YOUNG ADULTS MIXER by Darci Mossbarger

Tuesday,
January 24, 2017

7:00 to 9:00 PM at the ROY G BIV GALLERY

997 N. HIGH ST.
COLUMBUS, OH 43201

The Young Adult Group will be hosting their 2017 Winter Mixer from 7-9pm at the Roy G Biv Gallery in the Short North (997 N. High Street). We hope you can join us for an evening of mingling with other young adults who attend King Avenue. We will also be announcing our 2017 ministry opportunities and events.

Drinks and desserts will be served - feel free to bring a friend!

Please RSVP to this fun event on the King Avenue UMC Young Adult Facebook page.
January Preaching Schedule

**January 1**
*Epiphany Communion*
9am John Keeny
11am John Keeny
Matthew 25:31-46
Psalm 8*

**January 15**
*Humans Relation Day*
9am Colleen Ogle
11am Colleen Ogle
Isaiah 49:1-7
John 1:29-42*

**January 22**
9am Colleen Ogle
11am Colleen Ogle
Ecclesiastes 3:1-12*

**January 8**
*Baptism of Our Lord*
9am John Keeny
11am John Keeny
Isaiah 42:1-9
Matthew 3:13-17*

**January 29**
9am John Keeny
11am John Keeny
2 Thessalonians 3:6-13
Luke 10:25-37*

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**January Lit Club**
*A Man Called Ove* by Fredrik Bachman
Sunday, January 29 at 7pm in the Logos Lounge
All are welcome!
January Special Offering

Your generous gift supports the Community Developers Program and community advocacy through United Methodist Voluntary Services, related to the General Board of Global Ministries, and at-risk teens through the Youth Offender Rehabilitation program, General Board of Church and Society.

When you give, you strengthen neighborhood outreach and empower at-risk youth.

Human Relations Day is January 15, 2017
Please make checks payable to King Avenue UMC and indicate HUMAN RELATIONS in the memo line.

King Avenue Art Gallery

Nativities from Around the World: Collection from the travels of Donna Cole

St. Francis of Assisi (1181-1226 CE) is credited with the first nativity set as we know it. He was preaching to the peasants in Italy and because they couldn’t read or write, he tried to make the Biblical story of Jesus’ birth come to life by having a live nativity—which was then duplicated in little statues that could tell the story without being read.

Donna and Dean Cole received their first nativity from Donna’s mother when their sons, Matthew & Michael, were toddlers. Her mother made the characters out of scraps from her clothing and insisted that Matthew & Michael would be allowed to play with the set, as too often children were told “not to touch” because most nativities were made of ceramic and were breakable. She wanted the story of Christ’s birth to come alive for her grandchildren and promised to repair, patch or replace any piece that got worn. The boys loved playing with the set and hearing the story and the characters would end up in strange places many days as the shepherds traveled to see the baby or the Wise Men followed the star.

Donna and Dean have travelled extensively and always try to find nativities from each place visited—especially looking for locally hand crafted ones. They have over 200 sets in their collection and will bring at least 25 of them for display—including sets from Russia, Peru, Brazil, France, Germany, Turkey, Greece, and the Czech Republic. Donna’s sons are now grown and members of King Avenue UMC along with their families: Matt and Kathy Cole (Mattison and Kaitlyn), Mike and Heather Cole (Maxton and Ezekiel.) Nativities from Around the World will arrive mid-January and remain up through February 2017.
King Avenue Children, Youth and Family Ministries News
January 2017

Happy New Year! We’re starting off the year with lots to do at King Avenue!
Check out what’s coming up in January:

Sun, Jan 1
9am & 11am  Music Connections @ Classrooms L4 & L5 - Children’s Hallway, Lower Level
10am  Godly Play Sunday School @ Classrooms L4 & L5 - Children’s Hallway, Lower Level
      Youth Sunday School @ Donnenwirth Lounge, Upper Level

