

## The Month of May

### Sunday Mornings

8:30 a.m. Worship/Chapel

10:00 a.m. Adult Sunday School class

Choir rehearsal/Music Room

11:00 a.m. Worship/Sanctuary

**Thursday, May 10:** 6:30 p.m. YOUTH Meeting (6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade) in youth room; upstairs in the education building. Bring a friend!

**Friday, May 11:** 11:30 a.m. Oakton Christian Preschool Spring Concert

**May 19: UMM Breakfast,** 8:00 a.m./small hall.

Everyone is invited! Come and hear the speaker and have a wonderful breakfast.

**May 20<sup>th</sup>: Pentecost, Confirmation Class celebration!**

Come celebrate with our graduating 2018 Confirmation Class.

**Flock Fellowship May 20<sup>th</sup>** after the 11:00 worship service.

**Viva Vienna, Memorial Day Weekend, May 26, 27 & 28**

Oakton UMC will have a booth as an outreach to the community.

We need folks to sign up for a 'shift'. See Maryanne Turner.

## Oakton United Methodist Church



## May 2018

*Our Mission*

*Know Jesus as Christ  
Invite Others to Know Him  
Develop Devoted Disciples  
Serve those in Need*

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## Meet the Pastor

Rev. Dawn-Marie Singleton – Senior Pastor



May is here in full force. Pollen is high and it feels like summer already. I think May is the best time to sit back and revel in God's glory. All we have to do is take a drive and see the beautiful dogwood trees, the cherry blossoms, the daffodils, the tulips and the trees budding with the good news of new birth. I love this time of year. How can you enjoy spring without knowing the full power of God's grace and beauty? It is simply astounding. May is the perfect time for us to celebrate who we are as a church.

For over 100 years, Oakton UMC has been making disciples for Jesus Christ. We have made a difference in this community for generations. How exciting is that? I want you to take this legacy seriously and begin to ponder how YOU can make disciples of Christ today. Begin with prayer. I invite you to continue praying for our church and its future, pray for the United Methodist Church as a denomination, and pray specifically for us to discern what God has planned for us.

Prayer is the foundation of our faith. It is the foundation of who we are as Christians. Pray. Pray. Pray. Let's use the month of May to truly pray.

I invite you to connect with Oakton and to connect with me. Hit me on social media (Facebook.com – Dawn-Marie Singleton, use the church Facebook site – (Oakton United Methodist Church) or simply pick up the phone and call. (540-560-6432)

[oaktonumcpastor@gmail.com](mailto:oaktonumcpastor@gmail.com)

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Take a moment to send an encouraging word or pick up the phone to say hello to our shut ins, our older members, those who you haven't seen in a few weeks....it is amazing how a small act of kindness can make a HUGE difference in someone's life.

## PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Illness: Hugh Smith (auto accident); Bill Doughten; Ruby Clendenin & Bernie Dworski (health issues, friends of Bill Kays), Sean Bryant, Clary Ducos (friend of the Turners-illness), Leonard Deege (illness), Daynah Hogate, recovering at home, niece of Dannye Ivey, Bill Webb (brother of Doris Doughten), Jenelle (stroke-friend of the Riegel's), Nancy & Jean Saylor, Baylee Adkins, friend of Bob & Martha Kackley; the Torres family (friends of the Fellows), Amy Rice and the family of Angela Trio (friend of Rev. Dawn-Marie's)  
Shut-Ins: Ed Fults, Ted Lyons, Catherine Jones and Charlotte Wineland

Other: The United Methodist Church as a denomination – as we seek to hear God's will regarding the statements in the BOOK OF DISCIPLINE about human sexuality, the committee ON THE WAY FORWARD for the UMC, all churches who are striving to make disciples of Jesus Christ, our own church as we continue to pray for God's will for us, Bishop Sharma Lewis, our District Superintendent, Cathy Abbott, the children at Mosby Woods, Oakton, and Marshall Road Elementary school as we partner with these schools to strengthen them, the neighbors around us who seek to find peace and hope in the world, those who are homeless and hungry, victims of gun violence and their families, the Child Rescue Center and Mercy Hospital in Sierra Leone, President Trump, Vice President Pence, all our nation's leaders, peace within our nation, and those who serve in the military. *O Lord, we pray for your spirit to revive our souls and to give us boldness and courage to go out and share your love with others. May God bless the mission and vision of OUMC and all those who allow God's will to reign. Amen.*

Address Change: Jack & Willie Dalaba, 137 Aberdeen Dr., Culpeper, VA 22701

**Our next flock fellowship is on Sunday, May 20<sup>th</sup> following the 11:00 worship service.** Come build your taco at the TACO FEST sponsored by the Matthias, Thomas and Simon flocks.

