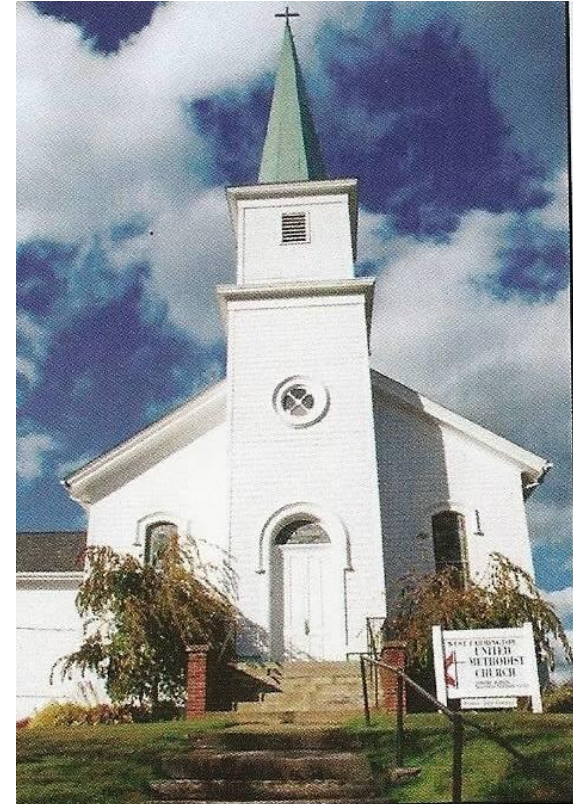


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Member/church highlights - Ann Hillier

Pastor notes and calendar updates – Pastor Jim George

Editor – Georgene Svoboda

## Every Saturday

SUMC Contemporary Service at 7:00pm  
Very casual with snack time after.

## Every Sunday

SUMC Worship 9:30 AM  
SUMC Adult Sunday school at 10:30 AM  
Worship 11:00 AM  
Children's Sunday school during the service  
Nursery is available  
Coffee downstairs before and after services

### APRIL BIRTHDAYS

April 12 – Starr Spangler  
April 14 – Tim Mitton  
April 17 – Janie Bailey  
April 20 – Haley Spangler  
April 28 – Bill List

### APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

April 30 – Roxanne York & Robert Gorman

## Our Friends in Need of Prayer

Janey Baily \* Dinny Barnes \* Tom Bedlion \* Karen Boyles \* Larry Brockway \* Dave Clendenin \* Alexis Csehill \* Joe Dorsey \* Sylvia Duggers \* Lisa Gerlt Ehas \* Jennie Foetch \* Beth Giesy \* Terri Gilbert \* Jackie Gingerich \* LaRue Harshman \* Anne Hilditch \* Tonia Hillier \* Ed Hurdock \* Emma Huth-Lafferty \* Mouney Jarvis \* Connie Mansfield Keller \* Jim Klingenstein \* Debbie Koffer \* Wanda Kover \* Gregg List \* Vicki Martin \* Harry Moherman \* Marian Morrison \* Chrissy Motz \* Len Murphy \* Bruce and Hellen Parker \* Clinton Pell \* Bill Philbrick \* Lockie Philbrick \* Bill Pitkin \* Tom & Debbie Pucak \* Barb Reynolds \* Mark Smith \* Elise Sprong \* Annie Stauffer \* Les Strock \* Kevin St. Clair \* Dave Sutliff \* Bobbie Vandall \* Carol Williams \* Shirley Williams \* Ray Young \*

### Our Military and First Responders

#### Unspoken requests

#### Family of Eddie Cleer

To put someone on the prayer list please let Pastor Jim know their name, status/condition and your name. Cards are in the pews.

You can also email any prayer requests to: [jimgeorge@gmail.com](mailto:jimgeorge@gmail.com) Also, Please let Pastor Jim know any updates or names that can be removed. Or E-mail the church at [WFchurchnews@gmail.com](mailto:WFchurchnews@gmail.com)

## Please Remember our Shut-Ins:

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## Courier Deadline

The deadline for submitting to the Courier and the Church Calendar will **always be the next to the last Sunday** of each month. Next deadline is **April 22..**

I will accept hand written articles, but prefer them to be sent to the E-mail address if possible. All information will be considered, however Church New will always be first.

