

**Rossford**

**United Methodist Church**

Our Mission:

"To Know Christ And to Make Christ Known"

**As we come to this new school year, the Bible speaks often about new things...**

“Sing to the Lord a new song, sing to the Lord, all the earth.”

**(Psalm 96:1)**

“Sing to the Lord a new song, for He has done marvelous things;”

**(Psalm 98:1)**

“See, I [God] am doing a new thing!” **(Isaiah 43:19)**

“'The time is coming,' declares the Lord, 'when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah.'” **(Jeremiah 31:31)**

“Because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed, for His compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is Your faithfulness.” **(Lamentations 3:22-23)**

“I [God] will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you;”

**(Ezekiel 36:26)**

“A new commandment I [Jesus] give you; love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another.” **(John 13:34)**

“Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!” **(2 Corinthians 5:17)**

“But in keeping with his promise we are looking forward to a new heaven and a new earth, the home of righteousness.” **(2 Peter 3:13)**

 May we recognize in this new school year, the new things that God is doing. The new ways that God is speaking to us. The new ways in which God is calling us to live and serve and be His people. The new ways we can live out, and with, the light and love of Jesus. The new ways to think and be and live into being the people of God. This isn't new just because it's new, but rather new because God has given us a new day, a new time, to live and move and have our being. The new ways of God, may be hidden in old things appreciated anew, or songs sung with new meaning and joy, or old shame and hurt and sin forgiven to live a new life, or seeing our lives in a new light, the light of Christ, that reminds us that we are indeed God's beloved, forgiven and whole and able to live without the fear of the past holding us back.

**One of my favorite prayers is from the Danish Philosopher/Theologian Soren Kierkegaard and it reads:**

 “Father in Heaven! Thou hast loved us first, help us never to forget that Thou art love so that this sure conviction might triumph in our hearts over the seduction of the world, over the inquietude of the soul, over the anxiety for the future, over the fright of the past, over the distress of the moment. But grant also that this conviction might discipline our soul so that our heart might remain faithful and sincere in the love which we bear to all those whom Thou hast commanded us to love as we love ourselves.”

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**Services**

9:00 am Sunday School

10:00am Worship

***DOCK will resume Sept. 17th at 5:00 pm***



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 In this new time may you know that God's love will indeed triumph in your hearts over the seduction of the world, over the restlessness of your soul, over the anxiety for the future, over the fear of the past, and over the hurt of the moment. May you know that in this new school year that you are loved beyond your wildest imaginations by God who calls us to live and love in such a way to change the world (our little piece of the world anyway). May you know that God is with you and He is doing new things so keep a watch out and find God and join Him in what He is doing, bringing light and love to our world that seems so full of darkness.

 And to all students and teachers and school Administrators and workers...I am praying for you. I am praying for a great year. That God will bless you with learning and patience and hope and love. That you will do the best you can at all you do, whether as student or teacher or administrator or worker. You are such an amazing part of our community and we love you.

Have a great year!

Pastor Dwayne



**Worship News**

We have enjoyed getting to know our new Pastor Dwayne so much and his first series of sermons, "Meeting Jesus."

Stay tuned as the second series is coming, "Jonah!"  Our committee met with Pastor on August 22nd to introduce ourselves and see how we can best serve him. We are excited about our new pastor.

Here is an upcoming Worship schedule for September:

**Sept. 3rd** - Communion, last Sunday for 10:00am worship time

**Sept.10th** - Time Change, worship starts at 10:30,  Bible School in the afternoon. Choir returns for worship services.

**Sept.17th** - Bible School Sunday as well as Youth Led Sunday. DOCK returns

**Sept. 24th** - Regular Worship

**Oct. 1st** - World Wide Communion Sunday

Also, thank you to all those who shared their musical talents this summer with us.  Each Sunday was a treat!

With Love,

Cheryl Garlow and Nancy Rust

Co-Chairpersons of Worship Committee

**DOCK News**

What a summer! We said good-bye to Bob and Shirley and hello to Dwayne, Melissa and family. AND MY DAUGHTER GOT MARRIED! Now it’s time to get ready for our fall programming.

**D.O.C.K. (Disciples Of Christ’s Kingdom) will start up again on Sunday, September 17th**.

All youth entering grade 5 through grade 12 are welcome. We meet upstairs in the youth room from

5:00 – 7:00 p.m. Please let your children, grandchildren, friends know that they are welcome.

We spend our time getting to know each other and sharing our PITS (bad stuff) and PEAKS (good stuff). We learn about God’s love for us and how Jesus came to teach us how to live and love each other. We study scripture and rehearse for youth services. And we play games!!! The two hour meetings fly by! We’ll be building a float for the Rossford parade in October. We’ll collect shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child in November. Before you know it it’ll be Christmas.

If you have any questions or know of someone who needs a special invitation to join D.O.C.K., let me know.

I can’t wait to get started!

