

THE MESSENGER



Pastoral Reflections

As We Journey Together

The season of Lent is underway. We are on a spiritual journey, a pilgrimage, together as the people of Westlake United Methodist Church. Many of us are on a journey to grow spiritually and become healthier through "The Daniel Plan." Others of us are growing spiritually through the study of the Gospel of Matthew in our Thursday Morning Bible Study group. Some are traveling through this journey of Lent focused on worship, receiving the Sacrament of Holy Communion, reading scripture and being in prayer. Spiritual journeys may take many forms; but they have in common a focus on growing in our relationship with God.

In John 15:4-5 we hear, "Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing." As we journey through this season of Lent, the people of Westlake

UMC (WUMC) and Simpson UMC (SUMC) are being purposeful in abiding with Jesus as we discern God's will for WUMC to have a ministry presence on the near Westside of Cleveland at the current SUMC location. For the past five months, the people of WUMC have been praying everyday at 6:10 in the morning and 6:10 in the evening to stay connected to Jesus, the true "vine." As we pray, we have been asking for God's guidance on how we can do God's will and be a beacon of hope to God's children.

In the process of conducting the merger feasibility study, we have determined that the culture and core values of both congregations are compatible. Financial and building audits have been conducted. MissionInsite demographic data for a two mile radius surrounding the current SUMC site has been studied. Community as well as congregational assets and ministries were identified. While the original request was to evaluate the feasibility of a merger of these two congregations, our diligence findings have led us to believe

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INVITE A FRIEND TO EXPERIENCE OUR CHURCH AT EASTER TIME!

The conclusion of Lent, the events of Holy Week, and the joy of Easter celebrated at WUMC are even better when shared with someone who does not have a church home. Who is God calling you to invite? Keep our Easter business cards in your wallet or purse and invite people to pass out to those you meet that could use a church family and the hope of God's mercy and grace.

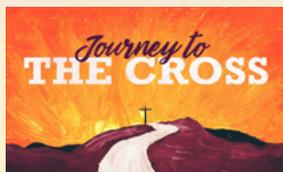
Cards are available from the ushers.

Holy Week

MAUNDY THURSDAY

March 29 – 6:30 p.m.

Simple Soup Supper and Service, music provided by the Children's Choir.



GOOD FRIDAY CANTATA

March 30 – 7:00 p.m.

The WUMC Chancel Choir will present "Tapestry of Darkness" by Ruth Elaine Schram (more information on pg. 3)

Easter Sunday

SUNRISE SERVICE

April 1 – 7:09 a.m.

Evergreen Cemetery in Westlake (29535 Center Ridge Rd.)



WUMC SERVICES

8:15 a.m. Reflective Service with communion

10:00 a.m. Traditional Service with communion

11:28 a.m. Contemporary Service with communion

WESTLAKE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Sunday Worship at 8:15, 10:00 and 11:28 a.m.

News, Small Groups & Spiritual Growth

(Pastoral Reflections cont'd)

that the most efficacious way to accomplish our shared goals is for the SUMC membership to vote to close and then transfer all assets and membership to WUMC. The current location of SUMC would become the Simpson campus of Westlake United Methodist Church. A commitment would be made to continue the current ministries of a monthly community meal, a monthly food bank, a weekly youth group, two worship services, and the implementation of other ministries identified by those in the neighborhood. WUMC will commit to use SUMC's present building as the ministry base for at least one year while the community assessment process continues. WUMC has submitted a ministry funding proposal to the East Ohio Conference to cover the costs of the pastoral appointment.

New ministries being prayerfully considered for the Simpson campus include expanding the faith community to the full two mile radius which would create a more diverse congregation. This expansion would bring together those who currently

worship at SUMC, new worshipers within a walking distance to the church, and those individuals in the gentrification areas of Detroit Shoreway including Gordon Square. Another new ministry and mission initiative that is being prayerfully considered is a workforce program targeted to equip the neighborhood youth with a vision and skills to build a stable and productive future for themselves undergirded with the strengthening power of Jesus Christ.

