

ANTI-RACISM: DISTRICT OPPORTUNITIES

**Juneteenth Celebration: Saturday, June 19th
1:00-3:00pm**

New Vision UMC in North Avondale

Come and celebrate with the entire Ohio River Valley District as we mark the oldest of all African American celebrations: Juneteenth. Juneteenth commemorates the day of June 19, 1865 when African Americans in Texas first learned of their freedom from slavery under the Emancipation Proclamation. Join us for music, food, crafts for kids, and fun for all ages.

A Cincinnati UMC Pastor's Story – July 12 (in person) or July 13 (via Zoom) at 6:30pm

“I was reported as being a suspicious person...”

During a pastoral care visit in his hometown of Wyoming, Ohio, Rev. Meschach Kanyion was reported as a suspicious person. Compelled by his experience of implicit bias and racism, he created short Youtube videos sharing his story. Join us for a discussion with Rev. Kanyion on Monday, July 12 at 6:30pm outside at Church of the Savior UMC in Montgomery or join us via Zoom for the discussion on Tuesday, July 13th at 6:30pm. Links to the Youtube videos and to register for the Zoom discussion will be put on the Justice Ministry website late June.

Outdoor Worship Celebration with The Warehouse Sunday, August 1st in Washington Park

Come, celebrate our faith with other people from around the Ohio River Valley District and support the launch of The Warehouse Church. More details to come.

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The Warehouse Church, OTR

We are excited about the upcoming in-person launch of The Warehouse Church, in the beautiful Washington Park in the Over-The-Rhine community. This event will take place on June 6, 2021, at 1:00 pm. We hope to see each of you there as we celebrate our LORD and reach out to the City. We will introduce residents to the mission and culture of The Warehouse Church: a multi-ethnic, intergenerational, and multi-class community where they can belong, heal, grow, serve and transform by the message of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, the power of the Holy Spirit, and a loving community. On that day, we will have great music, food, the Cincinnati Circus, and other fun activities for children and youth. We'll have tours of the church and hear inspiring messages and testimonies about God's love and goodness. *If you'd like to volunteer to assist us on June 6th, please contact me at info@thewarehousechurch.org.*



*Pastor
Sherman Bradley*

While I have mixed emotions about the last twenty years of redevelopment and gentrification in downtown Cincinnati; I am honored and humbled that God has called us to this City for such a time as this. I recall the rich history of our mission work in OTR via decades of volunteering and working at City Gospel Mission when it was located on Elm Street just one block north of Washington Park and Music Hall. During those years, Sadell and I ministered to homeless and transient men and women in need of food, shelter, and clothing. At the Mission, we provided much needed in-patient recovery services for addicted and formerly incarcerated men who were attempting to reclaim their lives. We provided transitional housing and job placement services to see men take major strides to reestablish themselves as viable tax paying citizens. All this work along with having parents and relatives who grew up in the West End and OTR make this a nostalgic setting for me.

Now, the demographics of OTR have changed dramatically. Property values have increased. This part of the City is recovering—after the pandemic, to its status as a booming go-to destination. An entire arts and small business community is burgeoning in Over The Rhine, and the FC Cincinnati Stadium is now open bringing another exciting professional sport to our City. Our Nation is in a struggle around race, economics, and implicit bias. God has uniquely and strategically positioned and equipped us to prepare and deploy disciples to bring His message to these new developing sectors of Cincinnati.

I am in awe as we celebrate the LORD's provision and partnership with Hyde Park Community UMC to bring the Kingdom of God to a culture in need of healing, compassion and the love of Christ.



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SUMMER CAMP READING

Can you spend a couple hours in the morning with 2nd & 3rd grade students this summer? No special skills are needed, just a desire to help children who need critical extra attention & encouragement to improve reading proficiency.

Summer Camp Reading runs weekday mornings from June 14-July 23 at Wesley Chapel Mission Center in Over-the-Rhine. You can sign up for a 2-hour time slot (8:00-10:00am or 9:45am-12:00pm) and serve with other volunteers and paid staff. Strict safety protocols will be in place.

