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First UMC / Email Blast

Before Worship:

Flood Relief / Help us to collect items for **Cleaning Kits** and/or **Hygiene Kits**. The item list is attached. You may take to Church Office and/or Outreach Center during business hours, please.

UPDATE: On **FRIDAY, MARCH 22**, First UMC will be covering the 1C Collection & Distribution space for those affected by the flood from **11 to 7 PM** (divided into two-hour increments). The response has been great, so we decided to cover the whole day! We still have from 5-7 PM available to fill, please contact the Church Office to sign-up. *Volunteers, please meet on the east side.*

This Weekend in Lenten Worship:

Sat @ 6 PM (OC) and Sun @ 8 AM & 10:30 AM (Church) – This weekend, join Rev. Cindi as we continue the “**My Story. God’s Glory**” sermon series. “**Take Courage!**” and hear about the *Story of Peter, Part I* from Matthew 14:22-33. We’ll sing *Wade in the Water* and *Stand By Me*. In addition, the Choristers

Ignite on Sun @ 6 PM (OC) / - This weekend join @ Ignite as Pastor Joe talks about “Repenting, *With All Your Heart*” through 1 Corinthians 10:1-13 and Psalm 63:1-8. **After this Alternative Service, please join in Fellowship and a light meal.**

Daffodil Days / Daffodil Days is an opportunity for everyone to join the American Cancer Society in saving lives, celebrating lives and leading the fight for a world without cancer. Dollars raised through Daffodil Days support groundbreaking research, patient services, and other lifesaving programs. Through the daffodil, the first flower of spring, this campaign brings a symbol of hope to cancer patients and those affected by the disease. **Daffodils will be sold before and after each service on March 24 in Chapel Parlor; bundles are \$10 each.**

Confirmation Reunion / The Evangelism Committee wants to invite **ALL sophomores & juniors** in high school to a **Confirmation Reunion** with games, activities & worship at Ignite on **Sunday, March 24** beginning at **4:30 PM**.

The Lenten Journey / Check Out Sunday School Classes, weekly Bible studies & new offerings during the season of Lent. Watch for more details in the March Circuit Rider and/or in the bulletin. **Would you like a FREE Lenten Devotional? Each person who signs up for at least ONE Lenten study may choose a book.**

- **Lenten Lunches** are held every **Wednesday at 12:05 PM** with worship & soup lunch with our ecumenical partners: Grace Episcopal, St. Luke's UCC & Federated Church. Cost is **\$5**, and each worship service & meal is held in the Fellowship Hall.

Mental Health First Aid Training / The Care Team wants to invite members of the congregation to participate in **Mental Health First Aid Training**. We are offering **TWO** sessions: **Sat. March 30** or **Sat. May 4** from 8 AM to 5 PM

“Favorite Things” Tablesapes Fundraiser / The Second Annual **Tablesapes** will be held on **Sunday, March 31** from **2:30 PM to 4 PM** featuring beautifully decorated tables & desserts, entertainment & silent auction items. To donate items, please contact Cindy Rohde and/or Mary Plettner, this year's event co-chairs. **Registration forms are located by the nametags and/or in the Church Office.**

Proceeds will go toward the Mission & Ministry obligations for 2019. **PLEASE sign-up by Monday, March 25.**

Care Team's Chat & Chew / First UMC Care Team and Healthy Congregations are sponsoring the following events, all of them will be at **4:30 PM at our Outreach Center:**

- **April 14** – “Healthcare Decisions” by Lisa Weber

Walk to Jerusalem Continues / WE MADE IT TO JERUSALEM! Now we are heading back to the United States! Bone is living tissue that responds to exercise by becoming stronger. For most people, bone mass peaks during the third decade of life. After that time, we begin to lose bone. Bone loss can help be prevented with regular exercise. Exercising can help us with muscle strength, coordination and balance, which helps to prevent falls. *Tight on time this week? Break your activity down into ten minute chunks of time instead of one block of 30 minutes. (it's not too late to sign up)* If you are limited on your ability to walk, you can track your miles with 20 minutes of an activity equaling one mile. We also have a Facebook group that you can join to track your miles: **"First UMC Heart & Sole!"**

Power of Prayer / First UMC's Prayer Team has moved from *Thursday evenings @ 7 PM* to **Wednesday evenings at 5:30 PM**. If you would like to participate in a*NEW* Prayer Team starting at the Church, please let Martha Davidson and/or Rev. Cindi know ASAP.

CALENDAR:

<https://www.mychurchevents.com/calendar/74025457/month/2019-03-01>

Mark Your Calendars:

March 22 & 23 – Youth will be making Enchiladas

March 24 – Confirmation Reunion

March 27 - Drop off Silent Auction items @ OC

March 28 - Healthy Congregations Program Training

March 30 - Care Team's Mental Health First Aid Training

March 31 – UMCOR Weekend / Fifth Sunday Donuts / Second Annual Tablescapes Fundraiser

April 4 – Healthy Congregations Program Training

Community Connection! – Please check-out the Community Bulletin Board located outside of the Church Office! Click on the hyperlinks to go to learn more about the events listed below.

Food, Fitness & Fun – March 21 & 28

Food Thoughts – March 22 & 29

Columbus Alzheimer’s Support Group Coffee – March 25

Free Screening for Oral, Head & Neck Cancer – April 1

Columbus Rescue Mission 10th Annual Ladies Brunch – April 6

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