Throughout this season of Lent, as we continue on a spiritual journey as a faith community, I invite you to stay connected with God, "abide" with God. I encourage us all to be prayerful for the opportunity to bear fruit that lasts in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Prayerfully yours,

Mollie



Feasting on More Than a Fad During Lent

The Daniel Plan...40 Days to a Healthier You!

Daniel Plan participants are half way through their wellness journey of building healthy bodies, minds and spirits for the glory of God. Please keep cheering them on and keeping their transformation in your prayers.

*Do you not know that your bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit...?
Therefore, honor God with your bodies. 1 Corinthians 6:19-20*

**DANIEL PLAN FREE GROUP EXERCISE CLASS
SATURDAYS, MARCH 3, 10, 17 | 9AM
WEEKLY SIGN UP REQUIRED**

Come get moving with your friends at church as we try out a variety of workouts ranging from yoga, pilates to basic cardio and having some fun! Come when your schedule allows and bring a friend. Thanks to Matt McQuality for leading the sessions.

You must sign up for each Saturday session by noon the Friday before at <https://goo.gl/forms/OW4fmrGTWEDK50Ji1>
Or call the office at 440-871-3088.

Meet in the Fellowship Hall and bring a yoga mat or beachtowel and water bottle.

**POST-BIOMETRIC SCREENING DAY
SATURDAY, MARCH 24
FELLOWSHIP HALL (AT APPOINTED TIME)**

It's time to see the progress you've made over the last 6 weeks...and remember it's often not a change you can see in the mirror! That is why the nurses from the Cleveland Clinic will be back to repeat your health screening and give you encouragement to take with you as you live the Daniel Plan lifestyle! If you did the pre-assessment screening you are eligible for the free post-assessment screening. **A registration will be emailed to you or if no email, please sign up with your group facilitator by Thursday, March 8.** You will be notified of your exact appointment time by March 15. Questions, contact Ellie Peiffer at epeiffer@westlakeumc.org.

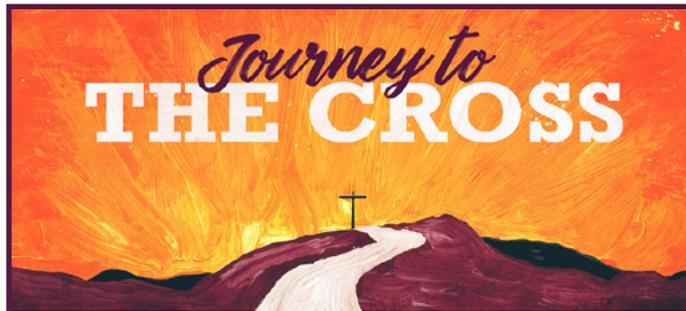
Review the Guidelines for Screening Day on the next page.

News, Small Groups & Spiritual Growth



TUESDAY, MARCH 6 – 7:00 P.M. | ROOM 107

We will be making Easter cards for the shut-ins of WUMC. No experience necessary. Join the fun! Contact Jane Shami at 216-347-4499 for more information. Ages: 16 & over.



LENTEN LUNCH SERIES

WEDNESDAYS IN LENT 12:05 – 12:50 P.M.

"Share lunch, Christian fellowship, and traditional Lenten Prayer and reflection as a multid denominational community."

Free simple meal of soup and hard roll plus a simple Lenten message.

**ST. LADISLAS PARISH CENTER – CULLEN HALL
2345 BASSETT RD WESTLAKE**

JOIN US – call if you have any questions 440-835-2300

March 7 – Ms. Linda Coatoam, Chaplain at Ames Hospice House, Westlake

March 14 – Deacon John Travis, at St. Ladislav Parish

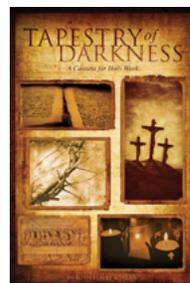
March 21 – Rev Mollie Brown, Pastor at Westlake United Methodist Church



GUIDELINES FOR SCREENING DAY

For the most accurate test results, follow the guidelines below. If you have any questions about your medications or current medical condition, please contact your physician.