Sun, Jan 8
9am & 11am  Worship Connections @ Classrooms L4 & L5 - Children’s Hallway, Lower Level
10am  Godly Play Sunday School @ Classrooms L4 & L5 - Children’s Hallway, Lower Level
      Youth Sunday School @ Donnenwirth Lounge, Upper Level
      Infant, Toddler & Family Worship @ Fellowship Hall Class room, Lower Level

Fri, Jan 13
6:00-8:30pm  Parents & Caregivers Evening Out @ King Avenue UMC, Nursery
7:30-11:30pm  Youth Friday Fun Night @ King Avenue UMC

Sun, Jan 15
9am & 11am  Worship Connections @ Classrooms L4 & L5 - Children’s Hallway, Lower Level
10am  Godly Play Sunday School @ Classrooms L4 & L5 - Children’s Hallway, Lower Level
      Youth Sunday School @ Donnenwirth Lounge, Upper Level

Sun, Jan 22
9am & 11am  Worship Connections @ Classrooms L4 & L5 - Children’s Hallway, Lower Level
10am  Godly Play Sunday School @ Classrooms L4 & L5 - Children’s Hallway, Lower Level
      Youth Sunday School @ Donnenwirth Lounge, Upper Level

Friday, Jan 27
6:30pm  Family Movie Night- PJ Party @ Classroom L4-Children’s Hallway, Lower Level
Watch for event details and RSVP on the King Avenue Children’s Ministries Facebook Page! Wear your pjs and come hang out for popcorn and a fun evening with your King Avenue family.

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9am & 11am  Worship Connections @ Classrooms L4 & L5 - Children’s Hallway, Lower Level
10am  Godly Play Sunday School @ Classrooms L4 & L5 - Children’s Hallway, Lower Level
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New Clothing Ministry Programs:

**Clothes for Kids:** Bring in clean, gently used or new children’s clothes to be given to our friends at Hubbard Mastery School. Shoes, clothes and outerwear are all appreciated and can be used. Collection bins are located at the east end of the Children’s Hallway. See Erin with questions or more details!

**King Avenue ClothesShare:** Do you have an infant or toddler that is growing out of their clothes faster than you can keep them in them? Let’s all pull together and help care for each other with a King Avenue family hand-me-down program. Bring in clean, gently used clothes sizes newborn-3T and take what you need for your growing kiddo! Collection bins in the east end of the children’s hallway. See Erin with questions or more details!

**Time for a KidCheck Check!** Take a moment to check your KidCheck info for your kids. Make sure your contact information is up to date, their pictures are current and medical information (i.e. allergies, diet restrictions, etc) is correct. Let Erin Kendall know if you need assistance in creating or updating your KidCheck account.

**Welcoming a little one into your household?** Make sure we know the details of your growing family so we can celebrate with you! King Avenue likes to provide support with family visits by our staff, coordinating Meal Trains and making sure your faith family knows about their new brothers and sisters. Please let Erin Kendall, Rev. Keeny or Rev. Ogle know of additions to your family by calling the church office or sending an email to erin@kingave.org.

**Keep up with it!** Check out King Avenue Children, Youth and Family Ministries Facebook groups. Request to join the groups that apply to your family:
- King Ave UMC ITP Group *(Ages 0-3)*
- King Ave UMC Children’s Ministries Facebook Group *(Age 4-Grade 5)*
- King Ave UMC Youth Facebook Group *(Grade 6-12)*

For more information on Children, Youth and Family Ministries, contact Erin Kendall at erin@kingave.org or
January Classes by Colleen Ogle

New Member Classes
Mondays January 16, 23, 30

New Member classes are an opportunity to meet others in the KAUMC community, take a fascinating church tour, learn where United Methodists fit in Christianity’s family tree, get an overview of our missions and find out where you can join in, influence the types and formats of classes that are offered at King Avenue, share your faith story, and rehearse the meanings and implications of the membership vow. 6:30-8:30 pm. Please RSVP to colleen@kingave.org if you are interested in attending!

Coming Up Wednesday evenings starting in February

Financial Peace University-- Dave Ramsey and his teaching team will walk you through the basics of budgeting, dumping debt, planning for the future, and much more. Local classes are made up of small groups of people who live in your area and are a great way to share ideas, be encouraged, and stay motivated. Classes meet for nine weeks and are led by a volunteer coordinator—Classes will begin Wednesday, February 1 and will meet Wednesday evenings for nine sessions. Cost for class materials is $109 per household. Registrations will begin mid-January.