To sign up to serve, please visit hydeparkchurch.org and click the Summer Camp Reading rotating banner on the homepage. For any questions, please contact Karen Bruner at chatbru82@gmail.com or 513-787-3549 or Kate at ksmith@hpcumc.org or 513-871-1345

SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY

Senior Adult Ministries plans to return in September to meeting for Thursday Edition and First Friday Nite's programs. However we do not have enough volunteer commitments to support the First Friday Nite dinners.

Let's look at this long pause as an opportunity to bring our wish lists and creativity to this ministry! Gather together with your friends (anyone 55 and over) at one of these meetings to share ideas and develop programming which will be meaningful to you.

Come to one of these three meetings—no reservations required—to offer your input:

Wednesday, June 9, 2021	2:00 pm	Library
Wednesday, June 9, 2021	7:00 pm	Library
Sunday, June 13, 2021	10:30 am	Library

If you are unable to attend one of the sessions, but want to make suggestions and volunteer, please contact Diane Weaver at diweaver@hpcumc.org or 979-8190.

ALTAR FLOWER SIGN UPS

Flowers on the altar in the sanctuary help enhance our worship together. Please call the church office to reserve your spot to provide flowers for Sunday morning worship. Flowers can be designated in honor or memory of a loved one.

Please call Amanda Kern in the church office; she will help you make these arrangements.

WESLEY CHAPEL MISSION CENTER Donation Drive

The start of summer is near! During May 2021 Soul Builders will be collecting items each week for Wesley Chapel Mission Center to help get them ready for summer. Items can be left in the Social Hall at church during the month of May.

Week One-Flip flops for children and toddlers

Week Two-Beach towels

Week Three- Sun screen/swim goggles

Week Four- monetary donations to be able to purchase Children's Bibles Pre K-6th grade

Please make checks out to HPCUMC with Wesley Chapel Monthly Donation in memo line.

Bring one item or all three or donate money for Bibles. If you have questions or wish to get more involved please call Jan Betts at 513-919-1226.

TUESDAY MORNING STUDY With Pastor Doug

Our Class meets on Tuesday mornings, 10:00 – 11:30. On June 8 we will begin a new study of Bishop N.T. Wright's new book: *Broken Signposts*. The following is a summary of Bishop Wright's book: "These seven broken signposts – Justice, love, spirituality, beauty, freedom, truth, and power – need not remain elusive. By the power of the Spirit of Jesus the Messiah, they can become genuine signposts, mended signals, missional marker posts. They will point clearly, in the mercy of God, to the cross of Jesus and also to His resurrection as the start and the sign of the new creation."

Join us on Tuesday, June 8, 10:00 – 11:30 as we deepen our walk with God through Christ. Books can be picked up in the Church office, 9:00 – 5:00 (\$10.00 suggested donation).

I look forward to beginning this study with you. May God's blessings abound!

Through Christ,
Pastor Doug

YOUNG ADULTS

Brews and Brene

On Mondays starting May 10 through August 30, meet at the downstairs patio of Beans and Barley (Madison Rd.) to discuss an episode from one of Brené Brown's podcasts.

Each week will feature a different guest talking about various topics so each week stands on its own – come when you can.

To view the schedule for the summer series and find links to the episodes, please visit: <http://hydeparkchurch.org/young-adult-ministry/>

Young Adult Sunday Brunch

Every second Sunday, young adults are invited to enjoy summer weather on the patio at Keystone in Hyde Park for brunch at 12:00 pm. There's no agenda, just time set aside to come together and potentially an opportunity to meet and connect with other young adults. Let us know you are coming by 11:30am the day of "party". You can RSVP on the young adult webpage or by emailing Kate Smith (ksmith@hpcumc.org). Upcoming brunches are June 13, July 11, and August 8.

SUNDAY MORNING CHILDCARE

We are excited to open the doors of our nursery once again! We will have childcare for both the 9:30 and 11:00 worship services. Reservations are needed through our website. Masks are required for children who are old enough to wear one.

Please contact Dana Calhoun with any questions or concerns: dcalhoun@hpcumc.org or 513-979-8181.