- Do not eat 12 hours before your scheduled test. If you are a known diabetic, hypoglycemic or on medication, please consult with your healthcare provider for instructions regarding fasting.
- Stay well hydrated leading up to your scheduled test. Drink plenty of water the day before and the day of your appointment. You may drink black decaf coffee (no sweetener or creamer) on the day of your screening.
- Continue taking all regular medications, as prescribed by your provider.
- Avoid strenuous exercise for 24 hours prior to your scheduled test.
- Limit your intake of salt and high cholesterol foods 24 hours prior to your appointment.
- Please come to the screening 5 minutes prior to your appointment time in order to complete any necessary paperwork.



GOOD FRIDAY CANTATA

FRIDAY, MARCH 30 | 7 P.M.

Please make plans to attend this year's Good Friday service when the choir will present Tapestry of Darkness by Ruth Elaine Schram. This dramatic cantata compares the final hours of Jesus' to an ever-darkening tapestry of green, brown, white, and red.

Interested in participating? We rehearse on Thursdays at 7:30pm for 30-45 minutes in the Sanctuary.

If you are interested in participating but still have questions, please contact Christopher Neely via email at choir@westlakeumc.org.

Compassion & Congregational Care



INDIVIDUAL PRAYER TIME & COMMUNION

With Prayer Partners

**SUNDAYS 9 – 9:30 A.M. OR
11 – 11:30 A.M.**

Stephen Ministers are available every Sunday morning in Room 207 (new location) from 9:00 – 9:30 and also 11:00-11:30 to offer a quiet, reflective time for individual prayer and communion. We also have sets of prayer beads available for you during this time.

ALL ARE WELCOME!

CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP

With Prayer Partners

**MONDAY, MARCH 5
7 – 8 P.M.**

Westlake UMC holds monthly meetings on the first Monday of the month at Westlake UMC. Caregivers are welcome to bring their care partner. A separate space and activities are available for them, staffed by volunteers. The group is facilitated by Thurston Cosner, psychologist, and Gretty Myers, Stephen Leader from Westlake, UMC.

Please contact Gretty Myers to participate or to volunteer at (216) 701-2067 or grettymyers@sbcglobal.net.



USO COOKIES NEEDED



**CANTEEN COOKIES FOR TROOPS
SUNDAY, APRIL 8 – BY 11:00 A.M.**

Everyone is asked to donate store-bought cookies to the men and women of our armed forces on Sunday, April 8th. Please place them in the church kitchen on the cart marked USO. This request is from Church Women United and will be very much appreciated by those who risk their lives for us! Thank you!

KNITTING MINISTRY

The Purl Girls are in need of knitters to knit prayer shawls for our church. we meet every **Wednesday at 11:30 a.m. –1:30 p.m.** in room 101. It is just straight knitting and we supply the yarn. Call Betty Levis for more details at 440-871-8644.



You don't have to attend our meeting and can knit at home.

—Reminder— SIMPSON UMC COMMUNITY MEAL



SUNDAY, MARCH 4 | 4:30 P.M.

Simpson UMC is having their Community meal on Sunday, March 4 at 4:30 p.m. (Please note, this is usually held on the first Sunday of the month). We are looking for a few people to go to Simpson, join in fellowship, and help with clean up. Simpson UMC is located at 8519 Clark Ave, about 15 minutes from WUMC.

