

Hello Friends of Bellbrook United Methodist Church

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Visit the church website for last minute schedule changes, and links to important information: www.bellbrookumc.org.

Our *Vision* is to know God and to serve others.

**Our *Mission* is to be a caring fellowship
of believers committed to helping people
connect with God, each other, and
the world around them.**

In this week's newsletter:

Calendar

Senior Adult's Dinner

Strength Finders Class

Lenten Class

Covenant Group

Prayers

Bishop's Health Challenge

Human Trafficking Event

Passionate Worship.....

Feb. 19 at Church-An Amazing Faith

Transfiguration Sunday

*Bring back your dried palm branches from
last Palm Sunday*

The Gospel Lesson

[Mark 9:2-9](#)

Sunday School for all ages at 9:00

This Sunday's Worship Team (Feb. 19 2012)

<i>Preacher</i>	Terry Heck
<i>Worship Leader</i>	John deGruchy
<i>Head Usher</i>	JR Eckley
<i>Greeters</i>	Kim Kubelick/Donna Yeager
<i>Ushers</i>	Kim Kubelick/Donna Yeager
<i>Music Director</i>	Kathy deGruchy
<i>Accompanist</i>	Elizabeth Timmons
<i>Children's Church</i>	James/Karen Jenkins
<i>Nursery</i>	Jean Neely
<i>Media Technician</i>	Gary Sargent
<i>Finance Team</i>	Charlene Queary/Helen Reno
<i>Office Volunteer</i>	Charlene Queary (2/24)



**Greeters, ushers and Head Usher
We have nametags in the office. Please put yours on when you
get here on Sunday!**

**Office Hours
Monday Office Closed for Presidents Day
Tuesday thru Thursday 8:30-3**

Meeting Reminders

Friday: No School
Saturday: Narc. Anon. Comm. Mtg., 2-3 pm, (CR)
Sunday: Girl Scouts, 4-5:30 pm, (CR)
Monday: Presidents Day, OFFICE CLOSED
Health Ministries Team, 7 pm, (O)
Tuesday: Pre School, 9-3 (C), (FH), (CR)
Tutoring, 5-6 pm (CR)
Senior Adults Supper, 5:30
(see announcement)
Music Rehearsals, 6-9 pm (S), (C)
Cub Scouts, 6:30-7:30, (CR)
Wednesday: Ash Wednesday Service, 8 am (S)

Pre School, 9-3 (C), (FH), (CR)
 Children's Chapel, 12, (CR)
 Women's AA Mtg., 1:30 pm, (CR)
 Common Cup, Faith Community UMC, Xenia, 5-6:30
 Church History with Brooks Heck,
 5:30 pm, (CR)
 Ash Wednesday Service, 7 pm, (S)
 Narcotics Anonymous, 7:30 pm (CR)
 Thursday: Pre School, 9-3 (C), (FH), (CR)
 Clergy Cluster, 12-2 pm (CR)
 Friday: Pre School, 9-12 (C), (FH), (CR)
 Saturday: Men's Breakfast, 8 am, (CR)

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**Wednesday,
 February 22, 2012**
Ash Wednesday Services



8 a.m.
Holy Communion and Imposition of Ashes –
Bellbrook United Methodist Church
7 p.m.

Holy Communion and Imposition of Ashes –
Bellbrook United Methodist Church
(joint service with
Bellbrook Presbyterian Church)

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Faith Forming Relationships...

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A Prayer for Your Week: "Transfiguration Sunday"

Our prayers through Lent have been written by MIV Assistant to the Superintendent and Local Pastor, Rev. Terry Heck...

"Lord, alone with you on the mountain, we know we are loved; in the valleys of day to day life, we forget. Remind us this day that it is good to be here. Break through the valleys of our hearts with your light of transformation. Send us as breakthrough people into the valleys of suffering knowing that if we pause for a moment, we will always see you. Transform us today. Amen."

If you'd like to write a weekly prayer for our district, based especially on the Lectionary Readings for the upcoming week, send to miamivalley@wocumc.org. We will select and publish as able.

This Week's Prayer Focus:

For God to lead us to those valleys of suffering where we can bring light and make new disciples.

