

# Atwater United Methodist Church Newsletter

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## February 2018

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### Lenten Bible Study

**Begins on Thursday, February 15** - Deerfield 1:00 PM and Atwater 7:00 PM. We will study *"John: The Gospel of Light and Life"*. We will follow the life, ministry, death, and resurrection of Jesus through the Gospel of John and understand the context of some of the best-known verses in the New Testament. Feb. 15, 22, Mar. 1, 8, 15, 22 will be meeting dates.

### Prayer Shawl

Prayer Shawl will meet on Feb. 14 in the church office. Help is needed. If you knit, crochet, or sew this is a very rewarding ministry that can make a big impact on people who are in need of physical or emotional healing.

Anyone interested in helping make prayer shawls can see Carey Meissner or Rev. Ruth.

### Prayer Chain

You can start the prayer chain by calling Kathy Elson at 330-904-3964 or Martha Simons at 330-947-2017

### Pastor's Bible Study

The pastor's bible study meets Thursday evenings at 7:00 pm in the church office. It is also held at Deerfield UMC at 1:00 pm. in case that time works better for you.

### Outreach

Out reach is in need of volunteers to help with mission projects and to help come up with new ideas and projects. If you would like to help out see Amber Milam.

**M** ISSION STATEMENT: "TO LOVE, CARE, AND SHARE THROUGH CHRIST WHO STRENGTHENS US."

# SUPER BOWL SUB ORDER FORM

orders will be taken until January 28, 2018

COST: \$8.00 per meal - includes: Sandwich (meat cheese, lettuce - tomatoes and onions on the side), chips, pickle, dessert Please complete the order form and turn it in with your payment included. Orders can be picked up following worship on February 4<sup>th</sup>

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

I will pick up at **ATWATER UMC** **DEERFIELD UMC**

Quantity	Meat	Tomatoes		Onions	
_____	Ham	YES	NOYES	NO	
_____	Turkey	YES	NO	YES	NO
_____	Ham & Turkey	YES	NO	YES	NO

Number of Subs ordered \_\_\_\_\_ x \$8.00 = \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL DUE

NOTE: Make checks payable to **Atwater United Methodist Church**

Payment received: Cash Check # \_\_\_\_\_

# Easter Flower Order Form

Easter Flower orders will be taken through March 11

Cost is \$8.00 each

Make checks out to Atwater United Methodist Church and place form and payment in the collection basket.

Or mail them to the church: 6380 Waterloo Rd. Atwater, OH 44201

Flower choices are lily, pink tulip, or daffodil

Please indicate flower type by each name

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

In Memory Of: \_\_\_\_\_

Given By \_\_\_\_\_ Flower type \_\_\_\_\_

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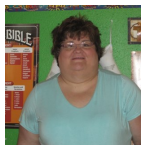
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## From The Pastor



Dear Friends

*“People harvest only what they plant.” Galatians 6: 7*

Today was one of those “warmer” days we have had recently, sun is not shining much – but I still hear birds chirping. My mind is wandering to spring. I’m ready – it is just around the corner. It is 58 days from today, if you are counting. As is my normal practice, I began to think about spring gardens and flowers. AHH

I also remembered something I read by Max Lucado, in his book, “Just Like Jesus.” He reminds us that our hearts are like a greenhouse. Our thoughts are like seeds, and others become weeds. Do we sow seeds of hope, love, optimism, joy and compassion, or do we sow seeds of doubt, anger, worry, fear, and other negative expressions of life?

What grows in the garden of your heart?

Jesus can help you remove the weeds and plant the seeds of love, hope and joy. Invite Jesus into your heart through study, prayer, and worship. Let this Lenten season be a time to renew your spirit in Jesus.