The Courier E-mail address is [wfchurchnews@gmail.com](mailto:wfchurchnews@gmail.com)

Thank you to all who have contributed to this newsletter! ~ Georgene

**PLEASE NOTE:** The new website to view past issues of The Courier.  
[www.farmingtoncommunity.info](http://www.farmingtoncommunity.info)

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## Mark Your Calendar – Upcoming Events

### Every Week:

- Pastor's Bible Study – Tuesdays at 10:30 AM, Halfway Restaurant (Rts. 422 & 534) Southington. We are starting 1 Samuel
- Windsor House Nursing Home Ministry – Tuesdays at 10 AM – Champion
- Contemporary Services – Saturdays 7 PM – Southington UMC
- Sunday Worship – 9:30 Southington \* 11:00 AM – Farmington

**April 1 – Easter Sunrise Service** – WFUMC – 7:30 AM.

**April 1 – Easter Services** – SUMC – 9:30 A.M. \* WFUMC – 11:00 AM

## WFUMC Administrative Board Meeting

Submitted by Ann Hillier

Those attending: Pastor Jim George, Mike Rowland, Elaine and Jim Freeman, Caroljean Goddard and Ann Hillier.

Pastor Jim led the devotions. Mike Rowland conducted the business meeting. Discussion was held about payment for the balance owed on the chimes, the sound board, and the new projector. Payment will be made from the Memorial Fund. A new commode and hot water heater have been approved for the downstairs bathroom in the parsonage. We are waiting on the installer to perform the work. A chili cook-off will be held on March 18 after church.

The Adult Sunday School is on hold. Childrens' Sunday School is doing well. Vacation Bible School will be held the week of July 16-20, 2018. Elaine Freeman has received the material needed for the bible school. Bible Study is being held on Tuesdays, 10:00am in Southington at Halfway Restaurant.

A used sound board has been purchased. It will be installed soon. A new projector has been ordered.

The noisy collection in January for the Warren Family Mission was \$71, and February's noisy collection for Someplace Safe was \$41. Future noisy collections will be:

1. Apr – Cleaning Buckets

2. Local Missions – (Have a garage man-door to repair. Possibility of a ramp to build)
3. Oak Hill Mission Trip – week of June 24, 2018.
4. Food Pantry – 2<sup>nd</sup> Harvest – Need someone to pick up and deliver as needed

Reaching New People initiative – Vitality Team and Coaching will conclude in the next few months. Pastor Jim and Brenda Goswick from SUMC attended a seminar about church security planning. They will make a list of instructions for people to be aware of for everyone's protection.

The meeting was adjourned by Mike Rowland.

**Next meeting will be April 9, 2018 at 7:30 pm**

## SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

April 1 there will be an Easter Egg hunt during church.

## UMW NEWS

By Carol Goddard

Our meeting took place at the Farmington Senior Center as part of our outreach program to familiarize the community with our purpose. Anyone is welcome to sit in on a meeting. Meeting called to order by V.P. Verona and we had 9 members present. Chaplain Judy R. opened with a prayer and then read daily reading from "Upper Room" about "Lighten the Load" referring to our carrying extra weight physically and also weight caused by guilt and shame. She also read an article from a book written by Dr. Moody.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read--no corrections: were approved as read. Treasurer's statement was presented- discussed- accepted as read- placed on file. Bill was presented from Verona for costs for the Valentine's program. Motion to pay made by Judy R., second by Claudia; M/C.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Do we do Valentine's next year? We would like to try. Discuss more fully in December 2018. Discussed other out reach activities. Decided to have a picnic at our July 11, 2018 meeting at Cleer's Lake: Universal Birthday. All bring a \$10.00-\$15.00 random birthday gift--11:00 a.m. start time. For lunch bring covered dish--meat and drinks will be provided.

Advent time touched upon, will go more into depth at next meeting--also may buy some more banners--need for large and small candles--education for acolytes--teaching should be uniform. Post card received from Upper Room, need to renew

subscription. Received a lovely "thank-you" from Haley Spangler.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Judy D. had conversation from parishioner about not getting cards during a time of need. Decided we must communicate better and let group know when cards are needed. Will do a "card time" at each meeting so we can rectify situation. Bring address so can do this with group signing. Also decided to give Susan a love gift for all that she does for us. Next meeting will be **April 11 at 10:00 a.m.** We stood and participated in "pinkie" ritual. Ended the meeting. Most of us stayed after for a luncheon. Pam Monroe welcomed us and invited us to come more often--lunches sounded delicious, and they could use the business.

