



After a summer break, Super Serve Saturday (S3) is BACK every 3rd Saturday through May starting September 17th. S3 is a great way to get involved with serving with our local partnerships and meet new people. This month there are 5 different projects to choose from – no superpowers necessary – just a willing, humble and flexible spirit and heart for all! We are serving with New Life Furniture Bank, Wesley Chapel Mission Center, Meals on Wheels, and The Center for Respite Care. Visit our website (hydeparkchurch.org) or scan the QR code with your phone camera to get descriptions of the all projects and to sign up to serve.



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ONE & DONE SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Have you been looking for an opportunity to serve at HPCUMC?

"One & Done" are opportunities to serve, usually for just an hour or so at a time, and when you are done...it's done.

Sound simple? It is! Opportunities are listed below. *Please fill in your contact information and place it in the offering plate. We will contact you asap.* Thank you for your willingness to serve with us in Christ.

On World Communion Sunday, we will represent each of our Global Partners (Romania, Haiti, Russia, and Mexico) with bread from each country on our altar. We are in need of a few people to make the bread for the altar and to also put in the Welcome Center for people to try. *You will receive a recipe after signing up. Please bring it to the Welcome Center kitchen anytime on Saturday, October 2nd or by 7:30am on Sunday, Oct 3.*

Bake Bread for World Communion Sunday (Oct 3rd)

___ Yes, I would like to make bread for World Communion Sunday

Name _____
 Email _____
 Phone # _____

Please return to the offering plate or contact Pastor Kate at ksmith@hpcumc.org or 979-8179 with any questions.

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Australian singers and songwriters, Paul Kelly and Kev Carmody, have an award winning song that tells a story of justice in Australian history. The title and refrain is, "From Little Things Big Things Grow." The story begins with a small moment involving a few unknown people that began a trajectory that made a significant difference for a whole nation.



Pastor Suzanne

It is a powerful reminder that anything of significance begins with one small moment. Even a fleeting thought, a heavy sigh, a moment of laughter, frustration, rejection, a nod from a wise mentor, or a single verse of poetry or scripture can take hold within us and make a significant difference in how we move forward in life. Continuing that direction over time has a wide reaching impact.

This is true with both the positive and the negative. One small act of good, especially when done repeatedly over time, can transform a life, a community, and even a nation. One small act of harm, especially when done consistently over time, can hinder growth, crush life, and have a ripple effect that impacts generations.

This is the power of the General Rules of the UMC, better known as the "Three Simple Rules" that we are focusing on in our worship series this month: "Do no harm. Do good. Stay in love with God."

Last week we talked about doing good. We were encouraged to "Glow" as we let our light shine by "doing good works that bring glory to God." Even when those things seem small, we trust that God will multiply our efforts and bring about an even greater good than we can imagine.

But as I think of the places we often "do good," it is striking that the need for good often comes from the fact that harm has been done first. A lot of our good work is in response to harmful actions, both intended and unintended, individual and communal, in the past or in current events, that have led to the need to do good and to stand for justice in that situation. That is true in the story told in this song. We are continually growing in our understanding of how to acknowledge the harm done, not add to it, and to do good in order to offer a correction.

So the Simple Rule of "Do no harm" is essential if we want to do more than spend our time and resources on more than simply undoing the harm that is done.

Our faith and following the way of Jesus invites us to life in which we think of more than our own wants and desires, more than our own practices and worldviews, or more than what others are doing. Jesus invites us to a life of self-examination, reflection, prayer, and wisdom, in which we "do no harm" to others and we work toward a society that "does no harm" to others.

Taking time to work on even one small way that we can reduce harm, can make a significant difference. If we each chose one thing and worked on it consistently over time, whether holding our tongue, forgiving a grudge, or examining our bias, imagine the impact it would have.

This work may seem small in some ways, yet, "from little things, big things grow." If we first do no harm, and then do good, imagine the possibilities!

Blessings!
 Pastor Suzanne



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COMMUNITY EVENTS

Jenn Lucas Installation Service with Bishop Palmer

Bishop Palmer will be in our District for the installation of Jenn Lucas as our new District Superintendent.

Sharonville UMC

Sunday, September 25th at 4:00 pm.

3751 Creek Road, Cincinnati, OH 45241

Committed, Connected, Community Events

This fall, Bishop Palmer will travel throughout the conference. He encourages ALL United Methodists, laity and clergy, to gather at one of his “Committed, Connected, Community” Events. *There will be a time of preaching, teaching and testimony.*

Mason UMC

Monday, October 3 at 7:00 p.m.

6315 Mason Montgomery Road Mason, OH 45040

BREWS AND THE BIBLE FOR NORMAL PEOPLE

Start your week of enjoying a crisp fall evening with other young adults. On Mondays through October 24th meet at the back patio of Beans and Barley (Madison Rd.) from 7:00-8:30pm for Brews and Exodus for Normal People to discuss an episode from Peter Enns’ podcast.