MEAL MINISTRY

As a new year begins may we all be reminded that we are all beloved children of God. We can spread God's love to all his children with generous giving and gracious receiving. Many people have been willing to provide an occasional meal to someone in our congregation who is in need of support and encouragement. These meals are made with caring, loving hands and hearts and delivered and received in the name of Christ. If you would like to be part of this Meal Ministry please contact Kay Miller at Kemiller74@hotmail.com

**If you are in need of a meal please call the church office
440-871-3088.**

Mission Opportunities & Updates

SPRING WEEKEND MISSION RETREAT

**FRIDAY, APRIL 13, 7 P.M. –
SATURDAY, APRIL 14, 6 P.M.**

Adults and children 12 years old and up are eligible. Cost per person; \$40.00 per night. Includes lodging and meals. **Meeting for details, paperwork, and deposit will be at 9:00 and 11:00 on March 18th** in the Library off of Fellowship Hall. Sign-up on Main Bulletin board, or email John Carreon, carreon@oh.rr.com or Kay Martin at kcbrightm@aol.com.

If you would like to participate and cannot attend the meeting, or with any questions, please email John or Kay at the email addresses above.

MARCH MISSION EVENT

SATURDAY MARCH 10 | 1 – 4 P.M.

We will be going to the Kids in Need Resource Center. Sign up on the main bulletin board. Meet at WUMC at 12:00 to carpool.

Each week, Kids In Need receives new shipments of lots of great items for teachers to use in their classroom and to pass on to their students. These items include basic supplies, craft items, books, furniture and more. We will be sorting and organizing these items.

CLEVELAND Kids in Need RESOURCE CENTER
3631 Perkins Avenue, Suite 1-C
Cleveland, Ohio 44114

TWICE BLESSED FREE STORE AT NEHEMIAH MISSION

Have a few hours to help?

Volunteers are always needed on Mondays, 10:00-1:00 to help sort and restock the store at 6515 Bridge Ave.

Updated list of requested donations are posted in Fellowship Hall on the wooden donation box. **Items MUST be in season! Toiletries are especially needed; toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap, shampoo, etc.**



MISSION/ FUND-RAISER REMINDERS FROM MISSION TEAM

Please submit plans for any mission or fundraising project at WUMC to Mission Team by the first Tuesday of the month prior to start. This is not for approval, but to ensure there isn't duplication or overlapping of projects.

Going on a mission trip? Submit a mission funding request which can be found on the WUMC website Mission page. Please submit either to John Carreon, carreon@oh.rr.com or Kay Martin at kcbrightm@aol.com.



Ohio Guidestone delivers Easter Necessity Baskets to families in need with the help of partnering basket supplier groups, like us. Bins for donations are in Fellowship Hall and outside the Main office. *Items needed are listed below.*

Questions? Please contact John Carreon, carreon@oh.rr.com or Kay Martin at kcbrightm@aol.com.

Donation requests from congregation:

Cleaning Supplies, Liquid Cleaners, Mop/Bucket, Broom/Dustpan, Sponges (soft), Sponges (abrasive), Paper Towels, Trash Bags, Handheld Scrub Brush, Toilet Bowl Brush, Toilet Bowl Cleaner

Sunday School classes:

Boys: Diapers, Blankets, Toys
Girls: Wipes, Bottles, Toys
Teachers & helpers: Baby Formula
Youth: Essential Teen Toiletries:
Girls- items for Girls,
Boys- items for Boys

Monetary Donations may be made out to WUMC. Please write Ohio Guidestone Baskets on the memo line.

WE WILL BE ASSEMBLING THE BASKETS DURING THE EGGSTRAVAGANZA ON MARCH, 25 AT 4 P.M.

Christian Education

WUMC SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Are you or somebody you know graduating high school this spring with plans of heading to college in the fall? If so, please check our website for the WUMC Scholarship 2018 application on the Forms page. The application process and its candidate review focuses primarily on these seniors' service and/or mission in their school, community, and within our church.

For more information, contact Kay Martin at faithformation@westlakeumc.org. To apply, download the application at www.westlakeumc.org/forms and submit by **March 31st**.