**Articles for the Newsletter?** Just e-mail them to our newsletter editor, Randy Butturini: [randy\\_butturini@yahoo.com](mailto:randy_butturini@yahoo.com) We would love for you to contribute a funny story, a blurb about what you found helpful or even share why you love OUMC. Contributions are appreciated.

**Visit our website** ([www.oaktonumc.com](http://www.oaktonumc.com)) to listen to the previous week's sermon, see the worship bulletin for the coming Sunday (usually posted on Friday after 12 noon) and learn about the church. Comments about the site are always welcome. Contact Doris in the church office: [oumc@oaktonumc.org](mailto:oumc@oaktonumc.org) or 703-938-1234. The church office hours are Monday – Friday, 8:30-12:30 p.m.

**Calling All Youth - Sixth – 12<sup>th</sup> grade.** You are invited to take part in a FIRST SUNDAY MISSION on **Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup>**. Vale UMC's youth have invited us to join them. This first meeting will be here in our kitchen at **10:00 am to prepare food for the homeless at Franklin Square in DC**. Chaperones are appreciated. If we have several youth from our church join in, we will need to provide some transportation. Please let Rev. Dawn-Marie know if your child is interested.

**Bluegrass Music is Coming...**Beginning **May 15<sup>th</sup>** and happening each month on the third Tuesday, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. join us in the chapel and hear some good-old bluegrass music. Bring an instrument and or your voice. All are welcome. Invite a friend or two.

**Mission Trip scheduled...July 14 -21, 2018.** That's **this** summer. Are you interested in going to Guatemala to work with the Highland Support Project? Vale UMC has been taking this trip for several years and has invited us to participate. The cost is \$1800 a person. The projects will take place in Twi'Ninwitz, The work will vary, but will probably involve some light construction and Vacation Bible School – type activities with the children. For more information, contact Deb Cohen at [Drqt@aol.com](mailto:Drqt@aol.com). This mission trip happens every summer! If this is not the summer for you to participate then perhaps next summer is. Begin now to pray for and about this wonderful opportunity to share God's word.

**Vacation Bible School is around the corner:** We are partnering with Vale UMC this year but we need YOUR help to make it successful. We will be looking for youth as well as adults for station leaders and other volunteers. VBS will be at Vale UMC the week of **July 30 – August 3**. The theme is **SHIPWRECKED: Rescued by Jesus**. Please see Sammye Justice or Rev Dawn-Marie if you are interested or need more information.

**THANK YOU FOR PRAYING FOR THE 2018 Confirmation Class.** **Confirmation Sunday is on Sunday, May 20<sup>th</sup>**. Plan to be present to welcome these new members into our fellowship. Please pray for each student: *Sophia, Sam, Robin, Taylor, Eli, Matthew, Sarah-Grace, and Savanna*. These students have worked very hard for 13 weeks and are ready to make their personal profession of faith. Please join us on Sunday, May 20<sup>th</sup> to congratulate them and stay for the fellowship following the 11:00 worship service. It will be a **TACO FEST**. The Matthias, Thomas and Simon flocks will be hosting this fun and yummy lunch.

**Memorial Day** weekend is at the end of the month **and that means VIVA VIENNA** is upon us. Like last year, we will be hosting a booth during the weekend. Please come out and support OUMC and work a shift or two. Spread the word! We are collecting gently used children's books to hand out at our booth. Please bring them to church and place them in the cardboard box in the narthex. Please see Maryanne Turner for more details or to sign up to help. She may be contacted through email at [mturner12@verizon.net](mailto:mturner12@verizon.net)

**Thanks to all who helped with the MOSBY WOODS Homework Club.** You made a huge difference in the lives of these students. Thanks to Jack Dalaba, Darryl Hutchinson, Sammye Justice, Wanda Kirkpatrick, Doris Page, Dawn-Marie Singleton, Sandra Uthus, Hank Walton and Joan Walton. Sign up now to help for next fall. It will change YOUR life too.

**The United Methodist Men (UMM) will be meeting on Saturday morning, May 19<sup>th</sup> for their monthly breakfast.** Please come at 8:00 am to enjoy the delicious food and hear an excellent program.

