

# Cross talk

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Greensburg UMC Mission

This Lent Greensburg UMC has thought less about "giving up" our busy-ness, our worry, our stress, and more about "making room" for authentic presence and peace. As the series comes to a close, might we find the joy in reconnecting to an unhurried God. Here are times when you, your family, and neighbors can experience the depth of love and sacrifice this unhurried God has given to all God's children. Hope to see and celebrate with you during Holy Week and Easter!

## Palm Sunday Celebration | Sunday, April 14

**10:00am**

Sunday School – Children's Processional Rehearsal

**11:00am**

Combined Worship in the Sanctuary

**12 Noon**

Palm Sunday Potluck and Eggstravaganza  
(ham and drinks provided, bring a side or dessert)

All children and youth are invited to join the procession of palms during worship on April 14. Come to Sunday School as planned. We will practice a run through, then finish with our Sunday School lesson. After worship, all are invited to the Fellowship Hall for a potluck (bring a side or a dessert). After lunch, children will hunt for eggs by age group in a fun, age-appropriate environment. There will also be face painting and balloon hopping. Our littlest friends will "hunt" in an open space where mom and dad can help. Older students will race for eggs in a timed event! Every child leaves with candy and a goody bag. All egg hunts will be held indoors. Bring a basket or bag to carry your finds. We can't wait for your family to be part of the fun!

## Holy Thursday | April 18 | 6:30pm

### Shared Meal, Communion, and Passion Worship

This year, we will begin our Holy Thursday with a shared meal around the table in Fellowship Hall. During our shared meal, the Lord's Supper will be served. **Please bring a food item to share** – fruit, veggies, bread, hummus, something sweet – anything you wish to share. To add ambiance to our gathering, **please bring a free standing candle** to be used during our evening meal and worship. From our meal, we will process up to the sanctuary with our candles to allow the final moments of Jesus ruminate in our ears, our minds, and in our hearts. Childcare will be provided during the service in the sanctuary.

## Prayer Stations for Good Friday | April 19 | 9:00am-1:00pm

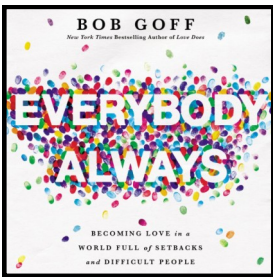
Several prayer stations will be located in the Gathering Area from 9 AM to 1 PM centered on the last hours of Jesus Christ. Each prayer station at the church will include the brief devotional and an activity for response. Anyone is welcome to come and spend time in the Sacred Pause Prayer Space during that time as we remember the sacrifice made for all of humanity.

## Easter Vigil | Saturday, April 20 | 10:30pm-12:30am

Celebrate the salvific actions of God through the entirety of the Bible while sharing in an interactive service which closes in our declaration that Christ is Risen Indeed at the first hour of Easter morning. All ages welcome. A light, snack breakfast will be available at the end. We will begin outside the office entrance doors, and then process to the Gathering area.

## Easter Sunday Worship | 9:00am Contemporary | 10:00am Sunday School | 11:00am Traditional

Jesus is Risen! Jesus is Risen Indeed!



## Not a Fan News

For those who may not know, there is a small group Bible/book study at GUMC that has been in existence since 2014. We're called Not a Fan, as we originated with a very memorable study entitled -- you guessed it...Not a Fan, by Rev. Kyle Idleman. We have continued to meet two Sundays a month (except for summer months) and over those years have shared many good studies and many good times together. Out of that group's desire to find an opportunity to serve, was born our Green Sibshops. From Sunday, March 17 through May 19 we'll be embarking on a five session study entitled "Everybody Always," by Bob Goff. It's all about "becoming love in a world full of setbacks and difficult people." Sounds good, doesn't it? If you think you might be interested, call Judy Martin at 330.607.3061.