Christianity and Islam-- Each session covers a major area of the world's two largest religions, comparing and contrasting them in a way that brings greater understanding of each. Written for Christian adults and older youth that have little knowledge of Islam other than what they have seen in the news, this study aims at providing a general understanding of the differences and similarities between these two great religions. This class will meet Wednesday evenings and will last 13 sessions. Class participant book is $9. Registrations will begin mid-January.
Faith Formation by Colleen Ogle

Faith Formation January

Why Methodist? For a reconciling congregation in a non-reconciling denomination, the question, “Why Methodist?” is as relevant now as it ever has been. During January and February 10-11 am adult education in the Chapel will focus on some distinctive features of our Methodist heritage.

1 -- The Concept of Grace in Methodist Spirituality — from Select Hymns of Charles and John Wesley

8 – Revival, by Adam Hamilton, will tell the story of the places and influences that shaped John Wesley, the founder of the “Methodist” movement. These six sessions each focus on a different stage of the development of Wesley’s passionate call from God as they unfolded in different locations in 18th century England. The sessions will be travelogue, history, and Bible study—all to illumine the passionate spirituality at the roots of the Methodist Church. Pt. 1, Revival, Precursors to Revival (Epworth)

15—Pt. 2, Revival, A Longing for Holiness (Oxford)

22 – Pt. 3, Revival, A Crisis of Faith (Georgia and Aldersgate)

29—Pt. 4, Revival, The Necessity of Grace (Bristol)

February

5—Pt. 5, Revival, Works of Mercy (The Foundry, London)

12—Pt. 6, Revival, Persevering to the End (City Road Chapel, London)

19—Methodist History post-Wesleys: Mergers, Splits, Re-unions of all Kinds and the principles that drove them

26—Distinctive Contributions of Methodism

NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

All Adults Are Welcome to join the new Sunday School Class that starts January 8. Throughout the year many topics will be discussed; we will start by using some works by Adam Hamilton as a guide.

The class will be held in The Fireside Room (second floor, above the Art Gallery).

Evy Hummon will act as facilitator; coffee will be offered.
Psalms Class by John Keeny

John Keeny will lead this 10-week class on the Psalms. The class will begin on Wednesday, January 11 and run through March 22, 7pm in the Chapel. Books are on sale for $15 at the Welcome Desk. Make a deeper connection to the world of the Psalms so that these well known scriptures can help you give voice to all aspects of our human experience—joy, faith, uncertainty and sorrow. This class connects the practice of prayer and worship with Scripture. The study is accessible for adults with little prior Bible experience. For more information and to enroll, contact John at jkeeny9@hotmail.com

Thank you for your support of the Fair Trade Coffee & Chocolate Sales! This is a mission of King Avenue Church that supports just wages for laborers.

On sale the 2nd Sunday of each month between/after services in the Milling Area and/or Fellowship Hall

Help Wanted!

The Susquehanna University Choir will present a concert at Broad Street UMC on the evening of Friday, January 20. Several area United Methodist churches have been asked to provide housing for that night and a breakfast the following morning. King Avenue has volunteered to house 12 women. It would be best if hosts could house them in groups of two or four. If you are able to provide hospitality, please contact John Keeny (jkeeny@kingave.org) by January 13. Thank you for your support of campus ministry.
King Avenue Players' THE LAST NIGHT OF BALLHOO Auditions

AUDITIONS
Sunday, January 29 at 6:30pm
Monday, January 30 at 6:30pm
at King Avenue UMC

Those auditioning will be asked to cold read a scene from the show. If available, but not required, please bring a head shot and resume.

The show has 3 male roles and 4 female roles. Ages range from early 20s to 50+. The show will be directed by Dan McCarty. For any questions, please contact Dan at 614-286-5704.