Rev. Ruth

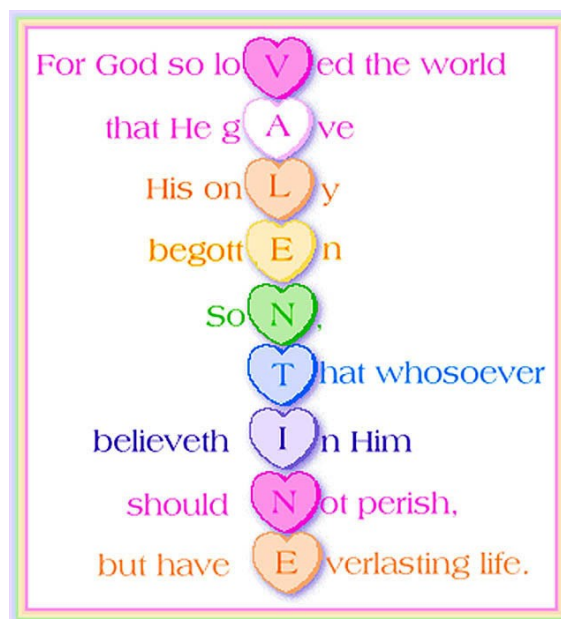
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### Ash Wednesday Services Wednesday, February 14, 2018

Soup and Salad Supper begins at 6:00 PM followed by a time of worship.

Our Lenten theme: “CHANGE? Who ME?”

We will explore ways in which we are being transformed by God as we walk with Jesus.



## Youth News

**February 3** FUND RAISER Meet to assemble subs at Atwater UMC 7:00 PM

February 4 - Bowling at Bill White's – Open to all ages Time 1:30 PM (meet at the bowling alley)

**February 18**– Meeting at AUMC 6 – 8

**March 4** Meeting at AUMC 6 – 8

**March 9 – 11** Canal District Retreat at Camp Wanake

## A Thank You

Thank you very much for the monetary gift from the church.

It was very much appreciated. It's a privilege to work here and the best job I've ever had.

Thanks again,

Carey



## Worship Workers

### February

Liturgist – Charlotte Jermy

Ushers – Bob & Kathy Elson

Greeters – Gracie Myers & Katrina Wise

Elevette – Garry Stroll

Acolyte – Needed

Fellowship – Cindy Green

Youth Bell Ringer – Garrett & Grace Clites

Communion Helpers - Martha Bevard & Hoby Horn



## UMW News

### February

#### UMW :

Feb. No Unit Meeting

#### Coburn Circle:

Feb. 20, 7:00 pm

Hostess: Charlotte Jermy @ Church

Program: Linda Hollendonner



VISION STATEMENT: "REACHING OUT TO OTHERS TO EDUCATE AND PROMOTE FAITH IN CHRIST."



# February 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
* denotes birthday				1 Pastor's Bible Study 7:00pm	2  *Jerri Loudin *Terri Horning *Chris Campbell	3  *Karly Wise *Morgan Simons
4 Worship 9:25am (Four Chaplains Service) Sunday School 10:30	5  *Brittany Cross	6	7	8 Pastor's Bible Study 7:00pm  *Carli Willis *Michaela Wise	9	10
11 Worship 9:25am  *Trevor Wise	12 Quilt Club 10:00am  *Mollie McVicker	13  *Jayden Martin *Shianne Conrad	14 Prayer Shawl 10:00 am Ash Wednesday Service 6:00pm	15 Pastor's Bible Study 7:00pm	16  *Wilma Franks *Charlotte Jermy *Nichole Jacobs	17 Men's Breakfast 8:00 am
18 Worship 9:25am Fellowship 10:30am  *Rick Herman	19	20 Coburn Circle 7:00 pm	21  * Gretchen Loudin	22 Pastor's Bible Study 7:00pm	23  *Martha Simons	24
25 Worship 9:25am Sunday School 10:30	26  *Chuck Campbell	27	28 Book Club 5:30 pm @ Kinsey's  *Carl Willis *Dan Rosinski *Hudson Leigh			