## Looking Ahead a Bit with UMW

As many of you know, our UMW monthly meeting schedule includes nine months out of the year meeting the 3rd Monday at 7:00pm from September-May. Get out your calendars now though, and open to July 15. That evening we'll have a salad supper, complete with yummy summer goodies, and lots of conversation. We

will be welcoming two volunteers from the Hower House in Akron who will be bringing us a wonderful program, complete with period costumes, that will give us a good look at life in Akron during the late 1800's for one of its prominent founding families, the Howers. I know both of the vivacious ladies who will be providing us this entertaining and educational bit of history, and we're in for a really great evening. So please plan to come prepared to relax, enjoy some delicious summertime foods and have a good time. P.S. Never fear - Sloppy Joe lunches are ALMOST here!



## Green Sibshop is Growing and We're GLAD!



Our Sibshop is growing and that's wonderful! In the past two months our younger group has welcomed three new faces, and we're so happy to have Sam, Alyssa and Elijah with us! March's event celebrated the fine recreation of camping! We had everything from a fishing pond, to pine trees, to individual blanket tents to carry out our theme. We closed the day with our traditional indoor campfire -- no actual fire involved, but it looks pretty realistic and the kids love it. Often the adults involved have almost as much fun as the kids, and we're so happy that word is getting around and we're getting more children to join us.

## Scholarship News

Attention graduating high school seniors and college students!  
GUMC awards modest scholarships to members and active attendees.  
Applications and guidelines for both high school graduates and continuing education students are now available in the office and on the website for our 2019 scholarships.

The deadline to apply is April 28, so don't delay.



Spring has sprung so it's not too early to begin planning for some summer fun. One great way for families and kids to immerse themselves in the beauty of God's creation is by spending time at camp. Here in the East Ohio Conference we are blessed to have three great camps- Aldersgate, Asbury and Wanake, each with its own special program features. Offering programming for students in 1st-12th grades and for families who want to camp together, time spent at camp can be a powerful, life-changing experience. The break from the craziness of regular routines allows the opportunity for campers to think about the future and discover the truth that God loves them and has an amazing plan for their lives. With programs such as culinary arts, fashion, horseback riding, rock climbing, drama, sports and waterfront activities, our East Ohio camping program offers something for everyone.

330.499.3972 x108 | <http://www.eocsummercamps.org/>

***Our church offers generous scholarships to pay for most of your camp fee!***

***Contact Margo at [margo.holmes@greensburgumc.net](mailto:margo.holmes@greensburgumc.net) for details.***



**Love Engage Serve our Neighbors:**

**Connecting to our community in a time of crisis**

Join with the community as we grow in our awareness of the Opioid Crisis in our midst. Please take note of these informational events happening in the city of Green.

**Green Drug Taskforce**

**Tuesday, April 16**

**Be Drug Safe: Pain Management Today: Beyond Drugs: Managing Chronic Pain | 6:30pm | Central Administration Building**

This is the third in our three-part series featuring Summa Health professionals.

All presentations are available online at [www.cityofgreen.org/drug-task-force](http://www.cityofgreen.org/drug-task-force).

**Thursday, April 25**

**Hidden in Plain Sight | Doors open 6pm | Free presentation 6:30pm | Central Park Community Hall**

Light dinner served. Hidden in Plain Sight is an interactive exhibit presented by the Bath and Copley Township Police Departments that is designed to resemble a teenager's bedroom. The exhibit contains more than 150 seemingly harmless items that may be indicative of dangerous or risky behaviors, including substance abuse, violence, eating disorders, juvenile crime, unsafe technology use, and more.

**Saturday, April 27**

**Drug Take Back Day | 10am-2pm | Green Fire Station #2 | East Turkeyfoot Lake Road**

The Summit County Sheriff Department will accept all unused and unwanted prescription drugs.

**Sunday, May 19 | Both Services Greensburg UMC | Crisis Awareness Sunday**

Awareness is the first step in taking action against this evil.

Our prayers, our response, and our voice is needed in bringing hope in the darkness.

