



### **Church Grounds Beautification**

Anyone interested in helping to maintain our beautiful church property is asked to join for a brief meeting at **10:15am on Sunday, March 23**, in the church library.

Any amount of time that you can give to our outdoor maintenance will be greatly appreciated! See Bob Mills or call the church office with any questions.

Your Staff Parish Relations committee want to express our sincere gratitude to staff for their dedication and hard work in preparing for service each Sunday. Since staff can be very busy during the Sunday morning time, we ask that, If questions arise, you consider reaching out to them during office hours or via email. We hope this will give them the space to provide and also participate in a meaningful Sunday morning experience.

Thank you for your understanding and amazing support of our staff.

## **COMPASS GROUPS**

*The Small Group Ministry of Grand Blanc United Methodist Church*

**Sunday, March 23**

**1:00-2:30pm**

**GBUMC Fellowship Hall**

*(Refreshments will be provided)*

Come learn more about small groups here at GBUMC, experience the uniqueness of our Compass Group ministry, and see how it will fit into your life! Individuals, families, kids...all are welcome!



## **YOUTH GROUP!!**

**12:30pm to 2:30pm**

**TODAY!**

**Guest Leaders: Dan Carvill & Cathy Mitchinson**

**Permission Slips needed!**

**Join the fun!!**



Have you heard? We're having an Easter Egg Hunt between services on Easter Sunday!! We are looking for donations of candy to fill the eggs. If you are able to donate, please leave the candy in the box outside the Education Office. Thank you!!

The day before Easter, we will be holding a Trunk or Treaster Event in the church parking lot and we are looking for trunks!

If you are able/willing to provide a trunk and a little candy or other treat to pass out, please sign-up! Sign-up sheet can be found on the kiosk in the welcome area!



# UMCOR Sunday is March 30, 2025

On Sunday, March 30th there will be a special offering for UMCOR Sunday (formerly One Great Hour of Sharing) which is observed the fourth Sunday in Lent. Your gift allows UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief) to act as the arms and legs of Christ's church, moving toward the most vulnerable in their darkest days. Convinced that all people have God-given worth and dignity—without regard to race, religion or gender—together we are assisting those impacted by crisis or chronic need.

For over 50 years, United Methodist congregations have been taking part in this special offering. Your gift to UMCOR Sunday pays the administrative costs so when you donate to UMCOR for disaster relief such as hurricanes, tornadoes, fires, etc., ALL the funds donated can go directly to the relief effort 100%. Together, we reach children, families and communities who have experienced devastation in the wake of disaster.



Thank you for your generosity towards helping out when disaster strikes!



Mark your calendars for  
Sunday, March 30!

Our Youth will hold an Ice Cream  
Social FUNdraiser!!

Ice cream will be available following  
both worship services!

All donations will help support their  
next mission trip to serve with the  
Appalachia Service Project!

Pastor Brian's daily devotionals  
"Focusing on Faith" are back!  
Check them out on our YouTube  
Channel:  
Grand Blanc UMC  
Be sure to like, comment and/or  
share!!!

Prayer Shawl Ministry  
Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m.  
All are welcome!



If you have not signed up to have your  
picture taken for our church directory,  
please do so today!

If none of the remaining days/times work  
for your schedule, please let the office  
know. Universal Church Directories will schedule a  
make-up photography day if we have at  
least 10 people/families needing a different day.  
The online schedule will remain open this week.

Say Something!

You know who you sit near during worship services. If you  
notice that someone hasn't attended for a few weeks,  
please let us know so that we can reach out!



**Palm Sunday, April 13**

Potluck Breakfast @ 9:30am  
One Worship Service @ 11am

**Maundy/Holy Thursday, April 17**

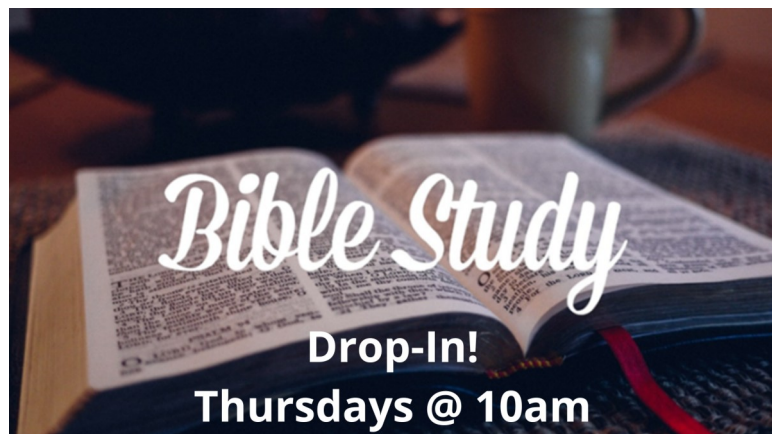
We will worship with our neighbors at  
*Fenton UMC, 119 S. Leroy St*  
*Fenton, MI @7pm*

**Good Friday, April 18**

We will worship with our neighbors at  
*St. Christopher's Episcopal Church,*  
*9020 S. Saginaw Grand Blanc, MI @7pm*

**Easter Sunday, April 20**

Worship @ 9am  
Easter Egg Hunt @ 10:15am  
Worship @ 11am



Do you have snow pants that no longer fit anyone in your household?