PERFORMANCES
Thursday, March 23 - Sunday, March 26
at King Avenue United Methodist Church

ABOUT THE SHOW
THE LAST NIGHT OF BALLYHOO takes place in Atlanta, Georgia, in December of 1939. Gone with the Wind is having its world premiere, and Hitler is invading Poland, but Atlanta's elitist German Jews are much more concerned with who is going to Ballyhoo, the social event of the season. As preparations are being made for this lavish event, an unexpected visitor arrives to cause the Freitag family to re-examine their Jewish beliefs and the identities that they have come to accept as their own.
**Spectrum by Steve Hull**

**WOW!** A huge thank you to the more than thirty individuals who gathered on Friday, December 2, to take part in the first ever SPECTRUM Christmas Cookie Bake & Take event. A bit of sugar, a splash of spice, the world's best hot cocoa and mulled spiced cider, combined with fun, fellowship and tons of laughter proved to be the perfect recipe for festive holiday activity.

More than 110 dozen beautifully decorated and tasty Christmas cookies resulted in the efforts of all the elves who gathered in the Fellowship Hall at King Avenue United Methodist church for this activity.

With the Bake part of the "Bake & Take" finished, it was time for the Take portion of the evening as participants filled their tins and zip lock baggies with an assortment of cookies to enjoy later. The remainder of the cookies were enjoyed at the Columbus Gay Men's Chorus "Joy Concert" December 9 & 10 at King Avenue.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

**SPECTRUM EUCHRE NIGHT**

The first SPECTRUM sponsored event of 2017 will be held on the evening of Friday, January 27, 2017. Plan to gather in the church's Fellowship Hall at 6:30 for pizza. Card play will begin at 7:00 p.m. with prizes for the best card sharks in the room! Please bring a sweet or salty snack and bring the whole family as we will provide childcare and also have other games available for the kids to play.
Sermon Series

Beginning January 22, we shall begin a five part sermon series on Half Truths. The topics are.

January 22  Everything Happens for a Reason
January 29  God Helps Those Who Help Themselves
February 5  God Won't Give You More Than You Can Handle
February 12 God Said It, I Believe It, That Settles It
February 19 Love the Sinner, Hate the Sin

KING AVENUE VISION TEAM TO BEGIN WORK

Our recently formed vision team will begin its work this month with the purpose to clarify a vision of King Avenue United Methodist Church’s future that inspires us to rise to the opportunities around us during the next five years.

ONE DREAM ONE VISION ONE TEAM ONE MISSION

The team will be led by our Lay Leader, Andy Shockney.

Members of the team are Angela Sykeny-Nichols, Beth Aiello, Bill Albright, Bob Barnes, Rev. Colleen Ogle, Jerry Reber, Jim LeVally, Rev. John Keeny, Jonah Minot, Judy Pigman, Rhonda Luetje, Robert Huestis, Shane Poole, Sonya Yencer, Trecia Holdren, and Rick Gilson.

Please be in prayer for them in their critical work for church.

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January Needs in the Pantry

Current Needs:
Toilet Paper! Toilet Paper! Toilet Paper! (Did I say Toilet Paper!)
Packages of Sugar, Detergent/Flour
Cat Food/Dog Food

Note: Our hygiene items are always low!
We are needing dental items, razors, and shampoo!
The church office will be closed on Monday
Monday, January 16
In observation of The Rev. Martin Luther King Jr.’s Birthday

News from King Avenue United Methodist Women

King Avenue United Methodist Women invite all to participate in their winter retreat.

Engaging in Intergenerational Social Media

Presented by Anna Guillozet
Saturday, January 28, 2017
9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Bring cell phones, tablets, or laptops and participate in a hands-on learning experience using Facebook, Twitter, Snapchat, and others

Coffee and rolls will be served upon arrival, as well as a delicious lunch at noon.

Babysitting will be provided. Cost for the retreat is $10.00.

Please RSVP by January 21 to Sue Swenor at swenor22@yahoo.com or Connie Hook at chook27478@aol.com or 614-804-1763.

Rummage for the spring sale is accepted on Sundays between services as well as Wednesdays between 6:30 pm and 7:30 pm.