**Annual Conference Personal Dignity Kits**

**1 hand towel**

(15" x 25" to 17" x 27" - No kitchen towels)

**1 bath washcloth**

(no kitchen washcloths)

**1 comb**

(large and sturdy, not pocket-sized or rat tail)

**1 nail clipper**

(fingernail or toenail clippers) (no emery boards)

**1 bar soap**

(3-4oz. sizes only)

**1 toothbrush**

(one single adult size only in original packaging)

**1 tube of toothpaste**

(2.5oz. or larger)

**1 bottle of shampoo**

(3-4oz.)

**1 Deodorant**

(2-3oz.)

**1 Razor with guard**

**1 plastic bag**

(one-gallon size sealable bag only)

**For packing details go to**

<http://www.midwestmission.org/kits-projects/kits-projects>

**Completed kits can be placed in marked baskets outside of the Sanctuary and Fellowship Hall**



**East Ohio Annual Conference 2019**

*Called, Committed, Connected*

When we gather at Lakeside Chautauqua June 10-13 for Annual Conference 2019, we will highlight the joy of making a commitment to take up residence in God's love and extend that love to others. The 50th session of Annual Conference will be the third year of our quadrennial theme *Bearing Fruit that Lasts: Called, Committed, Connected*.

John 15:9-15 will guide our worship services, while business sessions will reinforce our EOC vision to equip and support pastors, congregations and faith communities to grow in their capacity to make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

*The deadline for registrations is May 10.*

Register at

<http://www.eocumc.com/eoac19/index.html>

**April 4** Robert Milhoan  
**April 5** Amy Prater  
**April 6** Matt Lawson  
 Reese Lipscomb  
**April 7** Hugh Shahan  
**April 12** Lisa Nicol  
**April 13** Gracie Langenfeld  
 Marilyn Mackasek  
**April 14** Josh Dimengo  
 Karen Hodges  
**April 17** Roger Martin



**Anniversaries**

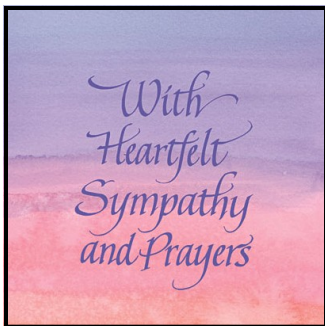
**April 4** Mitch and Kristen Booth  
**April 5** Hugh and Fay Shahan  
**April 8** Gary and Brenda Cook

**April 20** Kaitlyn Kaiser  
**April 21** Kathy Jones  
**April 22** Ashleigh Keller  
**April 23** Emma Nibling  
**April 25** Brent Kuwatch  
**April 26** Hazel Trinko  
**April 27** Becky Dando  
 Kevin Hodges  
**April 29** Marilyn Nibling

**If your birthday or anniversary is not listed and you would like it to be included in the newsletter, please put a note in the collection basket for Lynne in the office and it will be added.**



I would like to send a big thank you out to everyone who was involved with purchasing, creating, and mailing out the Valentine's Day treat boxes for those students in college. The box that was sent to me arrived in Toledo at the end of a very long week filled with exams, projects, stress and sleepless nights. I had walked into my apartment super late and was so surprised by the large box waiting for me addressed from GUMC. I always look forward to the cards I receive throughout the year, but this was truly a surprise. I am truly amazed and extremely grateful by the great support GUMC gives. Though I know I am supported by all of you, this box was the reassurance I needed to make it through the rest of the week. Thank you so much! *Jocelyn Claytor*



To the Waseman family upon the passing of Scott's grandmother, Ruth Brogan, on February 28



The trustees are looking for someone to manage the lawn care calendar and additional volunteers to assist with mowing. The equipment is ready to go, and there are some volunteers with experience. Won't you consider helping in this way? Please contact Denny Hartong or Pastor Katie with questions or to volunteer. Thank you in advance for helping our church look great!



