

May 2018

**THE  
DOVE**



**COLUMBIA UNITED  
METHODIST CHURCH**

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Rev. Tom Grubbs, Pastor**



Open hearts. Open minds. Open doors.  
The people of The United Methodist Church™

**Our Vision and Values:**

**Taking Christ into the community by...**

Creating disciples for Christ

Celebrating diversity

Connecting to the community

Commitment to love and justice



A new sermon series begins on May 6th! Pastor Tom will begin a new sermon series called "Old School Guys from the Old Testament".

May 6	David	1 Samuel 17:1-11, 24-25, 32-33
May 13	Abraham	Genesis 22:1-18
May 20	Noah	Genesis 8:9-22
May 27	Elijah	1 Kings 18:20-40
June 3	Daniel	1 Peter 4:12-19



**Sunday School time – 10:05 – 10:55**

David C. Cook materials:

**Early Elementary (ages 4 – grade 1)**

"God Meets Our Needs"

Scriptures used: Exodus, 2 Kings, 1 Samuel  
God provides our daily needs. His Word helps us know how to care for others.

**Elementary (grades 2 –3)**

"A Time for Courage"

Scripture: Daniel, Ezra

We should love, trust, and serve God.

**Pre-teen (grades 4-6) (Rosekids Publishing)**

"Our Awesome God": God is worthy of praise and gives unconditional love.



United  
Methodist  
Women

The United Methodist Women will meet on Tuesday, May 15th at 7:00 PM in Fellowship Hall.

# pastor's bible study

Pastor Tom is holding a mid-week Bible study every other Wednesday night from 6:30-8:30 pm. This study meets in the Senior Center. The topic for this class will be "Making Sense Out of the Bible" as individuals begin to look at the Bible and try to understand it more as they apply it to their lives.



**Operation Christmas Child Collection:** Each month we will collect gifts for the packing party scheduled for Sunday, November 4, 2018 at 12:00. Here is a list of items that will be collected each month:

**May:** balls, dolls, puzzles, flashlights, yoyos, matchbox cars, jump ropes, harmonicas, marbles

**June:** plastic bowls, cups, plates

**July:** sunglasses, flip flops, socks, hats, shirts, bandanas

**August:** crayons, pencils, markers, stickers, glue sticks, tablets, Bibles, books, play dough, rulers, chalk, calculators

**Sept. and Oct.:** donations toward shipping costs (\$9 per box)

Do **not** include: toothpaste, candy, liquids, glass, sharp items, military items.

**"Faith is like wi-fi: It's invisible, but it has the power to connect you to what you need."  
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We will observe UMCOR Sunday on May 13<sup>th</sup>. We will be taking a special offering to support children, families and communities who have experienced devastation in the wake of disaster. UMCOR stands for "United Methodist Committee on Relief".

When disaster strikes around the globe – Haiti's 2010 earthquake or Typhoon Haiyan in 2013 – so many watching the drama unfold on our living room televisions feel entirely helpless. How could any one person make a difference in the wake of such widespread devastation? As responders around the globe scramble to help survivors, the United Methodist committee on Relief, UMCOR, is prepared to act. The response of UMCOR isn't something "they" do, it's something "we" do.

Your giving equips Christ's body to serve in His name. Your generous giving allows UMCOR to respond when disaster strikes.

"I was hungry and you gave me food to eat. I was thirsty and you gave me a drink. I was a stranger and you welcomed me. I was naked and you gave me clothes to wear. I was sick and you took care of me. I was in prison and you visited me." (Matthew 25:35-36, CEB)

When we meet the needs of those who suffer, we minister to Jesus.

## A NEW PROGRAM FROM CLN

Columbia Life Network is bringing a new program for the Columbia area that will provide individuals with fresh food. The program is sponsored through various organizations of Lancaster County. It will be offered on the 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of every month beginning on July 27<sup>th</sup>. Food will be distributed at Park Elementary and is a first come first served basis. This program will give out fresh eggs and milk and is called "Fresh Express". The items come from the Central Penn Food Bank. They will need volunteers to help. If you would like more information about this program contact Jamie at Columbia Life Network (717-684-8094)



## NEWS FROM THE COLUMBIA FOOD BANK

The following is a report of the activity at the Columbia Food Bank for 2017.

