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DISASTER RESPONSE TRAINING & RECERTIFICATION

August 25 (registration deadline is August 19)

Wellston Hope UMC
8:00 am - 4:00 p.m.



Interested in becoming certified for disaster response? **It doesn't matter your age - there are many ways to assist survivors.**

The eight hour Basic Class training will teach you how to assist survivors of natural disasters in their time of need. You will provide a Christian presence while taking steps to prevent further damage to a family's personal property, tarping, debris removal, cleaning out flooded homes, etc. FEMA recognizes this training to be able to enter a disaster scene. Certification from UMCOR and UMVIM will be issued to attendees. Class instructor is Roger Thatcher. A four hour recertification class will also be offered for those needing recertification.

NOTE: A background check is required to receive an ERT badge from UMCOR. You will receive a link to run a background check with UMCOR when you [register online](#), please complete the background check prior to the class.

Basic certification \$40 (includes lunch); Recertification \$35 w/lunch or \$25 w/o lunch.

Scholarships are available through the District Office

Fellowship Of Local Pastors And Associate Members Retreat

"A Fearless Yes": An Oasis for Associate Members and Local Pastors

August 19-22
Lakeside Ohio

- Faith for Living Hours led by **The Rev. Brent Watson**
- Spiritual Formation classes led by **The Rev Sue Nilson-Kibbey**

Details can be found [HERE](#)
Registration deadline is August 10

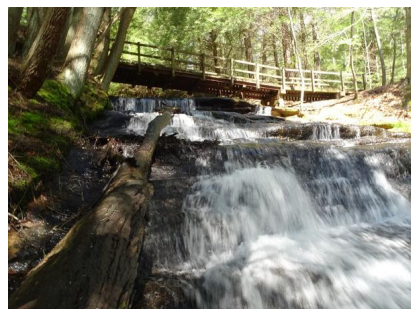


DISTRICT OUTDOORS ENTHUSIASTS GROUP

September 1
9:30 A.M. - NOON

Lake Katharine State Nature Preserve, Jackson County
1703 Lake Katharine Road, Jackson, Ohio 43640

Lake Katharine State Nature Preserve is a magnificent natural area in southeast Ohio's Jackson County. It was dedicated as a state nature preserve through the foresight and generosity of two long-time business partners, Edwin A. Jones and James J. McKitterick. The focal point of this preserve is a clear water lake surrounded by towering sandstone cliffs. The rich Appalachian forest is cut by three deep ravines in which are found magnolias, eastern hemlock, sweet gum, birch and beech. The dry ridge tops support an association of mountain laurel, Virginia pine and oak. The preserve has many native orchids as well as diverse spring flora. Lake Katharine harbors the state's largest and finest populations of both bigleaf and umbrella magnolia trees, both state-listed species.



Bring your family and join us for a fun morning of hiking and enjoying God's creation as well as the camaraderie of others around our District.

Bring a snack or packed lunch to enjoy together before we leave.

SHV MINISTRY SESSION

September 11

10:00 AM - NOON (complimentary lunch to follow)

Calvary UMC, Jackson

483 Chillicothe Street, Jackson, Ohio 45640

"Creating Partnerships to Impact your Community and County"

Join the District Leadership team in welcoming John Hemmings of the [Appalachian Ohio Valley Regional Development Commission](#) & Melissa Kimmel of the [Corporation for Ohio Appalachian Development](#).

Anyone may attend, bring key leaders who might be interested. Complimentary lunch with RSVP.



LAY SERVANT MINISTRIES



Fall Classes Announced

Lay Servant Ministry is our United Methodist system for lay leadership development and includes lay speaking as one of the certifications. The basic and advanced courses are designed to help develop skills in witnessing to the Christian faith through spoken communication, church and community leadership, and care-giving ministries. **Anyone may attend any course, but specific coursework is required to become a lay speaker, if desired.**

If you are interested, speak to your pastor for details or contact our District Coordinator, Pastor Carol Harper (harperc1@gmail.com)

[CLICK HERE FOR CLASS SCHEDULE AND TO REGISTER](#)

STRATEGIC MINISTRY GRANT APPLICATION DEADLINE NEARING

Grants Applications due by October 1
Grants will be awarded for the 2019 Calendar Year

[DETAILS AND FORMS](#)



CHURCHES TO PRAY FOR THIS MONTH

- **Week of August 5, 2018** - Coal Grove UMC
 - Pastor Brad Jenkins
- **Week of August 12, 2018** - Colerain UMC
 - Pastor Tom Jividen
- **Week of August 19, 2018** - Community UMC
 - Pastor Greg Gardner
- **Week of August 26, 2018** - Concord UMC
 - Pastor Mike Rhoads
- **Week of September 2, 2018** - Crouse Chapel UMC
 - Pastor Janette Elliott

ALSO FOR YOUR PRAYERS

- Pastor Steve Darby (Dunkinsville UMC) - health issues
- Pastor Mary Cyrus (Auburn & Highland UMCs) - health issues
- Pastor Leland Brehm (Wellston Hope UMC) - health issues
- Pastor Don Mundy (Taylor's Chapel & New Faith UMCs) - health issues
- Pastor Greg Roberts (Winchester UMC) - death of daughter



MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR FALL EVENTS

Shawnee Valley District has a busy fall planned and we want to be sure you include these dates in your local church calendars.

Details will be posted in future newsletters and on our website.

- September 1 - [Outdoor Enthusiasts](#) at Lake Katharine, Jackson County
 - September 11 - District Leadership Team Meeting
 - September 11 - [SHV Ministry Session](#)
 - September 22 - [Lay Servant Training](#) (Teaching Adult Bible Study)
 - September 22 - [Healing Communities](#) at Wheelersburg UMC
 - September 28-29 - [Pastor/Spouse Retreat](#) at Shawnee State Park
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- October 1 - [Strategic Ministries Grant Applications Due](#)
 - October 13 - Lay Servant Training ([Basic](#) & [Go Preach, Part 1](#))
 - October 17 - Bishop Palmer "[I Believe in the Church](#)" at Chillicothe Trinity
 - October 21 - **Adams County Charge Conference** at Peebles UMC
 - October 22 - **Brown County Charge Conference** at Mt Nebo UMC
 - October 24 - **Fayette County Charge Conference** at WCH Grace UMC
 - October 26-27 - District Men's Retreat at Scioto Hills Retreat Center
 - October 27 - Lay Servant Training ([Go Preach, part 2](#) and [Conflict Resolution](#))
 - October 28 - **Highland County Charge Conference** at Hillsboro First UMC
 - October 29 - **Jackson County Charge Conference** at Wesley UMC
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- November 1 - **Lawrence County Charge Conference** at New Hope UMC
 - November 4 - **Pike County Charge Conference** at Waverly Grace UMC
 - November 7 - **Ross County Charge Conference** at Chillicothe Trinity UMC
 - November 10 - Lay Servant Training ([Leading in Prayer](#))
 - November 11 - **Scioto County Charge Conference** at Cornerstone UMC
 - November 13 - District Leadership Team Meeting
 - November 13 - [SHV Ministry Session](#) with guest speaker Heather Keesee from the Foundation of Appalachia as well as a leader from the Governor's Office of the Ohio Faith-Based Community Initiative. Topic is "Creating Partnerships to Impact your Community & County Part II"

HAVE A WEBSITE, FACEBOOK PAGE OR LIVESTREAM? LET US KNOW!

We are trying to compile a list of which churches have websites, Facebook pages and livestreams. If you have a page, we'd like to list them on our district website. It's a good resource for other churches to see ideas from others. We will compile a list as we receive information.

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