

# SHUMC

## Our Family Newsletter

### June 2018



**Adult Sunday school**  
**9:00 a.m.**

**Worship**  
**10:00 a.m.**

**Children's Sunday school**  
**10:30 a.m.**

Staff

Pastor.....Keith McGarvey  
Secretary.....Barb Black  
Worship Director.....Linda Morey  
Congregational Care....Sue Fuller  
Youth.....Sue Fuller

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Lay Leader.....Jim Loeffler  
Council Chair.....Bruce Clark  
Finance Chair.....Chuck Myers  
Trustee Chair.....Dane Charlton  
Ministries Chair...Mary Kobylinski  
SPRC.....Dennis Scalise  
Treasurer.....Joan Bindeman  
Member-at-Large.....Ken Morton



May 12 Mother's Day Brunch  
May 19 Mexican – Trivia Night

**Look Inside for :**  
A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR  
YOUTH  
U. M. WOMEN  
SPECIAL EVENTS

*U. M. Women's*

# RUMMAGE



## June 8-9

# From the Pastor's Pen

## Hmmmmmm . . .

Well ... today is the day after my 59<sup>th</sup> Birthday, whew! I appreciate everyone's well wishes --- it is fun to connect with friends present and friends past ... and to remember shared moments when a card or Facebook message appears --- great fun!

However, I was a bit set back at staff meeting when I was told that "actually, your 59<sup>th</sup> year has passed and you are now in your 60<sup>th</sup> year!" .... Hmmmmmm .....

Birthdays .....

As the morning progressed, I received calls from several TV news reporters that I have known over the years. They told me that it has been announced that Meadow Brook Dairy (founded by my grandfather) would be closed before fall ... Hmmmmmm ....

Again, many fond memories ... many great people ... lots of emotions of all sorts ... Hmmmmmm .....

Yet, the sun is shining ... birthdays come and go .... Doors close upon earlier chapters of our lives .... Hmmmmmm ....

As Christian believers ... we have a surety & stability - a steadiness & a confidence that when many are prone to being shaken or upset by life's moments (big or small) the significance of **1 John 5:13-18 ENCOURAGES US** ... God has given us His Spirit ... God is love ... there is **NO FEAR** in love ... perfect love **DRIVES OUT** fear [and worry] ... **GOD LOVES YOU AND ME!** Hmmmmmm ....

**THANK YOU GOD!**

Deuteronomy 31:6 affirms to us, ***"Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them [all that threatens to bring you down], for the LORD your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you."*** ... Hmmmmmm ... **THANK YOU GOD!**

We can be sure of God's love and God's presence in all of our today's --- in life and in death ... in sickness and in health ... in good times and bad times ... **GOD IS WITH US, GOD LOVES US, GOD CARES FOR US, GOD FIGHTS FOR US and GOD PROTECTS US ... THANK YOU GOD!**

And as we move beyond the present, we begin to look forward and move from the past to the present and onto the future ... My HOPE and A SENSE of POSSIBILITY begin to grow ... THANK YOU GOD!

As we surge into June, we are reminded of Graduations and New Beginnings ... New Chapters ... New Adventures ... New Opportunities and New Chances to reboot and restart ... to Go in New Directions --- Time to close some of the chapters of the past that we've hung on to and turn our attentions to NEW HOPES and NEW DREAMS (and perhaps some that have been lost in the past) --- INSTEAD --- WE TURN TO WHAT MAY BE rather THAN WHAT WAS or WHAT HAS BEEN --- it all becomes NEW and POSSIBLE again! THANK YOU GOD!

I am looking forward to a very special, and I pray, inspirational service on June 10. We'll be sharing with the church the message that I will be sharing at the 2018 Harbor Creek Senior Class Baccalaureate the evening of June 3, **"FOUNDATIONS FOR THE LIFE BEFORE YOU"** AND ... the Baptism of two infants; the Welcoming of 5 New Members; and the Celebration of Our High School & College Graduates. THANK YOU GOD!