4TH-5TH GRADE SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS SPRING MISSION PROJECT

We are collecting new or gently used Children's Books for Ohio Guidestone. Please drop off donations to bin in room 107.



WUMC ANNUAL PALM SUNDAY Eggstravaganza

MARCH 25, | 4 – 5:30 P.M.

We will be putting together the Necessity Baskets for Guidestone and dying eggs in Fellowship Hall.

Please bring one dozen hard-boiled eggs per egg-dying participant. We will provide the dyes, and other supplies. Contact Kay Martin at faithformation@westlakeumc.org to volunteer or with any questions.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION

We need to have all children participating in our 10:00 or 11:28 Sunday School Program be registered. If you haven't done so this year, there are forms available in every classroom. It is also available on-line on the church website, at westlakeumc.org/forms

Also, there is now a guest student short form in each room that should be filled out on their first visit.



- MARCH 4** Doughnuts & Discussion, Confirmation, and Regular Youth Group **5 – 8 p.m.**

- MARCH 11** Doughnuts & Discussion, Confirmation, and Regular Youth Group **5 – 8 p.m.**

- MARCH 18** Doughnuts & Discussion, Confirmation, Spaghetti
Dinner 3:30-8 (All youth welcome to work!)

- MARCH 25** Doughnuts & Discussion, Confirmation,
NO evening Youth (Palm Sunday)

- APRIL 1** No Youth Events – Happy Easter!

QUESTIONS? Contact Rachael Grech, WUMC Youth Coordinator at youth@westlakeumc.org

WANT TO BE AN ACOLYTE?

If you are in grades 4-6 you can be an acolyte.

To sign up go to westlakeumc.org/children or [CLICK HERE](#). Have questions? Contact Holly Kessler at hollykessler@centurylink.net or Jane Shami at jane423@me.com.



SAVE THE DATE

VBS is scheduled for June 18 – 22 at St Bernadette's.



Family Events & Fund Raisers



SUNDAY, MARCH 18

**TICKETS ON SALE AT THE YOUTH BOOTH
MARCH 4, 11, 18 AND AT THE DOOR!**

Daniel Plan tickets must be purchased by Sunday March 11.

5 – 6:15 INTIMATE SEATING

(You can arrive anytime in that time period for intimate seating.)

6:30 – 7:30 FAMILY SEATING

Come for the food, stay for the friends! A separate movie space will be offered for kids 10 and under! Movie starts at 6:45. Parents, you are welcome to relax, and enjoy the food, friends and atmosphere.

TICKETS: \$10 adults, \$5 kids, \$40 family

Daniel Plan friendly meals just \$1 more!

**Buckwheat pasta, salad and fruit. Adult meals only.*

All proceeds go to Youth Missions.

(Appalachia this year, Costa Rica next year)



WESTLAKE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

Flower Sale

Spring will be coming and again this year United Methodist Women will be selling plants for your gardens. Order forms will be included in your April Messenger and at the church. More information will be coming.

P.S. Delivery dates are planned so that the flowers will be available for Mother's Day gifts!

2018 Coffee Fellowship Sponsorship



**\$35.00 WILL SPONSOR A
SUNDAY COFFEE FELLOWSHIP TIME!***

Encourage Fellowship!

Welcome the WUMC Church family & visitors by funding a Sunday Coffee Fellowship Time. All work will be done by the Hospitality Team.

Enjoy fellowship with your church family!

**Fellowship Time encompasses the entirety of Sunday morning, with coffee and pastries available for all Worship participants.*

Unless you request a specific date, we will assign a Sunday that is open on the calendar. Your name will be displayed on table signage and listed in the weekly bulletin.

