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OVERLOOK OVERVIEW



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Walk to the Manger

The youth from **Bridgewater UMC** and **Dayton UMC** are teaming up with the Overlook staff to present our annual live nativity this year! "Walk to the Manger" will bring the Christmas story to life on **Saturday, December 15th, from 6 pm to 8 pm.**

As you arrive at camp, the Roman soldiers will direct you to the census-takers in Bethlehem. You'll be recruited by a shepherd to help find some missing sheep, but your mission might get side-tracked when angels appear to tell you the Good News. The crisp night air will be filled with the sounds of the stable animals as you search out the holy family and find the precious Savior. Continue your journey past three kings and help point them toward the treasure they seek.

Adventures begin continuously between 6 and 8pm and last roughly 35 to 40 minutes. Participants should wear sturdy shoes and all children must be accompanied by a responsible adult. This experience is **FREE** and is our Christmas gift to our community!



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All God's Children at Overlook

The weekend of **November 2-4, 2018**, we will be showering God's love on local 2nd - 6th graders who have at least one parent who is incarcerated. This event pairs participants with caring adult mentors and including sessions on gang prevention, dealing with big emotions, and what prison is really like. Campers come with just clothes for 3 days - all other needed items (and some surprises) are given as a gift through the generosity of our donors. Even the registration fee is mostly donated. Families attend for just \$5.

If you know a child who would like to attend, or if you would like to help make this weekend possible with a monetary donation, contact the camp office.

Caring For Our Campers and Staff



Each summer, we have incredibly kind and generous nurses who donate their time and gifts to care for our campers and staff. This past summer, Lisa Jennings, Leslie Miller, Patti Petty, Tina Clem, and Rachel Tinsley all gave a week OR TWO of their time to keep us healthy. We could have never done it without them!

Would you like to be a nurse "super hero" for summer 2019? Children of our nurses attend camp for FREE. The nurse is housed in a private room in our Ritchie Retreat building. It's not too early to express an interest! Contact Kelli at the camp office: (540) 269-2267 or CampOverlook@gmail.com

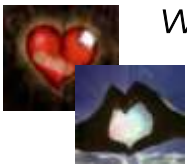
New and Improved Picnic Shelter



Our picnic shelter had a major overhaul by a former camper and determined Girl Scout working toward her Gold Award. Lauren Miller, with help from her volunteers, leveled the gravel pad, repainted the exterior, repainted the tables, cleaned the fireplace, installed beautiful new outdoor lighting, and donated a lockable shed to store day camp materials during the summer. Then, each table was decorated by hand with paint/stencil to make a truly welcoming and enjoyable space.

We are so appreciative of Lauren's effort and hard work. It is a delightful improvement to the shelter! Our local UM churches are welcome to rent this space for an after-church gathering for no charge.

Are YOU a Boy Scout or Girl Scout looking for a site to complete your Eagle/Gold project? Contact Tommy in the camp office for a list of needs. (540) 269-2267 or CampOverlook@gmail.com



Wounded Hearts, Healing Love

**November 30-
December 2, 2018**

Have the circumstances of life returned you to singleness, perhaps through separation, divorce, or death.

Plan now to join us for a special time apart with other singles as we explore the trials, the hurts, and the loneliness of being single again, and search for the road leading to healing and wholeness.

\$105.00 per person (some financial assistance available). More info and registration found online at:

www.campoverlook.org

You will make some wonderful new friends, but the weekend is not a time to seek or start new dating relationships.

Every Church has someone who has experienced recently becoming single again. Give them some encouragement and support and send them to this healing weekend!



United Methodist Women's Christmas Banquet

Monday, December 3rd and
Wednesday December 5th, at
Blessings Lodge at 12:00pm

The Lodge will be ready for Christmas with a nativity, a beautiful tree, and subtle instrumental music with familiar carols.

Gather for fellowship around the punch bowl at 11:30 am and then settle in for a delicious, festive holiday meal. Everything is included, from the punch bowl to dessert. \$15.25 per person.

Enjoy a time of contemplation and singing with the Overlook staff as we reflect on the meaning of the season.

This event is open to all UMW groups so space is limited. Make reservations for your group today!



Tri-District UMM Retreat



Does the Gospel Still Work? Gather with men from across our three districts for a time of reviewing the gospel in our Methodist tradition. We will speak to ways it is relevant in our world and culture with real life stories, including our own. We will affirm the gospel is as powerful as it has always been, offering hope not only for us individually, but also hope for our churches.

This is a wonderful opportunity to start the new year off with a time of inspiration, reflection, good food, and fellowship with Christian brothers. Leave the business of daily life behind and give God your full attention. Your spirit will be refreshed by God's spirit!

This retreat will be held at Blessings Lodge. Check-in is at 6:00 pm on **Friday, January 4th, 2019**. We will begin our time together with dinner at 6:30. Two meals will be shared on Saturday and we will conclude our event at 2:00 pm. Reservations are available for double, triple or quad occupancy, as space allows. There is also a "day only" option. Prices range from \$43—\$84, depending on your choice. Register by December 20th to save \$10 on reservations with lodging.

The final deadline to register is December 28th. Visit the website or contact the office to reserve your spot. www.campoverlook.org / (540) 269-2267

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Gary Lee by Gayle Davis

Upcoming Events:

Emmaus Walks	Men: Oct 4-7
	Women: Oct 11-14
All God's Children	Nov 2-4
Paul Bunyan Day	Nov 10
Wounded Hearts/ Healing Love	Nov 30-Dec 2
UMW Christmas	Dec 3 & 5
Walk to the Manger	Dec 15
UMM Retreat	Jan 4-5

Paul Bunyan Day

Calling all lumberjacks and willing workers. We need your help on **Saturday, Nov 10** between 8:30 am and lunch (lunch provided) to stock up wood to warm winter buildings and hearts who are meeting God on the mountain at Overlook.

We encourage you to bring your own equipment and work gloves as Overlook has a limited supply. Please let us know to expect you so we can adequately prepare for lunch!



Overlook continues its search for additional food service staff. If you have kitchen experience and would like to make some extra money as a cook on the weekends, this opportunity is VERY FLEXIBLE! Since most shifts fall between Friday evening and Sunday afternoon, it would dovetail nicely with someone currently cooking in school food service

Those without experience can apply as a server/dishwasher for both of our kitchens. Again, the scheduling is very flexible and is perfect for upper high school or college students.

If you're interested in applying, please contact Kelli at the camp office for an interview and tour of the kitchens. (540) 269-2267