**Canal District Spring Conference**

**Sunday, April 7, 2018**

**3:00pm-4:30pm Kent United Methodist Church, 1435 E. Main Street, Kent, OH 44240**

**Church Financial Comparison - March 2019**

	<u>Giving General</u>	<u>Actual Expenses</u>	<u>Budgeted Expenses</u>
February 2019	\$ 20,891.10	\$ 37,433.79	\$ 33,511.26
	<u>Building Note</u>	<u>Loan Giving</u>	<u>Monthly Payment</u>
February 2019	\$ 2,031.00	\$ 2,624.10	\$156,477.58

**YSF 5K RUN & WALK @ 7:30 A.M.**  
**MORNING DEVOTIONS @ 9:30 a.m. IN HOOVER**  
**DISTRICT CAUCASES**  
**YSF TOURNAMENTS**  
**BUSINESS SESSION @ 3 p.m.**  
**CONCERT & WORSHIP @ 8 P.M. IN HOOVER**  
*End @ Lakeside Pavilion*

**Youth Annual Conference | Peace, John 14:27 | June 8-9**

Youth in grades 6-12 (2019-2020) are invited to travel to Lakeside to join youth from across the East Ohio Conference in times of fellowship, worship, and discipleship. Our group will depart EARLY Saturday, June 8 (7:00am) to reach Lakeside in time for morning prayer, followed by District groups, various activities to raise money for the Youth Service Fund, participate in creating and voting on legislation that impacts their churches and the conference, and celebrate in youth-led worship. We will stay overnight there at the Osier's cottage in Lakeside and spend time in worship and communion Sunday. The group will have lunch and depart home. More details are available via the church office or Rev. Katie.

**MORNING WORSHIP @ 10 A.M. IN HOOVER**  
**KEYNOTE SPEAKER: STEPHANIE CARO**  
**COMMUNION WITH BISHOP TRACY S. MALONE**

Do you like to sing? Thought about joining the choir but just weren't sure it's for you? Now is your chance to try it before making a long term commitment. Sing with us on Wednesdays at 7:30pm in the Sanctuary until the end of May. If you like it, we hope you'll come back as a full time choir member when we start up in the fall. If not, we're glad you gave it a try. We work hard, but have a lot of fun. The only requirement is a desire to sing. See Choir Director, Brian Lawson or just show up on Wednesday night.



On May 13-14, Loving Hands Preschool will be having its **7<sup>th</sup> Annual Trike-A-Thon** to raise funds to purchase new equipment and supplies for the preschool. Our goal is to have a fundraiser where the children are actively participating and involved in raising the money for their school. If you are interested in helping support the school, the children will be very appreciative. Thank you!

*Shannon Miller, Director - Loving Hands Preschool*

For more information call 330.896.1936 or email [smiller1950@1950@sbcglobal.net](mailto:smiller1950@1950@sbcglobal.net)

**I am enclosing a flat donation of:**

\$10.00     \$20.00     \$40.00     \$50.00     other

All donations are tax deductible.

**Make checks payable to *LOVING HANDS PRESCHOOL*.**

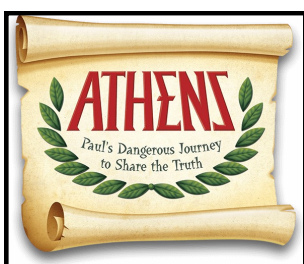
Your cancelled check will be the record of your contribution to our preschool.

Return the entire form with your donation to the Church office.



**Looking for a Way to Help Loving Hands Preschool?**

Our Easter Egg Hunt is Wednesday, April 17 and Thursday, April 18. Help hide Easter eggs those mornings (9:15am) or afternoons (1:00pm). Contact Miss Shannon at [smiller1950@sbcglobal.net](mailto:smiller1950@sbcglobal.net) if you can help!! We will also accept any candy/prize donations to help fill our eggs. Leave items at our Information Station desk outside of the preschool office #104.



