

**THE COBURN CALL**  
COBURN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
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**DO IT ANYWAY!**

Mother Teresa said, "People are often unreasonable, irrational, and self-centered. Forgive them anyway. If you are kind, people may accuse you of selfish, ulterior motives. Be kind anyway. If you are successful, you will win some unfaithful friends and some genuine enemies. Succeed anyway. If you are honest and sincere, people may deceive you. Be honest and sincere anyway. What you spend years creating, others could destroy overnight. Create anyway. If you find serenity and happiness, some may be jealous. Be happy anyway. The good you do today, will often be forgotten. Do good anyway. Give the best you have, and it will never be enough. Give your best anyway. In the final analysis, it is between you and God. It was never between you and them anyway." I think Jesus said it this way. "I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." (John 13:34-35 NRSV)

As we enter into February, which is the month of love, let us love as God has loved us. It will not be easy in many cases. It will be challenging in most situations. There will be those that we do not want to love. There will be crosses that seem too heavy to bear. But let us love anyway! Let us love everyone! In this way we will glorify our Savior!

In service to Jesus Christ,  
Dennis Baker, Lead Pastor



**OUR THEME FOR LENT:** *This year our theme for Lent will be "24 Hours Till The Cross". Come and share as we travel through the story of Jesus' journey to the cross.*  
**Caution, there will be homework!**

**Early Response Team (ERT) Training—Led by UMCOR Authorized Trainers**

**This ERT training will provide:**

- Information and hands-on training so you can assist survivors of natural disaster in their recovery.
- Upon successful completion of the course and a favorable background check, each participant will receive an UMCOR badge.
- UMCOR badge allows United Methodist Early Response Teams access to FEMA declared emergency zones.

**Date & Location:** Saturday, February 11, 2012—North Broadway United Methodist Church (48 E North Broadway)  
Columbus, OH 43214

**Cost:** \$35.00 (background check included) limited to the first 35 applicants

**Time:** 8:30 am Check-in and registration—9:00 am Class starts

**Register:** Online at [www.westohioumc.org](http://www.westohioumc.org) (click on the red box in the upper right corner labeled "Register for Events")

If you have any interest in being a part of an Emergency Response Team for Zanesville, you must attend an ERT meeting.

# It's What's Happening

**UNITED METHODISM 101** will begin Sunday, Feb. 12 at 9 AM and will meet in the gym. All those interested in learning more about the Coburn United Methodist Church family or who are interested in joining the church in membership are invited to attend. For more information, please contact Dr. Baker at 740-454-0186 or dbaker@coburnumc.org.

## United Methodist Women

*No February meeting*

### COUPLES COUPLING

Join us for Couples Coupling on Sunday, February 19th at 5 PM at the home of Tom & Eva Sieber, 3445 Regan's Way Zanesville. Couples Coupling is a gathering of couples seeking to strengthen their relationships through sharing together. All couples are welcome and we invite you to bring a covered dish for a potluck.

**BLOOD PRESSURE CHECKS:** On the first Sunday of each month, have your blood pressure checked following the 10 AM worship in the church office area. This is part of our Health Awareness Ministry.

### Praise Band

The Coburn United Methodist Church Praise Band



wants to expand!

All voices and all instruments are welcome!

Come sing, play, or just jam with us!

If interested contact Becky Fisher @ 454-0186.



The Communications Team is preparing a new directory. One feature is a 'yellow pages' of businesses within the church. If you would like your business card published in the directory, please submit one to the office by February 20th.

*Communication Team*

Contact Eva Sieber at esieber@columbus.rr.com or 740-607-4014 for additional information."

## Lay Speaker Classes

There are 5 Lay Speaking classes coming up in March 2012!

First will be **Basic Training** for persons coming to Lay Speaking ministry for the very first time. There will be a **Basic Refresher Course** offered for Local Church Lay Speakers who need to renew. We are also offering three Advanced classes for Local Church Lay Speakers to become Certified, or for Certified Lay Speakers to be re-certified.