**A big thanks to the Family Ministries Team for the “revitalizing” and remodeling of the small social hall.** It looks wonderful and very inviting. We all appreciate your dedication and love.

### **Outside Door Locks Have Been Changed**

If you have a “J” key, it will no longer work in the outside doors since the outside locks have been changed. This was done for security and so we can keep track of who has outside keys to the church. Keys have been distributed to those groups and individuals who need them. Questions? Please contact Doris Page in the church office: 703-938-1234 or [oumc@oaktonumc.org](mailto:oumc@oaktonumc.org) Thank you to the Trustees and those folks who donated funds to make this project possible!

### **Room Change for the Adult Sunday school Class**

The Adult Sunday School class now meets in the small hall on Sunday mornings. The small hall is located near the chapel. Everyone is welcome to attend this class which studies a variety of subjects.

### **Come join the fun and support the staff at Oakton Christian**

**Preschool.** On Friday, May 11<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 a.m. the children will be having their Spring Concert. This is always a great time to see the children who attend OCP, mingle with their parents and support the OCP staff.

### **Ta Da! Finally just what the youth have been waiting for...**

Beginning Thursday evening, May 10, we will begin meeting at the church each Thursday from 6:30 – 8:00 for fun, games, food and a program or mission. **If you are in the 6<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> grade you are invited** to attend. Mrs. Aleta Rauch will be leading the first program. Watch your email for more details.

**Bishop Lewis has challenged us to read the Bible in a Year.** This year we are reading it chronologically. If you want to participate check in at [www.vaumc.org](http://www.vaumc.org) and go to the Bishop’s Bible Challenge. Here are the readings for the month:

### **May**

**May 1** 2 Samuel 5:1-10, 1 Chronicles 11-12 **May 2** Psalm 133  
**May 3** Psalm 106-107 **May 4** 2 Samuel 5:11-6:23, 1 Chronicles 13-16  
**May 5** Psalm 1-2, Psalm 15, Psalm 22-24, Psalm 47, Psalm 68 **May 6**  
Psalm 89, Psalm 96, Psalm 100-101, Psalm 105, Psalm 132 **May 7** 2  
Samuel 7, 1 Chronicles 17 **May 8** Psalm 25, Psalm 29, Psalm 33,  
Psalm 36, Psalm 39 **May 9** 2 Samuel 8-9, 1 Chronicles 18 **May 10**  
Psalm 50, Psalm 53, Psalm 60, Psalm 75 **May 11** 2 Samuel 10, 1  
Chronicles 19, Psalm 20 **May 12** Psalm 65-67, Psalm 69-70 **May 13** 2  
Samuel 11-12, 1 Chronicles 20 **May 14** Psalm 32, Psalm 51, Psalm  
86, Psalm 122 **May 15** 2 Samuel 13-15 **May 16** Psalm 3-4, Psalm 12-  
13, Psalm 28, Psalm 55 **May 17** 2 Samuel 16-18  
**May 18** Psalm 26, Psalm 40, Psalm 58, Psalm 61-62, Psalm 64  
**May 19** 2 Samuel 19-21 **May 20** Psalm 5, Psalm 38, Psalm 41-42  
**May 21** 2 Samuel 22-23, Psalm 57 **May 22** Psalm 95, Psalm 97-99  
**May 23** 2 Samuel 24, 1 Chronicles 21-22, Psalm 30 **May 24** Psalm  
108-110 **May 25** 1 Chronicles 23-25 **May 26** Psalm 131, Psalm 138-  
139, Psalm 143-145 **May 27** 1 Chronicles 26-29, Psalm 127 **May 28**  
Psalm 111-118 **May 29** 1 Kings 1-2, Psalm 37, Psalm 71, Psalm 94  
**May 30** Psalm 119:1-88 **May 31** 1 Kings 3-4, 2 Chronicles 1, Psalm  
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**One of the Christian disciplines that we should all be striving towards is to be in the WORD every day.** Do you have some favorite devotionals? What about favorite verses to turn to? Where do you find strength and comfort when you have had a difficult day? We hope you are turning to God in the Bible. We’d love to hear where you go to find peace and strength. Let us know. Drop a paragraph or two in the offering plate and we will share it in next month’s newsletter. Perhaps you will encourage others to be in the Word too.