**Save the Date! | VBS July 22-26 | 6:00pm-8:00pm**

**Escape to Athens With Paul!**

Imagine leaving a life of privilege and power to face angry mobs, painful imprisonment, and chain-breaking earthquakes—all to spread the **life-changing truth** of God's love. Learn the **jaw-dropping story** of the Apostle Paul...straight from Paul himself! In an ancient "anything goes" culture, Paul will inspire kids to share the truth of **God's immeasurable love** today!

**Contact Alex if you would like to volunteer to help!**





**Malawi Relief: Pop Out for Missions**  
**Sunday School 10:00am**



For Lent, our pre-5th grade Sunday School class is financially and prayerfully supporting missionary Hastings Abale Phiri in Malawi to help people in his congregation and community who are suffering daily from hunger and disease. Recently floods from cyclone Idai have destroyed the area leaving hundreds dead and tens of

thousands displaced. Because of this new development, our students are challenging the congregation of Greensburg UMC to match their contributions for Malawi by putting aside loose change or a specific donation to be given Easter Sunday. Please help our students make an even larger impact by matching their donations by Easter 2019. See Alexander for more details.

**Car-Ver-Sations**

**Parents having conversations with children about their lesson in the car or at the table!**



**April 7**

What's the prayer that's been on your heart for a long time?

This week, watch for how God is revealing his faithfulness to you even as you await the answer to your prayer.

**April 14**

In the Bible verse today we saw people believing that Jesus was their King, and they responded by waving palm branches and shouting "Hosanna," but they did not worship Him as their Savior. As parents, we can help our children see that Jesus is our King and Savior, and that He is worthy of our worship! Listen to praise music and worship together as a family.

**April 21**

Easter is more than chocolate bunnies and pretty dresses. Because of Easter, we are now able to be friends with the Creator of the entire universe. That is pretty amazing. Who is this God of the universe? We can find out by studying His many names. Find some names in the Bible –see how many you can find and how different they all are used!

**April 28**

One of God's greatest gifts to us is His presence. Let the clouds serve as a reminder that God is always there. Each day search the sky for a cloud. Then sense God's true presences around you and talk about how nature reminds you of God our creator.



**Hunger is not an issue of Charity; it is an issue of Justice**

Ready for an overnighter? Prepare as we engage in thought-provoking Bible studies, games, inspirational videos, and more — and mash them all up into an unforgettable day-and-a-half of going into our local missions to help stop world hunger and the fight against hunger in Green. This year due to the age of our student body, we will not be fasting. However, we will engage in a 30 hour local mission trip where we will tackle the need in our community while looking at BIGGER picture. Friends are welcome. Contact Alexander (agmiller1982@gmail.com) with questions or to volunteer.

**Youth Group | 6<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> Grades | 5:00pm-6:30pm**

**April 7**

"God Cares about the Hungry" Congo Cultural Food Day  
 Come hungry, but no need to bring anything!

**April 14**

"Getting Hungry for Justice" Finger food

**April 21**

It's Easter! Celebrate with your family! No youth group

**April 26-27**

Just Hunger Overnighter!

**April 28**

No youth group. Go home and get some sleep!