An Extra Prayer for Ash Wednesday:

"Our treasures are fine homes, fast cars, financial security, and fickle friends. Break through our false treasures with treasures of truth, justice, mercy, and love. May the ashes on our foreheads ignite fire in our hearts that we may burn with the passion of your gospel treasure. In Jesus' name, Amen."

This Week's Prayer Focus:

For us to see we serve Christ's Mission and not a Conference System.

Our Common Cup Focus for the week:

16th Bellbrook UMC
17th Cedarville UMC
18th Eleazer UMC
19th Evangelical UMC
20th Faith Community UMC
21st Jamestown UMC
22nd Lumberton UMC
23rd New Jasper UMC

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Happy Birthday!

Email your family birthdays to the church at office@bellbrookumc.org and we will wish you a Happy Birthday! We are missing a few birthdays so get yours in today!

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| February 16 | Alice Owen Clough |
| February 16 | Duncan Clough |
| February 18 | Gary Sargent |
| February 21 | Nellie Pestian |
| February 26 | Peggy Sprauer |

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If you have information for the weekly newsletter, please email or call Mary, office@bellbrookumc.org or 937-848-2909, by 9:00 a.m. on Thursday morning.

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Do you long for a better life of Christian discipleship?

Terry Heck invites you to join her in a covenant discipleship group that will meet on the second and fourth Sunday of each month from 8:45-9:45 in the pastor's office.

The first meeting will be an information only meeting on February 26.

Contact Terry at pastor@bellbrookumc.org



Tuesday,
February 21, 5:30 PM,
O'Charley's
2260 Miamisburg Centerville Rd
45459
434-7639

(call Jan Dunnington for information
or if you need a ride -435-8922)

*Strength
Finders* 
Class

We had a great time at our **STRENGTH FINDERS** class this week. Do you have the opportunity to do what you do best every day? Chances are you don't. Shouldn't you spend more time developing your strengths than fixing your shortcomings?

We want to have another class for those who couldn't make it last Monday! **Strength Finders** is a book and survey to help you discover your strengths. The class requires a book that you can get from Mary Frantz and a survey that you take ahead of time on the computer. If you don't have access to a computer, you can come use the computer at the church. If you are interested, contact Mary at office@bellbrookumc.org . We'll decide what is a good class time for everyone who is interested.



**Unbinding
Your Heart**

Have you ever wondered how to invite someone to church? Have you ever wanted to know just the right thing to say about your faith? Have you ever longed for a better prayer life? Join us in the Lenten study Unbinding Your Heart. Adults and teens will meet each Sundays, March 4-Easter Day at 9 am. Or, you may choose to meet with the Wednesday evening class at 6 pm beginning March 7. Please sign up so that we can order enough books. Contact the office@bellbrookumc.org.

If you are unable to attend the class, please request a book and read it as your Lenten devotion. Families may share the book.

Name _____

Sunday morning class _____

Wednesday evening class _____

Book only, I cannot attend the class _____

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Extravagant Generosity.....

Radical Hospitality.....



Risk Taking Mission and Service.....

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I have forwarded to you the West Ohio News NET that contains the Bishop's Challenge. Our goal is to have every church person that is able to walk have at least a mile logged on the site by June 12th (end of program). Maggie will visit Children's church this Sunday and talk to the kids and get them excited about it. The link to the web site is in the attachment and mention anyone that doesn't have access to a computer can give their numbers to Darryl Fowler and he will post them for us. We want this to be a church team effort!

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human trafficking and domestic violence.

This is a wonderful event co-sponsored by the General Board of Church and Society and West Ohio Conference, BUMC and others.

If you want to register, here is info -- if you want us to register you, we would be happy to. We have some funds in our education budget to help with registrations.
Linda Bales Todd is the point person on this event.

A CONFERENCE FOR ALL PERSONS OF FAITH

Saturday, March 17, 2012 9am – 3pm

Normandy United Methodist Church 450 W. Alex Bell Road, Dayton, Ohio 45459

Cost: \$25 (includes lunch and materials)

Register online at www.westohioumc.org

Click on "Register for Events"

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Remember: You can bring your old used Christmas Cards in for St. Jude hospital. Put them in the marked brown drawer in the recycling area.

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Check the web site for additional information from the Earthkeepers Team!

www.bellbrookumc.org

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