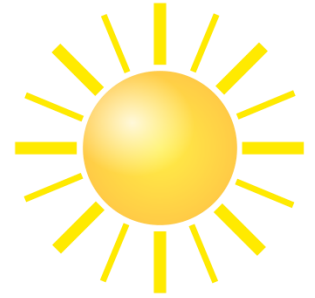


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March 2017 Edition



Dear friend of the Urban Mission,

Spring has sprung and we could not be more excited at the Urban Mission!

As you will see throughout this newsletter, we have a number of events planned for April.

With Minority Health Month soon to kick off as well as our annual Easter events such as Foot Washing and the Community Prayer Stations, we know that every time we host an event, the possibility for someone to experience life change becomes even more real.

These stories of life change are what we like to call, Resurrection Moments. These moments remind us that God is still in the business of raising the dead back to life, that God is still providing new opportunities and fresh starts to individuals and families who are looking for a change to their current situation, and that God is still active in our community today!

Our mantra this year is to be a "Person of Possibility." Where others see problems or raise doubt, we see possibility and remain hopeful.

As you support the Urban Mission you become a person of possibility too! In fact, you become an ambassador to the work we do and the life change people experience.

Thank you for joining us along this wonderful journey!

As one way to express our gratitude, we invite you to attend our Appreciation Lunch on April 21st. This year you'll get to hear real client stories of life change and how your gifts are being used to create Resurrection moments all throughout the Ohio Valley.

God bless you,

Rev. Ashley

Rev. Ashley Steele



celebrating possibilities & YOU!!

**URBAN MISSION
VOLUNTEER & DONOR
APPRECIATION LUNCH**

DATE: FRIDAY, APRIL 21, 2017
TIME: 12PM
LOCATION: FOUNDERS HALL,
EASTERN GATEWAY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Guests are invited to park in EGCC's lower parking lot, where the Farmer's Market is often held. Valet Parking will be available.

LUNCH WILL BE SERVED UPON ARRIVAL

RSVP by April 18th to Vanessa:
740.282.8010 or
vslappy@urbanmission.org



I want to be a Person of Possibility!

I'd like to make a difference by giving financially:

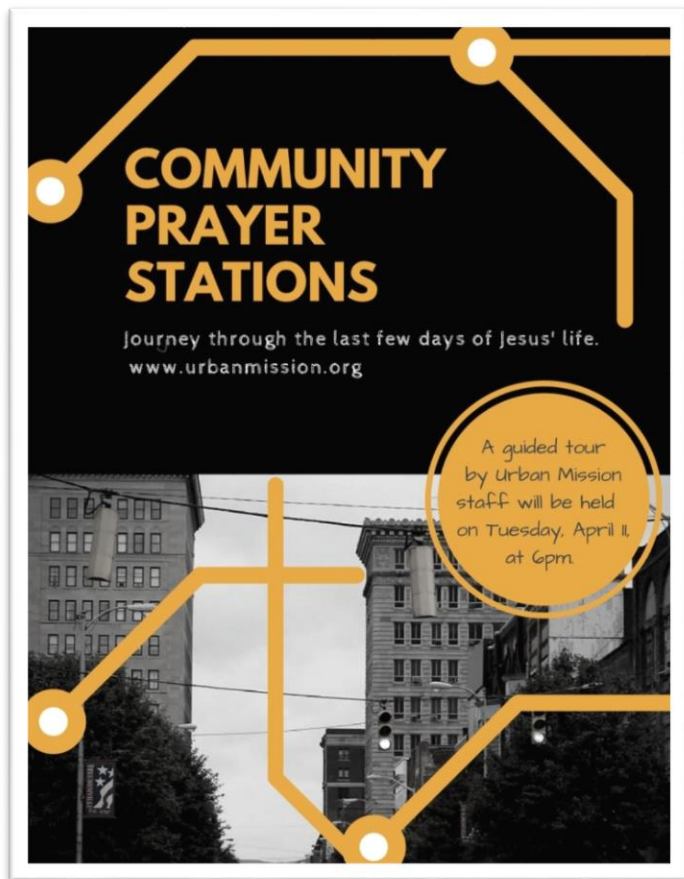
- \$25
- \$50
- \$75
- \$100
- Other: \$_____

