



# THE METHODIST MOSAIC

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Dear Friends,

I am very happy to announce the hiring of a new member of our church staff. Henrique Alvim (pronounced en-HEE-kay) has begun in the new position of Assistant Worship Band Leader, working with Michael Goff and our worship band in leading our contemporary worship at the 9:30 hour. We were able to fund this position by making adjustments in other budget line items, so that our total church budget remains the same.

Henrique grew up in the Methodist church in Brazil, where he had significant experience in musical groups and leadership in the church. He directed choirs, served as president of the Methodist Young Adults' League of the 5th Region of the Methodist Church in Brazil, and served as a delegate (from Brazil) to the United Methodist General Conference in 2000 (held in Cleveland). After moving to America, Henrique served in music leadership in both the East Fairfield and Vienna United Methodist churches (both in the East Ohio Conference), and has recently been playing drums in our worship band (he plays other instruments as well). He is now a professor at Walsh University and lives in Ravenna.

Henrique and his wife, Jennifer, joined our church two years ago, and their son, Daniel, was baptized here. They have been regular attenders at the 10:30 service; but now you may see them at 9:30 or 10:30 or both! Henrique will be assisting with the overall worship band leadership for our growing 9:30 worship service.

In our worship during the month of May, we look forward to some special worship experiences, in particular:

**Sunday, May 7—Confirmation Sunday!** We rejoice in the Confirmation of eleven seventh graders at the 10:30 hour. All three worship hours will include **Communion**. *ZAMARingers* will share the offertory at 10:30. The “Points of the Cross” sermon series will continue with a sermon entitled, “Take Up the Cross.”

**Sunday, May 14—Festival of the Christian Home (Mother’s Day)** We celebrate on Mother’s Day the “Festival of the Christian Home”—a time when we recognize and rejoice in the ways in which God is at work in our families. Our youth will be handing out Mother’s Day gifts at the end of each service. We are celebrating *Baptism* for children at the 10:30 hour; another 10:30 hour Baptism opportunity will be available on July 9. Parents interested in baptism for children should speak with Dr. Palmer.

**Sunday, May 21—Children’s Musical** At the 10:30 hour, our Children’s Choir will present a delightful musical entitled, “Donkey Tales.” (Think about how many times donkeys appear in the Bible!) There will be a sermon at all three worship hours entitled, “The Talking Donkey.” We will have *Baptism* for children at the 9:30 hour. We also will be having **Graduate Recognition** for our graduating high school seniors at the 8:30 and 9:30 hours (Commencement is that afternoon.)

**Sunday, May 28 –Memorial Day weekend, UMW Sunday** *Geraniums* in our worship spaces will serve as a memorial for veterans, and our services will include a moment of recognition for all the veterans in our congregation. Our UMW will provide leadership of the worship hour with drama and word.

I look forward to sharing with you in the many opportunities of this month!

In His Service,  
Dr. David Palmer

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# Youth Ministry News

## May 2017

### MAY

6	2-8:30 PM Confirmation Confirmation Sunday
7	3-5 PM Mountain TOP training 7-8:30 PM Youth Fellowship
14	Mother's Day No Youth Fellowship
21	Senior Sunday 7-8:30 PM Youth Picnic (end of the year)

April has been an exciting and very busy month for our youth. The confirmation class completing their final service project for the year by moving brush and stacking logs at Camp Asbury that were the result of the wind storm in March. April 23 was our Annual Time and Talent Auction which helps to fund our youth activities and Mountain TOP mission trip. Our Mountain TOP mission team will completed its training session in preparation for our trip on May 7. We are very excited to be sending 57 to the mountain to serve the people of the Cumberland Plateau. I look forward to sharing our experiences upon

our return. Please pray for our group as they prepare for another exciting yet challenging trip.

Shalom,  
*Rick* ☺

### East Ohio United Methodist Summer Camps

Our church has wonderful summer camp opportunities for elementary-aged children up through high school youth. A full description of this summer's camp opportunities may be found online at [www.eastohiocamps.org](http://www.eastohiocamps.org).