Friends, We have so much to look forward to --- in 2018, in the years beyond ... and even beyond the passing of this world to a new world that is promised that is beyond expectation and comprehension ... *God will make all things new!!!!* (Revelations 21:1-8)

Please join me as we take this month to REMEMBER THE PAST, CLOSE chapters of our lives that need to be closed AND THEN LOOK FORWARD --- and MOVE FORWARD into the wonderful world of possibilities that God has promised and that will remain with us to give us His strength, His Presence, His Comfort and His Future ...that ***we may be LIFTED UP with Eagle's wings and that we may RUN and NOT BE WEARY*** (Isaiah 40:31) THANK YOU GOD! ☺

Your pastor,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Keith". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

# RUMMAGE



**JUNE 8 - 9**

## **DE-CLUTTER, DISCARD AND DELIGHT – START YOUR SPRING CLEANING NOW!**

**Dates:** Friday, June 8      Time: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
Saturday, June 9      Time: 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. – bag day for \$1.50 each  
bag. Some items will be specially marked.

Lunch will be available for purchase each day. The proceeds will benefit kids' camperships and The Refuge.

### **Items may include:**

1. Gently used household items – nothing broken please!
2. Gently used clean clothing for men, women and children – nothing stained or ripped please!
3. Gently used furniture may also be brought in.
4. **Please no bulky TV's or bulky computer monitors.**

You may bring items to the church fellowship hall beginning Tuesday morning, June 4 through Thursday at 2:30 p.m.

If you have any questions or concerns, or need to bring in items before June 4, please text or call Lisa Gnibus @ 814-882-5010 or Linda Morey @ 814-746-2120



The Shawl Ministry meets every Thursday at 1:30 p.m. at the home of Irene Witherow, 530 Bartlett Rd., Harborcreek. All women who love to knit or crochet are welcome any time.

The SHUMC Shawl Ministry is a group of women who enjoy knitting and crocheting in service to our Lord. We supply our church, Lakeland Hospice, North East Hospice and Great Lakes Hospice with blankets and shawls.

We give baptism blankets to babies baptized in our church.

We provide hats and scarves for the City Mission and The Refuge. All homemade items are given free of charge to the recipients. Donations of yarn (any kind - but preferably Red Heart brand) are greatly appreciated. Currently, we are in need of white baby yarn. Cash donations are accepted, also.



## Shoe Drive



# 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Shoe Drive

The 6<sup>th</sup> annual shoe drive is underway. We will be actively collecting new and gently used shoes through July. The proceeds from this event will benefit the ministries of the EUMA and All God's Children Ministries. We are asking for your help to make this event successful again this year. We have been offered a bonus if we can fill 1,400 bags of shoes this year. We filled just over 1,300 last year so that goal is within reach.

You'll find rubberbands to put around each pair of shoes on the Connections table in the Fellowship Hall and in the narthex you'll find a box to put the shoes in.

## Ella Cochran Food Pantry

SHUMC participates in the local Harborcreek-based food bank.

Each month, we will have a recommendation for just one item that you can contribute to the cause. Items may be placed in the designated area in the narthex.

Many of our friends and neighbors depend on these food items to help stretch their food dollars for the month. Please be the hands and feet of Jesus to those most in need.

This is especially significant during the summer months when the children are not in school and having some of their nutritional needs met there.

June's Food: Cereal



Thank You



Harry Denman  
Evangelism Award

**Harry Denman** was a noted Methodism lay leader and evangelist within the Methodist Church who emphasized the life taught by Jesus at the Sermon on the Mount. Denman exemplified and taught a simple life, by personally relating to all people. His personal property was very limited; he usually had only one pair of shoes and refused to wear a watch, preferring to ask for the time as a way of starting a conversation. Articles given to him were given away to the needy. He was born in 1893 in Birmingham, Alabama. He had a bachelor's degree from Birmingham-Southern College and a master's degree in social work. In 1939, he became the General Secretary of the General Board of Evangelism.

Denman was among a group of Methodists who helped incorporate The Foundation for Evangelism. He was also instrumental in establishing the International Prayer Fellowship.

After retiring in 1965, he traveled extensively preaching and conducting evangelistic meetings. He died in 1976 at the age of 83.