If you’re a normal person who reads the Bible, chances are you have questions. If you like to ask questions and don’t like quick, safe answers to make the hard questions go away, this series might be for you. Listen or read the transcript of the episode of the week before the gathering and come ready to discuss.

Scan the QR code to view the schedule for the series and links to the episodes.



PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Did you know that HPCUMC has a Prayer Shawl Ministry? A prayer shawl is a symbol of God’s unconditional love and is a tangible way to wrap someone in God’s love and in prayer. Since 2006, the Prayer Shawl Ministry has given shawls to those facing life challenges, celebrating life joys, and serving God’s Kingdom. *If you know someone for whom a prayer shawl would be meaningful or if you would like to become a part of this ministry, please contact Christine McHenry at clm2804@gmail.com.*

PASTORS STUDY: STARTS SEPT 27

A People’s History of Christianity

Morning Study at 10am

Begins Tuesday, Sept 27th

*Pastor Todd will lead the Tuesday morning class beginning with Diana Butler Bass’ book *A People’s History of Christianity*. Please contact Amanda in the church office to register.*

Covenant Bible Study

Evening Study 7-8:30pm

Begins Tuesday, Sept 27th

Pastor Suzanne and Meredith Menius will be team teaching

Cokesbury’s Covenant Bible Study this year.

Covenant Bible Study guides small groups through a comprehensive, in-depth study of the whole Bible over twenty-four sessions broken into three eight-session modules. **To register, please sign up on Realm or contact Amanda in the church office.**

ROCK THE BLOCK: LOWER PRICE HILL

We invite you to Rock the Block in Lower Price Hill on Saturday, October 29th from 9am – 3pm for anyone ages 10 and older.

Rock the Block is an extension of Habitat’s neighborhood revitalization efforts for all residents in Lower Price Hill.

Our goal is to recruit 40 people to create 2 work teams for landscaping and exterior painting. **No experience is necessary to serve and all tools/equipment, lunch, and a Rock the Block work t-shirt is provided.** Childcare for those 9 and under will be provided for free at the church. *To learn more and sign up to serve (sign up deadline is October 9), please scan the QR code.*



UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH BOOK CLUB

United Women in Faith (formerly UMW) is back this fall with a revamped Book Club. We’ve selected books for the entire “school” year and will meet the first Tuesday of every other month.

Our next Book Club is **Tuesday, October 4** at 7:00pm in the church parlor. We are reading *Maus* by Art Spiegelman. This Pulitzer Prize-winning graphic novel about a Polish Jew and Holocaust survivor has been in the news due to several communities’ attempts to ban the book. *Questions? Feel free to contact Lucinda Hurst at lucindawithrow@gmail.com or 513.403.7036.* The next book club is on Tuesday, December 6. The book selection is *Search* by Michelle Huneven.

SEPTEMBER DONATION DRIVE

We are collecting these supplies to help teachers & staff at **Rothenberg Preparatory Academy** better serve their students.

For motivation and rewards:
Individually packaged snacks (look for extended shelf dates)
Toys for ages 4-12 (for individual play)

For children when they need clean clothes at school:
T-shirts, male and female, children’s sizes 8-10 and/or 12-14
T-shirts, male and female, adult sizes medium and/or large

Please deliver your donations to the Social Hall anytime during September.

Soul Builders Sunday School Class thanks you for your generosity!
The program generally begins with a pizza party near the end of September—yes, this month—when tutors will meet their students. Volunteers will be required to complete a background check (cost is reimbursed) before working with the students.

Contact Pastor Kate Smith (ksmith@hpcumc.org or 513-871-1345) or Karen Bruner (chatbru82@gmail.com) for details.



Scan the QR code to buy the needed items online.

TIJUANA MEXICO PARTNERSHIP

Tijuana, Mexico Partnership Visit Information Meeting
September 18th
10:30am and 12:00pm,
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We have been invited to serve **December 29, 2022 – January 3, 2023**
The cost is \$400 plus airfare and there will be 3 team meetings: October 9, November 13, and December 11 from 12:15pm-1:45pm. **Not able to go to Mexico but want to support the team?** Please consider giving a donation towards the Mission Trip Scholarship fund. *If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Kate (ksmith@hpcumc.org or 513-871-1345).*

NEW MEMBER CLASS

September 25th | 12:30pm-2:30pm

Are you interested in becoming a member of Hyde Park Community UMC? We would love to have you join us for this time of connecting with others who are new to our church, learning more about our beliefs and ministries, and discovering your spiritual gifts.

Please contact Meredith Menius for more information or to register at mmenius@hpcumc.org or 513-979-8170.