Terri Seibold

Director of Youth Ministry

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**Ushers and Greeters**

Please see Bob Baughman to Usher or Brenda and Al Weis to Greet or Valet.

**Helping Hands of St. Louis**

Please stay tuned for more information. Our next date is **September 7th**. Questions please contact Jerry Baumgartner at 419-666-7236.

**Prayer Quilts**

If you know of anyone who would benefit from a prayer quilt please call or see Nancy Stonerock. She can be reached at

419-874-3504.

**UMC Market**

The United Methodist Church has started a "market." This is a way for our church to earn money. You need to go online to [www.umcmarket.org](http://www.umcmarket.org) and sign up. Whenever you order from this site our church receives a % of what you purchase. There are 89 pages of participating stores and the amount we receive varies. Any questions, see Sue Perkins.

**Box Tops and Stamps**

We are still collecting Box Tops for Education and cancelled postage stamps. The collection box is located in the Narthex. Please see Barb Chesson if you have any questions.

**Can Drive**

We would like to remind you that we are still collecting aluminum cans to raise money for our church. If you have any to donate, the container is outside the kitchen door. If you need a pickup, please call Doug Williams at 419-661-9484.

**Hospitality/Fellowship**

Happy September!!

It's been a busy summer here at RUMC!! We are excited for our new pastor and family as they get settled in at church and home.

Hospitality has been good and we don't need to meet this month as most of our business can be done via email and text!! Oh the wonders of technology!!

**Sept. greeter and valet:** Carolyn and Darrel Eschedor

**Oct. greeter and valet:** Christy and Matt Foster

Thank you guys for stepping up so often to help out with this important ministry.

Kathy Slomski is continuing to send out the bulletin to our shut ins. Thank you mom!!!

On the fellowship side, we have continued the craft night throughout the summer. This is such a nice fellowship opportunity and we even get some of our projects done!! The next night will be **Tues. Sept 19th at 6 pm**. Dinner will be served for those attending....either pizza, Subway or some kind of sandwich. Come out and join us in the parlor!!

We had our church picnic on August 20th with 52 in attendance!! Such a beautiful day and a great assortment of foods!! It worked out great having everyone bring different items according to their last name. I've saved the signup sheet so we'll do it this way again!! Special thanks to All Weis and Mike Weyandt for helping with the set up and to the teenage guys who helped with the tear down!! Many hands make light work!

Our next Fellowship thing will be the return of pallet painting **Friday Oct. 6th** in the Family Life Center. Look for an event invite on Facebook or contact us for help signing up. Info to follow soon.

VBS will be Sunday, September 10th from 12-4:30 pm.

For those going back to school have a great school year!!

In Christ,

Al and Brenda Weis, Hospitality co-chairs

Kim Weyandt and Brenda Weis, Fellowship co-chairs

**Kroger Rewards**

**Program**

The Kroger Rewards Program is a nationwide program that lets loyalty card holders select charities to which Kroger will donate, based on dollars they spend in stores. If you have a Kroger card, PLEASE check to see that you are signed up so that our church gets a percentage of what you buy. We get a check quarterly from Kroger.  Your purchases really helps us out.

**Our Kroger Plus Rewards Organization # 84283**

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**Fundraising**

**Calendar 2017**

**FALL BBQ** - Sunday, October 1st - after services

We will sell out quickly.

**CHRISTMAS STORY SHOW** - Sunday, October 8

A new fundraiser more info to come

**FALL RUMMAGE SALE** - October 19, 20 and 21.  Set up October 8 after Christmas Story Show

**CRAFT BAZAAR -** November 4th - See Kim Weyandt for questions.

**"LET IT GLO" -** Christmas Tree and wreath decorating contest. December 1st and 2nd.  Another new fundraiser.  More information to come

***Please put these dates on your calendar and plan on helping in any way you are able.***

Thank you!

Sue Perkins

Chairperson

**Anniversaries**

Bill and Laurie Seibold 9/8

Tim and Donna Robinson 9/11

Ron and Trudy McCamey 9/21

Joe and Sue Thompson 9/26

**Birthdays**

Jim Meyers 9/5

Donna Robinson 9/7

Bonnie Brossia 9/11

Melissa Shugert 9/17

Pam Agler 9/20

Darrel Eschedor 9/24

Tori Westfall 9/25

**Thank you**

Thank you to everyone involved in preparing the after service meal for the Doris Bachar funeral. Your kindness I greatly appreciated.

Family of Doris Bachar

**Little Ones Quiet Activity Bags**

News from our Little Lamb Activity Bags. Beginning this September our lamb bags will become Little One's Quiet Activity Bags. These Activity Bags are for the little ones to enjoy if they are staying in church with their parents, grandparents, or another adult.

The Bags will be hanging on the small white rack sitting by the first door going into the Sanctuary.

The items in the bags are as follows:

* Box of crayons
* pencil
* a small writing tablet
* a story book or two
* coloring item (varies by bag and can be taken home with the child)

All items are to stay in the bag unless noted otherwise. After services we ask that you place the bags back on the white rack. We hope our Little Ones will enjoy these new items and know that we love them and so does JESUS!