The Harry Denman Evangelism Award program honors United Methodists in each annual conference whose exceptional ministry of evangelism – expressed in Word (what), Sign (why), and Deed (how) – brings people into a life-transforming relationship with Jesus Christ.

Evangelism happens in many contexts and many settings; impacts and engages all generations; and requires relationship among a variety of persons.

What distinguishes a Harry Denman Evangelism Award recipient is the commitment to consistently introduce others to the Good News of Jesus Christ in all ministry settings. Their ministry is exceptional for the number of new Christ Followers who credit encounters with this person as critical in helping to start or reignite their faith journey.

Each year Annual Conferences and the Foundation for Evangelism recognize one youth, one clergy, and one lay person in each conference.

**This year, South Harborcreek United Methodist Church's Rev. Keith McGarvey has received the Harry Denman Evangelism Award.** The Erie-Meadville District Superintendent, Rev. Joe Patterson will be at SHUMC on Sunday, June 3 to present the award.

***Congratulations,  
Pastor Keith!***

## U. M. Women's Chautauqua Retreat

### Chautauqua Institute



### U. M. Women's Retreat June 1 - 3

**June 1-3**

**Chautauqua Institute**

**U. M. Mission House, Foster St.**

The sign-up sheets for attendance and meals are in the Fellowship Hall. Please sign up to help with a meal if you plan to attend. Someone will contact you with meal information.

Cost of the weekend is \$25. Please bring your own bedding and towels. Cost for Saturday only is \$10. Please bring your Bible!

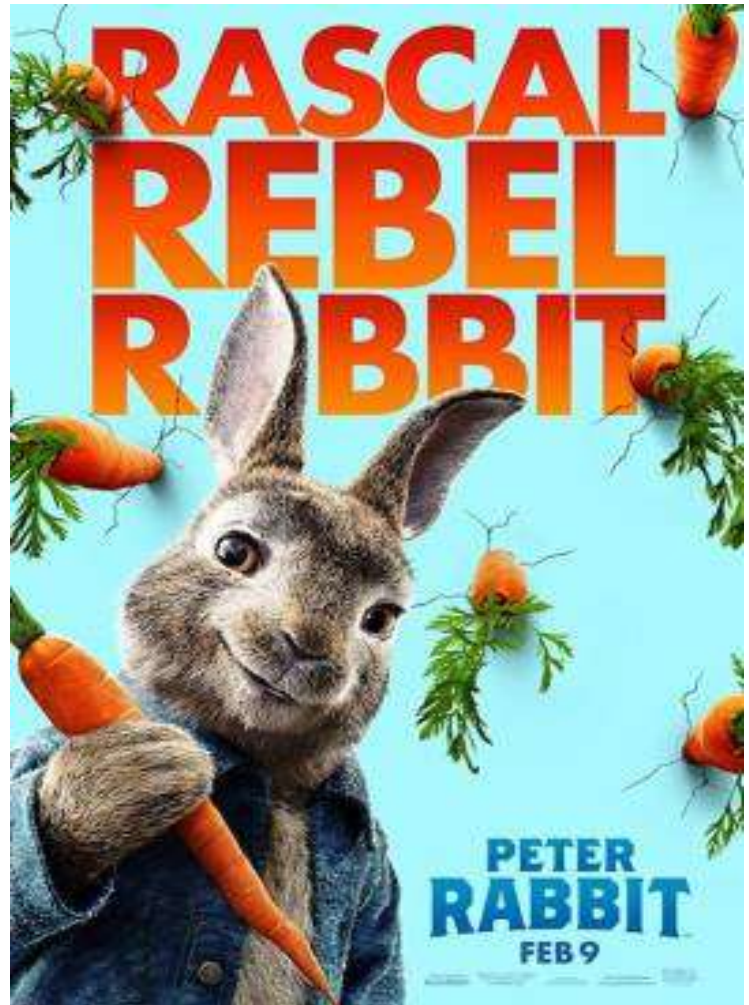
## SHUMY News

Please join us for SHUMY- South Harborcreek United Methodist Youth. There is a place for you if you are in 6-12 grade! Our June schedule is:

### Schedule for June:

- June 3 - End of school year BASH & Bonfire at the Miller's from 5-8 p.m.
- June 13 - Breakfast & Bibles 9-10:30 a.m. @ the church
- June 22 - SeaWolves game 7-finsh (Erie vs Altoona Erie) or a day at Waldameer
- June 27 - Breakfast & Bibles 9-10:30 a.m. @ the church





**Save the Date:**  
**Movie Night**  
**June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018**  
**5:00 p.m.**

In an effort to connect our families at the church we are hoping to hold various family, fun, friendly events that parents and children of all ages can enjoy together.

**On June 10<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. the doors of the church will be open. We will be showing the movie, "Peter Rabbit" here at the church. We will start off with a light dinner and then start watching the movie at 6:00 p.m. Bring pillows or blankets to be comfy!**

This first event will be a simple introduction to the idea.

We are looking to see what the interest level is.

Even if you cannot attend please indicate if this is something you would enjoy at another more convenient time.

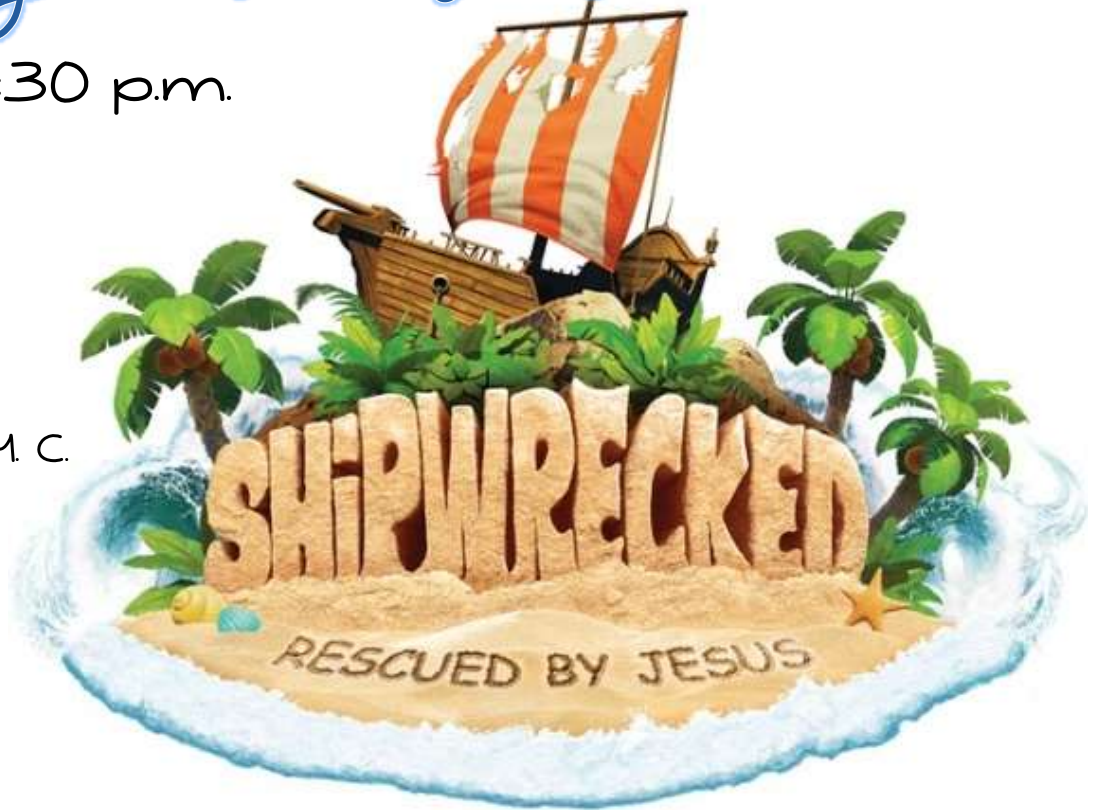
# SAVE THE DATE

July 23-27

**VBS**

## Shipwrecked

6:00-8:30 p.m.