To help enable young people to go to camp, our church will pay half the cost for any camper from our church for any one of our United Methodist camps. We call this financial assistance a "campership." To receive a campership, follow this process:

- Go to [www.EOCSummerCamps.org](http://www.EOCSummerCamps.org) and register online for the camp of your choice.
- Print the confirmation.
- Bring in or mail a copy of the confirmation, to our church office, PO Box 646, Kent, OH 44240 (specifically to Lynnette Begue-Lavery, our financial coordinator). The church will then send in a payment to the camp's office for half of the Tier 1 price of your camp, and that office will bill you for the rest.

If you need further financial assistance, see Lynnette about receiving application materials for a District or Conference campership. It is possible to get nearly the entire cost of camp covered if you have the need.

Summer camp is a fun-filled time of spiritual growth and making new friends in God's great out-of-doors. For more information, contact Dr. Palmer.

### May Acolyte Schedule

MAY 7	Kevin Ina Zane Ferrara
MAY 14	Aron Kooijman Desmeal Leigh
MAY 21	Kyle Schmidt Jaden Lepp
MAY 28	Abbey Stiller Mya Syphrit

### New Spirit to Give Spring Concert

Saturday, May 13, our contemporary adult ensemble New Spirit will perform a spring concert entitled "Sing a New Song." The hour-long concert will be held in the Sanctuary at 7:00 PM, and will feature gospel and contemporary Christian music of many styles. A collection will be taken to benefit New Spirit and the music program at the church. Donations will help to fund hosting guest musicians that support our Sunday morning worship, equipment used to enhance or record performances, music purchases, and future projects and outreach. It will be a very enjoyable evening for the whole family, and we hope you will attend. Thank you for your continued support of our music program!

## May Meetings of Kent United Methodist Women (UMW) Circles

Miriam Circle of Kent UMW will meet at **9:30 AM on May 3** in the Kent United Methodist Church Parlor for a book review presentation by Becky Head. The book she will review is entitled “Soul Response” and “The Reason” Co-hostesses will be Barb Farrell and Carol Taylor. Chris Pryor will present Devotions and the Mission Moment.

At **1 PM on May 3** Mary Reed Circle will meet in the church parlor. Continuing the year’s theme of “Blessings of Life”, Jane Hornyak will present a program entitled “Blessings of Family”. Co-hostesses will be Pat Gynn and Mary Lou McGregor. Devotions and the Mission Moment will be led by Candy Thaxton.

Kent UMW’s Rebecca Circle will meet at **7:30 PM on May 3** at the home of Hostess Jane Smith assisted by Co-Hostesses Sue Abbott and Sally Ruckman. Devotions will be led by Jane Smith and Gail Pytel will present the Mission Moment. The program is entitled “Mothers United in Action”. Attendees are requested to bring baby products for Kent Social Services and the group will prepare Bullet Bags for Military Honor Guards.

Janus Circle will meet on **May 7 at 9:15 AM** in the church library for a program entitled “Getting to Know our Church Library.”

The Executive Board of Kent UMW will meet at **7 PM on Wednesday, May 17** in the Conference Room at the church. President Denise Mote will preside.

United Methodist Women Sunday will be held on **May 28**. All three worship services at 8:30 AM, 9:30 AM and 10:30 AM will be led by members of UMW. The worship theme will be “What Does the Lord Require?”

The Canal District United Methodist Women (UMW) “Spring Gathering” will be held on April 22 at the Firestone Park United Methodist Church in Akron. A continental breakfast will begin at 8:30 AM and the meeting will start at 9:30 AM. The topic will be “Human Trafficking”. Donations of linens, toiletries, small appliances and non-perishables will be gathered for **Heart 4 the City**, an outreach mission program of the East Ohio Conference of the United Methodist Church.

The East Ohio Conference UMW’s “Mission U” will be held at Mount Union University in Alliance on July 21-23. Mission U is an annual event of biblical study & spiritual growth. Folks can attend a one day sampling of topics on Friday or an entire weekend retreat with more in-depth study & fellowship. This year’s study topics will be *Living as a Covenant Community, Climate*

*Justice, and Missionary Conferences.*

Every 4 years UMW members from around the world gather for the **National Assembly**. The next Assembly will be held May 18-30, 2018 in Columbus, Ohio. The Assembly will no doubt never be this close again anytime in the near future. All UMW members are encouraged to make plans to attend.