## Relief-Supply Kits for Conference

### YOUR HELP IS NEEDED TO REPLENISH THE HYGIENE KITS AND SCHOOL KITS.

Relief-supply kits help provide care for the most vulnerable people during times of crisis. UMCOR collects kits for distribution within the United States. Kits help sustain everyday life for people who lack ready access to essential supplies when a disaster strikes. Relief kits will no longer be sent overseas. Grants will be provided to international partners to allow for local purchase and assembly of kits which are more culturally appropriate.

**Kits will be collected on May 27 and June 3**, but by starting early, you may be able to take advantage of upcoming sales. If you anticipated that we would be collecting different items as in the past and have already purchased complete kits, we will accept those as well.

As always, thank you so much for your continued generosity. Questions? Email me at [deb118@yahoo.com](mailto:deb118@yahoo.com).

Debbie Thorpe

## Hygiene Kit

### 1 hand towel

- 15 x 25 inches to 17 x 27 inches
- Kitchen, cleaning, and microfiber towels not acceptable

### • 1 washcloth

### • 1 comb

- Comb needs to be sturdy and longer than 6 inches long
- **No pocket combs or picks please**
- Rattail combs and combs without handles are acceptable with a minimum of 6 inches of teeth

### • 1 metal nail file or nail clippers

- **No emery boards, please**

### • 1 bath-size soap

- 3 oz. and larger sizes only
- **No Ivory or Jergens soap due to moisture content**
- **Do not remove from original packaging**

### • 1 toothbrush

- Adult size only
- **Do not remove from original packaging**

### • 6 adhesive bandages

- ¾ inch to 1 inch-size
- Common household Band-Aids

### • 1 plastic bag

- One-gallon size sealable bag only

### • \$1.00 to purchase toothpaste

### • \$1.00 for shipping

## Important Notes

- All items must be new.
- Do not wash any of the items as they will be considered used.
- Please remove all packaging, unless otherwise specified.
- **DO NOT ASSEMBLE KIT**

*When you bring items and/or kits to the church, look for the container to place them in or leave them near the church office.*

*Thank You!*

# School Kit

- **1 pair blunt scissors**
  - Rounded tip only
  - **No plastic scissors.**
- **3 pads of paper**
  - Spiral- or top-bound pads
  - 100-150 sheets of loose-leaf paper can be substituted for 1 pad
  - Combination of spiral, top-bound, side-bound, or 1 subject notebook is acceptable
  - **No composition books**
  - No 3 or 5 subject notebook is acceptable
- **1 hand-held pencil sharpener**
  - Must be at least 1 inch long
  - Remove from packaging
- **1 30-centimeter ruler**
  - Hard or flexible
  - Cartoon characters are acceptable
  - **No advertisements**
- **6 unsharpened pencils**
  - **No advertisements**
  - Cartoon characters are acceptable
- **1 2-inch or larger-size eraser**
  - **No advertisements**
  - Cartoon characters are acceptable
- **1 24-count box of crayons**
  - Only 24-count boxes
- **(1 14x16 inch cloth bag – do not include, these will be provided)**
- **\$1.00 for shipping**

**DO NOT ASSEMBLE KIT**

**Important Notes:** DO NOT ASSEMBLE KITS. THIS WILL BE DONE LATER. All items must be new. Do not wash any of the items as they will be considered used. Please remove all packaging, unless otherwise specified. All emergency kits are carefully planned to make them usable in the greatest number of situations. Due to the fact that strict rules often govern product entry into international countries, it is important that kits contain only the requested items, nothing more. Do not include any personal notes, money, or additional material in the kits. These things must be painstakingly removed and will delay the shipment.

**Camp HighRoad 2018 Scholarship Application:** Oakton United Methodist Women has set aside a pool of scholarship funds to offer partial (no full) assistance to girls and boys for a one-week camp session at a Summer 2018 HighRoad Camp of her/his choice.

**Qualifications:** Applicants and parent or guardian must have been regular church or Sunday School attendees during the past 12 months. Applicants must sign agreement to make an oral report to the UMW at its September 2018 meeting about their experience at summer camp.

**Applications:** on narthex tables of sanctuary and chapel, on church website, and on church FaceBook page. Applications will be considered and awarded on a first come first served basis. Coordinator: **Helen Albanese, [hjalbanese@cox.net](mailto:hjalbanese@cox.net), 703-242-1356 (Home) 703-855-1356 (Mobile)**