S. Harborcreek U. M. C.  
7929 McGill Road  
Harborcreek, PA

*You are invited to join us as we venture into uncharted islands where kids are rescued by Jesus! We'll anchor kids in the truth that Jesus carries them through every storm in life. There will be crafts, snacks, skits and Bible stories.*

*Check out more details on our website:*

*[www.southharborcreekumc.org](http://www.southharborcreekumc.org)*

# Men's Softball Schedule



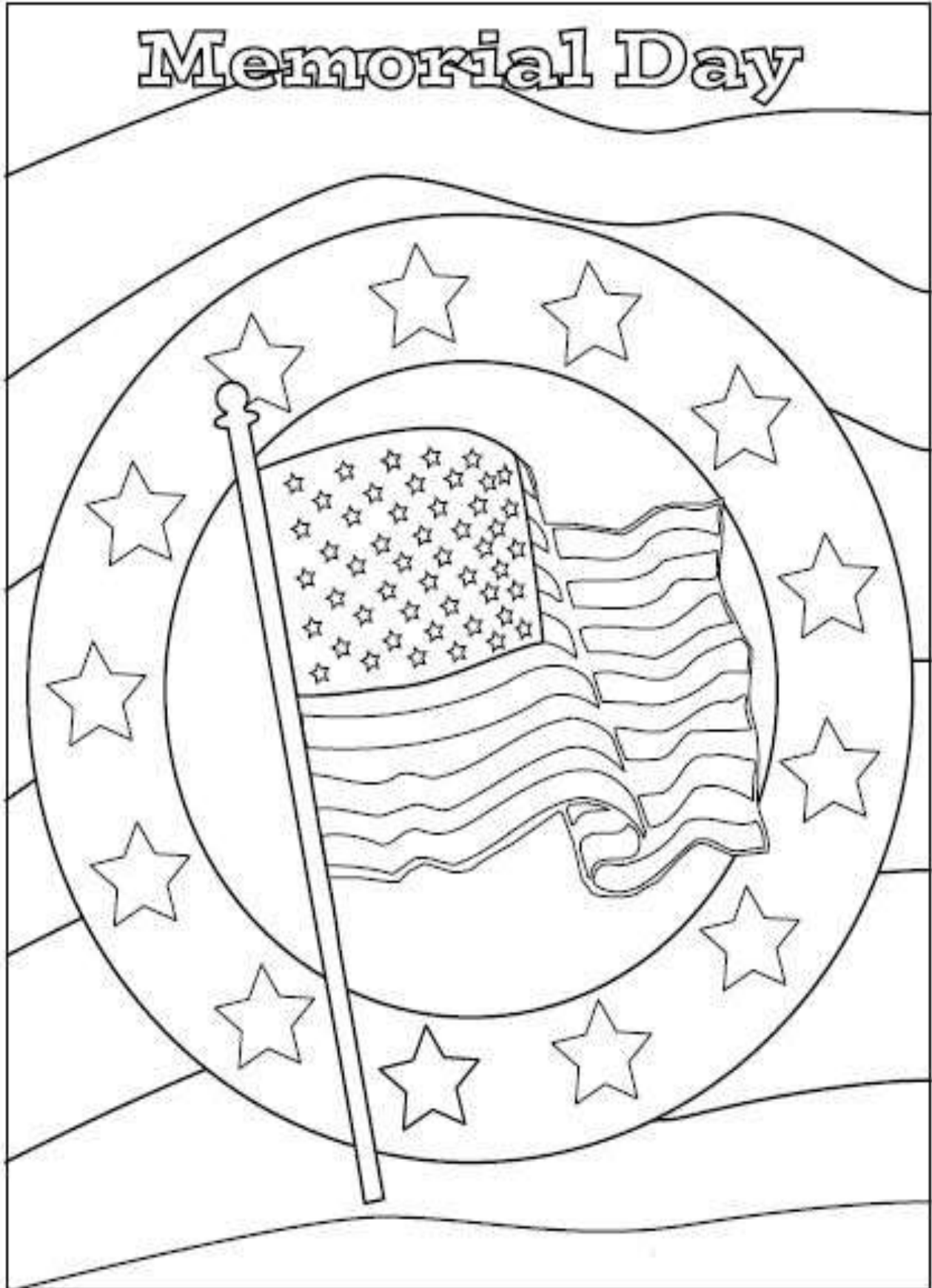
<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Away</u>	<u>Home</u>	<u>Field</u>
May 31	6:30pm	Grace2	SHUMC	HCCP #3
June 1	6:30pm	Greenfield	SHUMC	HCCP #3
June 12	6:30pm	SHUMC	FLUMC	Findley
June 14	6:30pm	<b>St. Greg's</b>	SHUMC	HCCP #3
June 15	6:30pm	SHUMC	Grace	HCCP #3
June 19	6:30pm	OLM	SHUMC	HCCP #3
June 22	6:30pm	SHUMC	C3	Bartlett
June 28	6:30pm	PUMC/FP	SHUMC	HCCP #3
June 29	6:30pm	SHUMC	OBA	Gravel Pit
July 10	6:30pm	SHUMC	Greenfield	Greenfield