## 2017 Janus Scholarship Announcement—Deadline Extended!

It is that time again to apply to The Janus Circle Scholarship! The Janus Circle Scholarship was established in 2014 to recognize student members of the United Methodist Church of Kent, Ohio for their active involvement in our church and service to the community and who plan to pursue post-secondary education the following school year.

The Janus Scholarship is awarded to high school seniors who have demonstrated an exceptional level of service in the church during their teen years. The application calls for a listing of all the points of a student’s involvement; however, there are no GPA requirements or essay! Please note that although no initial essay is required, an essay may be requested by the Selection Committee at their discretion. In addition, any college-bound or other educational pursuit is eligible!

Applications are available from the church office or may be completed on-line on the UMC of Kent website. More details are also available on the website. Applications may be mailed or delivered in person to the church office to the attention of Adam Alderson, postmarked or received in person by the **extended deadline** of May 14, 2017.

The award recipient(s) will be announced at Senior Recognition Sunday and it is possible for the award to be shared among multiple recipients.

Through this scholarship, the Janus Circle is tangibly recognizing the youth members who demonstrate their commitment and service to our church and community. For more information, please contact Denise Mote at 330-678-6048. Donations to the Janus Scholarship Endowment Fund are welcome; please mark your envelope Janus Circle Scholarship Fund! Good luck, seniors!

## Order Your Geraniums

You are invited to donate geraniums to beautify the church sanctuary for Memorial Day Sunday, May 28, and Pentecost Sunday, June 4. On Memorial Day, we will be honoring loved ones who have served or are currently serving in the United States Armed Forces. Those names will be included in the bulletin that Sunday. On Pentecost, when the red of the geraniums reminds us of the fire of the Holy Spirit, we will honoring and printing in the bulletin additional names (non-veterans) in whose honor or memory the geraniums were given. These flowers will then be planted here at the church to beautify our grounds for summer. Please complete the information below (**please print** to avoid any errors), and mail it to the church office or drop it into the offering plate on Sunday. All checks must be made payable to the United Methodist Church of Kent and marked "Geraniums" in the memo line. Please return money with the form by **Monday, May 15**.



I/WE WISH TO PURCHASE \_\_\_\_\_ PLANT(S) AT \$10.00 EACH

IN MEMORY OF: \_\_\_\_\_

OR  
IN HONOR OF: \_\_\_\_\_

BRANCH OF SERVICE IF VETERAN: \_\_\_\_\_

GIVEN BY: \_\_\_\_\_



*From June 12-16 (please note the week) our kids will discover their strength in God at our Vacation Bible School: HERO CENTRAL. Discover your strength in God! While in attendance at HERO CENTRAL, your students will go on an epic adventure alongside biblical heroes and discover the qualities that make them truly heroes of God.*

*During Vacation Bible School at HERO CENTRAL: Discover your strength in God, your students will become HERO'S and explore how to do good! Seek peace and go after it!*

*After a high-energy opening assembly at headquarters, the hero's make their way to spectacular activities involving music, science, crafts, recreation, and Bible stories. Along the way, our hero's will also hear about our mission projects that will inspire them to discover their strength in God!*

*Just complete the form on the following page to register. Vacation Bible School is open to children three years old through sixth grade. Three-year-olds need to have had some Sunday School or preschool experience before coming to Vacation Bible School. We hope you will mark your calendar for June 12-16 and plan to attend VBS at HERO CENTRAL!*

*Sincerely,  
Your HERO CENTRAL VBS TEAM*

# VBS Registration Form

Name(s) of Child(ren)

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Parent/Guardian Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Numbers

Home \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_ Work \_\_\_\_\_

Age Information

Date of birth \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Last school grade completed \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies/Medical Information/Other Information

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Emergency Contacts

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Dismissal Information

Name(s) of person(s) who may pick up this child from VBS

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Can your child be photographed and have his or her picture appear in church print or web articles?  
Circle one:

YES

NO

Fees are \$10 per child with a \$25 family maximum. (This only partially meets the expenses for materials, crafts, snacks, and concluding luncheon on Friday.)