I'd like to volunteer in one or more of these areas:

- Addressing Homelessness
- Completing Renovation Projects
- Offering Spiritual Care
- Ending Hunger
- Offering Programming

† Holy Week at the Urban Mission

Community Prayer Stations
Tuesday, April 11th, 6pm

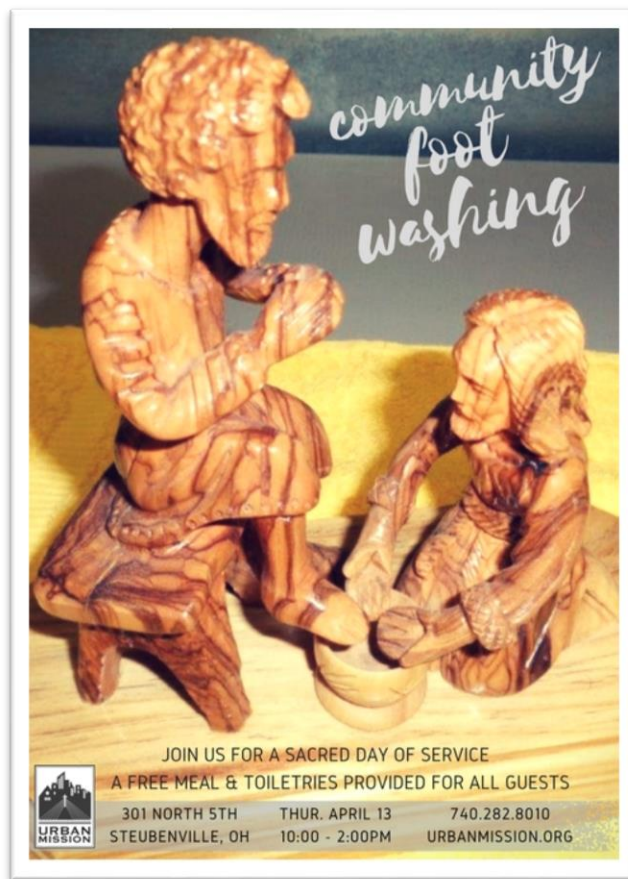


Back by popular demand! Join us on Tuesday, April 11th, 6pm for a guided tour of this year's Community Prayer Stations.

Not only will you have an opportunity to see our community in a new light, but you'll be invited to pray for multiple ministries all in one evening.

To reserve your spot, call us at 740.282.8010 or email: asteele@urbanmission.org. We'd love to have you join us! A downloadable "Prayer Station Guide" is also available online at www.urbanmission.org.

Community Foot Washing
Thursday, April 13th, 10:30-2pm



Join us for our annual Community Foot Washing event on Thursday, April 13th, 10 – 2pm.

There are multiple volunteer opportunities on this day. They include welcoming guests, preparing and serving a meal, washing feet, and offering prayer.

If you'd like to have your feet washed or to observe this meaningful practice, please join us as well.

We'll gather in the Urban Mission Unity Kitchen at 10am, but guests and volunteers are welcome to arrive anytime between 10 and 2. Free toiletries will be distributed throughout the day as well.

Good Friday Service - Friday, April 14th, 6pm **"7 Last Words"**

The William Franklin Kirtdoll Foundation will once again be holding its annual Good Friday service titled, "The Seven Last Words." The service will be held on Friday, April 14th, 2017, beginning at 6pm at Second Baptist Church, 717 Adams Street in Steubenville.

Rev. Ashley Steele of the Urban Mission will be sharing the fourth message, "*When God is Silent.*" Six additional pastors from throughout the area will also share a message that evening.

What's new in Homeless Services?



The gift of a “new car”

In December, we were blessed with a donation of a car. A few weeks ago, we were excited to pass along the keys and title of this car to one of our mothers staying with us at the Hutton House Homeless Shelter. We are thankful for donations such as these! They can be life changing for the families we serve.