Preachers in the Bleachers is a summer men's program. Join them at Harborcreek Community Park field #3 starting at 6:30 p.m. After the study, stick around to participate in some pick up softball with members of the softball team. For any questions, see Brad Hall, Greg Eimers or Gordon Conkling!

### Preachers in the Bleachers Schedule:

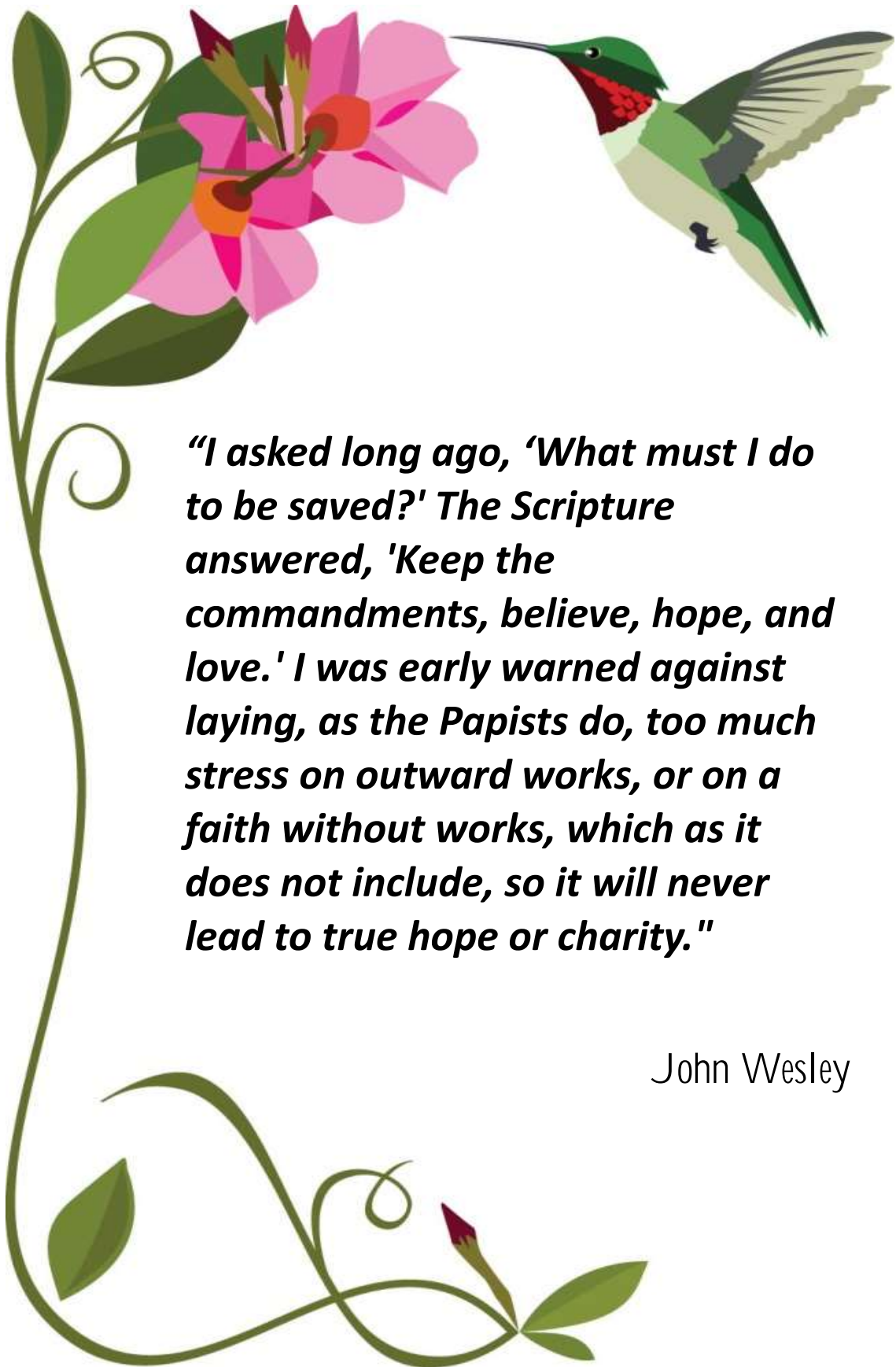
May 30	Overview of Parables & the Parable Sower	Matt 13:1-23
June 13	The Good Samaritan	Luke 10:25-37
June 27	The Lost Son	Luke 15:11-31
July 11	Parables of the Lost Sheet & the Lost Coin	Luke 15:1-10
July 25	The Pharisee & the Tax Collector	Luke 18:9-14