Fee received \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Checks payable to Kent UMC

# May 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>1</b> 7 pm New Spirit/Choir Room 7 pm Disciple I/Rm 207 7 pm Disciple III/Rm 200	<b>2</b> 8:30 am Tuesday Morning Work Group 12 pm Rotary Lunch/PH 6 pm Zumba Fitness/Gym 7 pm Young Adults/Parlor 7-9 pm Basketball/Gym	<b>3</b> 9 am Miriam Circle/Parlor 1 pm Mary Reed Circle/Parlor 6 pm Yoga/Parlor 7 pm Leadership Comm/Conference Room	<b>4</b> 7 am Men's Discussion Group/Little City Grill 12 pm Lion's Lunch/PH 6 pm Zumba Fitness/Gym 7 pm Disciple Fast-Track/Room 208 7:30 pm Sanctuary Choir/Choir Room	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b> Regular Schedule Communion	<b>8</b> 7 pm New Spirit/Choir Room 7 pm Disciple I/Rm 207 7 pm Disciple III/Rm 200	<b>9</b> 8:30 am Tuesday Morning Work Group 12 pm Rotary Lunch/PH 6 pm Zumba Fitness/Gym 7 pm Young Adults/Parlor 7-9 pm Basketball/Gym	<b>10</b> 6 pm Yoga/Parlor	<b>11</b> 7 am Men's Discussion Group/Little City Grill 6 pm Zumba Fitness/Gym 7 pm Disciple Fast-Track/Room 208 7-9 pm Trash and Treasure Sale/Pierison Hall 7:30 pm Sanctuary Choir/Choir Room	<b>12</b> 8-6 pm Trash and Treasure Sale/Pierison Hall	<b>13</b> 8-1 pm Trash and Treasure Sale/Pierison Hall 7 pm New Spirit Spring Concert/Sanctuary
<b>14</b> Regular Schedule	<b>15</b> 7 pm New Spirit/Choir Room 7 pm Disciple I/Rm 207 7 pm Disciple III/Rm 200	<b>16</b> 8:30 am Tuesday Morning Work Group 12 pm Rotary Lunch/PH 6 pm Zumba Fitness/Gym 7 pm Young Adults/Parlor 7-9 pm Basketball/Gym	<b>17</b> 6 pm Yoga/Parlor 7 pm Education Comm/Conference Room	<b>18</b> 7 am Men's Discussion Group/Little City Grill 12 pm Lion's Lunch/PH 6 pm Zumba Fitness/Gym 7 pm Disciple Fast-Track/Room 208 7:30 pm Sanctuary Choir/Choir Room	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b> Regular Schedule	<b>22</b> 7 pm New Spirit/Choir Room 7 pm Disciple I/Rm 207 7 pm Disciple III/Rm 200 6 pm Garden Club/Pierison Hall	<b>23</b> 8:30 am Tuesday Morning Work Group 12 pm Rotary Lunch/PH 6 pm Zumba Fitness/Gym 7 pm Young Adults/Parlor 7-9 pm Basketball/Gym	<b>24</b> 6 pm Yoga/Parlor	<b>25</b> 7 am Men's Discussion Group/Little City Grill 6 pm Zumba Fitness/Gym 7 pm Disciple Fast-Track/Room 208 7:30 pm Sanctuary Choir/Choir Room	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b> Regular Schedule	<b>29</b> 7 pm New Spirit/Choir Room 7 pm Disciple I/Rm 207 7 pm Disciple III/Rm 200	<b>30</b> 8:30 am Tuesday Morning Work Group 12 pm Rotary Lunch/PH 6 pm Zumba Fitness/Gym 7 pm Young Adults/Parlor 7-9 pm Basketball/Gym	<b>31</b>	<b>Regular Sunday Schedule</b> 8:30 Worship Service/Chapel 9:00 Holy Donut Shoppe/Kitchen 9:15 Children's Choir—4 years-6th grade 9:30 Contemporary Service/Gym 9:30 New Spirit/Sanctuary 9:30 Child Care/Nursery 9:30 Adult Bible Study 10:30 Worship Service/Sanctuary 10:40 Sunday School—Preschool-6th Grade, Youth 11:30 Fellowship Time/Pierison Hall 12:00 Chancel Ringers/Sanctuary 5:00 pm Club 56/Gym 5:00 pm Resurrection (Youth Choir)/Choir Room 6:00 pm ZAMARingers (Youth Handbells)/Sanctuary 7:00 pm Youth Fellowship/Gym and Pit		