Name: _____
(sponsoring individual, family or group)

Requested date? (opt.) _____

In celebration or remembrance? ____ Yes ____ No

****Please leave this form and payment in the collection basket or at the church office****

Church Family Focus

SIMPSON UMC & WESTLAKE UMC MERGER NEWS AND CALL TO PRAYER

As the taskforce continues to discern the way forward for these two congregations, we ask that all members spend time talking with God about this direction. It is an exciting opportunity that would provide the Westlake community a connection point to make a difference for Christ in the Cleveland community and grow in our faith, service and witness. It will make a difference in both sites that only God fully sees at this time. That is why our prayers and time spent in attuning ourselves to God's will is so important.

The church wide congregational update on the potential merger with Simpson UMC was held on Sunday, February 25, 2018 at Simpson UMC and at Westlake UMC. If you missed the presentation, feel free to talk with one of the taskforce members: Rev. Don Lefelar, John Rife, Ellie Peiffer and Rev. Mollie Brown. Additional opportunities for discussion and updates will be offered in the coming weeks. Your questions, comments, and ideas are welcome at anytime.

The merger will be voted on at a church conference that will be announced shortly. Please watch the Friday enews, bulletin insert and Reverend Mollie's Sunday announcements for the date. Both churches will hold separate church conferences. Per The Book of Discipline of the United Methodist Church, all professing members of the local church present at the church conference may cast a vote. If you are not sure of your membership status, please call the church office.



COUNTERS NEEDED

Are you available on Mondays from 9-10:30? The finance committee is in need of people to help count the money collected during the various Sunday services. The only talent you need is the ability to count money in cash and check form. If you would like more information or want to volunteer your services, please contact Don Larson (440-937-2769) or Duane Miller (440-346-0081).



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Westlake United Methodist Women

GENERAL MEETING

THURSDAY, MARCH 8, 2018 – 10:30 A.M.

All women, and their friends, are invited to join this friendly and mission-focused group. We begin at 10:30 in Fellowship Hall with our meeting and eat lunch at 12:00. Remember to bring your sandwich – our hostesses will provide dessert and beverages.

The 1:00 p.m. program will be "A visit to Liberia" presented by Harry Askin. Harry has traveled to several countries on Christian missions and will certainly be interesting. Please join us!



**BE SURE TO LIKE OUR WUMC FACEBOOK
PAGE FOR THE LATEST NEWS AND EVENTS!
[CLICK HERE](#)**



**JOIN THE WUMC DANIEL PLAN GROUP ON
FACEBOOK! [CLICK HERE](#)**

Church Family Focus



OUR NEWEST MEMBERS

The following people joined the church on Sunday, January 28 during 11:28am worship. Please be sure to introduce yourself to them and encourage them on their faith journey.

- Melissa Wilson
- Shannon Howerton
- Terzah Nelson

BAPTISMS

Jayden Wilson, Jackson Wilson, Jordan Nester, Destiny Nester, Jaelin Arales & Shannan Howerton were baptized on January 28, 2018 by Rev. Mollie Brown in a moving sacrament of holy baptism during 11:28 worship

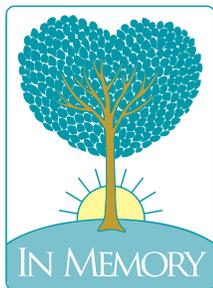


BIRTHS

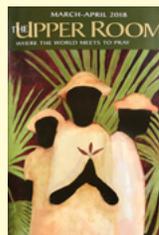
We are happy to announce the birth of Benjamin Ryan Shoop on January 31, 2018. Benjamin's parents are Debbie and Ryan Shoop and he joins big brothers Aidan, Tyler, Carter and Asher.

IN REMEMBRANCE

William Chambers, long time member of WUMC passed away February 4th. A memorial service to celebrate his life was held at Sunset Chapel on February 7th. Please keep the Chambers family in your prayers.



Edward Rothkegel, father of Kim Kalal passed away on January 22nd. A memorial service to celebrate his life was held on February 11th at WUMC. Please keep the Kalal and Rothkegel families in your prayers.