Advanced classes include "**Preaching**", "**Discovering Spiritual Gifts**" and "**Leading in Mission Outreach**."

(Speakers may choose one Advanced class)

All classes will be held here at Coburn. The Basic Refresher and all Advanced classes will be held on March 10.

The Basic class will be held over March 9-10. The cost varies according to class and materials involved.

If you are currently a Lay Speaker or have been recommended by your Charge Conference this fall, you will receive further information and registration forms in the mail soon. If you are interested in becoming a Lay Speaker, but have not be recommended yet, please talk with your pastor, call the District Office or check out the District website on steps to becoming a Lay Speaker.

**MARCH BIRTHDAYS**

- 1 - Joann Cox
- 2 - Joshua Coulson
- 3 - Jim Horton, Marge Wilcox, Mike Lawson
- 4 - Brice Tabler
- 5 - Chelsea Howard, Helen Parmater, Kristine York
- 6 - Ruth Morrison, Bryce Farmer, Maria Thomas
- 8 - Ginny Hildreth, Kathi King, Sharon Ross,  
Andrew Chidester
- 11 - Alivia Smith
- 12 - Grant Dunfee
- 13 - Eric King, Janet Lynn, Marjorie Curl
- 14 - Andrew Coffman, Ally Durant,  
Nathan White
- 15 - Gary Fisher
- 16 - Sharon Ball, Peggy Wagner, Deborah Richards
- 17 - Sandy Hamilton, Ann Knight, Karen Hutchison,  
Logan & Carter Wickham
- 18 - Tacy Sarbaugh, Steve Gallagher
- 19 - Linda Mitchell
- 20 - Nick Dorr
- 21 - Sally Sowers, Marcus Pisch, Woody Mendenhall
- 22 - Kevin Hogue
- 24 - Clay Lewis, Tyler Pisch
- 25 - Adam York
- 26 - Bob Bronkar
- 27 - Nick Wilhelm, Jeff Dittmar
- 28 - Noah Baldwin, Olivia Thomas
- 29 - Kinzer Manning, Nancy Shaw
- 30 - Stephanie Shaeffer
- 31 - Roxy Parker, Marty Mitchell



**MARCH ANNIVERSARIES**

- 15 - Bill & Donna Tall
- 20 - Ronald & Martha Ball
- 23 - Tedd & Anne Adair
- 29 - Gene & Ruth Fike, John & Jane Burns



**In memory of  
Pastor Skip Colvin:  
Sharon Ball**

**In memory of Barbara Mosure:  
Sharon Ball**



**In memory of Pastor Skip Colvin**

Jim & Bobbe Poe  
Liz Herrell

**In memory of Virginia Roberts**

Imhausen/Butler Circle  
Shirley Riggie  
Kris & Todd Wilson

**In memory of Judy Lyons**

Imhausen/Butler Circle  
Men's Bible Study  
Brown County Farm Bureau  
Clinton County Farm Bureau  
Jackson-Vinton County Farm Bureau  
Union County Farm Bureau  
Debra & Edward Hamersly  
Meadowbrook Young Farmers  
Tim & Rebecca Baughman  
Mildred Shores  
Laurie Clugh  
Jeff Pellizzare  
Herbert Miller  
June Blind  
Kenneth & Connie Miller  
Ronald & Terrie Miller  
David & Jennifer Miller  
Mandy Havenar  
Kim Harless  
Heather Utter  
Anna Hall  
Steve Berk  
Jody Carney  
Christy Montoya  
Fred & Marlene Hoskinson  
Liz Herrell  
Joe & Janet Burns  
Gail Rojger Bell  
George Ann Mullins  
Julie Regula  
Theda Morrison  
Jack & Shirley Baughner  
John & Ginny Barker  
Buckeye Trail FFA