Point in Time Count UPDATE

At the end of January, volunteers and local service providers in Jefferson and Harrison Counties came together to participate in the Point-In-Time Homeless Count, a count of all of the individuals and families experiencing homelessness on a set date each year.

Though the State is still reviewing the official numbers from each county, our preliminary count found a total of 88 individuals (73 in Jefferson and 15 in Harrison) who were homeless on January 24.

Though it can be discouraging to think of so many people experiencing homelessness right in our community (not to mention the half-a-million more throughout our nation), the Urban Mission feels blessed to be in a position where we are able to serve some of these individuals.

In conjunction with other local agencies, we are looking to find ways we can better serve individuals in our community and help them to find more sustainable solutions. Through partnerships, collaboration, and the grace of God, we truly believe we can work to end homeless in our counties.

This month, join us in celebrating Ms. Debra Bryan's 26th year of working at Urban Mission! Ms. Deb works at Hutton House as our Homeless Services Director. We are excited for the gifts she brings to this ministry and the vision God has given her for the future!

Minority Health Month Events Planned for April 2017



5K Walk/Run

Date: Saturday, April 1st, 2017

Time: 11:00am

Where: Steubenville City Building, 3rd Street
Register at urbanmission.org or on site at event

Men's Health Luncheon

Date: Saturday, April 15th 2017

Time: 12:00 pm – 2:00 pm

Where: Steubenville High School (Commons)

Men's Free Prostate Screening

Date: Thursday, April 27 2017

Time: 4:30 pm- 6:30 pm

Where: Tony Teramana Cancer Center

Women's Free Mammogram & Pap Screening

Date: Thursday, April 27 2017

Time: 4:30 pm – 6:30 pm

Where: Trinity East Medical Center



Dance for Life Workshop

Date: Saturday, April 29 2017

Time: 12:00 pm – 3:00 pm

Where: Harding Middle School, Steubenville

All events are **free and open to the public**.
For more information on any of these, or to find out how you can volunteer, please contact Ms. Cynthia Lytle at 740.282.8010 or clytle@urbanmission.org

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
April 2017						1 Minority Health Month 5K Walk/Run Race 11am Mission Rejoice 5pm
2 Urban Mission @ Baxter's Ridge UMC	3 Unity Kitchen open 12-1pm	4 Food Pick-up Group A-E Clothes Cloest 10am – 2pm Unity Kitchen open 12-1pm	5 Food Pick-up Group A-E Unity Kitchen open 12-1pm	6 Food Pick-up Group A-E	7	8 Mission Rejoice 5pm
9	10 Unity Kitchen open 12-1pm	11 Food Pick-up Group F-L Clothes Cloest 10am – 2pm Unity Kitchen open 12-1pm	12 Food Pick-up Group F-L Unity Kitchen open 12-1pm	13 Food Pick-up Group F-L Foot Washing 10am – 2pm	14 MISSION Closed for Good Friday 7 Last Words 6pm Second Baptist	15 Men;s Health Lunch 12pm – 2pm Steubenville High School
16 Easter Sunday!	17 MISSION Closed for Easter Monday	18 Food Pick-up Group M-R Clothes Cloest 10am – 2pm Unity Kitchen open 12-1pm CSFP Senior Food 1pm	19 Food Pick-up Group M-R Unity Kitchen open 12-1pm	20 Food Pick-up Group M-R	21 Volunteer & Donor Appreciation Lunch 12pm EGCC	22 Mission Rejoice 5pm
23 Urban Mission @ Toronto Presby. 30 Urban Mission @ Church of the Cross UMC	24 Unity Kitchen open 12-1pm	25 Food Pick-up Group S-Z Unity Kitchen open 12-1pm Clothes Cloest 10am – 2pm	26 Food Pick-up Group S-Z Unity Kitchen open 12-1pm	27 UM Newsletter Folding 9am Food Pick-up Group S-Z MHM Men's & Women's Screenings	28	29 Dance for Life 12p – 3pm Harding Middle School Mission Rejoice 5pm