



# Wellsville UMC

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**Church@Home  
Our  
Online  
Congregation is  
Available on our  
Facebook page:  
Wellsville United  
Methodist Church**



**Phone Call?  
Text Message?  
Email?**

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**When there has been snow and ice we ask that you use the south (office) or west (handicap) entrances. The stone steps of the other entrances are hazardous!**

In this day of such varied communication practices, we have been working on the best way to communicate urgent and regular reminders to all of our members. We have compiled a list of our members and tried our best to decide from past information who would want to receive a phone call or who would rather receive a text message, especially concerning important messages such as when church is canceled due to weather or some other issue.

We are now using GroupMe, a group text messaging service. If we believe that you are someone who texts, you will be receiving an invitation from me asking you to join the Wellsville UMC Group. In order to join the group you will need to add the GroupMe app to your phone. Just like any other app you just go to your phones app store and search for GroupMe app (or just follow the

link that you receive). Once you set up your info you will be set up for messages from the church.

We are now using this app to connect with our different teams and committees. Each team will have a separate closed group so that they can communicate together.

If you do not receive an invitation in the next several days and would rather receive a text rather than a phone call or just an email please text Pastor Kathy at 913-669-6979, leave your name and ask to join GroupMe and I'll send you an invitation.

We will continue to send emails as we have done in the past and call those who are not connected to the internet.

We are continuing to improve our connections to each of you!

Shalom, Pastor Kathy

# Staff, Pastor, Parish Relations

The SPPRC is the committee that is responsible for building a strong positive relationship between the pastor, staff and congregation. They are also responsible for:

- √ providing an annual evaluation of the pastor and other staff for ongoing effective ministry
- √ hiring, evaluating, retiring, and dismissing staff members
- √ recommending compensation, travel, housing, and other financial matters to the church council through the finance committee
- √ recommends needed staff positions and develops and approves written job descriptions and titles for staff

Chair person is Heather Otwell. Current members are Harley Broers, Susan Key, Paul Manny, Anita Anderson. As lay leader, Beth Watson is a standing member of the committee as well.

Due to the sensitive nature of the SPPRC this is the only committee of the church that has closed meetings. However if you wish to discuss any joys or concerns about the pastor or our staff please contact the chair or one of those listed above so that they can be discussed at the next meeting.



- 2: Richard & Anita Anderson
- 6: Richard & Betty Rader
- 8: Kevin & Kathy Symes
- 26: Tim & Sharon Savage

- 1: Matt Driskill
- 4: Mayci Good
- 5: Betty Edwards
- 5: Janet Harris
- 8: Chloe Otwell
- 10: Kristal Crist
- 11: Lauren O'Dea
- 12: Susan Davenport

- 12: Sharon Savage
- 13: Angie Miller
- 14: Noah Anderson
- 16: Darlene Westhoff
- 18: Linda Good
- 20: Holly Manny
- 23: Janet Broers
- 23: Vernon Kline

- 25: Beth Watson
- 26: Madelyn Rader
- 28: Pat Chubb
- 30: Susan Driskell
- 30: David Watson
- 30: Mark Westhoff

## Ministry Spotlight Schedule

February: Mission Team    March: UMW    April: Memorial /Scholarship    May: Worship    June: Membership    July: Christian Ed    August: Member Care

Wearing a mask shows...



Kindness

Church Council met via Zoom on Thursday January 13th. A discussion was held about the current rise in Covid19 numbers in Wellsville. We do not want to close the church again so at this time we will continue the safe practices that we have in place. **Masks are required while in the building.** Please make sure that your mask is worn properly—snug fitting and covering your nose. If you do not have a mask one will be provided. We encourage social distancing. And remember—if you do not feel well please stay home. These new variants have so many different symptoms that it is difficult to know exactly if you have the common cold, the flu or a variant of Covid so the best bet if you are feeling puny is to stay home and rest!

We will do our best to be open for worship each Sunday but there are times that the most wise decision is to listen to the experts and stay off the roads. If that is the case we will post the news on our Facebook page as well as send out alerts via our new group text, email and calling those who are not internet connected. We will, however, still offer Church@Home worship—unless the storm has knocked out the internet!



## Together We Pray



JW Tomlinson, stomach cancer

Lyle Mills, recovering, Covid breakthrough

Olive, 10 yr old daughter of Douglas Spradlin's friends, diagnosed with Leukemia

Ed Sandy E.'s brother hospice

Kathy P. breast cancer, Susan Driskell's sister

Marlene Wagner

Susan Key

## Accepting Applications for Administrative Assistant

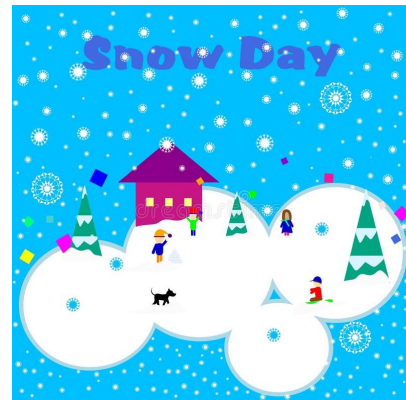
We are currently accepting applications for an Administrative Assistant. Job requirements include a good working knowledge of general computer programs as well as the ability to learn church specific programs. This person needs to have good time management and organizational skills, be a self-starter, and the ability to work on their own. Hours are 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. The office is closed on major holidays and when the Wellsville school district is closed due to inclement weather.

Our current AA, Debbie Sheridan, has decided to enjoy her retirement and her last day is January 27. Debbie, we wish you well!

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**18: Shared Experiences 10-12**  
**20: Trustees 7 pm**  
**24-26: Orders & Fellowship  
Clergy Meeting, Pastor Kathy  
out of the office**  
**27: Debbie's last day**

When the Wellsville School District cancel classes due to weather the church office will be closed as well. In most cases, that means that Weekday Devotions will be cancelled.