1. Number of households assisted in Columbia by the Food Bank – 1,412
2. Number of individuals within those households that were impacted by the assistance of the Columbia Food Bank – 2,623 individuals.
3. The Food Bank distributed 78,690 lbs of canned and boxed food. Enough food to make 55,322 meals.
4. In addition, the Food Bank gave out 1,766 lbs. of ground beef, 1,823 lbs. of hot dogs, 1,090 lbs. of sliced cheese, and 1,423 dozen eggs.
5. For Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter, the Food Bank gave out dinner bags to 260 families.
6. In 2017 the total amount of food given out to individuals totaled 100,000 lbs. of food.

Thanks for your continued support of the Columbia Area Food Bank. Your donations help to make a difference in people's lives.

CUMC is looking to hire a part-time Worship Leader for our 9:00 AM Praise Service. If you are interested or know someone who might be, please contact Pastor Tom.



## FAMILY MINISTRIES UPDATE

### Kid's Ministry:

- Children's Church
  - Wee Church – Life of Jesus
  - Jr. Church – Journey through the Bible (Moses, Joshua, Judges and Ruth)

### Youth Ministry:

- Confirmation class – May 2<sup>nd</sup> and May 16<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 – 6:30 PM
- Youth Group – May 2<sup>nd</sup> and May 16<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-8 PM
- Game night – May 25<sup>th</sup> from 6-10 PM
- Confirmation Sunday is May 27<sup>th</sup>

### Save the Dates:

- Day Camp meeting – May 2<sup>nd</sup> from 5:30 – 6:30 PM (for all volunteers)
- VBS – June 25<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup>
- Unity Sunday – July 29<sup>th</sup> (Jesse Rothacher - Forgotten Friends Reptile Sanctuary)
- Day Camp – July 30<sup>th</sup> - August 3<sup>rd</sup>



As a part of our ongoing commitment to “pray without ceasing” we want to lift up to you for prayer these members of our church family who are residing in nursing homes, retirement homes or are homebound and unable to attend church:

**St. Anne's Home**, 3952 Columbia Avenue, Columbia

- Jean Grider – 211
- Sara Anne Linkous

**Juniper Village**, 607 Hearthstone Lane, Mount Joy

- Minerva Brommer

**Luther Acres**, 400 St. Luke Drive, Lititz 17543

- Ruth Peters – Room 302

### HOMEBOUND MEMBERS

Steve & Shirley Staman – 200 Luther Lane, Apt. 400  
Columbia PA 17512

Pat Sprout – 1049 Strickler Run Drive, Columbia

Jean Crist – 305 Country Place Drive, Lancaster 17601

Geraldine Beaton – 1047 Barber Street, Columbia



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|----|----------------------|-------------------|
| 1  | Fred Polynone        |                   |
| 2  | Raylene Nonnenmocher |                   |
| 3  | George Keyser        |                   |
| 4  | Allison Lavery       |                   |
| 5  | Betty-Sue Ryno       |                   |
| 7  | Stefanie Hohn        | Joshalyn Ritzman  |
|    | Karen Von Stetten    |                   |
| 9  | Betty Wenger         |                   |
| 10 | Ashley Heim          |                   |
| 11 | Paige Jones          | Todd Lightcap Jr. |
| 12 | Sarah Baurys         | Brittanny Bertoli |
| 14 | Rebecca Eckman       | Kenneth Hill      |
|    | Kathie Ingolia       |                   |
| 15 | Charles Flory        |                   |
| 16 | Jenna Geesey         | Luke Groft        |
| 17 | Rowan Burke          | Nathan Stock      |
| 19 | Ruth Sload           |                   |
| 21 | Katherine O'Donnell  | Michelle Phillips |
| 22 | John McNaughton II   | Nina Reese        |
|    | Darlene Walk         |                   |
| 23 | David Bish           | Alexis Eckman     |
|    | Nathan Lau           |                   |
| 24 | Jean Crist           |                   |
| 25 | Esther Albright      | Elizabeth Bright  |
| 26 | Patricia Bright      | Sheri Deets       |
|    | Jessica Duke         | Joan Rupp         |
| 29 | Brie Leader          | Adam Wolf         |
| 30 | Florence Leas        | Patricia Sprout   |
| 31 | David Grider         |                   |

If you are having a birthday in May and are not listed here, that means we do not have a record of your birth date. Please call the church office with that information, and have a happy birthday!