The March-April Upper Room are now available in the lobby and the Narthex.

Free will offerings gratefully accepted.

Coffee Time Fellowship

Coffee Time Sponsors are still needed to support our coffee fellowship from now through the end of May. Cost is \$35, see form on pg. 7. Thanks for keeping this important ministry of connection going!

During Lent, Coffee Time will be offering a variety of decaf teas and food items from the Daniel Plan. Even if you are not participating in the Daniel Plan, enjoy these healthy foods with us as we strengthen our body, mind & souls to follow Jesus more closely!

THANK YOU TO OUR FEBRUARY COFFEE TIME SPONSORS:

- March 4 Roseann Fekete
- March 11 John Salmon
- March 18 Open
- March 25 PALM SUNDAY



THERE WILL BE NO UNITED METHODIST MEN'S WAFFLE BREAKFAST ON PALM SUNDAY.



The annual UM Men's breakfast will be scheduled at another time this year. Please stay tuned for more details in the coming months.

Financial Information

Instead of an envelope with a check or cash on Sunday, there are two other ways you can make contributions to the General Operating Fund for Westlake UMC:



DIRECT DEPOSIT: Scheduled automatic transfers from your checking account to the WUMC account. Please contact Raphe Neapolitan, Finance Manager for the form needed at rneapolitan@westlakeumc.org



ONLINE GIVING: Use your credit card via our website at westlakeumc.org. In the lower left corner of the home page you will see a button for Online Giving — near “Live Streaming” — You do not have to login to contribute, but can create profile if desired. This can be a one-time contribution or regularly scheduled contributions.

Westlake United Methodist Church
Income and Expense Statement (UNAUDITED)
 OPERATING FUND 01, January 2018

	Current Period	Year to Date	Prior Year YTD	Prior Year	Year to Date	Annual Budget
					Budget	
INCOME						
CONTRIBUTION INCOME	\$37,038.38	\$37,038.38	\$41,304.28	\$41,304.28	\$46,858.81	\$580,676.73
TOTAL INCOME	37,038.38	37,038.38	41,304.28	41,304.28	46,858.81	580,676.73
EXPENSES						
ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE						
STAFF PARISH EXPENSE	\$23,101.61	\$23,101.61	\$28,167.67	\$28,167.67	\$28,500.88	\$353,810.68
OFFICE EXPENSE	1,029.29	1,029.29	435.35	435.35	1,111.83	15,297.00
FINANCE TEAM EXPENSE	158.45	158.45	139.66	139.66	235.00	3,200.00
FACILITIES EXPENSE	7,412.01	7,412.01	4,397.75	4,397.75	5,948.44	69,357.02
Subtotal Expenses	31,701.36	31,701.36	33,140.43	33,140.43	35,796.15	441,664.70
MINISTRY EXPENSE						
MUSIC EXPENSE	25.48	25.48	400.00	400.00	240.00	2,700.00
WORSHIP EXPENSE	1,578.25	1,578.25	101.95	101.95	650.00	8,526.00
EDUCATION EXPENSE	458.71	458.71	-171.17	-171.17	1,531.67	19,890.00
OUTREACH EXPENSE	728.22	728.22	0.00	0.00	946.43	7,705.00
CONNECTIONAL GIVING	6,050.25	6,050.25	6,902.08	6,902.08	6,819.16	81,830.00
Subtotal Ministry Expense	8,840.91	8,840.91	7,232.86	7,232.86	10,187.26	120,651.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	40,542.27	40,542.27	40,373.29	40,373.29	45,983.41	562,315.70
EXCESS INCOME/EXPENSES	-\$3,503.89	-\$3,503.89	\$930.99	\$930.99	\$875.40	\$18,361.03



**YOU CAN JOIN WESTLAKE UMC AT THE 10:00 SERVICE WITH OUR
 LIVE STREAMING! ****



Traveling? Can't make it to church on a Sunday morning? Worship with us via our website: westlakeumc.org for the 10:00 service. You will see the link to the broadcast in the lower left corner of the home screen. You are also invited to register your attendance, send prayer requests, and/or make contributions online.