Thank you,
Mary Hill





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|  |  |  |  | 7:00pm Choir8:30pm AA |  |  |
| 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| 9:00am Sunday School10:00am Worship with Communion | Happy Labor Day! Office Closed | 6:30pm Cub Scouts | 6:30pm Boy Scouts | 7:00pm Choir 8:30pm AA |  | 9:00am Men's Breakfast @ Silver Moon No Contra Dance |
| 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 |
| 9:00am Sunday School10:30am Worship begins12-4:30 pm VBS |  | 6:30pm Cub Scouts6:30pm Finance, Trustees7:30pm Admin | 6:30pm Boy Scouts | 7:00pm Choir 8:30pm AA |  | Harrison Rally Day - Perrysburg9:30-4 with a10am parade |
| 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 |
| 9:00am Sunday School10:30am Worship 5:00pm DOCK | 6:30 - 9:30 pmChoraliers(Parlor) | 6:30pm Cub Scouts6:30pm Craft Night(Parlor) | 6:30pm Boy Scouts | 7:00pm Choir 8:30pm AA |  | 9am - 2pmRed Cross Blood Drive(Narthex) |
| 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |
| 9:00am Sunday School10:30am Youth Led Worship 5:00pm DOCK | Chicken BBQ set up | 6:30pm Cub Scouts | 6:30pm Boy Scouts | 7:00pm Choir 8:30pm AA |  |  |

**AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE at RUMC**

**Saturday, September 23rd, 2017**

**9:00 am to 2:00 pm in the Narthex**

To schedule an appointment please call 1-800-828-1975 or visit redcrossblood.org and enter sponsor code: *ROSSFORDUMC*



**A Thank You**

First, I want to say thank you to all of the many members of RUMC who have shared their time, talents and dedication to sing with the Choir from September through May (and many additional times throughout the year and in June as well.) I know your dedication and I know your love of prayer, praise and song through the medium of music. It does take a little extra of your time on Thursday nights and Sunday morning to prepare, but it also expands us as a family by sharing love, support in times of need and joy in times of celebration. Your commitment has been awesome and I do appreciate your planning and letting me know of absences so that I can plan music around you. I want everyone to know what a wonderful, talented and dedicated group of angels you are. We will continue to seek others who want to share that love of music, faith and family with you.

Sarah Buehrer

Music Program Director

**Why Sing In The Church Choir?**

* Choir contributes to the understanding of God and the experience of worship.
* Choir gives us the opportunity to be worship leaders.
* Choir fulfills the Biblical admonishment to “sing to our God.”
* Choir focuses on DOING rather than OBSERVING.
* Choir allows praise with body, mind, spirit and voice.
* Choir helps develop concepts of teamwork and cooperation.
* Choir is a gift that will last a lifetime.

…Don DeBruin.

**An Invitation**

***You are invited to join the choir***

***When:*** *Thursday, August 31 at 7:00 P. M.*

***Where:*** *In the Sanctuary*

***Who:*** *All Who Love to Sing* ***– Ages –****middle school and up*

***Benefits:*** *Interaction with a loving Family of God who also love to sing.*

***First Sunday to sing:*** *September 10th*

***Morning Sunday Practice:*** *10:00 A. M.*

***Where:*** *Sunday morning practice is in the Parlor*

***If you are unable to join us on August 31, we practice most Thursdays at 7PM. Just check the bulletin and/or newsletter.***

**Some Additional thoughts**

**A NEW CHALLENGE:** Learning to sing is a challenge in itself, but learning to sing with others is a skill that makes the experience all the more rewarding.

**SOCIAL BENEFITS**: As with any club or social group, membership will not only enhance your circle of friends but also your social life.

**EDUCATION**: There is a wealth of sacred choral music to discover and being part of a choir is one way of finding some of those hidden gems.

**HEALTH BENEFITS:** Singing is an ideal way to relax and relieve stress as it provides an outlet from the pressures of daily life.

**A LIFELONG PASSION**: Choral singing can become a hobby for life. There are no age or gender restrictions, it requires only the desire and time to give of yourself to your choir and Church.

**Handbells**

Come one! Come all! The bell choir rings again! Always looking for new members to help out since we all have crazy lives happening these days. We even have one who will need shoulder surgery. We need those interested in ringing to contact Sarah or one of our current ringers: Nancy Stonerock, Sue Perkins, Cheryl Garlow, Brenda Weiss, Kim Weyandt, Pat Baumgartner, Jane Williams, Charlene and/or Trudy McCamey.

New ringers do not need to know how to ring , but regular attendance, keeping a beat, and counting out beats would be very helpful! **Rehearsals are planned for 6 – 6:45 PM on Thursday nights starting in September**.

 *Stay tuned to the bulletin for the exact rehearsal times since they have not yet been planned.*









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Pastor: Pastor Dwayne Shugert

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