**The Giver**

**It is beyond the realm of possibilities that one has the ability to out-give God. Even if I give the whole of my worth to him, he will find a way to give back to me much more than I gave.**

**—Charles Spurgeon**



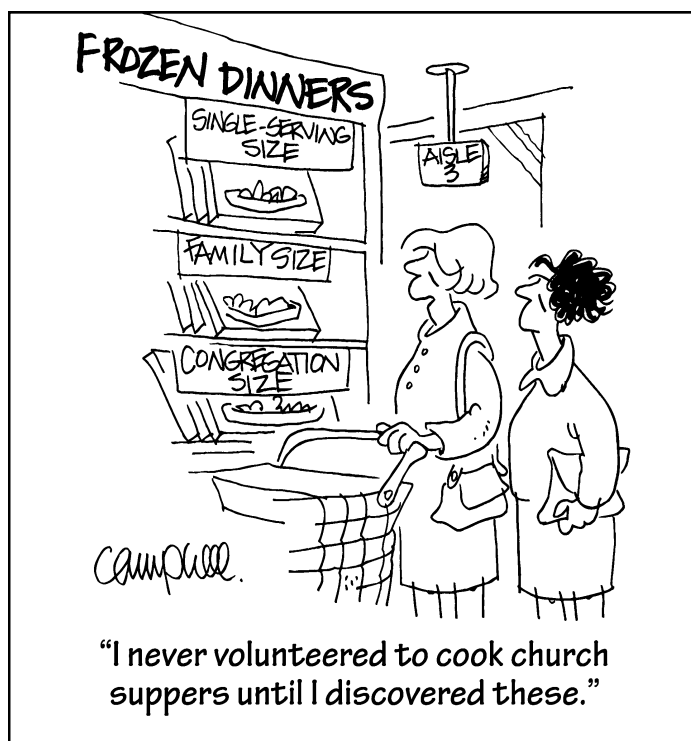
**YEAR TO DATE (as of April 25, 2018)**

Total operations income \$96,667  
 Total operations expense \$94,936  
**\$ 1,731**

**Thanks, Mom!**

**At his graduation, a young man tasked with giving a speech began reading from some notes. "I want to talk about my mother and the wonderful influence she had on my life," he said. "She's a shining example of parenthood, and I love her more than words can ever do justice."**

**The graduate then paused, appeared to struggle a moment and looked up at the audience with a mischievous smile. "It's really hard to read my mom's handwriting," he said.**



<span style="float: left;">◀ April</span> <span style="margin-left: 200px; font-size: 1.2em; font-weight: bold;">May 2018</span> <span style="float: right;">June ▶</span>						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> 5:30 PM Confirmation 5:30 PM Day Camp meeting 6:30 PM Youth Group 6:30 PM Pastor's Bible Study 8 PM AA	<b>3</b> National Day of Prayer 9 AM Worship 6:30 PM AA 7 PM Chancel Choir	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> Cinco De Mayo
<b>6</b> 9 AM Praise Service 10:05 AM Sunday School 11 AM Traditional Service	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> 8 PM AA	<b>10</b> 6:30 PM AA 7 PM Chancel Choir	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>13</b> Mother's Day 9 AM Praise Service 10:05 AM Sunday School 11 AM Traditional Service	<b>14</b> 6:30 PM PATH	<b>15</b> 6:30 PM Girl Scouts 7 PM UM Women	<b>16</b> 5:30 PM Confirmation 6:30 PM Youth Group 6:30 PM Pastor's Bible Study 8 PM AA	<b>17</b> 6:30 PM AA 7 PM Chancel Choir	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> Armed Forces Day
<b>20</b> 9 AM Praise Service 10:05 AM Sunday School 11 AM Traditional Service 12:15 Ad Council & Teams	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> 8 PM AA	<b>24</b> 6:30 PM AA 7 PM Chancel Choir	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>27</b> Confirmation Sunday 8 AM Fellowship Bkfst. 9 AM Praise Service 10:05 AM Sunday School 11 AM Traditional Service	<b>28</b> Memorial Day <b>Office closed</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> 7 PM Bacalaurate 8 PM AA	<b>31</b> 6:30 PM AA 7 PM Chancel Choir		

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