## Our Sympathies Go to:

- Philip Benton on the death of his mother
- Hal Hall on the death of his brother, Norville
- Connie Karaffa on the death of her brother, Bill Karaffa

## Recent Hospitalizations and Surgeries:

Foster Ewing, Nicki Heisser, Virgil Herzberger, Ken Miller, Westin Nebelsick, Tim Price, Gordon Seaholts

### University of Life Spring Term

April 30 – May 21, 9:30 – 10:15 a.m. Sundays

John Wayne Movie Bible Study

Leaders: John and Sandy Kerstetter

Location: Conference Room

Join this entertaining four-week study, which uses clips out of old John Wayne movies as a launch point to reflect about themes in Christian living. No preparation or study book required; just join the class on any or all Sundays in the series!

The University of Life provides short courses for adults every Sunday morning throughout the academic year. Classes will break for the summer after the John Wayne Movie Bible Study.

### May 12–13

Mark your calendar! This spring, the Trash & Treasure Sale will be Friday, May 12, and Saturday, May 13. Preferred Customer Sale for church members will be Thursday, May 11, from 7 to 9 PM. Items



Trash & Treasures Sale

for the sale may be brought to Pierson Hall starting Tuesday, May 9, after 2 PM.

### Altar Flower Sign Up Available

The altar flowers will be displayed during the 8:30 and 10:30 services with your dedication in the bulletin. After worship on Sundays, the flowers are delivered to ill or grieving members of our congregation by volunteers. Please contribute to this important ministry by signing up for an upcoming Sunday in the Atrium. Payment of \$35 can be made by writing "Altar Flowers" on your check or envelope.

USHERS AND GREETERS	
Date	8:30/9:30/10:30
May 7	1
May 14	2
May 21	3
May 28	4

If you are unsure of what team you are on, please call the office at 330-673-5879 x10 or email Adam at adamalderson@kentmethodist.org.



- May 7-Sharon Coia
- May 14-Don Ashton
- May 21-Betty Sweet
- May 28-Janice Anderson



### VIDEOTAPING SCHEDULE

- MAY 7 Cheryl Brode
- MAY 14 Gary Mote
- MAY 21 Brittany Brode
- MAY 21 Eric Wertz
- MAY 28 Eric Wertz

MAY LAY READERS	
MAY 7	Julie Madden
MAY 14	Ralph Darr
MAY 21	Karen Beck
MAY 28	UMW Sunday

## THANK YOU

To my church family:

I am so humbled by and grateful for the response to Jesus Christ Superstar. I was incredibly proud of the show, and I'm so pleased that many of you were able to come to see me and to support a local theater that is producing great entertainment. I can tell you I was very proud to report in the dressing room that someone from my church came the night before, or that I was expecting someone to be there for that night's performance (and that happened almost constantly!). It was a wonderful experience, and being able to share it with you was an honor. Thank you very much!

Adam C. Alderson



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and  
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**Mailed April 28**

**New Spirit's Spring Concert "Sing a New Song" is 7 PM May 13!**

### Worship Calendar

Date	Sermon	Scripture	Preacher	Special Event
May 7	"Take Up the Cross"	Mark 8:34-35	Dr. David Palmer	Confirmation Sunday, <i>ZAMARingers</i>
May 14	"What Love Means"	Ruth 1:16; John 15:9-13	Dr. David Palmer	
May 21	"The Talking Donkey"	Numbers 22:10-35	Dr. David Palmer	<i>Resurrection,</i> Children's Spring Musical
May 28	"What Does the Lord Require?"	Micah 6:6-8; Matthew 22:38-40	Judith Nedel	UMW Sunday



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