## MISSIONS

### Noisy Collection

April 22 – Cleaning buckets

May 27 – Oak Hill Trip

### WFUMC Chimes Fund:

We've installed a New Chimes system (\$9,400). They have been paid for! Great job and Thank You!

## CLEANING (FLOOD) BUCKET KITS

We will once again be collecting items for the UMCOR flood buckets in May. These buckets will be used in places where people may have suffered losses due to natural or human-made disasters. These supplies help people begin the overwhelming cleanup job after a flood or storm. Our goal this year is to fill 10 buckets. All items must be in by June 3.

**Note: All items must be new!**

- 5 gallon bucket with resealable lid
- 5 scouring pads (NO stainless steel, Brillo or SOS pads – nothing with soap built in.
- 7 sponges (NO cellulose sponges due to mold issues)
- 1 scrub brush (plastic or wooden handle)
- 18 cleaning wipes (Handi wipes or reusable wipes)
- Liquid laundry detergent (2-25 oz. or 1-50 oz bottle)
- 1 Liquid household cleaner, 12-16 oz. bottle (no spray bottles)
- Dish soap (16-28 oz bottle – any brand)
- 50 clothespins
- Clothesline (2-50 ft. or 1-100 ft.; cotton or plastic)
- 5 dust masks

- 2 pairs of latex gloves (durable for multiple uses – like you use for dishes)
- 1 pair of work gloves
- 24 bag roll of heavy duty trashbags (33-45 gallon)
- 1 Insect repellent spray 6-14 oz. (**aerosol or pump, must have protective caps**)
- 1 Air freshener (**If aerosol, cans must have protective caps**)

**Thank you for your donations. You are helping to make a difference in people's lives.**

## CHILI COOK-OFF WINNER!

Congratulations to Judy Richards for winning the chili cook-off!! So much to eat and a great donation for Missions.



## WHO CAN QUESTION

They asked me how I know it's true  
 that the Savior lived and died  
 And if I believe the story  
 that the Lord was crucified.  
 And I have so many answers  
 to prove His holy being--  
 Answers that are everywhere  
 within the realm of seeing--  
 The leaves that fall in autumn  
 and were buried in the sod  
 Now budding on the tree boughs  
 to lift their arms to God.  
 The flowers that were covered  
 and entombed beneath the snow  
 Pushing through the darkness  
 to bid the spring hello.  
 On every side great nature  
 retells the Easter story.  
 So who am I to question  
 the resurrection glory?

## THE ANSWER

**A** new pastor moved into town and went out one Saturday to visit his parishioners. All went well until he came to one house. It was obvious that someone was home, but no one came to the door even after he had knocked several times. Finally, he took out his card and wrote on the back: Revelation 3:20 and stuck it in the door.

The next day, as he was counting the offering he found his card in the collection plate. Below his message was the notation Genesis 3:10.

Revelation 3:20 reads: "Behold I stand at the door and knock. If any man hear my voice, and opens the door, I will come in to him, and will dine with him, and he with me."

Genesis 3:10 reads: "And he said, I heard thy voice in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked."

**If there is anything of interest that you would like to see in The Courier, please let me know! Recipes, puzzles, etc. I value your input! If there isn't room one month, I'll work it in when I can. Thanks!**



## WEST FARMINGTON MEETINGS

### Township Trustee's Meetings

2nd Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm.

Village Council	First Monday of each month at 7:00pm	Village Hall
Board of Public Affairs	Third Monday of each month 6:00pm	Village Hall
Zoning Commission	Fourth Monday of each month at 7:00pm	Village Hall

## West Farmington Senior Center

150 College St. \* PHONE: 330-889-2733

### Weight Watchers

Meeting at the senior center every Thursday

Doors open at 5:00 PM

Meeting starts at 5:30 PM

### Breakfast

Breakfast every Monday, reasonably priced and open to all. 7:00 AM to noon

### Book Club

Last Thursday of the month at 1:00 PM

# April 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b> Easter Sunrise Services WFUMC- 7:30 am Reg. Services Southington 9:30 WFUMC 11 am	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> Windsor House - 10 am Bible Study -10:30 Halfway Rest.	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> Contemporary Service 7 pm SUMC
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<b>22</b> Courier Deadline	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> Windsor House - 10 am Bible Study -10:30 Halfway Rest.	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> Contemporary Service 7 pm SUMC
<b>29</b> Noisy Collections	<b>30</b>					