## On The Move



The youth and children of Coburn Have been on the move! The Coburn Crew enjoyed retreating to Salt Fork Lodge last month for two days to share in fellowship, Bible study, discussions, meditation, prayer, swimming, games, and a presentation by Dr. Shelly Dunmyer about good health. The theme of the retreat was respect! We discussed honoring God in how we treat others and ourselves! They also traveled to Columbus to experience Winter Jam presented by several Christian bands. Our SPLASH group enjoyed exploring The Works in Newark last month. Both groups will be participating in other events over the next several months. The Crew will be hosting its third annual progressive dinner and traveling to other participating churches for their segments of the dinner as well as working on several fundraisers for their mission trip to Myrtle Beach, SC June 17-23. The SPLASH group will be going to Coco Key in February, BLITS in March, Ash Meadows park for an Easter egg hunt April 1st, and a Columbus Clippers game in July. We are excited to have so many wonderful Coburn youth and children as well as their families involved in these programs as well as church wide events like hosting VBS, titled Sky, here at Coburn June 24-28. They are back to their regular schedules each week for the remainder of the school year except for the weeks of special events. The children's Splash group meets every Sunday at 4:00 p.m. for open gym until 4:30 p.m. They have their Bible study, crafts, and game time from 4:30 p.m. until 5:30 p.m. Our Chimer group meets from 5:30 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. which includes kids from SPLASH and Crew, 3rd grade and up. The Coburn teens, 6th through 12th grade meet from 5:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. every Sunday. They enjoy open gym at 5:30 p.m. and their Bible study program along with games from 6:00 until 7:30 p.m. We look forward to an exciting schedule this spring.

*But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. ~ James 1:22*

Becky Fisher, Youth and Children Coordinator

## Summer Camp

July 8-12



It will soon be time for summer camp registration.

If you would like to sponsor a child for camp please put your donation in the offering plate with a specification of what you are contributing to. The cost for our teens grades 9-12 to go to camp is \$280.00 per teen and the cost for children in grades 3-8 is \$260.00. Call Becky Fisher @ 454-0186 with any questions.

# Roxanne's Ramblings

I have a secret to share. On several occasions over the years as I drive through McDonalds to get my breakfast the Lord will speak to me and tell me to pay for the person setting behind me in line. It's always a good feeling and I hope this small gesture will brighten their day. Well, the other day on my way back to church I stopped to get some lunch and when I pulled up to the window the young lady informed me that the person in front of me had paid for my lunch. Now let me tell ya', it took my breath away, I was immediately humbled and overcome with emotion. I feel good when I think I'm blessing someone else, but it didn't compare to the way I felt having someone bless me. All I could do through my tears was ask the Lord to bless them. I learned that day that we can not comprehend the impact we have on others lives when we take the time to give of ourselves, no matter how small that gift may be, and it gave me a different perspective of what Jesus meant when he said "...**It is more blessed to give than to receive**" (Acts 20:35b), and no one gave more then Jesus, that we might receive boundless blessings.

Come join us the third Wednesday of the month for our Golden Years communion service and lunch, all ages are welcome. Pastor Cox will be speaking Wednesday, February 15<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 a.m., and then Pastor Bob Mesnard from Frazeysburg UMC will be here in March to present his portrayal of "The Tanner", the man who made the whip used on Jesus. You won't want to miss this presentation. As always, if you need transportation please notify the church office at 454-0186.

*Roxanne Watts, Senior Adult Ministry*

## ~ ~FOOD PANTRY UPDATE~ ~

Our clients have been allowed to visit our pantry every 30 days for the past seven months. In May, we served approximately 225 people; 7 months later, in December, we served 412! The numbers have almost doubled!

Specific items needed for Second Sunday Harvest this month (February 12th) are:

- Ramen noodles
- Canned baked beans (15 oz.)
- Canned chicken noodle soup (10.75 oz.)
- Boxed macaroni & cheese (7.25 oz.)
- Canned peas (15 oz.)
- Canned spaghetti rings (15 oz.)