***Please note that due to copyright & licensing restrictions, not all music or multimedia presentations may be broadcast.*

MARCH 2018



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<p>4</p> <p>8:50am Daniel Plan-KD (106/7)</p> <p>11:30am Daniel Plan-AH/SCL (106/7)</p> <p>5pm Daniel Plan-BK/TH (207)</p> <p>Youth Group 5-8 p.m.</p>	<p>5</p> <p>9-3p Labyrinth Open</p> <p>12:30pm Daniel Plan-EP (106/7)</p> <p>7pm ChristCare-G/J/L (205)</p> <p>7pm Caregivers Group (100 & 107)</p> <p>7pm Leadership Council (207)</p>	<p>6</p> <p>5:00 pm Oberlin Choristers (100/3/FH)</p> <p>6:30pm 11:28 Rehearsal</p> <p>6:30pm Daniel Plan-SG (207)</p> <p>7pm Easter Card Making (107)</p>	<p>7</p> <p>10am Daniel Plan-RG (207)</p> <p>11:30am Purl Girls (100)</p> <p>7pm Daniel Plan-GM (106/7)</p>	<p>1</p> <p>9 am Bible Study (205)</p> <p>10am UMW Board Mtg (105)</p> <p>5:30pm Marijuana Anon(100)</p> <p>7 pm Daniel Plan-DL(106/7)</p> <p>7:30pm Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>2</p> <p>3—6pm Theater Group (FH)</p>	<p>3</p> <p>9am Daniel Plan Grp Exercise (FH)</p>
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<p>25</p> <p>Palm Sunday</p> <p>4pm Necessity Basket Build & Eggstravaganza (FH)</p>	<p>26</p> <p>9-3p Labyrinth Open</p> <p>12:30pm ChristCare-EP (205)</p> <p>7pm ChristCare-G/J/L (205)</p>	<p>27</p> <p>5:00 pm Oberlin Choristers (100/3/FH)</p> <p>6:30pm 11:28 Rehearsal</p>	<p>28</p> <p>11:30pm Purl Girls (100)</p> <p>1:30-4:30pm Theater Grp (105)</p> <p>2 pm ChristCare-JMc (205)</p> <p>5:30pm Community Meal</p> <p>7 pm ChristCare-GM (100/7)</p>	<p>29</p> <p>MAUNDY THURSDAY</p> <p>9am Bible Study (205)</p> <p>10am CWRU (107)</p> <p>5:30pm Marijuana Anon(100)</p> <p>6:30pm Maundy Thursday Dinner & Worship (FH)</p>	<p>30</p> <p>GOOD FRIDAY</p> <p>7pm Cantata</p>	<p>31</p>

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Coming Up

- 3/4** Simpson UMC Community Meal (p. 4)
- 3/5** Caregivers Support Group (p. 4)
- 3/7, 14, 21** Lenten Lunch Series (p. 3)
- 3/8** UMW General Meeting (p. 8)
- 3/18** Youth Spaghetti Dinner (p. 7)
- 3/25** Eggstravaganza (p. 6)
- 3/29** Maundy Thursday Service (p. 1)
- 3/30** Good Friday Cantata (p. 3)

****ATTENTION****

MESSENGER ARTICLES ARE NOW DUE THE 2ND TUESDAY OF THE MONTH. EMAIL CONTENT TO COMMUNICATIONS@WESTLAKEUMC.ORG

*** MESSENGER ARTICLES FOR APRIL: DUE TUESDAY, MARCH 13TH ***

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**Live-streamed via our website*

11:28 a.m. (Contemporary)
 10:00 a.m. (Traditional)*
 8:15 a.m. (Reflective)
 Sunday Worship at

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