FISH of Grand Blanc would like to take them off your hands!!

Drive thru drop-off, here at GBUMC on Saturday, April 12, time TBD.



We are very excited to share with you that as a church, we are going to be launching a new online platform for our ministries through a company called "SubSplash." This will include, among

many other things, a new website, an app for your smartphone, tablet, and/or even your TV. This will also allow us to do a variety of wonderful things with both our outreach, as well as furthering our connections within the church. The best way to think about this is that it is "in addition to" rather than "instead of." In other words, if you're not big into phone apps or websites, that's okay. You'll still receive emails, enjoy phone calls once in a while, and the pews aren't going anywhere!

We will certainly be sharing more with you in the days and weeks to come, but for now, we don't want you to be surprised if you see an email or two testing the new system. Anything coming from "SubSplash" is coming from us and can be trusted.



It's time to schedule your church directory photography appointment!! Photographers from Universal Church Directory will be here on **Thursday, March 27, Friday, March 28 and Saturday, March 29.** Please see the online scheduling instructions below or SIGN-UP TODAY IN THE NARTHEX!! Please note that you will not be able to use the online scheduling until tomorrow morning so that we don't double book anyone today.

#### ONLINE SCHEDULING INSTRUCTIONS FOR FAMILY APPOINTMENT SETTING

- ◇ Go to the Universal Church Directories website ( [www.ucdir.com](http://www.ucdir.com) )
- ◇ Click on the box on the right side of the homepage entitled "photography appointment scheduling login"
- ◇ Enter your church code [mi2014](#)
- ◇ Enter your church password [photos](#)
- ◇ Click on the Enter button
- ◇ Click on the desired photography date
- ◇ Click on the Reserve Time button beside the desired photography appointment time
- ◇ Enter the appropriate information in all required fields (indicated by the asterisk)
- ◇ Click on the Schedule Appointment button at the bottom of the screen to reserve the photography appointment time in your family's name
- ◇ If you have more than six family members being photographed, please reserve two appointments consecutively (such as 6:00 and 6:10)
- ◇ Print the next screen to use as a reminder of your family's photography Appointment
- ◇ Contact the church office to change or cancel your photography appointment



## **Card Ministry**

Help us keep in touch with shut-ins, others on our prayer list, and people we haven't seen in a while.

Join our Card Ministry!!!

We will meet on the last Tuesday of every month at 10am.

Our first gathering will be on Tuesday, March 25!



Our next Church and Society Team meeting will be held on  
**Saturday, March 29 at 10am in the Church Library.**

# **#BeUMC**

We will continue to discuss opportunities for social justice according to the Social Principles of the United Methodist Church, answering the call to action and we

would love for you to join us. We are moving forward with advocacy opportunities. Let's put our faith into action. The time is right to get involved. We will follow the General Board of Church and Society's mission of:

**Living Faith, Seeking Justice and Pursuing Peace.**

Church and Society Team meetings are held the last Saturday of each month at 10am. All are welcome.

Please sign-in with your Connect Card!  
Help us keep accurate attendance records!

## **CRAFTER'S DAY OUT WORKSHOP**

**FRIDAY, APRIL 11TH 6PM-11PM  
AND SATURDAY, APRIL 12TH 9AM-6PM**

**\$55 FOR BOTH DAYS!**

**GRAND BLANC UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
515 BUSH AVE**

### **THIS AMAZING DAY INCLUDES:**

- YOUR OWN 6' TABLE
- FRIDAY NIGHT SNACK
- SATURDAY LUNCH
- LOTS OF DOOR PRIZES
- CREATIVE MEMORIES AND STAMPIN' UP! VENDORS

THIS IS A FUNDRAISER FOR THE CHURCH'S APPALACHIAN SERVICE PROJECT (ASP) MISSION TRIP. 100% OF THE PROFIT WILL GO TOWARDS THEIR NEXT TRIP WHERE THE YOUTH GROUP WILL HELP REPAIR HOMES IN CENTRAL APPALACHIA.

### **REGISTER TODAY!**

MAIL THIS INFORMATION AND YOUR CHECK TO JUDI COTTRELL,  
2092 E REID RD, GRAND BLANC, MI 48439

OR

EMAIL TO JCOTTRELL4208@GMAIL.COM AND VENMO TO  
@JUDI-COTTRELL

QUESTIONS? CALL JUDI AT 820-624-4066

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

I WANT TO SIT WITH \_\_\_\_\_

*See you there!*

Full-size copies of this registration form are available on the kiosk in the Narthex. We hope you will support this fundraiser for our ASP Teams!