

OLDER ADULT MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES AT CCUM

POSITIVE PARENTING: Joyce Thornton (296-3416) and Joan Jervis (886-6063)

Open to discussion and supportive Sunday School environment using parenting curriculum chosen by the group. This class is helpful to parents of all age children as well as grandparents. Come join us as we learn together the best parenting skills.

SHEPHERDING PROGRAM: Sally West (298-7109)

The Shepherding Program is a telephone outreach ministry to the members and constituents of Christ Church. Forty Shepherds call two to three times a year or send simple “Thinking About You” cards to find out how the members of their “flock” are doing; nothing more, nothing less.

BEULAH WILSON HISTORY ROOM: Sally West (298-7109)

The Beulah Wilson History Room is dedicated to preserving articles pictures, minutes, celebrations and other memorabilia that will help to document the history of Christ Church. Donations are welcomed, as are volunteers who would like to assist in filing, organizing and recording our history.

HANDBELL MINISTRY: John Neve (795-4869)

The handbells and chimes at Christ Church are played to enhance the worship services and are rung to the honor and glory of God. The handbell choir, LAS CAMPANAS DE CRISTO, made up of around 13 ringers, rehearses every week and presents music in worship once a month during the 10:30 a.m. hour. Handbells are also played occasionally to accompany hymns during our worship.

FIBER CRAFTS: Ruth Crary (881-2618)

Gathering of those interested in working with a variety of fibers by knitting, crocheting, sewing, quilting, tatting, weaving, spinning, and other crafts. We meet at noon (bring your lunch) in Room 17 on the third Thursday. We share ideas and solutions to fabric problems.

STEPHEN MINISTRY: Gretchen Lofgren (663-0775)

Stephen Ministers are trained Christian members of our congregation who provide one-to-one caring ministry to people experiencing grief, divorce, loneliness, job loss, hospitalization and many other life difficulties.

CELEBRATION SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS: Mark Ellis (299-8033)

Celebration is a multi-generational book study and discussion class for adults. We celebrate our relationship with God and each other every Sunday morning at 10:30 a.m. in Room 16. Sometimes you'll even find us at a favorite breakfast spot.

HELPING HANDS:

We meet in the Social Hall on the third Wednesday of each month. The meetings start at 9:00 a.m. and end about 11:30 a.m. We enjoy fellowship while we make quilt squares and the quilts. No sewing skills are needed. Everyone is welcome to share our fellowship help with the quilts and enjoy goodies.

FRIENDSHIP GROUP: Margaret Smith (574-1476)

Friendship Group is a dynamic group of all ages who enjoy monthly potlucks and fun outings. Programs vary from fun to serious and educational. We support the Food Bank with monthly giving and at Christmas, we select a charity for donations. The annual Christmas dinner in early December is a community favorite.

ROOM FOR YOU: Linda Woodall (745-2588)

Room For You is a multi-generational Sunday morning Bible study open to all, including the occasional drop-ins and regular attendees. It is the longest running adult Sunday School class in our church, originated and taught by Ed Murray and Charles Washburn, and its membership demographic spans all ages from late teens to mid-eighties. We meet on Sunday mornings at 9:00 a.m. in Room 17.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN (UMW): Doris Russell 721-4411

United Methodist Women's purpose is to know God and to experience freedom as whole persons through Jesus Christ, to develop a creative and supportive Fellowship and to expand concepts of Mission through participation in the Global Ministries of the church.

Our unit meets in Social Hall the 2nd Wed. of the month at 10:00 a.m. We have a meeting, program and finish with lunch.

Another small group are two circles that meet the 4th Wed of the month in homes or as chosen by each group. We have joint meetings sometimes as planned. Usual circle meeting is at 9:30 a.m. Coffee time, social fellowship, program and prayer are all part of the agenda. Getting to know each other is the BEST! Support at times of stress or illness is one of the areas we address at these times.

EXERCISE CLASS: Karen Messmore (299-5528)

A low-impact stretch and strengthening exercise program designed for adults. While meeting only twice a week, benefits surpass the physical and psychological aspects.

CHANCEL CHOIR: Anthony Bernarducci (e-mail: bernarducci@gmail.com)

The Chancel Choir is a warm family of both non-musicians, whose goal is to reflect God's nature. Weekly, the choir participates in worship at the 10:30 a.m. service. All voice types are welcome, and we especially encourage the hesitant singer to participate. No audition is necessary. The choir performs a variety of literature to further enhance the worship service. Musical skills will develop whether you are a beginner or advanced musician. The rehearsals are on Thursday nights from 7-8:30 p.m. in the Chapel, and are led by Anthony Bernarducci and accompanied by our organist, Janet Toleman. If you are interested, either stop by a rehearsal or contact Anthony at bernarducci@gmail.com.

OTHER OPPORTUNITIES:

FOOD BANK – Peggy Pfordte (885-3955)

PRIMAVERA MEALS – Outreach of Missions Committee – Mark Ellis (299-8033)

FOOD FOR LIFE – Peggy Pfordte (885-3955)

BREAD FOR VISITORS – Loraine Adams (514-5239)

70+ BIRTHDAY CARD MINISTRY – Betty Clapp (326-0740)

SUNDAY GREETERS/VISITATION – Contact Church office (327-1116)

USHER – Jay Waln (886-5939)

WEDNESDAY NIGHT CLASSES – Rev. Fred Baum (327-1116)

DEVON GABLES – Bill Rountree (298-7598)

MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST – Contact Church office (327-1116)

PRAISE TEAM – Scott Jones (Contact Church office: 327-1116)