# April 2019

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<p>31</p> <p>9am Contemporary Worsh</p> <p>10am Sunday School</p> <p>11am Traditional Worship</p> <p>5pm Church-Wide Talent S</p> <p>6:30pm Boy Scouts</p>	<p>Apr 1</p> <p>6pm Cub Scouts Fellowship</p> <p>6pm Wildcats Baseball</p>	<p>2</p> <p>6pm Wildcats Baseball</p>	<p>3</p> <p>9am Good Neighbors</p> <p>5pm Caregivers Support G</p> <p>6pm Wildcats Baseball</p> <p>6:15pm Joyful Bells</p> <p>7:30pm Chancel Choir</p>	<p>4</p> <p>5:30pm TOPS-107,108</p> <p>6pm Wildcats Baseball</p> <p>7pm Connections &amp; Hospi</p> <p>7pm Scouts Girls Troop</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6</p> <p>9am Walking Group</p> <p>10am Baseball Field Maint</p> <p>10am Green Alumni Assoc</p> <p>1pm Palmer Birthday Part</p>
<p>7</p> <p>Communion</p> <p>9am Contemporary Worsh</p> <p>10am Sunday School</p> <p>11am Traditional Worship</p> <p>3 more</p>	<p>8</p> <p>1pm Ladies Lunch Bunch I</p> <p>6pm Cub Scouts</p>	<p>9</p> <p>9am Green Good Neighbor</p> <p>6:30pm Finance Meeting</p> <p>7:30pm Trustees</p>	<p>10</p> <p>9am Good Neighbors</p> <p>6:15pm Joyful Bells</p> <p>6:30pm Staff Parish Relati</p> <p>7:30pm Chancel Choir</p>	<p>11</p> <p>9am Preschool Board Mee</p> <p>5:30pm TOPS-107,108</p> <p>7pm Scouts Girls Troop</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13</p> <p>9am Walking Group</p> <p>10:30am Sibshop</p> <p>2:30pm Sibshop Teens</p>
<p>14</p> <p>Bucket Sunday</p> <p>Palm Sunday</p> <p>10am Sunday School</p> <p>11am Joint Worship Servic</p> <p>3 more</p>	<p>15</p> <p>6pm Cub Scouts</p> <p>7pm UMW</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Preschool Easter Egg Hunt</p> <p>9am Good Neighbors</p> <p>6:15pm Joyful Bells</p> <p>7:30pm Chancel Choir</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Preschool Closed</p> <p>5:30pm TOPS-107,108</p> <p>6pm Holy Thursday Servic</p> <p>7pm Scouts Girls Troop</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Preschool Closed</p> <p>9am Prayer Stations</p>	<p>20</p> <p>9am Walking Group</p> <p>10:30pm Easter Vigil Servi</p>
<p>21</p> <p>Easter</p> <p>9am Contemporary Worsh</p> <p>10am Sunday School</p> <p>11am Traditional Worship</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Preschool Closed</p> <p>9am AARP Board Meeting</p> <p>6pm Cub Scouts</p>	<p>23</p> <p>1pm AARP Meeting</p>	<p>24</p> <p>9am Good Neighbors</p> <p>6:15pm Joyful Bells</p> <p>7:30pm Chancel Choir</p>	<p>25</p> <p>5:30pm TOPS-107,108</p> <p>7pm Scouts Girls Troop</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Preschool Closed</p> <p>7pm Just Hunger Overnigt</p>	<p>27</p> <p>12am Just Hunger Overnigt</p> <p>9am Walking Group</p>
<p>28</p> <p>9am Contemporary Worsh</p> <p>10am UMW Sloppy Joe Pr</p> <p>10am Sunday School</p> <p>11am Traditional Worship</p> <p>2 more</p>	<p>29</p> <p>6pm Cub Scouts</p> <p>6:30pm Vision Meeting</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>May 1</p> <p>9am Good Neighbors</p> <p>10am Mother's Day Tea</p> <p>5pm Caregivers Support G</p> <p>6:15pm Joyful Bells</p> <p>7:30pm Chancel Choir</p>	<p>2</p> <p>10am Mother's Day Tea</p> <p>5:30pm TOPS-107,108</p> <p>7pm Scouts Girls Troop</p>	<p>3</p> <p>11:30am Mom's Day Off</p>	<p>4</p> <p>9am Walking Group</p>

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# *Greensburg United Methodist Church*

*To make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world*

## *Sunday Service Schedule*

<b>9:00am</b>	<b>Modern Worship Service</b>
<b>10:00am</b>	<b>Sunday School</b>
<b>11:00am</b>	<b>Traditional Worship Service</b>

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