Any other items you may select will also be greatly appreciated.

Thank you for your generous donations to our food pantry.

~ Sally & Tom Cover



*Congratulations to Tori Farmer, who graduated from  
The Ohio State University in December with a  
Bachelor of Arts in Communications Analysis and Political Science.*



# THANK YOU!

A belated but sincere Thank You to all who graciously delivered the Thanksgiving and Christmas gift bags and a special thanks to Sally & Tom Cover for providing this wonderful ministry to our shut-ins.

Roxanne Watts

Coburn Church family and friends,

You are all such huge blessings to our family! Thank you for your prayers, cards, visits, food, gifts, and love you have shown our family during this difficult time. We have seen a lot of answered prayer already, but have a ways to go with treatment and healing, so please keep up the prayer!

Many blessings,  
Matt, Tina, Carter, Faith, Owen, and Tessa Denny

(\*Apologies...this thank you was inadvertently omitted from last month's newsletter)

Thank you for all your generous donations to the Mitten Tree. 418 items with a value of \$690 were received! The donations were split between Transitions, Lifewell, Eastside Ministries, and Water's Edge.

Thanks again,  
Betty Wiechert (Serving Team)

Thank you for all of the cards, gifts, and other goodies that I received for Christmas!

~ Erica Silvia

Thanks so much for all the cards, flowers, gifts, good wishes and prayers I received for my birthday. I appreciated every one. They made my "90th" even more special.

Thanks again,  
Lucille Barnhouse

## SYMPATHIES

*Our sympathies are extended to...*

*...Bob Lyons and family in the loss of his wife Judy.*

*...the Fulmer family in the loss of their mother/grandmother, Virginia Roberts.*

*...Barb Lewis and family after the passing of her uncle, Robert Hoadley.*

## 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration

February 17, 1962 - 2012

**Doris & Gary Flynn**

*Saturday, February 18, 2012—Meadow Farm United Methodist Church*

*Open House 1-3 PM*

*Renewal of Vows 1:30 PM*

NO GIFTS PLEASE. Your presence is the gift we value most.

FEBRUARY 2012						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
29 8:00 AM Fresh Start Service 9:00 AM Sunday School 10:00 AM Worship 4:00 PM SPLASH 5:30 PM Chimers 5:30 PM Coburn Crew 6:00 PM Genesis to Revelation Bible Study	30 6:00 PM Men's Basketball	31	1 10:00 AM Pastor's Bible Study 7:00 PM Men's Bible Study	2 5:30 PM Handbell Practice 6:45 PM Choir Practice	3	4 5:30 PM New Start Service
5 8:00 AM Fresh Start Service 9:00 AM Sunday School 10:00 AM Worship	6 6:00 PM <i>Girl Scout Troop 461</i> 6:00 PM Latchkey Board 6:00 PM Men's Basketball 7:00 PM Trustees	7 9:15 AM MOPS 5:45 PM YMCA Basketball 7:00 PM Beth Moore Bible Study	8 10:00 AM Pastor's Bible Study	9 5:30 PM Handbell Practice 6:45 PM Choir Practice	10	11 5:30 PM New Start Service
12 SECOND SUNDAY HARVEST 8:00 AM Fresh Start Service 9:00 AM Sunday School 10:00 AM Worship 1:00 PM SPLASH Outing to CocoKey 3:00 PM Prayer Shawl Team 5:30 PM Chimers 5:30 PM Coburn Crew 6:00 PM Genesis to Revelation Bible Study	13 6:00 PM Men's Basketball	14  5:45 PM YMCA Basketball	15 10:00 AM Pastor's Bible Study 11:30 AM Golden Years Communion & Luncheon 5:45 PM YMCA Basketball 6:00 PM HUGS 7:00 PM Men's Bible Study	16 5:30 PM Handbell Practice 5:45 PM YMCA Basketball 6:45 PM Choir Practice	17	18 7:45 AM UMM 5:30 PM New Start Service
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