# Memorial Day





## Wesley's Words



***"I asked long ago, 'What must I do to be saved?' The Scripture answered, 'Keep the commandments, believe, hope, and love.' I was early warned against laying, as the Papists do, too much stress on outward works, or on a faith without works, which as it does not include, so it will never lead to true hope or charity."***

John Wesley



## June Dates

### SPECIAL DATES ON THE CALENDAR

June 1-3 U. M. Women's Retreat @ Chautauqua

June 3 Sunday Worship Service

- District Superintendent Rev. Joe Patterson visits
- One-room Sunday school begins (all children are in the multi-purpose room—please pick them up there)
- SHUMY End of School Yr. BASH @ the Miller's

June 5 - U. M. Women: 7:00 p.m.

Making plans for the Rummage Sale

June 6-9 Annual Conference @ Grove City

June 8-9 U. M. Women's Rummage Sale

June 10 Special Worship Service

On this Sunday we will be baptizing children/adults and taking new members into SHUMC's family

June 10 Family Night – Movie Night “Peter Rabbit”

June 19 – Book Club: 6:30 p.m.

Selections for June: *The Fog Seller* by Don Daglow &  
*The Storyteller* by Judi Picoult

*New members are always welcome. We meet in the church lounge downstairs*

June 20 – Wednesday Luncheon (Plans TBA)

June 26 – Craft Club: 6:00 p.m.

We are going to “bowl” you over with this project! We are looking for discarded bowling balls – if anyone has one out there & no need for it, please let Linda McGarvey know. *Also, class size will be limited—so please sign up!* If you need one, check with Barb in the office as she has a few!



Communion – June 24

Chimes – June 11 & 25

Meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays of the month

SHUMY – please check their schedule in the newsletter

- Something new this summer is Breakfast & Bibles which meets every other Wednesday morning from 9-10:30 am
- There are also some fun events planned

Celebrate Recovery Service – every Monday @ 6:30 p.m.

Men's Hitting Practice & Devotional – every Tuesday @ 6:30 p.m.

Sweet & Salty Bible Study – every Thursday @ 6:00 p.m.

Praise Rehearsal – every Thursday @ 7:00 p.m.

See Linda Morey if you would like to audition.

### MEETINGS SCHEDULE FOR THE MONTH:

U. M. Women – June 5 @ 7:00 p.m.

Council on Ministries – June 12 @ 6:00 p.m.

Church Council Meeting – June 18 @ 6:30 p.m.

Finance Meeting – June 19 @ 6:00 p.m.

