and close.
4. Carefully remove the waffle when it's golden brown. Repeat with remaining batter.
5. Top with strawberries and powdered sugar. Makes about 6 waffles.





FOLLOWING OUR FATHER'S WILL

Jesus always did his Father's will. What does our heavenly Father desire of us?

Directions: Using the coordinates, circle the corresponding words. Then add those to the blanks below to complete John 6:40, NIV.

Coordinates
T3, R1, F6, E2, T1, H5, A6, R4, F5, T5, H3, F2, A4, E6

	F	A	T	H	E	R
1	Father	them	the	believe	that	who
2	have	will	if	heart	to	live
3	perish	whoever	everyone	shall	shall	give
4	God	eternal	send	into	Him	believes
5	in	come	him	Son	rest	with
6	looks	and	forever	Where	life	hope

"For my Father's will is that _____
_____ and I will raise them up at the last day." *John 6:40, NIV*


Answer: everyone who looks to the Son and believes in him shall have eternal life



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12 7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER Mother's Day	13 10am (FH) Rachel Circle 7p (Zoom) Worship Team	14	15	16	17	18 2-5pm (S) "O God Book 2" Student Movie Day
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